MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 17 August 2010

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

1B/473 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 civil marriage, he will state if consideration will be given to amend the legislation with a view to reviewing downwards the fees charged for the celebration thereof in private premises other than private residential premises and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

1B/474 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 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 names of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Members thereof, indicating the respective (i) salaries and allowances drawn and any other benefits to which they are entitled and (ii) facilities put at their disposal (b) the number of staff posted thereat, indicating their respective grades and (c) if it has produced any report, as at to date?

1B/475 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 television broadcast on the channels of the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to if there have recently been recurrent disruption of images, and if so, indicate the (a) frequency thereof (b) reasons therefor (c) number of households which have been deprived of the images and (d) remedial measures taken to prevent the recurrence thereof? 1B/476 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:-

Whether, in regard to the advisers and/or persons appointed on contract, either on a full-time or part-time basis, at the Prime Minister's Office, he will state (a) their names (b) their qualifications (c) the capacity in which they are appointed (d) their terms and conditions of appointment, including the salaries and any other allowances drawn, if any, since assuming office to-date (e) the number of official missions undertaken by each one of them to-date, if any, and the *per diem* allowances drawn and (f) make and model of the car put at their disposal, if any?

1B/477 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

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

Whether, in regard to drugs, he will state if Government will consider taking urgent measures to usher in a nationwide campaign to (a) discourage recourse thereto (b) prevent drug dealing and trafficking and (c) treat and rehabilitate the drug users, in view of Mauritius ranking as one of the foremost drugs consumer countries in the world by the United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime?

1B/478 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 the incident which occurred at the La Tour Koenig Shopping Centre, during the night of 07 August 2010 to the morning of 08 August 2010, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of Police Officers who were on duty at the La Tour Koenig Police Station during that night, indicating (a) their respective ranks (b) when was the Station informed thereof and (c) the actions that were taken to prevent any deterioration of the situation? 1B/479 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 the private security services, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of (a) persons registered to perform the duties of security guard (b) firms registered to offer security guard services and (c) reported cases of breach of the Private Security Service Act, if any, indicating the actions taken in relation thereto?

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

1B/480 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Sea Training School, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the School (a) information as to the criteria laid down for the selection of the trainees and (b) details of the courses held thereat over the past five years, indicating the outcome thereof?

1B/481 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Fisheries and Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Board of the Fishermen Investment Trust, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Trust, information as to the reasons why the election thereof could not be held?

1B/482 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Dayal)

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

Whether, in regard to cardiovascular and other related diseases, she will state (a) the percentage of the population suffering therefrom and (b) if a projection has been made on the evolution of the diseases over the next 20 years and, if so, give details thereof and (c) if she will consider causing a study to be carried out to assess the cost to the economy, between now and the year 2020, having regard to the drop in productivity of the workforce as a result of the diseases?

1B/483 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Dayal)

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

Whether, in regard to obesity, she will state if a study has been carried out to make an assessment of the number of people who will suffer therefrom by the year 2020, indicating the measures that have been put in place to address the issue, as at to date?

1B/484 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Dayal)

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

Whether in regard to the drain works being carried out, opposite the Community Health Centre at Bonne Veine, Quartier Militaire, he will state where matters stand?

1B/485 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Dayal)

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

Whether, in regard to the site at Bassin Loulou where immersion ceremonies are carried out during the Ganesh Chaturthi festival, he will consider the advisability for the upgrading thereof? 1B/486 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Seetaram**)

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

Whether, in regard to the railway road, commonly known as *Chemin La Poste*, which is a by-pass from Bel Air St Michel to Morcellement Roy, Bel Air, he will consider the widening thereof, with a view to alleviating the traffic congestion in the centre of Bel Air/Rivière Sèche?

1B/487 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the national archives, he will state if Government is proposing the digitalization thereof, having regard to the need for the conservation of the high valued documents found thereat?

1B/488 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the La Vanille bridge, he will state if his Ministry is in presence of several complaints and petitions from the inhabitants of Très Bon and La Vanille, Reunion, Vacoas, concerning the problems and difficulties encountered thereat during heavy rainfalls and cyclones and, if so, if the reconstruction and re-alignment thereof are being envisaged, indicating where matters stand?

1B/489 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Seetaram**)

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

Whether he is aware of the derelict state of certain classrooms, the toilets and of the fence of the playground of the Basdeo Rosunee Primary School at Bramsthan and, if so, will he state if consideration will be given for the renovation thereof? 1B/490 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (**Mr Seeruttun**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Corporate Social Responsibility Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Fund, information as to the (a) procedure put in place for the disbursement of funds to the Non-Governmental Organisations and (b) composition of the Corporate Social Responsibility committee, indicating if it is fully structured to manage the Fund?

1B/491 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (**Mr Seeruttun**)

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

Whether, in regard to the ferry boat service at the level of the village of Deux Frères up to the Grand River South East, he will state the (a) procedure to be followed for the award of the permit for the operation thereof (b) conditions that the operator must adhere to and (c) monthly fee payable to the operator?

1B/492 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Flat Island, he will state if all the conditions of the lease thereof to a private company for a duration of 7 years, as from 01 July 2007 have been complied with and, if not, the action Government proposes to take?

1B/493 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

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

Whether he is aware of the hardships caused to the inhabitants of the NHDC Housing Estate, at Palma, due to the irregular transport service by the National Transport Corporation and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to the remedial measures that will be taken?

1B/494 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the Corner Military and Nicolay Roads, Port Louis, he will state the number of reported cases of road accidents which occurred thereat, since January 2009 to-date, indicating (a) the ones which were (i) fatal and (ii) otherwise serious and (b) if any survey has been carried out to assess the causes of the accidents, indicating the remedial measures that will be taken, with a view to reducing the number of accidents thereat?

1B/495 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether he will state if his Ministry has recently held discussions with the Rodrigues Regional Assembly on a programme for the conversion of the tenants for life into owners with proprietary rights on their houses and the lands on which the latter stand and, if so, where matters stand?

1B/496 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

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

Whether, in regard to the projects funded under the Food Security Fund for Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Fund, information as to (a) if the projects have been successfully completed (b) if the objectives thereof have been met (c) who supervised and certified all the completed works before the release of funds for payment and (d) the total amount of money disbursed as at to date, in respect of each project?

1B/497 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Secondary Schools Sports Association, he will state the (a) names of the President and Members of the Executive Committee thereof (b) name of the representative of his Ministry sitting on the Committee thereof, indicating the number of meetings of the Committee that the latter has attended, since January 2010 to date and (c) number of regional and national inter college competitions it has organized, since January 2010 to date? 1B/498 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Rose Belle Sugar Estate Board, information as to if it has given out land to a foreign promoter in association with Mauritian partner/s for development purposes and, if so, indicate (a) when (b) the extent of the land given (c) the type of development that will be carried out thereon (d) the names and addresses of the local and foreign promoters and (e) if the project has been implemented?

1B/499 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Guimbeau)

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

Whether, in regard to the grants and allocations given by the Municipal Council of Curepipe, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, a list of the sociocultural, religious and sporting clubs/associations which have benefitted therefrom, since October 2005 to-date, indicating in each case, the (a) names (b) nature thereof and (c) purpose therefor?

1B/500 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 the contracts awarded for security and cleaning services, since July 2005 to-date, for the hospitals and the other departments falling under the aegis of her Ministry, she will, in each case, state the (a) names of the bidders, indicating the bid value and (b) names of the companies which have obtained same in each case, indicating (i) if it was the lowest bidder and (ii) the contract value thereof?

1B/501 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 Sports Medical Unit, situated at Vacoas, he will give a list of the (a) full-time and part-time medical and paramedical staff and (b) equipment available thereat?

1B/502 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 training of the young athletes, he will give a list of the Sports Federations which have a *Centre de Formation National,* indicating the sum of money allocated to each *centre*?

1B/503 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 the air ticket for the Hajj pilgrimage for each of the years 2005 to 2009, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Islamic Cultural Centre, information as to the mode of calculation that was used to arrive at the price thereof, indicating the amount that was paid to the airlines?

1B/504 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 supply of food and beverages for the events organized by or sponsored by the Municipal Council of Port Louis, for the period 2005 to-date, he will, for the benefit of House, obtain from the Council, information as to the names of the suppliers, indicating the (a) criteria used for the selection thereof and (b) amount paid to each of them?

1B/505 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 trade deficit, he will state (a) the latest estimates for the year 2010 and (b) if there has been a widening trend over the period of the Euro crisis and, if so, the measures being taken to limit the reliance on external borrowings to fund the widening trade gap? 1B/506 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

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

Whether, in regard to the Cyber Tower, he will state (a) if any governmental department, para-statal body or any state enterprise is (i) housed thereat (ii) proposing to rent office space thereat, giving a list thereof and indicate the rent payable per square feet and (b) if the owners thereof have deviated from the policy of charging rent in US Dollars and renting only to BPO & ICT operators and, if so, the reasons therefor?

1B/507 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 post of charge nurse, he will state if it is mandatory for female nursing officers to hold a midwifery certificate to be eligible for promotion thereto?

1B/508 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Dr Boolell)

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

Whether, in regard to the speed zones of 40, 50, 60, 70, 90 and 110 Kms, he will state the criteria used for the demarcation thereof?

1B/509 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Empowerment Foundation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Foundation, information as to the anti-poverty strategy that will be adopted for the effective discharge of its responsibilities, following the changes that have taken place at the head thereof? 1B/510 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to the gynecologists, she will state the number thereof posted at each hospital everyday, on a 24-hour basis?

1B/511 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of an intersection at Réduit, leading to the Apollo-Bramwell hospital, he will state (a) the names of the (i) consultant thereof, indicating the amount of consultancy fees paid and (ii) contractor thereof, indicating the contract value and (b) if there has been any delay in the execution thereof and, if so, the reasons therefor?

1B/512 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 Montagne Longue football ground, he will state if the football teams, making use thereof at night, are required to pay for the use of the flood lights and, if so, indicate (a) when the decision was taken and by whom and (b) the monthly cost of electricity consumed in relation thereto?

1B/513 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to the national football teams of the first and second divisions, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to (a) the amount of grant allocated annually to each team and (b) if the Council is proposing to increase the quantum thereof, over the next financial years?

1B/514 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Seetaram**)

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

Whether, in regard to the buses, he will state if Government will consider introducing Low-Floor ones, on the acquisition of the next fleet thereof, with a view to catering for the convenience of the elderly and disabled persons?

1B/515 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 Beach Authority, he will state the action his Ministry has initiated against the Authority, if any, following the recent case of mis-management of the Mont Choisy project?

1B/516 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

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

Whether he is aware of the case of an employee at Brinks Co. Ltd., who has been dismissed for having complained publicly of his conditions of employment, and, if so, will he state if his Ministry has carried out an inquiry thereinto and, if so, the outcome thereof?

1B/517 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mrs Labelle)

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

Whether, in regard to La Digue, La Vanille at La Vanille, Réunion, he will state if upgrading works thereof, including the widening of the roads thereat, are envisaged and, if so, when? 1B/518 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 procurement, he will state the names of the (a) a Chairperson, Vice-Chairpersons and the three members of the Central Procurement Board (b) Chairperson and the Assessors of the Independent Review Panel and (c) the Director and the other independent persons of the Procurement Policy Office indicating the respective date of appointment in each case?

1B/519 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Sports Council, he will state where matters stand in relation to the appointment of the new Board thereof?

1B/520 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Khamajeet)

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

Whether, in regard to the expatriates working in the hotels situated on the east coast, in the belt from Poste de Flacq to Palmar, he will state the number thereof, indicating (a) their respective fields of expertise and (b) if his Ministry has conducted any survey to verify if the relevant areas of expertise that they possess are available locally?

1B/521 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Khamajeet)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Brisée Verdière Youth Centre, he will state (a) the number of youth officers posted thereat (b) the names of the different activities organized thereat, since January 2010 to-date and (c) if Government is proposing to carry out the renovation thereof and, if so, when and, if not, why not? 1B/522 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Khamajeet)

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

Whether, in regard to the selling of alcohol, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Revenue Authority, for Constituency No.9, information as to the number of (a) licences therefor issued, since January 2010 to-date (b) applications therefor presently being processed and (c) licencees thereof who have ceased operation, since January 2010 to-date?

1B/523 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to piracy, he will state the (a) measures taken to-date for the prevention thereof and (b) number of cases thereof referred to court?

1B/524 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether he is aware that the local artists have difficulties to benefit from the Government Loan Scheme, on application therefor to his Ministry and of the reasons therefor and, if so, will he state the remedial measures that will be taken, if any?

1B/525 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Seetaram**)

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

Whether, in regard to the school curriculum, he will consider the introduction of the History of Mauritius at primary and secondary levels with a view to promoting nation building among the students?

> **R. R. Dowlutta** Clerk of the National Assembly

Parliament House Port Louis

13 August 2010

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

1A/79 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

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

Whether, in regard to the region of Verger Bissambar, Mont Roches, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Waste Water Management Authority, information as to if it is included in the contract for the extension of the sewerage network, under the Plaines Wilhems Sewerage Scheme, and, if so, indicate when works thereat are expected to (a) start and (b) be completed?

1A/80 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-

Whether, in regard to the tourists, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Tourism Promotion Authority, information as to a breakdown of the profile of the arrivals thereof in the category of (a) consultants (b) businessmen (c) travellers in transit and (d) holiday purposes, indicating, the number thereof, who, during their stay reside (i) at the place of Mauritian residents (ii) residences (iii) guest houses (iv) *table d'hôtes* and (v) hotels (e) the average duration of stay per category and (f) forecasts for the coming six months for the categories specified in (a) and (b) above? 1A/81 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

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

Whether, in regard to the trainers under Instructor B category working for the National Trade Certificate Foundation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Foundation, information as to (a) the number thereof, indicating their (i) respective date of appointment (ii) scheme of duties and (iii) salary scale (b) the number thereof presently working in an acting capacity at the Mauritius Institute of Training and Development, indicating (i) the duration of the actingship (ii) their present salary scale as compared to that of the trainers with same qualifications at the MITD and (c) if, following representations made by these officers, he will favorably consider confirming them on a permanent basis on the MITD establishment?

1A/82 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Quirin**)

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

Whether he is aware of the bad state of the classified roads in Constituency No. 20, Beau Bassin/Petite Rivière and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the measures that will be taken, if any, for the upgrading of the roads, pavements and drains?

1A/83 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the upgrading of the children playground at Albion village, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Black River District Council, information as to where matters stand? 1A/84 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

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

Whether he is aware that several families living in the region of Vallée Pitot and holding a valid lease over State land are being deprived of electricity and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the remedial measures that will be taken?

1A/85 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

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

Whether, in regard to the request for installation of lights along the *parcours de sant*é of Signal mountain, Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to where matters stand?

1A/86 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 inflation rate, he will state the (a) latest estimates for the year 2010 and (b) effect of the strengthening of the rupee on the low inflation environment and the implications thereof for Government policy, regarding the interest and exchange rates?

1A/87 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Centre de Jeunesse of Barkly, he will state (a) if there is an Officer in Charge thereat (b) the activities that are being run thereat and (c) when free internet access will be offered and adequate chairs and equipment provided for the carrying out of the activities held thereat? 1A/88 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to housing, he will provide the latest available data pertaining to the demand for social housing, giving a breakdown thereof per income group and indicate the (a) number of houses built for the low and middle-income groups during the period 2000 to 2005 and the location thereof and (b) ongoing social housing projects, and the number of houses that are being built and the location thereof?

1A/89 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

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

Whether he is aware that there is an irregular supply of water at the NHDC Housing Estate at Camp Levieux and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the measures that will be taken to provide regular water supply thereat?

1A/90 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the students, he will state the latest available figures pertaining to the per capita spending by the State thereon in the (a) state primary sector (b) private non-fee primary sector (c) state secondary sector and (d) private non-fee paying secondary sector?

1A/91 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-

Whether, in regard to Discover Mauritius Ltd, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the company, information as to the (a) names of the Chairperson and General Manager thereof, indicating their respective (i) qualifications and (ii) terms and conditions of appointment (b) amount of (i) grants received from Government and (ii) sponsorship received from the private sector, since incorporation to-date (c) names of the legal advisers and auditors, indicating the fees payable and (d) overseas missions effected, indicating the cost of the air tickets and of the allowances paid? 1A/92 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the Technical Advisory Committees, set up to look into the means of disposal of fly ash as a result of the use of coal for power generation, he will (a) table a copy of the reports thereof and (b) state the remedial measures his Ministry proposes to take to monitor the Independent Power Producers?

1A/93 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

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

Whether, in regard to the projects for the construction/repairs of roads, drains and infrastructure in Constituency No.19, Stanley and Rose Hill, for the year 2010, he will (a) table a list thereof and (b) state the number of contracts awarded therefor, indicating the amount of money spent as at to-date?

1A/94 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

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

Whether, in regard to bare lands causing environmental nuisance, he will state the actions initiated against the owners, giving details of the number of (a) warnings issued and (b) cases prosecuted?

1A/95 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

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

Whether, in regard to the speed breakers along the Palma Road, Quatre Bornes, he will state if he has received a petition, dated 09 April 2009, from the inhabitants of the region and, if so, indicate the remedial measures that have been taken in connection therewith? 1A/96 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 casino, Silver Coin Club at Royal Road, Chemin Grenier, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Black River District Council, information as to if a complaint in relation thereto, dated 22 January 2010, has been lodged with the Council and, if so, indicate if any decision has been taken?

1A/97 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 Lord Mayor's Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, a breakdown thereof, since October 2005 to-date, indicating, in each case the (a) names of the beneficiaries (b) quantum thereof and (c) purpose therefor?

1A/98 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 Kaya Municipal Stadium in Cité Roche Bois, he will state if he is aware of (a) its bad state and (b) absence of (i) cloakroom (ii) lighting facilities (iii) terraces 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?

1A/99 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Regis Chaperon State Secondary School at Belle Rose, he will state if he is aware of (a) the hazards relating to electricity supply (b) the defects in concrete rendering in a number of classrooms (c) irregular cleaning and (d) inadequate security services and, if so, the remedial measures that will be taken, if any, indicating the timeframe therefor? 1A/100 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

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

Whether, in regard to the football teams of Port Louis playing for the First Division Football League, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to the facilities, if any, granted thereto and, if so, give the names thereof which have received financial assistance over the last five years, indicating the quantum thereof?

> **R. R. Dowlutta** Clerk of the National Assembly

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