

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 12 August 2008

Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative
Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands

B/1090 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Speville**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the inquiry in relation to late J. S. and J. C. P., the Officers of the National Coast Guard who died in a search and rescue operation in Rodrigues, on or about 13 May 2007, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand?

B/1091 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mrs Martin**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Major Crime Investigations Team unit in Curepipe, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the number of Police Officers posted thereat (i) in January 2006, 2007 and 2008 and (ii) as at end of July 2008 (b) the available resources for them to discharge their duties and (c) the number of cases treated and solved, since January 2008 to date?

B/1092 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mr Bodha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the drugs listed out in Schedule II of the Dangerous Drugs Act, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases of possession thereof, since July 2005 todate?

B/1093 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mr Bodha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the drug traffickers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number thereof whose assets have been forfeited, since July 2005 todate?

B/1094 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mr Bodha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to Heroin, commonly known as Brown Sugar, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases of offences in relation thereto, since July 2005 todate, indicating the number of persons who have been prosecuted?

B/1095 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of travel trips undertaken by Mr S. C., since July 2005 todate, indicating in each case (a) the countries visited and (b) the airport of destination?

B/1096 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Jhugroo**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to reported cases of Police Officers under the influence of alcohol whilst on duty, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number thereof, since January 2008 todate, indicating in each case the sanctions taken, if any?

B/1097 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, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the pilgrimage of the Bienheureux Père Laval, he will state if Government has set up a Committee for the organization thereof and, if not, why?

B/1098 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (**Mr Bodha**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to Mr G. S. S., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number and nature of the cases in which he has been or is a suspect and the outcome of the police inquiry, in each case?

B/1099 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Jhugroo**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the French air steward who was recently arrested for possession of subutex, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if (a) any other arrest has been effected in connection therewith in Mauritius and (b) any person has been prosecuted?

B/1100 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Gunness**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the explanations being sought from the Chairperson of the Mauritius Port Authority in connection with the 25,000 USD allegedly credited in his bank account by the firm Boskalis International Ltd., he will state where matters stand?

B/1101 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, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the recent subutex case involving Mr S. C. , he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if one Mr A. L. has made a complaint to the police concerning threats to his life?

B/1102 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Lauthan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to cases of assaults, wounds and blows and larceny with violence, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if there are reported cases thereof committed by organized gangs of adolescents, since the past two years, and if so, the number thereof, indicating if there are cases in which the perpetrators were under the influence of alcohol?

B/1103 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Dowarkasing**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to our exclusive economic zone, he will state if an agreement has been reached with the Government of Seychelles and, if so, give details of the main features thereof?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands

B/1104 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (**Mr Dayal**)

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

Whether, in regard to the pharmaceutical products that are being used in the public and private health care institutions, he will state if Government is proposing to establish a quality control laboratory to ensure the quality thereof, and if so, when and if not, why not?

B/1105 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Speville**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Eradication of Absolute Poverty Programme, he will state the number of Rodriguan nationals forming part of the targeted 7157 families?

B/1106 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Varma**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Local Government:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a new market in Plaine Magnien, he will state where matters stand?

B/1107 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Varma**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment and National Development Unit:-

Whether, in regard to the widening of the Rishi Dayanand Road, along the wall of the Mohabeer Burrenchobay Primary School, in Plaine Magnien, he will state where matters stand?

B/1108 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Varma**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a taxi stand in Plaine Magnien, he will state where matters stand?

B/1109 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Varma**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a taxi stand in Mahebourg, he will state where matters stand?

B/1110 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mr Ganoo**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro Industry and Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the fishers of Baie du Cap and Bel Ombre, he will state if he has received representations therefrom regarding the (a) difficulties they are facing in connection with the beach works being carried out at the Tamassa Hotel (b) pollution caused to the lagoon by the lime kiln at Staub, Baie du Cap and (c) works currently underway for the construction of the new Macondé Bridge and if so, if he has recently met them, indicating the outcome thereof?

B/1111 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mrs Martin**)

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

Whether, in regard to the tender exercise launched by the State Investment Corporation in relation to the Mauritius National Lottery, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to the name of the

successful bidder, indicating when it is expected to start operating?

B/1112 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mrs Martin**)

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

Whether, in regard to the national colleges, he will state the number thereof which are not equipped with basic sports amenities infrastructure and multipurpose halls?

B/1113 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Juggoo**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Local Government:-

Whether he will state if it is proposed to put up a children playground at Batterie Cassée, Karo Kaliptis, and if so, when?

B/1114 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Juggoo**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Local Government:-

Whether he will state if he has received any request from a socio-cultural group to change the appellation of the Montagne Zaco Road into that of the Late Beekramsing Ramlallah Road and, if so, if it will be acceded to?

B/1115 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Juggoo**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the NHDC complex of Cité La Cure and that of La Croisée, Vallée des Prêtres, he will state if he has received complaints from the inhabitants thereof in relation to security problems they are facing within the complexes and, if so, indicate the remedial actions, if any, that have been or will be taken?

B/1116 The Honourable Fifth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Soodhun)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Tourism, Leisure and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the purchase of new cranes in the port, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Port Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/1117 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether, in regard to money laundering, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Intelligence Unit, information as to if an inquiry has been carried out on the financial transactions of Mr S. C., since July 2005 todate?

B/1118 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Tourism, Leisure and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the contract awarded to Boskalis International Ltd., for dredging works in the port area, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Port Authority, information as to who carried out the Environment Impact Assessment (b) if a monitoring of the works being carried out is being effected and, if so, by whom and (c) if he has received representations regarding the quality of the works being carried out thereat and the damage being caused to the lagoon?

B/1119 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue
(Mr Jhugroo)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Tourism, Leisure and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the Board of the International Air Travel Agency, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain

from the Air Mauritius Ltd., information as to the name of its representative sitting thereon?

B/1120 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Guimbeau)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro Industry and Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Sugar Terminal Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to if it will cease operation and, if so (a) when and (b) if the acquired rights of the employees of the port, who had become redundant on its coming into operation, will be safeguarded and if so, how?

B/1121 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Guimbeau)

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

Whether, in regard to the Board of Investment, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board a breakdown of the investment promotion for the year 2006-2007, in terms of (a) missions (b) investment promotion tools (c) aquaculture study (d) promotional advertising and (e) hospitality?

B/1122 The Honourable Third Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the Hajj organisers who have been suspended, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Islamic Cultural Centre, information as to if the public has been informed of their suspension?

B/1123 The Honourable Third Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

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

Whether, in regard to the studies carried out by the National Economic and Social Council since July 2005, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, a list

thereof, indicating in each case, if the services of consultants were retained in the carrying out thereof?

B/1124 The Honourable Fifth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Soodhun)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the Hajj, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Islamic Cultural Centre, information as to if changes have been brought to the regulations in relation to the organisation thereof, indicating if the bond and registration fees payable by the organisers have been increased and, if so, by how much?

B/1125 The Honourable Third Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

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

Whether, in regard to the report of the Fact Finding Committee set up to investigate into the errors in the results of the November/December 2007 Cambridge School Certificate Examinations French paper, he will state if he will now table copy thereof?

B/1126 The Honourable Third Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Industry, Small & Medium Enterprises, Commerce and Co-operatives:-

Whether, in regard to the Small Enterprise Handicraft Development Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to if (a) the Confidential Secretary of the Managing Director thereof (i) has had her scheme of duties changed and (ii) has been requested to hand over the files which were in her custody and (b) a reshuffling exercise of the staff is being carried out thereat?

B/1127 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment and National Development Unit:-

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 20, Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière, he will table a list of the projects (a) to be

implemented in the financial year 2008-2009 and (b) earmarked for the financial year 2009-2010?

B/1128 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Allet**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the NHDC units, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Company, information as to if one Mr O. M. has been allocated with one unit and, if so, indicate (a) where and (b) when?

B/1129 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Guimbeau**)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Justice & Human Rights:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed Freedom of Information Bill, he will state if his Ministry had held a brainstorming exercise on 31 July 2008 and if so, the outcome thereof?

B/1130 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Guimbeau**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the transfer or substitution of leases on *Pas Géométriques*, since July 2005 to date, he will (a) give a list and the number of transactions thereof, indicating the name of the transferors and the transferees in each case and (b) state the amount of registration duty, land transfer tax or any other tax paid in each case?

B/1131 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Lauthan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport & Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the Traffic Management and Road Safety Unit, he will give a list of the vacancies existing thereat, indicating the grade in each case?

B/1132 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Lauthan**)

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

Whether, in regard to the patients attending the Dr Jeetoo Hospital for the Methadone Substitution Therapy, he will state if their travelling allowances have been stopped and, if so (a) when and (b) the reasons therefor?

B/1133 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Dowarkasing**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the posts of Chief Works Officer, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to if any promotion exercise has recently been carried out and, if so, if they were advertised, indicating (a) the mode of advertisement (b) the number of employees of the Authority who have applied therefor and (c) the number of workers appointed?

B/1134 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Dowarkasing**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment:-

Whether he will state if he is aware of the case of one Mr J. M., who has been dismissed from his job at Le Mauricia Hotel and, if so, give details thereof and the actions taken, if any?

B/1135 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Dowarkasing)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment and National Development Unit:-

Whether he will state if his Ministry has been apprised of water pollution being caused by the Compagnie Mauricienne de Textile Ltée, at Verdun and, if so, will he give details thereof, indicating the actions taken, if any?

R. R. Dowlutta
Clerk of the National Assembly

Parliament House
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A/17 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Dayal)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether he is aware of the several representations made by the village councillors and the force vives of Quartier Militaire in relation to the insecurity of the road users, including the schoolchildren and the factory workers in the region from the Srimati Indira Gandhi State Secondary School to the Saint Martin Dam, Quartier Militaire, and if so, will he state if he will consider constructing footpaths along the roads and provide handrails thereat?

A/18 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Dayal)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Local Government:-

Whether he will state if the cremation grounds at Vuillemin, Quartier Militaire, and that of St Julien d'Hotman will be upgraded and, if so, indicate (a) when and (b) the costs thereof?

A/19 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Dayal)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Local Government:-

Whether he will state if the football ground at l'Avenir, St Pierre, will be provided with lighting and, if so, indicate the cost thereof?

A/20 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Lauthan**)

To ask D. the Honourable Local Government:-

Whether he is aware of the presence of electrical cables lying on the ground at Espace L'Amitié, Cité Martial, thereby representing hazards and if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to the remedial measures that will be taken?

R. R. Dowlutta
Clerk of the National Assembly

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