

16 April 2013

Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Gender Equality, Child Development
and Family Welfare

Private Notice Question

I have to inform you that the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, Mr Alan Ganoo, MP, has given notice of the following Private Notice Question which he proposes to put to the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare at the sitting to be held today, **Tuesday 16 April 2013 at 11.30 a.m.**

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

Whether, in regard to the *Foyer Namasté*, she will –

- (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if the former Assistant Director thereof has been arrested following an allegation of sexual abuse on a young male resident, indicating if she had received information from different quarters of him being abused prior thereto and, if so, indicate the reasons why measures had not been taken for the protection thereof and of the other residents; and**
- (b) state –**
 - (i) following the recommendations of the Ombudsperson for Children in her Annual Report 2011-2012 concerning lack of adequate amenities and hygienic conditions thereat, the actions taken; and**
 - (ii) the other safe places where the residents thereof have been transferred, indicating the additional protective measures she proposes to take?**

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Clerk of the National Assembly