#### **MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

# Questions of which notice has been given Requiring an Oral Answer Sitting of Tuesday 22 May 2012

## <u>Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,</u> <u>Minister of Defence, Home Affairs</u> and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues

B/102 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Dr Sorefan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the accident that occurred on 31 March 2012, at the Sorèze diversion, in which two persons died, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand as to the inquiry carried out thereinto, indicating if the lorry has been examined by the police expert and by the Forensic Science Laboratory and, if so, table copy of the reports thereof in connection therewith?

B/103 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the television news bulletins of the 1 May 2012, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to if the 7.30 p.m. edition thereof was delayed and if so, indicate (i) the reasons therefor (ii) the time at which it was broadcast and (iii) if the content of the 6.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. editions thereof were different from that of the 7.30 p.m. edition and if so, indicate the reasons therefor and (b) state if he has received representations to the effect that the different editions thereof were broadcast in a biased and impartial manner?

The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to Mr J. V., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to (a) the capacity in which he is employed, indicating (i) since when (ii) his qualifications and (iii) terms and conditions of employment and (b) if he had previously been employed by the Corporation, and if so, indicate the (i) post held (ii) period of employment and (iii) reasons as to why he had left?

B/105

The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to drugs, he will state if consideration will be given for the setting up of a Commission of Inquiry to look into the aspects thereof?

B/106

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the accident which occurred on Tuesday 20 March 2012, at Terre Rouge, in which a six year old schoolboy was fatally hit by the school van from which he had just alighted, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand as to the inquiry carried out thereinto, indicating if there was a helper in the van at the time the accident occurred?

The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Secruttun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to road accidents, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof in which there have been loss of life, since the beginning of the year to date, indicating the (a) number thereof which occurred in the region of Sorèze on the M1 Motorway and (b) concrete measures taken in relation to the prevention thereof, since the appointment of Mr B. B. as adviser for road safety matters in his Office?

B/108

The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Secruttun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to Mr S. P., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Airports of Mauritius Ltd., information as to the (a) role and duties assigned thereto (b) monthly remuneration package drawn and (c) number of working hours put?

B/109

The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the sexual offences of rape, sexual intercourse with a female under the age of 16 and incest he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof, in each case, over the past ten years, indicating the age of the victim and if the latter is a specified person?

B/110 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Guimbeau)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to drug trafficking in Mauritius, he will state if he proposes to set up a Commission of Inquiry with comprehensive terms of reference and powers and presided by a Judge and, if so, when?

B/111 The Honourable First Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or (Mr Gungah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Commission for the Democratisation of the Economy, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commission, information as to (a) the duties assigned thereto (b) the names of the members thereof, indicating their respective status (c) if it has submitted any report to his Office, since its setting up to date (d) the allowances and other benefits drawn by the members thereof and (e) the staff posted thereat?

B/112 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, following the submission of the report of the High Powered Committee set up to look into the proliferation of gaming houses, casinos, bookmakers and other types of betting, he will state (a) where matters stand as to the implementation of the recommendations thereof and (b) if Government proposes to introduce amendments to the Gambling Regulatory Authority Act with a view to abolishing off course betting and, if so, when?

B/113 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Bodha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the distribution of methadone, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases of violence in connection therewith, since 2011 to date?

B/114 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the members of the Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if he has received representations to the effect that they have not been regularly issued with shoes and uniforms in the recent past, thus causing hardships thereto, and if so, indicate the reasons therefor and if same will be remedied?

B/115 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Jugnauth)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the foreign property developers who have benefitted from leased State Lands, he will state if Government has taken any decision to authorize them to sell apartments found thereon or any other such property on a freehold basis?

B/116 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Jugnauth)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to Air Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the company, information as to since when it has no Chief Executive, indicating the reasons therefor and when it will be filled?

B/117 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, following the submission of the Report of the Truth and Justice Commission, he will state if Government proposes to set up a Land Monitoring and Research Unit and/or a full inquiry into land transactions to protect the interests of the land owners?

B/118 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the 2012 Rodrigues Regional Assembly Election, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Electoral Commissioner, information as to (a) the detailed cost thereof (b) if any incident occurred in relation to the holding thereof and (c) if he is contemplating to carry out any post-election analysis with all the stakeholders thereof with a view to improving the holding of elections, and if so when?

#### Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues

B/119 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed amendments to be brought to the Sports Act, he will state where matters stand, indicating if consultations have been carried out with all the parties concerned, including the National Sports Federations and the Mauritius Olympic Committee, and, if so, when in each case?

B/120 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the measure announced in the 2012 Budget Speech whereby private companies employing high level athletes are allowed to pay 50% of the wages thereof through their Corporate Social Responsibility Fund, he will state the (a) companies and athletes concerned therewith (b) conditions and formalities attached thereto and (c) how does this measure benefit these athletes?

B/121 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Dr Sorefan**)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of the Caudan flyover roundabout, he will (a) state the (i) contractual cost thereof (ii) date on which works started and the expected date of completion thereof (iii) variation of works, if any, enumerating each item thereof and indicating the cost thereof and (iv) if an assessment of the financial burden on the vehicle owners, who are stuck in traffic jams as a result of the works being carried out, has been made and (b) table copy of the contract therefor?

B/122 The

The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Ibrahim Abdullah Market Fair, at Cité Martial, Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to if it has received representations in relation to the rent payable, indicating the (a) actions that have been or will be taken in relation thereto and (b) reasons why the decision to reduce the rent payable to a standard rate has not been implemented?

B/123

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the Board of Trustees of the Islamic Cultural Centre, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Centre, information as to the names and qualifications of each member thereof, indicating in each case (a) who appointed them and when and (b) the allowances, benefits and perks drawn?

B/124

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the Sir Virgil Naz Street, Port Louis, he will state the reasons why part thereof has been closed to traffic, indicating if any prior assessment of the impact thereof on the traffic had been carried out?

B/125

The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart (Mrs Bholah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the incident which occurred at the Simadree Veerasamy State Secondary School, at Rivière du Rempart, on or about 9 May 2012, whereby a student was injured, he will state if an inquiry has been carried out into the circumstances thereof and if so, the outcome thereof?

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the local authorities, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from each one of them, information as to the date on which the computerization thereof was (a) implemented and (b) commissioned, indicating the number thereof which are facing problems therewith, if any?

B/127

The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the University of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the University, information as to if an inquiry has been carried out into the allegations of irregularity in connection with the last promotion exercise carried out thereat and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/128

The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare:-

Whether, in regard to the rehabilitation of families who have had their children removed from them, she will state the number thereof over the past five years, indicating, for the same period, the (a) number of children who have been returned to their family of origin, indicating their respective age and (b) types of support given to these families, indicating the number of (i) families who have benefitted therefrom and (ii) officers responsible therefor?

B/129 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to water, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Company Ltd., information as to if the supply thereof is regular at the Camp Levieux NHDC Housing Estate and, if not, indicate the remedial measures that will be taken, including if water pumps will be installed thereat and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/130 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the payments of rental fees by stall holders of markets and fairs to the Municipal Council of Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, information as to if the accounts in relation thereto have been tampered with, and if so, indicate (a) when and (b) if an inquiry has been carried out thereinto and the outcome thereof?

B/131 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Information and Communication Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the ICT/BPO International Conference, held in October 2011, he will (a) give a breakdown of the expenses incurred, including the names of the officers who were paid overtime/allowances for having worked in connection therewith, indicating the quantum thereof in each case and (b) state if the Director of Audit has carried out an audit of all the expenses incurred and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/132 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to Foreign Direct Investments, he will state the (a) total amount thereof obtained in 2011 and for the period January to April 2012 compared to the period January to April 2011 (b) estimated amount thereof to be obtained in 2012 (c) percentage of total Foreign Direct Investments invested in 2011 and estimated for 2012 in the construction and real estate sector and (d) impact of a reduction therein on the balance of payments and the economic growth rate for 2012?

B/133 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the current account and overall balance of payments, he will state (a) the amount and percentage rate of the Gross Domestic Product of the deficits for the year ended December 2011 and for the period January to April 2012 (b) an estimate of the amounts and percentage rates thereof for 2012 and (c) if the trend is worsening and if so, the impact thereof on the exchange rate of the rupee?

B/134 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Soodhun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the Chairperson and the General Manager of the Central Electricity Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board, in each case, information as to (a) their qualifications and (b) the salary and benefits drawn?

The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Soodhun)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the National Transport Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to the (a) financial situation thereof, since 2007 to date and (b) if it is selling its building found in Ebène and if so, indicate the (i) construction cost thereof and (ii) selling price thereof?

B/136 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Guimbeau)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to benzodiazepines, trihexyphentohyl and codeine based products, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Pharmacy Board, information as to the amount of money spent on the importation thereof over the past seven years, indicating if the Board exercises adequate control on the purchase thereof by the private and the public sectors?

B/137 The Honourable First Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or (Mr Gungah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the rehabilitation of the Grand Baie pubic beach, in front of the Grand Baie Social Welfare Centre, he will state (a) when the contract therefor was awarded, indicating the (i) name of the contractor (ii) initial cost and (iii) final cost thereof (b) when works started and were completed and (c) if he has received representations regarding shortcomings thereat and, if so, indicate the remedial measures that have been taken?

The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to dilatation and curettage, he will state the number thereof practised in public hospitals and in private clinics, over the past five years?

B/139

The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions:-

Whether, in regard to the old-aged person who passed away whilst being on the premises of the Ministry of Social Security in Port Louis on Wednesday 2 May 2012, she will state if an inquiry has been carried out into the circumstances and causes thereof and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/140

The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Dr Boolell)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the foreign students, he will state the number thereof presently studying in institutions run by or under the aegis of the University of Mauritius and the University of Technology, Mauritius, indicating (a) by how much this figure has increased since the setting up of the Ministry for Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology and (b) what are the programmes currently available in Mauritius which are in high demand by these students?

B/141

The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Dr Boolell**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to the new outpatients/casualty block in the Queen Victoria Hospital, he will state the area of unoccupied space thereat, indicating the reasons therefor?

B/142 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the financial assistance granted by Government to students to enable them pursue higher studies in tertiary institutions, he will state the number of students who have availed themselves thereof, since 2009 to date, on a yearly basis?

B/143 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed setting up of a Medical College in Bel Air, he will state where matters stand?

B/144 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Bodha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade:-

Whether, in regard to the petition made by the Chagos Community to the Government of the United States of America relating to their rights of return in the Chagos Archipelago and the issue of sovereignty thereon, he will state the outcome thereof?

B/145 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment:-

Whether, in regard to the low cost houses, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Company Ltd., and the National Empowerment Fund respectively, information as to the number thereof built, since 2005 to-date, indicating the (a) location thereof (b) cost thereof and (c) procedure followed for the selection of the contractors therefor?

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to absolute poverty, he will state the number of persons falling into this category, since 2005 to-date?

B/147

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development:-

Whether, in regard to the Bagatelle Dam Project, he will state if he is in presence of any adverse Environment Impact Assessment report in relation thereto and if so, will he table copy thereof?

B/148

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade:-

Whether, in regard to the Tamils of Sri Lanka, he will state the position of Government on the sufferings thereof?

B/149

The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 14, Savanne and Black River, in the regions of Choisy, Baie du Cap, St Martin, Bel Ombre and Chemin Grenier, he will state if he has been informed that the inhabitants thereof are insufficiently supplied with water for domestic and personal use, and if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to if necessary steps will be taken to ensure that the piped water delivery is as sufficient as possible?

The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions:-

Whether, in regard to the mentally or physically severely handicapped persons, with multiple congenital or traumatic deformities, she will state the number of known cases thereof, indicating if she will consider removing the ceiling of Rs 250,000 provided as assistance annually?

B/151

The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart (Mrs Bholah)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Youth Centres, he will state the eligibility criteria for the use thereof for the carrying out of activities by members of the public?

B/152

The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart (Mrs Bholah)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment:-

Whether, in regard to Panchavati, found in the district of Rivière du Rempart, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, information as to the social assistance brought to the needy people living thereat, if any, indicating the amount of money disbursed, since August 2011 to date and (b) state where matters stand regarding the setting up of a pre-primary school thereat?

B/153 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the Pointe Monnier Power Station project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to (a) the names of the bidders therefor, indicating the names of the successful bidder (b) the contractual value thereof (c) the expected completion date thereof and (d) if all the environmental issues in relation thereto are being closely monitored?

R. R. Dowlutta
Clerk of the National Assembly

Parliament House Port Louis

18 May 2012

#### MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

### Questions of which notice has been given Not Requiring an Oral Answer Sitting of Tuesday 22 May 2012

#### Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications. Minister for Rodrigues

The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite A/60 Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

> To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence. Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

> Whether, in regard to the purchase of 60 laptops in 2011 at the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to if tenders were launched therefor, and if so, indicate the (a) mode of procurement used (b) purpose for which the purchase thereof was effected (c) name of the supplier thereof (d) cost thereof (e) if the said laptops met the requirements to do editing works and (f) to whom same were distributed?

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

> To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodriaues:-

> Whether, in regard to the bus stop situated at the Nicolay Road, Port Louis, opposite the ex-British American Tobacco, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases of larceny with violence committed thereat over the past two years, indicating (a) the number of arrests effected in connection therewith (b) if the area is covered by the Closed Circuit Television Street Surveillance System and, if not, if consideration will be given therefor and (c) if he will consider the advisability of requesting the competent authorities to clear the bare lands in the vicinity thereof to prevent offenders from having a hiding place to lie in wait for their victims?

A/61

The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a new Police Station at Cité La Cure, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police (a) a list of the offices that will be constructed thereat and (b) information as to (i) if provision has been made for detention cells and, if so, indicate the number thereof and (ii) where matters stand, indicating the expected start and completion dates thereof?

A/63

The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Police Quarters situated at Moka, next to the one presently occupied by a Deputy Commissioner of Police, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if it is in an abandoned state and represents an eye-sore and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for remedial measures to be taken in relation thereto, and if so, when?

A/64

The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a new Police Station and Sub Divisional Headquarters at Moka, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if land has already been identified therefor and, if so, indicate (a) the location thereof (b) the extent thereof and (c) where matters stand?

The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the freelance workers presently employed by the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to the number thereof, indicating in each case, the (a) date of recruitment, indicating the procedure followed therefor (b) posting (c) qualifications (d) address and (e) terms and conditions of employment?

A/66

The Honourable First Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or (Mr Gungah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the vehicles of the make and model Toyota Land Cruiser Prado attached to the Emergency Response Service, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) when same were purchased and (b) if consideration is being given for the replacement thereof and, if so, where matters stand, indicating when the new fleet of vehicles will be available?

A/67

The Honourable First Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or (Mr Gungah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Police Training School at Beau Bassin, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) since when it is operational and (b) if there is a lack of space thereat and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for the setting up of (i) modern lecture rooms (ii) library facilities (iii) a gymnasium (iv) a 50 metres long swimming pool (v) an academy with in-built facilities and (vi) e-learning development, indicating in each case, when?

The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Closed Circuit Television Street Surveillance System installed in Flic en Flac, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if arrangements have been made for the (a) fourteen cameras installed thereat not to be obstructed by overgrown branches at all times and (b) bulb capacity of the six street lanterns thereat to be increased and, if not, why not?

A/69

The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a new Police Station at la Gaulette, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the Offices that will be housed thereat (b) if provision has been made for detention cells thereat and, if so, indicate the number thereof and (c) if the bidding documents have already been finalized and, if so, indicate where matters stand?

A/70

The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the hotline number 8910 for the tourists, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if the service is operational on a 24 hour basis and, if not, why not, indicating if remedial steps will be taken therefor?

A/71 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of promotion exercises carried out thereat, since 1996 to-date, indicating, the number of Police Officers promoted, indicating, in each case, the (a) date of the promotion (a) grade of the Police Officer and (c) if it was through automatic promotion or competitive examinations?

A/72 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Bel Ombre Police Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the present number of drivers attached thereto, indicating if consideration will be given for the provision of a minimum of two drivers for the two vehicles attached thereto?

A/73 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Seeruttun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a new Police Station at Cent Gaulettes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if land has already been identified therefor and, if so, indicate the (a) location and extent thereof and (b) where matters stand, indicating the start and completion dates of the works therefor?

A/74 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

> To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence. Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

> Whether, in regard to the journalists or animators employed on a permanent and temporary or freelance basis by the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the house, obtain from the Corporation, information as to (a) the names thereof, indicating in each case, their respective (i) qualifications (ii) salaries and (iii) terms and conditions of employment and (b) if any recruitment is being envisaged, and if so, indicate (i) when the exercise will be carried out and (ii) if it will be on a permanent or contractual basis?

#### Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues

A/75 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Beau Vallon Stadium, in Constituency No.12, Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien, he will state if consideration will be given for the upgrading thereof into a synthetic one and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Impasse Nicolas, at Quartier Shell, Roche Bois, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Muncipal Council of Port Louis. information as if it is found in a bad state and that there is presence of wastes thereat and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for the (a) reinstatement and tarring thereof (b) urgent removal of the wastes (c) provision of drains and (d) installation of street lanterns thereat?

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The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the Phase II of the construction project of the Jean Lebrun Government School, he will state the scope thereof, indicating where matters stand, including the expected date of completion thereof and the upgrading of the football ground thereof?

A/78

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the lease of Pas Géometrique for residential or industrial purposes, since 2005 to date, he will state the number of applications received for (a) new leases (b) renewal of leases (c) change of ownership, indicating in each case, the location of the property and the outcome thereof?

A/79

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Municipal Councils, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, the list of the municipal councilors who have been disqualified as such, as a result of the coming into force of the new Local Government Act, indicating in each case, if the said councillor has resigned or been removed from office?

A/80

The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to La Triennale d'Art Contemporain which was scheduled to be held in 2010, he will state (a) the reasons why it was not held and (b) if it has been rescheduled to be held this year and if so, indicate the amount of money allocated therefor?

A/81 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the renovation of La Galerie Nationale, he will state the (a) name of the bidders therefor, indicating the name of the successful one (b) contractual cost therefor, including the cost of restoration of the masterpieces, indicating the name of the person who will undertake same and (c) names of all the consultants/experts involved therein?

A/82 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the privatization and divestment of Government investment, he will state the assets and other interests proposed to be disposed of, indicating in each case, the (a) criteria used for the selection thereof (b) amount of profit or loss accumulated by the investments, since the date of purchase thereof to date and (c) estimated (i) value of the proceeds thereof and (ii) increase in fiscal revenues therefrom in each of the years 2012 to 2015?

A/83 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to Infinity BPO and its associated firms, he will state, the amount of money granted thereto in terms of financial assistance, indicating (a) the amount thereof (i) recovered as at to date, and where matters stand as to the recovery of the balance due (ii) written off and (b) if it is still operational?

The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Soodhun)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security:-

Whether, in regard to the cessation of the operations of the Highlands Sugar Factory, he will state the number of employees who have (a) already benefitted from the Voluntary Retired Scheme as at to-date and (b) not yet benefitted from the Voluntary Retired Scheme, indicating the reasons therefor?

A/85

The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the intra-urban bus service in Curepipe, along routes 44, 104, 114, 121, 128, 131 and 144, he will state if he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Transport Authority, information as to if consideration will be given for an extension of the running hours thereof till 20.00 hours instead of 19.00 hours to assist the working public and students who turn up at Jan Palach North, after 7.00 p.m., and if so, when and if not, why not?

A/86

The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Edgar Hughes Street, from the Pope Hennessy Street, he will state if he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Curepipe, information as to if consideration will be given for the installation of concrete slabs over the existing drains found thereat?

The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-

Whether, in regard to tertiary education, he will state the enrolment rate, since 2008 to 2011, on a yearly basis?

A/88

The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to domestic wastes, he will state if he has been informed that the drains constructed in the region of Grand Rivière Noire, at Avenue Eucalyptus, in Constituency No.14, Savanne and Black River, do not properly address the waste management problem thereat and, if so, indicate if remedial measures will be taken to prevent threats to health and to the environment thereat?

A/89

The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Secruttun)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a new Fire Station in Rose Belle, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Government Fire Services, information as to (a) the regions that will be covered and (b) where matters stand, indicating if the approval of the Public Plans Committee has already been obtained therefor?

A/90

The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the food court to be set up in the vicinity of the market in Quatre Bornes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Quatre Bornes, information as to if the stalls thereat have already been allocated and, if so, indicate the criteria used therefor and give a list of the beneficiaries thereof and, if not, indicate when same will be allocated?

The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the wifi internet connection, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Quatre Bornes, information as to where matters stand, indicating the regions which are presently covered therewith?

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