

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 18 October 2011****Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
Minister of Defence, Home Affairs
and External Communications**

B/747 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:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed amendments to be brought to the Equal Opportunities Act, he will state where matters stand?

B/748 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:-

Whether, in regard to telephone tapping, he will state if same is being resorted to by the National Security Service?

B/749 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:-

Whether, in regard to date rape drugs, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof, since 2005 to date, indicating if inquiries have been carried out thereinto, and if so, indicate the outcome thereof, including the (a) names of the night clubs concerned therewith, if any (b) tests carried out and measures taken to detect the presence of drugs and (c) measures taken to prevent the commission thereof?

B/750 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)
To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-
Whether, in regard to the fishermen, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Meteorological Services, information as to if consideration will be given for the (a) broadcasting of additional weather forecast bulletins at 6.00 p.m. and/or 7.00 pm everyday for the following day on radio and/or television and (b) setting up of a Short Message Service or Voice Mailbox System, with a view to facilitating the fishermen's decision before embarking at sea and if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/751 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)
To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-
Whether, in regard to Rodrigues, he will state if any adviser of his Ministry recently undertook any official mission thereto to effect any appraisal of the road and public safety issues thereat and if so (a) indicate the outcome thereof and (b) table the report submitted, if any, in relation thereto?

B/752 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)
To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-
Whether, in regard to Rodrigues, he will state if he proposes to set up a Commission of Inquiry to look into the public finances thereof, for the period July 2006 to-date, following the comments made by the Director of Audit in its various reports in relation to governance and the conduct of the public finances by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly?

B/753 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)
To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-
Whether, in regard to the Cargo Handling Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to the current (a) financial situation thereof (b) amount of outstanding debt thereof and (c) number of staff members employed thereat?

B/754 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:-

Whether, in regard to each of the grade, from Chief Inspector of Police to Deputy Commissioner of Police, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of existing vacancies as at to date?

B/755 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:-

Whether, in regard to late Mr A. K. R., who passed away at the Rivière du Rempart Police Station, on or about Saturday 30 July 2011, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) date on which he was arrested (b) charge(s) preferred against him and (c) circumstances of his death, indicating if an inquiry has been carried out thereinto and, if so, the outcome thereof?

B/756 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:-

Whether, in regard to the Fact Finding Committee set up to look into cases of alleged irregularity at the Business Parks of Mauritius Ltd. and presided over by the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping, he will state when the report was submitted to him, indicating if (a) following observations made therein, disciplinary actions have been taken and if so, against whom and when (b) mention is made therein of any case of abuse of authority, and if so, if same has been referred to the police, indicating when and (c) other shortcomings have been observed, and if so, the remedial measures taken, indicating when?

B/757 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mrs Labelle)

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

Whether, in regard to the prisons, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, information as to the number of cases of tuberculosis diagnosed thereat, since January 2008 to September 2011, indicating the treatment administered?

B/758 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of the new terminal of the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Airports of Mauritius Ltd., information as to where matters stand?

B/759 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:-

Whether, in regard to the Vacoas Police Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) number of (i) Police Officers posted thereat, indicating their respective grades and (ii) vehicles attached thereto and (b) regions and size of population it covers, indicating if consideration will be given for the setting up of a new Police Station within the regions it covers, in view of the fast expansion thereof?

B/760 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:-

Whether, in regard to the Commission for the Democratisation of the Economy, he will state the (a) number of officers attached thereto (i) at the time it was set up and (ii) currently and (b) name of the (i) Chairperson and (ii) Deputy Chairperson thereof, indicating in each case, the attributions and monthly financial package?

B/761 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

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

Whether, in regard to late Mr A. K. R., who passed away while in police custody, on 30 July 2011, at the Rivière du Rempart Police Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the date of his arrest (b) the provisional charge lodged against him (c) if other co-accused were arrested with regard to the same offence, and if so, in each case, indicate the provisional charge lodged against them and (d) the circumstances of his death?

B/762 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:-

Whether, in regard to bail, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the present practical arrangements which have been made for presentation in court and the payment of bail and (b) state if he has received representations for a review of the arrangements which have been made for presentation in court and the payment of bail?

B/763 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:-

Whether, in regard to electoral reform, he will state where matters stand following the mission of the constitutional expert, Professor Carcassonne?

B/764 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Soodhun)

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

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Passport and Immigration Office, information as to if one Mr R. B. has submitted an application for the issue of the Mauritian Nationality or Residence Permit and, if so, the outcome thereof?

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

B/765 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East **(Mr Ameer Meea)**

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

Whether, in regard to R.S. Denim which benefitted from financial assistance under the Additional Stimulus Package, he will state (a) the debt situation thereof and (b) where matters stand as to the proposed sale thereof?

B/766 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)

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

Whether, in regard to the protection of the borrowers he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the (i) Commissioner for Borrowers, information as to the number of (i) cases referred thereto, indicating the outcome thereof in each case, and (ii) properties sold at the Master's Court, since the adoption of the Protection of Borrowers Act to date, on a yearly basis and (ii) Sale by Levy Solidarity Fund, information as to the number of victims of the sale by levy who have benefitted therefrom, indicating the sums disbursed in each case and (b) state if Government proposes to recommend the inclusion of reporting from non-financial institutions at the Mauritius Credit Information Bureau?

B/767 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)

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

Whether, following the re-introduction of the registration duty exemption on registration of deeds for first time buyers for the purchase of bare and built up land in the Finance Act of 2010, he will state if consideration will be given for the (a) re-introduction of the registration duty exemption on registration of deeds of loans for first time buyers and for borrowers constructing a house for the first time as provided for under the Land Duties and Taxes Act and the Registration Duty Act, prior to the Finance Act of 2006 and (b) introduction of first time buyer exemption for projects falling under *Vente à l'Etat Futur d'Achèvement, Vente à Terme* and shares sold in *Société Civile Immobilière d'Attribution*?

B/768

The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

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

Whether, in regard to our territorial waters, he will state (a) if any mechanism for the control, prevention and monitoring of environmental pollution from oil spills or any hazardous wastes emanating from vessels sailing therein has been put in place (b) if any pollution of the east and south east coastal region of Rodrigues by pellets of crude oil or by-products has been reported, on or about mid July 2011 and (c) the measures taken for any scientific analysis and the tracking down of the polluters thereof and if not, why not?

B/769

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

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

Whether, in regard to the Business Parks of Mauritius Ltd. (BPML), he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from BPML, information as to the present financial situation thereof?

B/770

The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Society of Authors, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board thereof, information as to the number of staff members employed thereat, indicating their respective (a) grade and (b) monthly salary drawn?

B/771 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the royalties, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Society of Authors, information as to the total amount thereof, over the past five years (a) remitted to foreign organizations, giving details thereof and (b) received from foreign organizations, giving details thereof?

B/772 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Obeegadoo**)

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

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a university campus at Montagne Blanche, he will state (a) if a prior assessment of the demand for university places was carried out and (b) the name of the university that will be accommodated thereat, indicating the (i) fields of study that will be offered and (ii) number of students expected to be accommodated thereat?

B/773 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Obeegadoo**)

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

Whether, in regard to cancer, he will state the number of reported cases thereof over the past twenty years, on a yearly basis, indicating any identified trends thereof and if relevant analyses reveal any pattern as to the prevalence of specific cancers and, if so, indicate if there has been a review of the measures taken for the prevention and diagnosis thereof and the provision of curative services?

B/774 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (**Mrs Labelle**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed rental of a building to house the Floréal Dispensary-Community Health Centre, he will state where matters stand?

B/775 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the setting up of an Artist Welfare Fund, he will state where matters stand?

B/776 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the sports facilities available in the schools, he will state if consideration will be given for same to be put at the disposal of the local community, after school hours?

B/777 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Lesjongard)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Central Electricity Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board, information as to the number of expressions of interest launched by the Board, since 2010 to date, indicating (a) in each case, the names of the bidders and (b) if prior to the launching thereof, his Ministry had received proposals therefor?

B/778 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 indirect taxes, he will, for the years 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively (a) state the total amount and the percentage rate of Gross Domestic Product thereof compared to direct taxes and (b) obtain from the Mauritius Revenue Authority, information as to the total amount of Value Added Tax, duty on petroleum products, duty on plastic products and tax on gambling collected, as at end of September 2011 compared to 2010, indicating the extent of the increases thereof and their impact on the inflation rate?

B/779 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 (FDIs), he will state the total amount thereof (a) received in 2010 compared to the estimated amount thereof expected to be received in 2011 and (b) raised as at end of September 2011 compared to 2010, indicating the changes in the composition of the FDIs and how they will impact on the balance of payments, exchange rate and macroeconomic policy?

B/780 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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

Whether, he will state if he has been informed of the conditions in which one Mrs L. D. S., and her family have been living at La Tour Koenig and, if so, will he state if a social enquiry has been carried out in relation thereto, indicating (a) when and (b) the measures, if any, taken to come to their assistance?

B/781 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mrs Radegonde**)

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

Whether, in regard to salmonella, he will state, since January 2011 to-date, the (a) number of reported cases of presence thereof in meat and food preparations, indicating the number of cases of death that has occurred following consumption thereof, if any (b) number of samples of meat and food preparations taken with a view to detect the presence thereof and the outcome thereof (c) number of school canteens, snacks and restaurants which have been controlled therefor, indicating the outcome thereof and (d) actions taken to sensitize the food sellers and the public in relation thereto?

B/782 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 she will state if she has been informed of the case of one J. Y. M., of the region of Coteau Raffin, La Gaulette, in Constituency No.14, Savanne/Black River, who has attempted suicide on several occasions and, if so, indicate the measures taken, if any, to offer any assistance to him?

B/783 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 road works being carried out at the Phoenix IVTB roundabout, he will state (a) the name of the contractor (b) the scope of works, indicating if the lighting of the roundabout is included therein and, if not, why not (c) the contract value thereof and (d) if there has been variation in the scope of works and if so, the cost thereof?

B/784 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mare aux Vacoas catchment area, he will state the (a) acreage thereof and (b) extent of deforestation thereat and the reasons therefor, indicating if further deforestation is being considered or alternative reforestation and if so, over which acreage and period?

B/785 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

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

Whether, in regard to the Corporate Social Responsibility, he will state the number of projects which have been submitted to the national CSR Committee, since January 2011 to date, indicating the (a) number thereof which have been approved (b) time taken between submission and approval thereof and (c) reasons for non-approval, in each case?

B/786 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 Mauritius Football Association, he will state the situation prevailing thereat, indicating if same is having any impact on the activities thereof and, if so, the remedial measures he proposes to take?

B/787 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 Mauritian Weightlifters, he will state the actions taken to give a new boost to this sport discipline, in view of the performance thereof during the last Indian Ocean Games held in the Seychelles?

B/788 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 renovation of the Plaza Municipal Theatre, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Beau Bassin/Rose Hill, information as to where matters stand?

B/789 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 Rose Hill Municipal Market, he will state if he has been informed of the bad state thereof and of the unhygienic conditions prevailing thereat and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Beau Bassin/Rose Hill, information as to if consideration will be given for the pulling down of the existing building and the construction of a new modern market?

B/790 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Seeruttun)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Vallée d'Osterlog Endemic Garden Foundation, he will state the (a) number of people employed on its setting up and the number of employees currently in employment thereat (b) details of the sources of funding thereof and (c) outcome of the activities carried out thereat as at to-date?

B/791 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Hanoomanjee)

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

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Morcellement Board, information as to if Mr I. S. has submitted an application for the issue of a Morcellement Permit in respect of a plot of land in Henrietta, Vacoas and, if so, when?

B/792 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Hanoomanjee)

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

Whether he will state if he has been informed of a traffic of fictitious prescriptions involving doctors and pharmacists and, if so, will he state if an inquiry has been carried out thereinto, indicating the outcome thereof?

B/793 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West **(Mrs Navarre-Marie)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Service To Mauritius and the Capacity Building programmes, he will state (a) the total implementation cost thereof, as at to date, giving a list of the foreign and local consultants recruited, indicating in each case, the nationality, salary, qualifications, experience, conditions of contract and date of appointment (b) if an assessment thereof and the impact thereof in terms of results achieved and opportunity cost have been carried out and (c) if same will be revisited with a view to providing opportunities to long term employment to local graduates?

B/794 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central **(Mr Uteem)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Industry, Commerce and Consumer Protection:-

Whether, in regard to the chartering contract with Betamax Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to the (a) daily freight charge, indicating if the charge is paid irrespective of the amount of oil transported (b) amount of port dues, taxes and bunkering in respect of each trip effected by the tanker and (c) cost of demurrage per day?

B/795 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment:-
Whether, in regard to the Employment Rights Act, he will state if Government proposes to bring amendments thereto, to be in line with the recent judgment of the Industrial Court in the case of Edoo v/s United Bus Service Ltd.?

B/796 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Soodhun**)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-
Whether, in regard to the proposed introduction of the new Local Government Bill, he will state where matters stand?

B/797 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (**Ms Ribot**)
To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-
Whether, in regard to the children with disabilities in primary schools, he will state the facilities provided to them thereat?

B/798 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (**Mr Jugnauth**)
To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-
Whether, in regard to pools of Supertote and Tote Lepep, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Gambling Regulatory Authority, information as to if the latter has approved the commingling thereof and, if so, indicate the conditions attached thereto?

B/799 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (**Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun**)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Information and Communication Technology:-
Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Telecom, he will state if he has received representations from the employees thereof with regard to their conditions of service and, if so, the measures he has undertaken or proposes to take in relation thereto?

B/800 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (**Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun**)

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

Whether, in regard to the recipients of the Basic Retirement Pension, he will state the quantum of increase that will be granted thereto, as from January 2012?

B/801 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mr Ganoo**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Jin Fei Project, he will state (a) the amount of funds disbursed by Government for utilities and infrastructural works, since December 2010 to-date and (b) if on-site construction works have started?

B/802 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (**Ms Ribot**)

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

Whether, in regard to patients who cannot be operated in Mauritius and who require to be operated overseas, he will state the number thereof, since August 2008 to-date, indicating if (a) the Technical Committee set up to review the Overseas Treatment Scheme has recommended any increase in the quantum of the financial aid granted to them and, if so, indicate the quantum thereof and when same will be implemented and (b) any other facilities are granted to them?

R. R. Dowlutta
Clerk of the National Assembly

Parliament House
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A/272 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:-

Whether, in regard to the carrying out of embellishment works at the entrance of the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airports of Mauritius Ltd., information as to the (a) name of the contractor (b) contract value and (c) scope of works thereof?

A/273 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the recruitment of employees by Airports of Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the company, a list of the recruits, since 2010 to date, indicating in each case the name, residential address, job title and basic salary and the recruitment method used?

A/274 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Li Kwong Wing**)

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

Whether, in regard to the zebra crossing areas, at the level of the Police Station and the market, along the Royal Road in Beau Bassin, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases of road accident thereat, over the past three years, indicating the (a) number of fatal ones and (b) measures that will be taken to prevent road accidents thereat?

A/275 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

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

Whether, in regard to bail, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of persons who (a) have been refused bail and (b) are presently on remand, following the circular letter dated 4 July 2011 of the Commissioner of Police addressed to the Divisional Commanders and Branch Officers?

A/276 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

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

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of persons who have been released on bail on a Saturday by a District Magistrate, since January 2011 to-date?

A/277 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:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a new Police Station at Blue Bay, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) when construction works are expected to (i) start and (ii) be completed and (b) if provision has been made for cells and, if so, indicate the number thereof?

A/278 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:-

Whether, in regard to the Police vehicle bearing the registration number 5630 DC 05, which was involved in a road accident, on or about 11 March 2008, 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?

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A/279 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Ail Doré Street, Port Louis, he will state if he has been informed of traffic congestions occurring thereat due to the narrowness thereof and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for the conversion thereof into a one-way street?

A/280 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)

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

Whether he has received representations from the public for the construction of bus stop shelters from the region of Gangasingh, along the Palma Road, up to the region, commonly known as Fanta, and for the provision of sitting accommodation at the bus stop at the Candos stadium and if so, indicate if consideration will be given thereto?

A/281 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the *Domaine Les Pailles*, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Investment Corporation, information as to the profit or loss realized by each of the restaurants thereat, as the case may be, since 2005 to date, on a yearly basis?

A/282 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

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

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 20, Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière, he will give a list of the ongoing works, indicating in each case, the (a) location (b) scope of works (c) cost estimate and (d) dates of start and completion of works?

A/283 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

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

Whether, in regard to the new football grounds at Canot Village and La Confiance, Maingard, in Beau Bassin, he will, in each case, state (a) the dates of start and completion of works (b) the amount budgeted therefor and (c) if lighting facilities are included in the scope of works?

A/284 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (**Mrs Labelle**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mayor's Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas/Phoenix, a breakdown thereof, since March 2011 to-date, indicating, in each case the (a) names of the beneficiaries (b) quantum thereof and (c) purpose therefor?

A/285 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Lesjongard**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Fort Victoria Re-Development Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the make and cost of the two 15 MW diesel engines installed thereat, indicating if penalty charges have been paid in respect thereof and if so, the (a) amount thereof and (b) reasons therefor?

A/286 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Li Kwong Wing**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Verger-Bissempur area at Mont Roches, he will state if he has been informed of accumulation of waste water thereat, thereby representing health and security hazards and, if so, will urgent remedial actions be taken?

A/287 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 the resurfacing of the Bois Goyave Road, the Bois d'Ebene Road and the other roads, opposite the *La Bonne Chute Restaurant*, in La Preneuse, in Constituency No.14, Savanne and Black River, he will state where matters stand?

A/288 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mrs Radegonde**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the presentation of the next budget, he will state if he has held meetings with the local artists with a view to assessing their needs and, if so, when, indicating the outcome thereof and, if not, why not?

A/289

The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Dr Sorefan)

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 from each Council, for the financial year 2009, information as to (a) the total amount of stocks and debts (b) the percentage of the debts that have been written off, indicating the reasons therefor and (c) if discrepancies have been noted in the final account for 2009 and, if so, the reasons therefor?

A/290

The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Dr Sorefan)

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

Whether, in regard to the full time and part-time legal advisers whose services have been retained and approved, since 2007 to date by the Information and Communication Technology Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information in each case, as to (a) their names, date of appointment, terms and conditions of appointment and the payments effected and (b) the number of overseas trips undertaken, indicating in each case, the (i) cost (ii) destination and (iii) purpose therefor?

A/291

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

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

Whether, in regard to the landslide problem in the region of Deux Frères and Quatre Soeurs, he will state where matters stand?

A/292 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Hanoomanjee)

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

Whether, in regard to Avenue Becones, Cité CHA, Tamarin, he will state if he has been informed of the unhygienic conditions prevailing thereat, and if so, if consideration will be given for the construction of drains thereat, as a matter of priority?

A/293 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Ms Ribot)

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

Whether, in regard to the 7,000 families surveyed by the National Empowerment Foundation to be living in absolute poverty, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Foundation, information as to the number of women and children included therein, indicating (a) their respective age group and (b) the assistance provided to them, including the amount of funds disbursed for the period January-September 2011?

A/294 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Ms Ribot)

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

Whether, in regard to Corporate Social Responsibility, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, information as to the (a) amount of funds disbursed for (i) social housing (ii) eradication of absolute poverty and (iii) vulnerable children, for the period 01 January to 30 June 2011, giving a breakdown thereof (b) number of Non Governmental Organisations that have obtained CSR funding to implement projects for vulnerable children and (c) number of projects funded, indicating the number of children who have benefitted therefrom?

A/295 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Jugnauth)

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 a retaining wall and an access road at Mount Ory, he will state where matters stand?

A/296 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Jugnauth)

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

Whether, in regard to each of our Embassies and Consulates, he will give a list of the Officials and Staff posted thereat, since July 2005 to-date?

A/297 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed opening of an activity centre for the elderly at St Pierre, she will state where matters stand?

A/298 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

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

Whether, in regard to the Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Fund, information as to the number of persons recruited since 2005 to-date, indicating (a) their respective date of birth and address and (b) the community centre to which they are attached?

A/299 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

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

Whether, in regard to tardy declaration of birth, she will state the number of reported cases thereof, since January 2011 to-date, indicating the (a) time taken for processing an application therefor and (b) number of pending cases?

A/300 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 medical negligence, he will state the number of reported cases thereof, since 2005 to-date, indicating, in each case if an inquiry has been carried out and, if so, the outcome thereof?

A/301 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Quirin)**

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

Whether, in regard to Coromandel, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Beau Bassin/Rose Hill, information as to if a portion of land has been identified thereat for the construction of a football ground and, if so, indicate the location thereof and the start and completion dates of works and, if not, why not?

A/302 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Quirin)**

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

Whether, in regard to the renovation works at the Mont Roches Municipal Social Centre, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Beau Bassin/Rose Hill, information as to if tenders have been launched therefor and, if so (a) when (b) the name of the contractor (c) the contract value and (d) the starting and completion dates thereof?

A/303 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 Port Louis Fire Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Government Fire Services, information as to (a) if the Occupational Safety and Health Unit of the Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms has submitted any report in relation to the conditions of the building, pointing out several shortcomings and potential dangers prevailing thereat and, if so (i) table copy thereof and (ii) indicate the urgent remedial measures that will be taken and (b) where matters stand in relation to the relocation thereof, indicating if land has now been identified and, if so, indicate the location and extent thereof and, if not, why not?

A/304 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes **(Mr Ramano)**

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

Whether, in regard to the construction industry, he will state if consideration will be given for the (a) re-introduction of the Additional Stimulus Package to exempt the promoters and the purchasers respectively from the payment of Land Transfer Tax and Registration Duty and (b) taxation at the rate of 5% of Land Transfer Tax for already built up houses under the Real Estate Scheme as is presently the case for *Vente à l'Etat Futur d'Achèvement* and *Vente à Terme*?

A/305 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Obeegadoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the enrolment in post-secondary/higher education in Mauritius, he will state the present total enrolment, giving a breakdown thereof (a) institution wise (b) discipline wise (c) between full time and part time students and (d) between students aged 19-24 and students aged 25 and above?

A/306 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Obeegadoo)

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

Whether, in regard to students having completed secondary education in 2008, he will state the number thereof (a) holding either the Higher School Certificate or General Certificate of Education and (b) having embarked on a full time higher education course of study in 2009?

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