

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 21 April 2026****Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands**

B/398 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Beehook)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the proposed establishment of a Special Economic Zone at Côte d'Or, he will state the (a) proposed incentive package for prospective promoters, developers and operators thereof (b) estimated financial cost thereof to Government and (c) anticipated tangible benefits for the Mauritian economy in terms of foreign direct investment and job creation?

B/399 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle
(Mr Ramdass)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the Agreement signed between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Mauritius concerning the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia, he will state the consequences, if any, of the judgment delivered by the Supreme Court (British Indian Ocean Territory) on 31 March 2026 on the ratification thereof?

B/400 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Mr Jhummun)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to SBM Holdings Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) percentage of shareholding of the Government of Mauritius therein and (b) total amount of toxic loans written off over the period 2014 to 2024, indicating the (i) actions taken to recoup same (ii) names of the chairperson and head of the Credit Committee during the said period and (iii) responsibility of the Board of Directors in relation thereto?

B/401 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or **(Mr Beejan)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the Police Family Protection Unit, Northern Division, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) number of (i) cases handled category-wise since January 2026 to date, indicating the average response time and case resolution rate (ii) officers and ranks thereof attached thereto, and reasons for their frequent transfer since 2023 to date and (b) jurisdiction thereof?

B/402 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Caserne)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the Finance and Revenue Section of the Mauritius Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of current vacancies thereat, giving a breakdown thereof grade-wise, indicating when same will be filled?

B/403 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Savabaddy**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the public service, he will state the measures being envisaged to ensure (a) increased transparency and accountability in the recruitment process therein and (b) that the principles of meritocracy and non-discrimination in employment are upheld through the strengthening of the powers of the Equal Opportunities Commission in line with the commitment taken in the Presidential Address?

B/404 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the proposed amendments to the Rodrigues Regional Assembly Act, he will state where matters stand, indicating (a) the number of proposals received therefor as at to date and (b) whether the introduction thereof in the Assembly and enactment thereof can be expected prior to the forthcoming Regional Assembly Elections pending the introduction of the major proposed national electoral reform?

B/405 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Ms Joanna Bérenger**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to Silver Bank, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) whether all the former managers and directors thereof have been interrogated and, if not, why not (b) whether compensation of the depositors is being envisaged (c) the quantum of fees paid to the conservator thereof and reasons for the duration of the conservatorship and (d) whether consideration will be given for the institution of a public inquiry thereinto?

B/406 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port-Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Adrien Duval)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the alleged referral of some 45 prison officers to the Financial Crimes Commission (FCC) by the then Commissioner of Prisons, Mr D. J., for unexplained wealth and the FCC denying having been referred the said cases, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to whether an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, indicate, the outcome thereof?

B/407 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix **(Mr Lobine)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the serious concerns raised on the state of affairs in the prisons in the Annual Report 2025 of the National Human Rights Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, information as to the immediate remedial and long-term measures being envisaged, respectively, to ensure that the prisons in Mauritius meet international norms and standards?

B/408 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Seeburn)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the upgrading of Mauritius to the Special Data Dissemination Standard Plus (SDDS+) status by the International Monetary Fund, he will state the (a) measures taken by Government that led thereto and (b) key benefits associated therewith, particularly, in terms of access to financing, investment prospects and economic resilience?

B/409 The Honourable Third Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Etwareea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the current strategic importance of the Indian Ocean as a maritime route and as a potential source of raw materials, including of Gas Oil and Mogas, he will state the bilateral agreements entered into by the Government of Mauritius, if any, to ensure the security of the Indian Ocean and, if so, give details thereof?

B/410 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a new runway at Plaine Corail Airport, in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airports of Mauritius Co. Ltd., information as to where matters stand?

B/411 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Beechook)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the inquiry initiated into allegations of corruption in relation to the procurement of turbines for the Saint Louis Power Plant of the Central Electricity Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, indicating the names of the persons arrested and interrogated under caution in connection therewith as at to date?

B/412 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Apollon)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to aircrafts, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Air Mauritius Ltd., information as to the number thereof (a) currently in operation under rental, giving details thereof in each case and (b) ordered for purchase/rental, indicating the expected delivery dates and giving details thereof in each case?

B/413 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Beehook)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to Mr. S. M., Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Economic Development Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) his date of appointment and the terms and conditions thereof and (b) the circumstances under which his contract was renewed, indicating the terms and conditions of his new contract?

B/414 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Dr Ms Daureeawo)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to human trafficking, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) number of reported cases thereof over the past two years indicating the number of prosecutions initiated in connection therewith and the outcomes thereof and (b) additional measures taken or being envisaged to combat same, indicating the mechanisms put in place for the protection of the victims thereof?

B/415 The Honourable Third Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Etwareea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to his recent official visit to the Republic of Congo (Brazzaville), he will state the outcome thereof, indicating the bilateral meetings held in connection therewith?

B/416 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port-Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Adrien Duval)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the proposed agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Mauritius concerning the transfer of sovereignty over the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia, and the reported shelving thereof by the United Kingdom, he will state whether he proposes to have consultations with the President of the United States with a view to securing his approval for the said transfer of sovereignty to Mauritius?

B/417 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the case of Mr D. S. tested positive for cocaine following a test carried out on or about 18 October 2025, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Gambling Regulatory Authority, information as to whether the Racing Stewards of the Horse Racing Integrity Division has initiated an inquiry thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/418 The Honourable Third Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Etwareea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the proposed introduction of the Golden Visa Scheme, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Economic Development Board, information as to (i) whether the potential success and risks thereof particularly, regarding compliance with the Financial Action Task Force standards and (ii) the estimated yearly number of Residence Permits to be issued thereunder have been assessed and (b) state whether same will represent an accelerated pathway to permanent residence or Mauritian citizenship?

B/419 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Jhummun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to Air Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether Airport Holdings Ltd. is seeking a strategic partner therefor and, if so, where matters stand, indicating the names of any shortlisted partners?

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

B/420 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (Ms Collet)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Information Technology, Communication and Innovation –

Whether, in regard to the deployment and adoption of the SuperApp KOREK in Rodrigues Island, he will state (a) the measures being envisaged to encourage the uptake and accessibility thereof for residents and institutions thereat (b) the timeframe for the implementation or expansion thereof and (c) whether any budgetary allocation has been earmarked in support thereof, particularly in respect of capacity-building?

B/421 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Apollon)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the road signs reportedly damaged, faded or not clearly visible in Constituency No. 12, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof, indicating whether consideration will be given for the urgent carrying out of repair and reinstatement works thereof and the timeframe set therefor?

B/422 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues **(Mrs Henriette-Manan)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the transfer of firefighters between the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service and the Rodrigues Fire and Rescue Service since 2022 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of requests therefor received and the number thereof acceded to?

B/423 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Dr Ms Daureeawo)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Information Technology, Communication and Innovation –

Whether, in regard to the post offices, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Posts Ltd. and table the list thereof earmarked for renovation or permanent closure and in respect of the latter, indicate the (a) reasons therefor and (b) alternative measures being envisaged for the residents of the localities concerned therewith in relation to the services provided by same?

B/424 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Lukeeram)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the Mahebourg Museum, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the expected re-opening date thereof, giving details of the renovation works which have been or will be carried out thereat?

B/425 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes
(Ms Anquetil)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –

Whether, in regard to the persistent presence of stray dogs at the Sodnac Wellness Park and the Farquhar Recreational Park, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Society for Animal Welfare, information as to the measures being envisaged in relation thereto, including ensuring the safety of the persons visiting the said parks and the welfare of the dogs?

B/426 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 interim committee set up by his Ministry following the dissolution of the Managing Committee of the Association Mauricienne de Badminton on 10 March 2026, he will state the composition thereof, indicating the criteria for the selection and appointment of the said members?

B/427 The Honourable Second Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Beejan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the proposed setting up of a new centralised taxi stand in Goodlands, he will state whether a plot of State land located at Kings Road, in Goodlands has been earmarked therefor and, if so, indicate where matters stand regarding the vesting of the said land therefor?

B/428 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port-Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Adrien Duval)

To ask the Honourable Attorney-General –

Whether, in regard to the interception and monitoring of telecommunications, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of Court Orders issued by the Supreme Court of Mauritius in relation thereto since January 2025 to date, indicating the (a) number thereof executed and (b) mechanism in place for the execution thereof?

B/429 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Renewable Energy Hybrid Facilities projects in respect of SPV 30MW Belle Vue 2 Ltd. and SPV 30MW Belle Vue 3 Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to whether (a) there has been any breach of their Power Purchase Agreements due to delays, unmet Conditions Precedent and repeated changes of site (b) the injection of power at Belle Vue will be maintained in accordance with the provisions thereof and (c) the landowners have notified of their intention to legally challenge the wayleaves requested by the said companies?

B/430 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Ramkalawon)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to drama, music and arts, he will state whether consideration will be given for the setting up of appropriate infrastructure for the promotion thereof amongst the youth?

B/431 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the development and construction of the Vacoas Urban Terminal Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas-Phoenix, information as to where matters stand?

B/432 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes
(Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the alleged procurement of counterfeit spare parts by the former management of the National Transport Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, indicate where matters stand?

B/433 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Venkatasami)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the projected installation of speed cameras along the Valetta bypass, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Traffic Road Management Support Unit, information as to where matters stand, indicating the expected date of coming into operation thereof?

B/434 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (Ms Collet)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the incident whereby unstable boulders rolled onto the coastal road near Anse Raffin, in Rodrigues, on 05 April 2026, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether an inquiry has been initiated into the causes thereof and, if so, indicate (a) the outcome thereof and table copy of the report thereof, if any and (b) whether consideration will be given for the planning of prevention measures for future works, including slope stabilisation and protective works, in close collaboration with the Rodrigues Regional Assembly?

B/435 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Saumtally)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the vaping devices, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the measures taken or being envisaged to curb the said practice; including sensitisation and prevention programmes in educational institutions to raise awareness of the health risks and legal implications associated therewith?

B/436 The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart
(Dr Prayag)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to children admitted in paediatric wards of public hospitals, he will state the policy regarding the presence of the parents at the bedside thereof, indicating whether his Ministry is in presence of complaints to the effect that fathers are not allowed thereat and, if so, indicate the remedial actions taken in relation thereto, if any and, if not, why not?

B/437 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Venkatasami)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the proposed implementation of a cut-off drain project at Beau Bois, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/438 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Sauntally)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of Bus Route 16D, namely, Rose Hill via Belle Rose, Clémencia and Camp de Masque Pavé to be operated by buses operating along Route 16, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, information as to the reasons for the delay thereof, indicating the (a) timeframe set therefor and (b) immediate measures being envisaged to address the difficulties being faced by commuters in the said regions?

B/439 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Seeburn)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the water pump failures at Nouvelle France over the past few months, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the short-term and long-term measures being envisaged, respectively to restore stable and continuous water supply thereat, giving details thereof?

B/440 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues (Mr Edouard)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to electric vehicles, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to (a) the estimated average daily energy consumption thereof in mainland Mauritius and Rodrigues Island, respectively and (b) whether renewable energy is being used for the charging thereof and, if not, the measures being envisaged in relation thereto, indicating the timeframe set therefor?

B/441 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Baboolall**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Service and Administrative Reforms –

Whether, in regard to the vacant posts within his Ministry, he will state the number thereof grade-wise, indicating when same will be filled?

B/442 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Savabaddy**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –

Whether, in regard to the Inter-ministerial Committee set up to look into all issues pertaining to Ex-CHA/EDC houses containing asbestos, he will state if the said committee has started meeting and, if so, indicate the work plan thereof?

B/443 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the Skipper's licence, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Tourism Authority, information as to (a) the number thereof, category-wise (i) issued (ii) renewed and (iii) applications therefor rejected, over the past five years and (b) whether a profiling assessment is conducted prior to the issue thereof?

B/444 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Caserne**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the payment of fines under the Road Traffic Act and Regulations, he will state where matters stand as to the provision of facilities for payment thereof through internet banking and mobile applications?

B/445 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General –

Whether, in regard to the New Court House, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether a maintenance contract has been awarded in relation thereto and, if so, indicate (a) the name of the contractor and (b) whether water leakages during rainfall and poor air-conditioning have been reported thereat and remedial measures being taken, if any?

B/446 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Ms Joanna Bérenger**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour and Industrial Relations–

Whether, in regard to foreign workers, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (i) current number of agencies authorized for the recruitment thereof, indicating whether the list thereof will be tabled together with the names of the beneficial owner/s in each case and (ii) number of licences refused, suspended or revoked over the past three years, indicating the reasons therefor and (b) state the monitoring mechanisms in place to prevent abuse, the charging of illegal fees and collusion in the recruitment thereof?

B/447 The Honourable Third Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or (**Mr Etwareea**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –

Whether, in regard to unexploited agricultural land, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the total extent thereof country-wide, indicating the (a) reasons therefor and (b) measures being envisaged to incentivise the cultivation thereof to ensure food self-sufficiency and security?

B/448 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Mr Saumtally)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the current sports infrastructure in Constituency No. 10 and in the light of the forthcoming major sporting events, he will state (a) whether the upgrading thereof in line with international norms is being envisaged and (b) the training facilities and professional support envisaged for athletes using facilities thereat, indicating in each case, the timeline for the implementation thereof?

B/449 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal **(Ms Joanna Bérenger)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –

Whether, in regard to the Pesticides Regulatory Office, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the reasons for the reduction in the number of officers posted thereat?

B/450 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Dr Ms Daureeawo)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to water supply, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to whether it is in presence of complaints to the effect that same is muddy or murky and, if so, indicate the (a) reasons therefor and (b) remedial measures being taken in relation thereto?

B/451 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mrs Savabaddy)**

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

Whether, in regard to minors found loitering and/or begging on public streets, she will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (i) number of reported cases thereof and (ii) reasons therefor, indicating, in each case, whether same is attributable to abandonment and/or having been driven out by family members and (b) state the measures being envisaged for the timely identification, rescue and rehabilitation thereof?

B/452 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Jugurnauth)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –

Whether, in regard to agricultural and seafood products, he will state whether consideration will be given for the maximisation thereof from the outer islands to ensure food security as opposed to relying on imports thereof amidst the Middle East conflict?

B/453 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Apollon)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the methadone programme, he will state where matters stand as to the proposed setting up of a technical joint working group in relation thereto, indicating the (a) terms of reference thereof and (b) implementation timeframe therefor?

B/454 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Jhummun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resource –

Whether, in regard to the performance of Mauritian candidates in the last Cambridge International Examinations, he will state the (a) remedial measures being envisaged to address same and (b) responsibility of the different authorities, particularly, the Quality Assurance and Inspection Division, in relation thereto?

B/455 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Ramdass)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the proposed implementation of the Fleet Management System, he will state where matters stand?

B/456 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Venkatasami)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to water pipe laying works carried out in Constituency No. 8, Quartier Militaire and Moka, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, the list of roads concerned therewith, indicating the ones which have not been thereafter reinstated, indicating the reasons and timeframe set therefor?

B/457 The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart
(Dr Prayag)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to CT and MRI Scans, he will state the total number thereof carried out in public health institutions over the past five years, on a yearly basis, indicating the (a) number of patients transferred between public health institutions through the SAMU therefor and (b) dates and duration of any breakdown of the CT and MRI Scan machines?

B/458 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac
(Dr Ms Daureeawo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the Appeal Committee of his Ministry, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number and type of appeals pending before the Board thereof over the past two years, indicating the (a) timeframe set for the consideration thereof and (b) measures being envisaged to address the delays in determining the appeals?

B/459 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration, Social Security and National Solidarity –

Whether, in regard to the planters and farmers in Rodrigues Island affected by the recent torrential rainfalls, he will for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Solidarity Fund, information as to the assistance being provided thereto, giving details thereof and the number of beneficiaries and, if not, indicate the reasons therefor and whether same will be reviewed?

B/460 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the introduction of the Alalila platform powered by Uber in Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, information as to whether (a) it is in presence of representations from some taxis operators regarding same and (b) the approval of the Authority was sought and obtained prior thereto and, if so, indicate the conditions attached thereto and, if not, indicate the actions that will be taken in relation thereto, if any?

B/461 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to our objective to accelerate our energy transition in terms of renewable energy sources, he will state the existing wind energy infrastructure in Mauritius, indicating the (a) future proposed developments thereof (b) targets set therefor and (c) challenges and opportunities thereof?

B/462 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the construction of new drains within the township of Vacoas-Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of projects approved therefor since September 2025 to date, indicating the number thereof in respect of which funds have been allocated, further indicating in each case, the date of allocation of contract?

B/463 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port-Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Adrien Duval)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour and Industrial Relations–

Whether, in regard to the case of approximately 80 expatriate employees of the Alpha Cleaning Group recently deported or in the process thereof, with no right of re-entry, he will, state the reasons therefor and the sanctions, if any, taken against the said company?

B/464 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Seeburn)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the cremation ground at Bois des Amourettes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether consideration will be given for the reinstatement of the road leading thereto and of the facilities provided thereat?

B/465 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Mr Jhummun)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Information Technology, Communication and Innovation –

Whether, in regard to the rolling out of Artificial Intelligence, he will (a) state whether increased pressure on bandwidth requirements, particularly, in respect of mobile data is being anticipated and (b) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the measures being envisaged by mobile network operators to ensure adequate network coverage island-wide, particularly, in areas currently experiencing low to no coverage thereof?

B/466 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Lukeeram)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Information Technology, Communication and Innovation –

Whether, in regard to the KOREK mobile application, he will state the measures, if any, undertaken by his Ministry to facilitate public access thereto and the use of the e-government services available thereon?

B/467 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues
(Mrs Henriette-Manan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the participation of athletes from Rodrigues Island in international competitions, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the amount of funds allocated therefor since January 2025 to date, giving a breakdown thereof discipline-wise and (b) state whether consideration will be given for the setting up of a mechanism, in collaboration with the National Sports Federations, to ensure that funding of athletes for their participation in national selections for international competitions?

B/468 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Seeburn)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the access fees to the football ground at Rose Belle, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Sports Council, information as to whether consideration will be given for the reduction or the waiver thereof?

B/469 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the alleged cases of aggression and ill-treatment of two minors at the Twaha Academy, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Family Support Unit, information as to whether an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof and the measures taken in connection therewith?

B/470 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central **(Dr Aumeer)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to medications, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Pharmacy Board, information as to the number of applications for registration thereof awaiting approval over the 12-month period ending 01 March 2026, indicating (a) in each case, the name of the medication and of the importer concerned therewith and (b) whether, on account of non-availability thereof on the market, alternative means for the procurement thereof were sought, particularly for use in public hospitals?

B/471 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River **(Mr Jugurnauth)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the Office of Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the rent payable therefor?

B/472 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Caserne)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the water leakage along the main road at Bois Pignolet, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the causes thereof, indicating when same will be remedied?

B/473 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Ramkalawon)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the proposed setting up of a cultural desk that would act as a one-stop shop for concert organisers and artists, he will state where matters stand?

B/474 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues **(Ms Collet)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the proposed signing of a Memorandum of Understanding on Cultural Cooperation with the Rodrigues Regional Assembly for the period 2026–2029, he will state (a) the reasons therefor and (b) how the implementation thereof is expected to ensure equitable opportunities for Rodriguan artists and practitioners in respect of exchanges, training and heritage promotion at local, regional and international levels?

B/475 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues **(Mr Edouard)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Information Technology, Communication and Innovation –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Post Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the current financial situation thereof, indicating the (a) reasons therefor (b) impact thereof on the employees and (c) measures being envisaged to address same?

B/476 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or **(Mr Beejan)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to Petit Raffray Village, he will state whether consideration will be given for the construction of a Multi-Purpose Sports Arena equipped with full facilities thereat?

B/477 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Caserne)**

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

Whether, in regard to the demolition of the building housing the Saint-Croix Social Welfare Centre to make way for a Multi-Use Games Area project, she will state whether provision has been made for the construction of a new building to house the said centre and, if not, why not and, if so, where matters stand, indicating the reasons for the delay in the implementation thereof and the expected start and completion dates thereof?

B/478 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Edouard**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –

Whether, in regard to pig breeding, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of pigs currently being reared in mainland Mauritius and Rodrigues Island respectively, indicating in each case, the (a) yearly market demand for pork and pork products and import sources thereof and (b) facilities available and support provided to the pig breeders?

B/479 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Apollon**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the M1, M2 and M3 motorways, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the local authorities, information as to (a) the segments thereof not presently equipped with street lighting, indicating, in each case, whether consideration will be given for the provision of street lighting thereat and (b) whether consideration will be given for the replacement of the existing street lanterns by LED lanterns and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/480 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Edouard**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Service and Administrative Reforms –

Whether, in regard to the shortcomings noted by the Director of Audit in his last report in respect of Rodrigues Island, he will state whether consideration will be given for the introduction of structural reforms, capacity building programmes, and appropriate follow-up and evaluation mechanisms with a view to enhancing the efficiency of public officers in the discharge of their duties thereat?

B/481 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or (**Mr Beejan**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change –

Whether, in regard to the Grand Bay Waterfront, he will state whether consideration is being given for the preparation of a Masterplan for the development thereof under Public Private Partnership and, if so, indicate the expected timeframe for the preparation and implementation thereof and, if not, why not?

B/482 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the post of psychologist at the level of her Ministry, she will state the (a) scheme of duties and qualification requirements therefor and (b) current number thereof?

B/483 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle
(Mr Ramdass)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –

Whether, in regard to the Fisherman Registration Card, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether it is a prerequisite for the applicants to hold a clean Certificate of Character for eligibility thereto?

B/484 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration, Social Security and National Solidarity –

Whether, in regard to the social protection of vulnerable persons against the impact of climate crisis, he will state the (a) measures in place or being envisaged to mitigate the effects thereof and assistance provided to those affected thereby and (b) mechanisms for (i) the sustainable financing thereof (ii) the rapid disbursement of funds in case of climate-related disasters and (iii) ensuring long-term financial resilience in the post-disaster period?

B/485 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Baboolall)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to drug-related health conditions, he will state the number of adolescents admitted in public health institutions therefor over the past five years on a yearly basis, indicating if an assessment of the drug-addiction level of adolescents in Mauritius has been carried out and, if so, indicate the measures being implemented or envisaged to address same?

B/486 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Savabaddy**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resource –

Whether, in regard to teachers employed in Government grant-aided private secondary schools, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof who have been or will be declared redundant in the current academic year (a) giving a breakdown thereof by school and by subject and (b) indicating the reasons therefor?

B/487 The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart (**Dr Prayag**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the renovation works being carried out at the Rivière du Rempart Youth Centre, he will for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the expected completion date thereof, indicating the outcome of the site visit he recently effected thereat?

B/488 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Lobine**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to bus service operation along Hermitage, Cinq Arpents, Belle Terre, Highlands and Camp Fouquereaux, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, information as to whether it is in presence of representations from stakeholders and residents thereof for additional operators thereat and, if so, indicate whether consideration is being given thereto, giving details thereof?

B/489 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (**Mr Ramkalawon**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration, Social Security and National Solidarity –

Whether, in regard to the National Pensions Fund and the National Solidarity Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Investment Committee thereof, information as to the (a) balance currently standing to the credit thereof and (b) investments effected since 2015 to date, indicating the profit or loss realised thereon?

B/490 The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart
(Dr Prayag)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the commitment of Government to implement a Pharmacare System for the provision of free access to prescribed medicines not available in the public health sector in line with paragraph 51 of the Government Programme 2025-2029, he will state where matters stand, indicating the preparatory works or measures undertaken to date, if any, and the categories of diseases and/or medicines being prioritised thereunder?

B/491 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Ramkalawon)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resource –

Whether, in regard to the secondary schools, he will state the number of reported cases of introduction, possession and consumption of synthetic drugs thereat over the past ten years, indicating the measures being taken to prevent the recurrence thereof?

B/492 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Baboolall)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the announced 15 percent increase in electricity tariffs as from May 2026, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to (a) whether an assessment of the impact thereof on households and small businesses has been carried out, indicating the measures being envisaged to mitigate the impact thereof on vulnerable consumers and (b) the number of households having had their electricity supply disconnected over the past year on account of non-payment of bills?

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17 April 2026

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Not Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 21 April 2026****Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands**

A/22 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Dr Ms Thannoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to racism and racial discrimination, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of cases thereof reported to the Equal Opportunities Commission since 2015 to 2024, indicating the (a) nature and outcome thereof, including the number thereof referred to the Equal Opportunities Tribunal and (b) additional measures being envisaged to address same in Mauritius?

A/23 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Dr Ms Thannoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether an inquiry has been initiated to ascertain the veracity of the financial reports thereof for the period 2018 to 2024, indicating the expenses incurred in relation to the cameramen and journalists who accompanied the former Prime Minister on each of the official overseas missions undertaken by the latter over the said period?

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

A/24 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Dr Ms Thannoo)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security,
Blue Economy and Fisheries –*

Whether, in regard to the development of the industrial hemp sector in Mauritius, he will state whether he has taken cognizance of previous studies carried out on the potential thereof, indicating whether the range of products that may potentially be produced from locally grown hemp at competitive costs, including the production of bioenergy, has been assessed?

A/25 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Dr Ms Thannoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the Maputo Protocol on Women's Rights, she will state whether an action plan has been developed in relation thereto for the (a) safeguarding of the rights of women with disabilities to freedom from violence, including sexual abuse, discrimination based on disability and the right to be treated with dignity and (b) establishment of measures commensurate with the physical, economic and social needs of women to facilitate their access to employment, professional and vocational training, and participation in decision-making?

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