

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 01 September 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/1230 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Rookny)

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 availability of United States Dollars on the domestic foreign exchange market, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank of Mauritius, information as to the current demand and supply situation, indicating whether a scarcity thereof is being observed and, if so, the extent and causes thereof, further indicating the measures being envisaged to ensure an adequate and orderly supply thereof?

B/1231 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues (Mr Edouard)

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 reallocation of funds from the budget of the Rodrigues and Outer Islands Division and from the Capital Budget of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly (RRA), he will state (a) whether the RRA was consulted prior thereto and (b) the financial impact thereof on the finances of the RRA?

B/1232 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(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 the Rs 649.7 billion worth investment projects reportedly declared by the Economic Development Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain a breakdown thereof sector-wise and project-wise, indicating the (a) amount thereof (i) actually invested (ii) at planning/design stage (iii) received/to be received in foreign currency and from foreign investors (iv) by non-citizens financed/to be financed by local banks and (b) number of (i) projects delayed, cancelled or abandoned and (ii) jobs created/to be created?

B/1233 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Beechhook)

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 Film Rebate Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the number of projects received at the Economic Development Board thereunder, indicating the number thereof approved and quantum of funds disbursed in financial years ending 30 June 2025 and 30 June 2026, respectively and (b) whether the guidelines prescribed thereunder have been amended to provide for a cap on the refundable amount?

B/1234 The Honourable Fifth Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

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

Whether, in regard to the alleged breaches of the provisions governing election expenses in relation to the National Assembly Elections, held in 2024, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police and the Electoral Commissioner, respectively, information as to where matters stand regarding the inquiries initiated thereinto?

B/1235 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 proposed disinvestment process of the Casinos of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Investment Corporation Ltd., information as to whether the potential impact thereof on the employment, terms and conditions of service, salaries, pensions and other acquired rights and benefits of the 600 employees thereof has been assessed and, if so, indicate the measures being envisaged to ensure that no employee is adversely affected?

B/1236 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 suicide, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (i) the number of reported cases thereof on a yearly basis over the past five years, giving a breakdown thereof by age group and (ii) whether any study has been carried out to identify the principal causes and contributing factors thereof and (b) state the measures being taken and/or envisaged, in collaboration with the relevant Ministries and stakeholders to address the causes and curb the incidence thereof?

B/1237 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Babajee)

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 Technical Working Group on the National Cannabis Policy Reform, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Agency for Drug Control, information as to the (a) constitutive date and composition thereof, indicating the expertise held and institutional affiliation of the members thereof (b) number of meetings held to date (c) expertise sought from international organisations and stakeholders and (d) where matters stand as to the finalisation of the report thereof?

B/1238 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 prisoners and detainees, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether consideration will be given for the referral thereof when they fall sick to the hospital nearest the respective prison or detention centre in which they are imprisoned or detained, as the case may be, instead of the systematic referral thereof to the Jawaharlal Nehru Hospital?

B/1239 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 Driving Instructor's Licence Examination scheduled to be held on or about 03 October 2026, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the eligibility criteria therefor and (b) whether any public notice or official communiqué inviting applications therefor was issued and, if so, when?

B/1240 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 alleged cases of fraud and other financial irregularities at the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation over the period 2015 to 2024, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the names of the suspects, indicating in each case (a) the nature of the alleged offence and (b) where matters stand as to the inquiries initiated thereinto?

B/1241 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 the Financial Crimes Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of inquiries the Commission has initiated since November 2024 to date, indicating the number thereof completed and referred to the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions for advice and/or for decision to prosecute and the outcome thereof?

B/1242 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River **(Mrs Leu-Govind)**

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 arrested persons admitted to private hospitals on medical grounds, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the procedure applicable therefor, indicating the circumstances under which same is authorised and under whose authority and whether, prior thereto, the said persons need to be examined by a Police Medical Officer and/or a Medical Officer of a public health institution and, if not, why not?

B/1243 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet **(Mr Rookny)**

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 Foreign Direct Investment, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Economic Development Board, information as to the key performance indicators and targets set therefor for the current financial year, indicating the (a) performance achieved to date in relation thereto and (b) measures and initiatives being implemented for the attainment thereof?

B/1244 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 proposed disinvestment process of the Casinos of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Investment Corporation Ltd., information as to whether the (a) estimated valuation of the casinos and other papers prepared by Price Waterhouse Coopers will be tabled and (b) employees thereof or their representatives were consulted regarding same and the safeguard of their employment and related rights?

B/1245 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 avenues being explored for the resumption of the operations of Air Mauritius Ltd. at a slot of the London Heathrow Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand?

B/1246 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 the recent Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement signed by Government with the Government of the Republic of India in respect of energy security, he will state the areas of cooperation envisaged thereunder and expected benefits for Mauritius, including, *inter alia*, whether same provide for price advantages, preferential pricing mechanism and/or other financial benefits?

B/1247 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues
(Mrs Henriette-Manan)

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 securing of passenger seats onboard flights of Air Mauritius Ltd. departing from Rodrigues Island in case of medical emergencies, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether the prior approval of a medical team accredited with Air Mauritius Ltd. is required?

B/1248 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 Rehabilitation Youth Centre in Rodrigues Island, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of minors currently detained thereat for a period exceeding one year, indicating (a) the reasons therefor, indicating in each case, the nature of the offences (b) the average detention period (c) the number thereof transferred to correctional or rehabilitation institutions in Mauritius over the past five years and (d) whether the provisions of the Children's Court Act, as amended, are being fully complied with?

B/1249 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(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 the overseas missions attended by Honourable Ministers since December 2024 to date, he will, in each case, state (a) the meetings attended, duration, cost incurred in terms of airfares, *per diem* allowances and other related expenses and (b) whether reports were submitted in relation thereto and, if so, whether copy thereof will be tabled?

B/1250 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 the Airport Holdings Ltd., he will state whether consideration will be given for the dismantling thereof and the reorganisation of the corporate structure thereof and relisting of Air Mauritius Ltd. on the official market of the Stock Exchange of Mauritius?

B/1251 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 Air Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether, following the disposal of five aircrafts during the voluntary administration thereof, a new long-term aircraft renewal programme is being envisaged to restore the fleet thereof and ensuring the long-term competitiveness and sustainability thereof as a strategic engine for tourism, connectivity and economic growth?

B/1252 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River **(Mr Babajee)**

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 Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) number of Police Officers currently in post, gender-wise, indicating the respective posting thereof (b) existing vacancies, grade-wise (c) ratio of Police Officers to total population and (d) whether a data-driven deployment system is in place, particularly, regarding the specialised units?

B/1253 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Rookny)

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 Investor Permit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Economic Development Board, information as to the number of applications therefor received, approved and pending, since January 2025 to date, indicating the (a) aggregate proposed investment that same represent and (b) average time taken between the submission of a complete application therefor and the issue thereof?

B/1254 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

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 death of baby P. A., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to whether (a) the apprehended suspect Mr J. D. P. was previously known to the Police and, if so, give details of prior arrest/s, nature of the offence/s, conviction/s secured and sentence/s imposed and (b) prior to the commission of the alleged offence, he was granted bail or was subject to any form of judicial/correctional supervision?

B/1255 The Honourable Fifth Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

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

Whether, in regard to Mr A. R., arrested in 2023 in connection with an alleged money laundering offence, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Passport and Immigration Office, information as to whether the said person has left the country since and, if so, when?

B/1256 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes
(Ms Anquetil)

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 Report of the Truth and Justice Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the number of recommendations thereof implemented over each of the past ten years, indicating whether the High-Powered Committee set up to monitor the implementation thereof is still operational and, if not, why not and (b) whether consideration will be given for the publication of an implementation roadmap for the remaining recommendations?

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/1257 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues
(Mrs Henriette-Manan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour and Industrial Relations–

Whether, in regard to the discussions held with the Office of the Attorney-General and his Ministry in relation to the jurisdictional issue concerning the hearing of labour disputes before the Industrial Court in Rodrigues Island involving workers residing in Rodrigues and employers domiciled in Mauritius, he will state where matters stand?

B/1258 The Honourable Second Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Beejan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the official residence of the former High Commissioner of Mauritius in Washington, D.C., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether it is currently occupied and, if not, indicate the expenditure incurred by Government for the (a) maintenance thereof and (b) rates payable therefor?

B/1259 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East **(Mr Juman)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the Works Department of the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House and for the period 1 April to 30 June 2026, obtain information as to the (a) approximate cost of labour and equipment attached thereto and (b) total cost of raw and other materials used?

B/1260 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet **(Mr Rookny)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the drainage infrastructure in Constituency No. 5, Pamplemousses and Triolet, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the number of new drains earmarked for construction during the current financial year, indicating the locations thereof and the implementation timeframe therefor and (b) whether the proposed works are expected to adequately address the flooding problems in the high-risk areas thereof?

B/1261 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East **(Mr Juman)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to road fatalities, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof recorded since 31 January 2026 to date and over the period 31 January 2025 to the corresponding date in 2025, indicating whether an assessment of the impact of the Penalty Point System thereon has been carried out and, if so, indicate whether the relevant statistics and findings thereof will be tabled?

B/1262 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Dr Ms Daureeawo)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the proposed repair and rehabilitation of the Pont Rouge Footbridge in Rivière du Poste, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, indicating the (a) reasons for the delay, if any, that occurred in the implementation thereof and (b) expected completion date thereof?

B/1263 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 traffic centres and bus terminals, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the reported number of accidents thereat over the past two years, indicating the (a) number of fatalities recorded thereat and (b) measures being envisaged to enhance the safety and security of pedestrians and bus users thereat, including the provision of proper road markings, handrails, traffic signs and lighting?

B/1264 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River **(Mr Babajee)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Methadone Substitution Therapy Programme, he will state the (a) number of persons registered thereunder gender-wise and by age group, geographical location and duration of treatment (b) quantity of methadone distributed and expenditure incurred therefor and in relation thereto over each of the past five financial years and average annual cost per person treated and (c) percentage of persons treated who are, to date, employed, self-employed, undertaking vocational training, unemployed, or following rehabilitation programmes?

B/1265 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Caserne)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the Bazir Bridge at Sainte-Croix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information from the Road Development Authority, information as to the urgent measures being envisaged to clear the obstruction on the pedestrian footpath thereat to ensure the safety of pedestrians and prevent them from having to use the carriageway?

B/1266 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues **(Mr François)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the Indian Ocean Rim Association, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the position of Mauritius in respect of regional cooperation in the Indian Ocean region across the Priority Areas and Cross-Cutting Issues thereof (b) the reasons for the importance attached to the role thereof (c) the Action Plan thereof for the next five years and (d) whether a corresponding national plan has been formulated in relation thereto and, if so, give details thereof?

B/1267 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 senior citizens of the District of Grand Port, he will, for the benefit of the House obtain from the said District Council, information as to whether consideration will be given for the acquisition of a 60-seater bus for the conveyance thereof for welfare activities and pending same, for arrangements to be made with the Ministry of Land Transport for temporarily putting at the disposal thereof of a suitable bus therefor?

B/1268 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East **(Mr Juman)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the Citadel Fort, in Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of (a) tourists having visited same since 01 January 2026 to date, indicating the number of tourist guides attached thereto and (b) information boards providing historical information installed thereat?

B/1269 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Ramdass)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the recurrent water shortages and water supply cuts, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the estimated implementation costs of the projects earmarked to address same, indicating in each case, the expected timeframe for the implementation thereof?

B/1270 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues **(Mr Edouard)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the proposed introduction of a new Sports Bill, he will state whether provision will be made therein for the (a) setting up of a Rodrigues Regional Olympic Committee as a semi-autonomous body under the Mauritius Olympic Committee (b) direct executive representation for the Rodriguan sports authorities and administrative autonomy therefor and (c) a dedicated allocation of Olympic Solidarity development funding thereto?

B/1271 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the families living in pockets of poverty and extreme poverty, respectively, in Mauritius, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof region-wise and (b) state the measures and programmes being implemented to improve the living conditions and economic prospects thereof and provide social, psychological, educational and economic support thereto?

B/1272 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Babajee)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the District of Black River, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of households currently affected by irregular water supply, indicating the frequency and duration thereof, further indicating (a) the contingency arrangements in place therefor, including the number and location of available emergency water-storage tanks and (b) whether drilling of additional boreholes and recourse to the utilisation of surface-water sources and private water resources will be envisaged?

B/1273 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (Mrs Collet)

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

Whether, in regard to the ongoing review of the medical guidelines for the allocation of the Invalid's Basic Pension, in consultation with the Ministry of Finance and the Attorney General's Office, he will state whether the Rodrigues Regional Assembly has been consulted in connection therewith, having regard to the difficulties encountered by applicants from Rodrigues Island in respect of their applications and appeals and, if not, why not?

B/1274 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 the grant agreement of USD 639,000 signed under the UNDP-implemented AfriSids Blue Economy Project, he will state the financial allocation and share earmarked specifically for Rodrigues Island thereunder, giving a breakdown of the budget allocated for local equipment, infrastructure, and administrative support within the Rodrigues Regional Assembly?

B/1275 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Beechhook)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Queen Victoria Community Centre, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the current infrastructural conditions thereof, indicating whether the urgent renovation thereof will be envisaged?

B/1276 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 the stated objective of increasing the annual fish catch from 5,000 to 15,000 tons within the next three years, he will state the measures taken to date to attract foreign investments in the fishing industry for the attainment thereof, indicating the outcome thereof as at to date?

B/1277 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues **(Mrs Collet)**

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed Grant Agreement with the Global Water Partnership Southern Africa under the African Small Island Developing States Project, he will state whether consideration will be given for Rodrigues Island to be a potential site for any of the national demonstration or pilot projects earmarked thereunder and, if so, indicate whether discussions have been initiated with the Rodrigues Regional Assembly in relation thereto, giving details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1278 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Leu-Govind)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the invitation for the submission of applications for the issue of taxi licences for the village of Case-Noyale in 2019, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, information as to the number thereof received, indicating the (a) number thereof (i) approved and (ii) rejected and subsequently approved following review/appeal and (b) criteria for the issue thereof, including regarding the requirement for a certificate of character?

B/1279 The Honourable Second Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Beejan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 6, Grand Baie and Poudre d'Or, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of requests received since January 2025 to date from Village Councillors and members of the public for the (a) repairs of potholes on local roads and (b) provision of additional street lighting thereat, indicating, in each case, the number thereof acceded to, giving a breakdown thereof on a village-by-village basis?

B/1280 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 60th anniversary of The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award in Mauritius, he will state whether (a) funds have been earmarked for the holding of activities to mark same and, if so, list the activities envisaged and, if not, why not and (b) officials of his Ministry will be attending the 70th anniversary celebrations of the Award scheduled for November 2026 at the Windsor Castle in the United Kingdom and, if so, indicate the estimated cost thereof?

B/1281 The Honourable Third Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Etwareea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the support by Mauritius for the Moratorium set by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf on the exploitation of the maritime seabed, he will state the implications thereof on the rights of Mauritius to the marine resources of the deep sea, having regard to the fact that other nations, namely, the United States of America and the Republic of India, non-signatories thereof, are continuing exploring the maritime seabed?

B/1282 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues
(Mrs Henriette-Manan)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed introduction of the Adoption Bill in the Assembly, she will state where matters stand?

B/1283 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Dr Ms Daureeawo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the National Cancer Centre, he will state the (a) protocol governing the frequency and conduct of nurses' rounds in the wards for patients' monitoring, indicating the number of complaints received regarding the standard of care provided thereto and the nature thereof and actions taken in relation thereto and (b) measures being envisaged to further improve the quality of care, including palliative care, and the overall wellbeing of the patients?

B/1284 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle
(Mr Ramdass)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the ambulances, he will state the number thereof at the disposal of his Ministry, indicating the (a) number thereof (i) fully operational (ii) temporarily out of service for repairs/maintenance and (iii) permanently decommissioned or awaiting replacement and (b) measures being envisaged for the adequate maintenance and renewal thereof?

B/1285 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the Joint Management Area of over 396000 square kilometres of the Extended Continental Shelf in the Mascarene Plateau Region entrusted to Mauritius and Seychelles, he will state whether any technical, hydrographic, geological or legal studies have been commissioned in relation thereto and, if so, indicate the names of the consultants and the expenditure incurred therefor, further indicating whether copies of the reports thereof will be rendered public and, if so, when?

B/1286 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital at Crève-Coeur, in Rodrigues Island, he will state whether consideration will be given, in collaboration with the Rodrigues Regional Assembly, for the upgrading of the services and status thereof to that of a Regional Hospital, having regard to the demographic changes in Rodrigues Island, the increasing demand for complex health care services and the forthcoming Plaine-Corail Airport Development Project?

B/1287 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Seeburn)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the installation of speed tables in Constituency No. 11, Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Traffic Management and Road Safety Unit, information as to the expected timeframe for the implementation thereof and (b) state whether consideration will be given for the prioritisation of areas identified as posing particular risks to the safety of vulnerable road users, including schoolchildren and the elderly?

B/1288 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix **(Mr Lobine)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour and Industrial Relations–

Whether, in regard to the Sugar-cane Crop Season 2022 and ensuing ones to date, he will state the (a) yearly number of registered seasonal workers, indicating the number thereof (i) employed by sugar estates, contractors and small planters and (ii) having filed complaints regarding wages, working conditions, non-payment of benefits and employment termination and number of inspections effected and contraventions booked in connection therewith and (b) measures being envisaged to ensure employment protection and social security coverage thereto?

B/1289 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues **(Mrs Henriette-Manan)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to patients having recourse to medical treatment abroad, he will state the measures in place to enable them procure prescribed medicines not available in local pharmacies or registered for use in Mauritius, indicating (a) the timeframe for obtaining the necessary approval therefor and (b) whether Government provides any financial assistance towards the cost of importing same?

B/1290 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle
(Mr Ramdass)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the public septic tank located near the Shri Gajanand Mandir in Rose-Belle, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the current state thereof, indicating the last time same was inspected and the findings thereof (b) whether (i) any work has been undertaken thereat and (ii) the complete replacement thereof is being envisaged and, if so, indicate the timeframe therefor?

B/1291 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

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

Whether, in regard to special education needs in Rodrigues, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Special Education Needs Authority, information as to the purpose and outcome of the official mission effected by the said Authority in Rodrigues on or about 01 to 04 June 2026 and (b) state Government policy regarding those having attained the age of 20 years and above?

B/1292 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Beechook)

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

Whether, in regard to the revenue generated from the sale of molasses over the past financial year, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain the detailed breakdown of the distribution thereof by category of stakeholder, indicating the methodology and formula used for the computation of the amount payable thereto?

B/1293 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes
(Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the forthcoming commemoration of the 192nd anniversary of the arrival of indentured labourers in Mauritius, he will state whether his Ministry proposes to hold any activity in relation thereto at the Old Labourers' Quarters in Trianon and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1294 The Honourable Second Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Beejan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour and Industrial Relations–

Whether, in regard to the Accident Unit of the National Occupational Safety and Health Department, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) monthly number of occupational accident cases reported thereto since January 2026 to date and table the details and outcomes thereof and (b) number of officers responsible to investigate same, indicating the prescribed timeframe for the carrying out thereof and whether delays have occurred therein and, if so, why?

B/1295 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Leu-Govind)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the shortage of burial space in public cemeteries and the consequent recourse to common graves, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether consideration is being given for the establishment of new cemeteries island-wide and, if so, indicate the proposed locations thereof and expected implementation timeframe therefor?

B/1296 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to an employee of the Municipal Council of Vacoas-Phoenix who recently passed away, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether complaints were received therefrom regarding alleged workplace harassment and psychological pressure, including in connection with an alleged leak of official recruitment documents and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto, if any and (b) state whether an independent inquiry will be initiated thereinto?

B/1297 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Beechook)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the recurrent flooding occurring along Hallooman Road and Tagore Road, in Riche Mare, Centre de Flacq, during heavy rainfalls, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to the remedial measures being envisaged in relation thereto?

B/1298 The Honourable Third Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Etwareea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to persons suffering from addictions, particularly from drugs, alcohol, gambling and indebtedness, he will state the health facilities available in public hospitals for the treatment and rehabilitation thereof?

B/1299 The Honourable Fifth Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to the supply of petroleum products and heavy fuel oil, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to whether new contracts have been signed therefor since April 2026 to date and, if so, in each case (a) give the list of bidders with corresponding quotations and total amount of premium payable thereunder and (b) table copy of the contract awarded to Sahara Energy Resource Ltd.?

B/1300 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 Renganaden Seeneevassen Avenue, in Quatre Bornes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Traffic Management and Road Safety Unit, information as to whether consideration will be given for the installation of a (a) speed breaker in front of the main entrance of the Kovil situated thereat and (b) speed hump near Gopal Lane for the safety of pilgrims and other road users?

B/1301 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Leu-Govind)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Dr Yves Cantin Community Hospital and the Black River region, he will state whether consideration will be given for the allocation of additional ambulances thereto and, if so, indicate the number and expected deployment date thereof?

B/1302 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 removal of the TF1 group channels, in or about June 2026, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Independent Broadcasting Authority, information as to whether it is in presence of complaints from subscribers in respect of alleged breaches of contract and the lack of prior formal notice thereof and whether same have been investigated and the outcomes thereof?

B/1303 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (Mrs Collet)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the public health and border control measures introduced in May 2026 to minimise the risk of the Ebola Virus Disease, he will state (a) whether the efficacy thereof has been assessed and whether any case thereof has been determined in mainland Mauritius and Rodrigues Island, respectively and (b) the measures being contemplated in collaboration with the Rodrigues Regional Assembly in relation thereto?

B/1304 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Financial Services and Economic Planning –

Whether, in regard to the Financial Services Institute, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the names of the Chairperson, Chief Executive Officer and other members of the Board thereof, indicating, in each case, the qualifications, professional experience, dates and terms and conditions of appointment thereof, including the quantum of fees, allowances and other benefits drawn?

B/1305 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the Baichoo Madhoo Government School, he will state whether the opening of the new pre-primary building thereat, reportedly completed in 2023, is expected to become operational for the 2027 academic year and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1306 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the CEB Home Solar Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of photovoltaic kits installed thereunder to date, indicating (a) the number thereof which are currently non-operational and the reasons therefor, including the number of reported cases of inverter failures and (b) whether, following the transfer of ownership thereof to the beneficiaries, the responsibility for the maintenance and repairs thereof has also been transferred thereto?

B/1307 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the Protocol to the Constitutive Act of the African Union relating to the Pan-African Parliament adopted in Malabo in 2014, he will state the number of African Union Member States which have, to date, signed and ratified same, indicating whether the Republic of Mauritius is included therein and, if not, why not and whether Government intends to initiate the necessary process therefor?

B/1308 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Mr Jhummun)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Financial Services and Economic Planning –

Whether, in regard to the former British American Investment Co. Ltd. and subsidiaries thereof, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) selling price of each of the assets thereof and the accounts, funds or entities to which the proceeds thereof were transferred and (b) total amount of public funds disbursed to reimburse the Super Cash Back Gold policyholders?

B/1309 The Honourable Fifth Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Lesjongard)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Industry, SME and Cooperative –

Whether, in regard to the proposed budgetary measure to increase excise duty on the sugar content of sugar-sweetened products, he will state where matters stand, following the recent decision to stall the implementation thereof?

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**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/80 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (**Mrs Collet**)

*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 decisions taken and measures proposed following the Joint Declaration made during the recent visit of the President of Seychelles by Mauritius and Seychelles concerning the sustainable development of the Joint Management Area regarding marine scientific research, fisheries, ocean governance, sustainable resource use, and regional cooperation, he will state the work progress thereof, indicating the collaboration with the Rodrigues Regional Assembly, if any, being contemplated in relation thereto?

Bibi Safeena Lotun, C.S.K. (Mrs)
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