

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 27 October 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/1388 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 Rodrigues Island, having regard to the economic disparity and high cost of freight between mainland Mauritius and Rodrigues Island, he will state whether consideration for measures to safeguard and improve the purchasing power of those residing therein are being envisaged, including the (a) provision of subsidies on essential commodities (b) enforcement of price control mechanisms and (c) financial assistance aimed at mitigating the high cost of living thereat?

B/1389 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mr Jugurnauth**)

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 the road accident which occurred on or about 02 September 2026 at Allée Tamarin, in Bambous and which resulted in the demise of Mrs M. L. A., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand?

B/1390 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 taxes and levies collected on gasoil and diesel, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the total amount collected thereunder for period July to September 2026 and for the corresponding period in 2025, indicating the quantum of subsidies, including on Liquefied Petroleum Gas, disbursed by Government in relation thereto for the said periods?

B/1391 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 Cargo Handling Corporation Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the findings of the audit report dated July 2026 in respect of allegations concerning matters of governance, accountability, compliance and procurement thereat, indicating whether copy thereof will be tabled?

B/1392 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 finding contained in the Afrobarometer Flagship Report 2026 to the effect that 76% of Mauritians aged 18 to 25 surveyed have considered emigrating, he will state whether Government has taken cognisance thereof and, if so, indicate the measures being taken and/or envisaged to (a) retain young and qualified Mauritians in the country and (b) encourage the return of those having emigrated?

B/1393 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. and Airport Holdings Ltd., he will state whether consideration will be given for the (a) dismantling of the said holding company and the reorganisation of the corporate structure thereof to address issues of corporate conflicts and duality of responsibility and (b) relisting of Air Mauritius Ltd. on the official market of the Stock Exchange of Mauritius?

B/1394 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central **(Dr Aumeer)**

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 incidents of civil unrest, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to whether (a) the adequacy of the intelligence gathering, early-warning mechanisms and operational preparedness of the Police Force has been assessed and (b) a comprehensive review of crowd-control strategies and rapid-response capabilities is being envisaged?

B/1395 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 implementation of measures announced under the proposed strengthening of the Regional Maritime Security Architecture and surveillance enhancement capacity for the protection of the maritime domain of the Republic of Mauritius, announced in the 2025-2029 Government Programme, he will state where matters stand, indicating the (a) key milestones attained (b) implementation timeframe (c) regional/international cooperation initiatives pursued and (d) technical, financial, capacity-building or other support sought/secured?

B/1396 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 alleged loss of some Rs 7 billion in toxic loans at the former Silver Bank Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Crimes Commission, information as to the identity of the foreign and Mauritian managers concerned who have not been questioned in connection therewith and, regarding those who have left the country, indicate the circumstances thereof?

B/1397 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 corporate sector, particularly, the banking, insurance, oil distribution, tourism and retail sectors, during the financial years 2024–2025 and 2025–2026, he will state whether, having regard to the financial performance thereof, consideration will be given for the introduction of a temporary solidarity levy on companies operating therein with the proceeds thereof to be earmarked for specific urgent national priorities?

B/1398 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 Permanent Secretaries and Senior Chief Executives acting as Accounting Officers, he will state the disciplinary framework applicable thereto, indicating (a) the authority responsible for initiating proceedings following adverse findings of the Director of Audit and (b) whether the absence of a scheme of service constitutes an impediment thereto?

B/1399 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 proposed reform of the Mauritius Police Force, he will state where matters stand, indicating (a) the specific legislative measures being envisaged to strengthen police accountability, especially, following the recent incident in which Mrs E. T. was injured and (b) whether urgent consideration will be given thereto?

B/1400 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 baggage reclaim belts currently operational at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, he will for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airports of Mauritius Ltd., information as to the number thereof, indicating whether in view of the increasing number of flights to Mauritius, consideration will be given for an increase in the number thereof and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/1401 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 Port Louis Harbour, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Ports Authority, information as to the (a) cargo throughput, vessel turnaround time and container dwell time thereat, on a yearly basis, for the period 2022 to 2025 and 2026 to date and (b) measures being taken and/or envisaged to improve operational efficiency and international competitiveness thereof as a regional transshipment hub?

B/1402 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central **(Dr Aumeer)**

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 dissemination of inflammatory messages and calls for violence through social media platforms, he will, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to whether they have the requisite technological capabilities and legal powers to identify persons suspected thereof considering the constitutional rights of freedoms of expression and peaceful assembly, indicating whether the expertise of Meta has been sought to identify persons using anonymous profiles therefor?

B/1403 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 national economy, he will state the (a) progress achieved in strengthening fiscal discipline, reducing the public debt-to-GDP ratio and restoring the country's fiscal resilience to date and (b) measures being envisaged to ensure that the benefits of economic growth translate into tangible improvements in the purchasing power, real income and standard of living of the citizens?

B/1404 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 recent riots, he will (a) obtain information regarding the number of reported incidents, indicating the locations and estimated cost of damages caused to public infrastructure, including police stations and vehicles, CCTV cameras, traffic lights and of private businesses and individuals and estimated economic losses sustained and (b) state whether consideration will be given for the introduction of an emergency financial assistance scheme to benefit affected small and medium enterprises?

B/1405 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central **(Dr Aumeer)**

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 service firearms, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported incidents wherein Police Officers discharged same whilst on duty over the past five years, indicating the number of civilian injuries or fatalities having resulted therefrom and (b) state whether consideration will be given for a review of the existing operational protocols, training and use thereof?

B/1406 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 bank-related cyber fraud, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of reported cases thereof since January 2024 to date, indicating the (a) total amount of money lost in connection therewith and number of senior citizens affected therewith and the total amount of money they have lost and (b) number thereof wherein suspects have been arrested, prosecuted and convicted in connection therewith, if any?

B/1407 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 Police Officers, he will obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the number thereof injured while discharging their duties since January 2023 to date, indicating the assistance extended and compensation paid thereto (b) whether consideration will be given for an increase of the quantum of the risk allowance payable thereto and (c) where matters stand regarding the implementation of the Bank Scheme in relation thereto?

B/1408 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 damage caused to police assets during the recent rioting and incidents throughout the country, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of Safe City cameras, and police stations and vehicles damaged, indicating, in each case, the estimated timeframe for the replacement, remedial works and/or repair thereof, as appropriate, and giving a breakdown thereof locality-wise?

B/1409 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 non-refundable processing fee of Rs 150 imposed on goods imported by post/courier under Category II and III, from 01 September 2026, he will (a) obtain from the Mauritius Revenue Authority, information regarding the (i) amount of revenue collected as at date and (ii) justification therefor, giving the cost breakdown of services provided and (b) state whether consideration will be given for a review/suspension thereof regarding personal consignments valued at less than Rs 1,000?

B/1410 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 major drug trafficker arrested during or in the aftermath of the recent riots, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the nature of the charges preferred against him and where matters stand?

B/1411 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 police stations damaged during the recent riots, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) estimated number of case files found thereat pertaining to investigations and court cases which have been damaged or destroyed and (b) remedial actions being envisaged in relation thereto?

B/1412 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 Brigade des Jeux, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of (a) officers posted thereat to date gender-wise (b) vehicles put at the disposal thereof and (c) cases dealt with, indicating the number thereof referred to the Financial Crimes Commission?

B/1413 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 road traffic management, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) mechanisms and procedures in place therefor, particularly, during peak hours, including policies, protocols and procedures applicable in the event of road traffic accidents, vehicle breakdowns or road blockages and (b) additional measures being envisaged to improve same and alleviate traffic congestion?

B/1414 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 proposed review of the Public Procurement Act, he will state where matters stand, indicating the expected timeframe therefor?

B/1415 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 Sir G. C. KC engaged as legal adviser to the Mauritian Government, he will state (a) his scope of services, including the number of hours worked, extent of involvement in the proposed National Crime Agency and related Bills and costs incurred with a breakdown thereof and (b) whether any opinion was sought regarding the compatibility thereof with him simultaneously representing persons subject to investigation/prosecution under the Mauritian law?

B/1416 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central **(Dr Aumeer)**

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 incidents of civil unrest and the imposition of curfews, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether an assessment of the economic losses sustained by small businesses, traders and the tourism sector has been carried out and (b) state whether any targeted financial assistance or recovery measures are being envisaged for the benefit thereof?

B/1417 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 the Police Stations of Rivière Noire and La Gaulette, he will (a) obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (i) police strength thereat, indicating the number of officers thereof trained in firearm use and (ii) origin of reinforcements dispatched thereto during the recent riots and average response time thereof and (b) state whether consideration will be given for the setting up of dedicated reinforcement units for each Police Division?

B/1418 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 uncertainties surrounding the country's economic and financial situation, he will state whether consideration is being given to resorting to monetary expansion through public and private borrowing?

B/1419 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Lukeeram)

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 into the murder of Mr J. K. Y. T., he will, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand, indicating whether (a) any potential link with the cannabis plantation adjacent the murder site is being investigated (b) CCTV footage of main access points to murder site have been secured and, if not, why not and (c) the services of foreign ballistic/experts are being solicited?

B/1420 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 inquiry initiated by the Financial Crimes Commission in connection with the advisory fees paid by Air Mauritius Ltd. to Grant Thornton Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, indicating whether all persons interrogated in connection therewith are still in Mauritius?

B/1421 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 proposed amendment to the Children's Act with a view to bringing down the criminal responsibility of juveniles from 14 to 12 years, he will state whether a comprehensive child-rights impact assessment has been commissioned to determine the potential impact thereof on juvenile delinquency?

B/1422 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 proposed introduction of biometric Mauritian e-passport in replacement of the current hand copy passport, he will state where matters stand?

B/1423 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 voluntary retirement schemes of former labourers working in sugarcane fields currently posted at Landscape Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand in relation thereto, indicating (a) the outcome of the recent Board meeting held in connection therewith and (b) whether a meeting will be held with the said labourers in relation thereto and, if so, when?

B/1424 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 ratification of the Treaty between the United Kingdom and Mauritius for the transfer of sovereignty of the Chagos Archipelago to Mauritius on 22 May 2025, he will state where matters stand following his meeting with Mr J. P., the United Kingdom's National Security Adviser, on 02 October 2026 in London?

*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/1425 The Honourable Fifth Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

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

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the Centralised Redeployment Cell, the Redeployment Framework and the Redeployment Register, respectively, as recommended in the Pay Research Bureau Report 2026, he will state where matters stand, indicating whether provision will be made therein for the qualifications, experience, skills and career progression of officers to be taken into consideration?

B/1426 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Leu-Govind)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the CWA hotline 170, he will state whether consideration will be given for making same a toll-free service for calls originating from both fixed lines and mobile phones, in view of complaints from prepaid mobile users whose credits are exhausted before their complaints can be registered and, if so, when?

B/1427 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Rookny)

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

Whether, in regard to the public service, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) number of persons recruited and total salary expenditure incurred therefor over each of the past two years and (b) projected number of recruits and corresponding salary expenditure therefor for each of the forthcoming three years?

B/1428 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Mare aux Vacoas reservoir, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information regarding (a) when the last bathymetric survey thereof was conducted, indicating the extent of sediment accumulation and reduction in the usable storage capacity thereof and (b) whether geological, geotechnical and seepage assessments of the bed and foundations thereof were undertaken and, if so, when, which company carried out same, costs incurred and findings and recommendations thereof?

B/1429 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (Mrs Collet)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed review of the legal and regulatory framework to enhance (a) accountability, digital integrity, online safety and compliance by online platforms and users of their products and services with Mauritian laws, particularly, in relation to cyberbullying, online harassment, doxxing, deepfakes, harmful Generative AI content, impersonation, fake profiles, misinformation/disinformation (b) the capacity of relevant institutions and (c) cooperation with online platforms, foreign regulators and international partners therefor, he will state where matters stand?

B/1430 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle
(Mr Ramdass)

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

Whether, in regard to the Early Retirement Scheme 2021 of the National Insurance Company Ltd. targeting employees aged 35+, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof who opted therefor and number thereof having been re-employed, indicating the (a) new terms and conditions thereof (b) total monthly staff costs in respect thereof (c) quantum of retirement benefits paid thereto and (d) number thereof having been promoted?

B/1431 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Beechook)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –

Whether, in regard to the Outline Planning Scheme, he will state whether consideration will be given for a comprehensive revision thereof, particularly, the Development Management Map, with a view to ensuring equitable and sustainable zoning policies that take into account the specific needs and realities of both urban and rural areas?

B/1432 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose-Hill
(Mr Pierre)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the proposed introduction of an Artist Bill in Parliament, he will state where matters stand?

B/1433 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 Memorandum of Agreement signed between Medine Limited and the Central Water Authority in 2024 for the development of water supply infrastructure and exploitation of boreholes in Beaux-Songes and Pierrefonds, he will obtain information as to whether the Lease Agreement for six arpents of land at Beaux-Songes has been signed, where matters stand regarding the construction of service reservoirs, pumping stations and pipelines, and the expected date of operation thereof?

B/1434 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Jugurnauth)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the plot of land of approximately seven arpents situated at Martinière, Surinam, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the District Council of Savanne, information as to the present use thereof and (b) state whether consideration will be given for the installation of solar photovoltaic panels thereon to promote renewable energy generation for the southern regions of Mauritius?

B/1435 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Dr Ms Daureeawo)**

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

Whether, in regard to the modernisation of public service facilities announced in the Budget 2026–2027, he will state where matters stand, indicating the (a) amount budgeted therefor and the actual expenditure incurred to date and (b) expected implementation timeframe therefor?

B/1436 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Beechhook)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Officer in Charge of the Institute of Technical Education and Technology, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the substantive grade thereof, indicating the (a) academic and professional qualifications thereof (b) quantum of the remuneration, allowances and other benefits attached to the post and (c) criteria governing the appointment thereof and the rationale therefor?

B/1437 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose-Hill **(Mr Pierre)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to Pleasure Craft Licences, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Tourism Authority, information as to (a) whether applications therefor are still being entertained and (b) the current waiting time for the processing and issuance of new licences and renewals thereof?

B/1438 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes **(Ms Anquetil)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the promotion and development of sports in Constituency No. 18, Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes, he will state the programmes and/or initiatives being envisaged to encourage greater youth participation in sporting activities thereat, giving details thereof?

B/1439 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues **(Mr Edouard)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Southern African Development Community Protocol on Energy, he will state whether Mauritius has signed the 2021 amended version thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1440 The Honourable Second Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or **(Mr Beejan)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the drainage infrastructure at Fond du Sac, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of new drains earmarked for construction during the current financial year, indicating (a) the locations thereof and implementation timeframe therefor and (b) whether the proposed works are expected to adequately address the flooding problems in the high-risk areas thereof?

B/1441 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes **(Ms Anquetil)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the proposed implementation of flood alleviation works at La Louise in Quatre Bornes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, indicating (a) whether the necessary approvals and funding have been secured therefor and (b) the expected start and completion dates thereof?

B/1442 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Lukeeram)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the Mahebourg Waterfront, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) where matters stand regarding the renovation, repair and embellishment works planned/being undertaken thereat, indicating the (i) progress made for the rehabilitation of the steel jetty and (ii) expected timeframe for the completion and re-opening thereof and (b) the measures being envisaged to prevent cars and motorcycles from using the designated pedestrian areas thereof, including the carrying out of regular police controls thereat?

B/1443 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Babajee)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the rainy/cyclonic seasons 2026-2027, he will state the measures taken/envisaged together with the Land Drainage Authority, Road Development Authority and local authorities, for inspection, cleaning and clearing of drains, culverts, roadside water passages, canals and rivers, indicating the extent, locations and number thereof (a) cleaned and cleared to date and (b) remaining to be cleaned and cleared?

B/1444 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to vegetables/agricultural products, he will obtain from the Pesticides Regulatory Office, information as to the number of pesticide residue analyses carried out for period May to June 2026, indicating (a) the number thereof which (i) exceeded the prescribed Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) and (ii) contained non-recommended pesticide residues (b) the locations from which the samples were collected and (c) whether the growers, suppliers or distributors whose products exceeded the prescribed MRLs have been identified and, if so, indicate the findings thereof?

B/1445 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Rookny)

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

Whether, in regard to the Global Business sector, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Service Commission, information as to the yearly number of (a) Global Business Companies registered and deregistered, respectively, over the past five years and (b) persons employed by management companies over the past three years?

B/1446 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 swimming pools facilities at the Côte d'Or National Sports Complex, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Multisports Infrastructure Ltd., information as to whether (a) the main swimming pool was heated during the past winter, indicating the number of complaints, if any, received for excessively low water temperature and (b) both swimming pools were recently closed owing to water shortages?

B/1447 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the closure of the Rehabilitation Youth Centre, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the measures taken for the redeployment of the staff thereof, indicating the institutions or departments to which they have been posted?

B/1448 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Seeburn)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the upgrading and infrastructural development works at the Bois des Amourettes Football Ground, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) whether there has been any delay in the implementation thereof and, if so, indicate the reasons therefor and (b) the expected resumption and completion dates of the outstanding works, including the installation of lighting facilities?

B/1449 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Caserne)**

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed integration of all Government Apps into the KOREK! App, he will state where matters stand, indicating the expected date for the full implementation thereof?

B/1450 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose-Hill **(Mr Pierre)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –

Whether, in regard to the proposed reform of the Syndic system for the National Housing Development Co. Ltd. housing estates, he will state where matters stand, indicating whether he is aware that following the letter of information issued to the residents concerned in June 2026 therefor, existing syndics in several such housing estates have reportedly ceased/reduced the provision of essential maintenance and management services and, if so, indicate the measures being envisaged?

B/1451 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Mr Jhummun)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –

Whether, in regard to the provision of housing units by the National Housing Development Co. Ltd. in Constituency No. 13, Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of housing units (a) allocated since 2014 to date and (b) earmarked for allocation, indicating the expected timeframe therefor?

B/1452 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 reported high level of pesticide residues detected in fruits and vegetables, he will state the measures (a) taken by his Ministry in relation thereto (b) being envisaged to curtail the use of pesticides in the production thereof and (c) being taken or envisaged, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Wellness, in respect of the potential consequences thereof on public health?

B/1453 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Leu-Govind)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to traffic lights, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Traffic Management and Road Safety Unit, information as to the number thereof damaged or non-operational, indicating the (a) respective locations thereof (b) estimated repairs/replacement cost thereof and (c) expected timeframe for the repairs/replacement thereof, including the interim safety measures being envisaged in relation thereto?

B/1454 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Venkatasami)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour and Industrial Relations–

Whether, in regard to World Knits Ltd. and associated companies under receivership, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the number of Mauritian and foreign employees affected, indicating the measures taken to (i) safeguard their rights and welfare and (ii) provide financial support, placement opportunities/ alternative employment thereto and (b) whether consultations have been held with the receiver and relevant authorities to ensure full compliance with applicable labour laws?

B/1455 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Rookny)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the proposed implementation of traffic-calming measures, including speed breakers, along the coastal road at Trou aux Biches, between Neo Nemorin Government School and Trou aux Biches Police Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, indicating the reasons for the delay therein and the expected timeframe therefor?

B/1456 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Seeburn)

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

Whether, in regard to the consolidation of Mauritius as an International Financial Centre, she will state the (a) measures being implemented to strengthen the credibility and attractiveness thereof and (b) initiatives being undertaken to attract new international financial institutions to promote financial innovation and encourage the development of high-value financial services?

B/1457 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 recent participation of the National Women's Football team in a competition held in Ghana, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Football Association, information as to the (a) names and capacities of the members of the official delegation, giving a breakdown thereof by players, technical staff, officials and other accompanying persons and (b) total expenditure incurred, giving a breakdown of the costs borne by the State, the said Association or any other body?

B/1458 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the infrastructural works undertaken at Résidence Lys Leisure Park, Bassin Road, in Quatre Bornes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, indicating the expected completion date thereof?

B/1459 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues
(Mrs Henriette-Manan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the grants received by the Mauritius Football Association from the Fédération Internationale de Football Association over each of the past five financial years, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) amount received (b) purpose therefor, indicating the conditions, if any, attached thereto and (c) amounts allocated to each Regional Football Association, including to the Rodrigues Regional Football Association?

B/1460 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (Mrs Collet)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to patients transferred from Rodrigues Island to mainland Mauritius for specialised treatment and their accompanying carers/family members, he will state (a) whether assessment of the social, psychological and economic impact of their prolonged stays in Mauritius is carried out and, if so, indicate the findings thereof and, if not, whether consideration will be given therefor and (b) the support extended thereto and the measures envisaged to expand specialised healthcare services in Rodrigues Island?

B/1461 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Dr Ms Daureeawo)**

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

Whether, in regard to Special Education Needs schools, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Special Education Needs Authority, information as to (a) the number of complaints received in relation thereto over the past two years, indicating the (i) nature thereof and (ii) actions taken in relation thereto category-wise and (b) whether any of the said schools have been found to be operating without the requisite registration and, if so, indicate the remedial actions taken?

B/1462 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Ramdass)**

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

Whether, in regard to the El Niño phenomenon, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether an assessment of the likely impact thereof on the country has been carried out in respect of rainfall patterns, water availability, agricultural production, food security, public health and extreme weather risks and, if so, state where matters stand regarding the formulation of a national preparedness and response plan thereto?

B/1463 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River **(Mr Jugurnauth)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the seaplane accident wherein a tourist died, he will obtain information as to the findings of the inquiry initiated thereinto, indicating the actions, if any (a) taken against the seaplane operator, whether he possessed a valid permit therefor and, if so, indicate the date of issue, issuing authority and terms and conditions thereof, including regarding passenger safety and operational requirements and (b) implemented by his Ministry following same?

B/1464 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 Water Resources Act 2024, he will obtain information as to whether (a) the register provided for thereunder is established and, if so, indicate the number of (i) water rights registered and (ii) holders, authorised volumes and water sources and whether copy thereof will be tabled (b) any review has been carried out of rights attached to land no longer used for agricultural purposes and (c) holders thereof are required to pay any fee?

B/1465 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/1466 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Seeburn)

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

Whether, in regard to the Professional Fisherman Card, he will state whether consideration will be given for the issue of invitations for applications therefor and, if so, when, indicating whether priority of consideration will be given to longstanding fishermen who depend primarily on this activity for their livelihood?

B/1467 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Leu-Govind)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –

Whether, in regard to Coteau Raffin, he will state where matters stand as to resolution of the water and electricity access issues identified thereat during his recent visit thereto, indicating whether he proposes to liaise with the Ministry of Public Utilities with a view to enabling those residing thereat to qualify for assistance under the Water Tank Scheme?

B/1468 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (Mrs Collet)

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

Whether, in regard to the Rehabilitation Youth Centres, she will state/obtain information as to the (a) number and locations thereof in Mauritius, including in Rodrigues Island, indicating in each case the (i) current and yearly capacity and occupancy thereof over the past three years and (ii) managerial and operational difficulties thereof and (b) measures taken/envisaged to strengthen the rehabilitation, education, parent support and reintegration services for the youths from Rodrigues admitted thereto?

B/1469 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Beechhook)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –

Whether, in regard to the recurrent flooding occurring along Hallooman and Tagore Roads, 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/1470 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 Constituency No. 6, he will obtain information as to the current number of bus stops thereat, indicating the number thereof equipped with shelters and seating facilities and whether the need therefor has been assessed for the other ones having regard to passenger demand, exposure to rain and flooding, road safety, and accessibility for the elderly and persons with disabilities and, if so, indicate the number thereof to be provided therewith and expected implementation dates thereof?

B/1471 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose-Hill
(Mr Pierre)

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

Whether, in regard to the budgetary measure consisting of increasing excise duty on the sugar content of sugar-sweetened products, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether joint technical meetings have been held between relevant stakeholders and the Ministry to discuss the implications thereof and, if so, indicate where matters stand in addressing the concerns raised?

B/1472 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 information as to the reasons for the reduction in the number of officers posted thereat from five to three, indicating whether consideration is being given for the restoration of the staffing level thereof, having regard to the remarks made by the Director of Audit in respect of the use of pesticides in Mauritius?

B/1473 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Jugurnauth)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the number of vehicles in the fleet thereof, indicating the number thereof currently out of service, further indicating whether the number of operational vehicles is adequate to respond effectively to fire outbreaks and flooding incidents island-wide and (b) whether the pump units acquired in 2021 at a cost of approximately USD 500,000 have been put to operational use and, if not, why not?

B/1474 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 15, La Caverne and Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) regions where water has not been supplied for more than three consecutive days (b) number of complaints received in respect of (i) low water pressure and (ii) non-adherence by the Central Water Authority to the scheduled supply of five hours every two days and (c) immediate and interim measures being envisaged, other than the provision of water tankers, to ensure a reliable and basic supply of potable water thereto?

B/1475 The Honourable Second Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or
(Mr Beejan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the prevalence of obesity in Mauritius, he will state the (a) trend rates thereof over the past five years, indicating the latest statistics thereof disaggregated by age group and gender, among adults, adolescents and children (b) measures being implemented to address same, particularly regarding children and young people and (c) whether a national strategy has been devised therefor and, if so, indicate the timeframe for 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/85 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 rising cost of living, he will state whether consideration will be given for the promotion of agro-ecology and safe local animal breeding as key pillars of the economy and, if so, indicate the financial incentives contemplated therefor?

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/86 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Dr Ms Thannoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the canals formerly used by the sugar estates, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Water Resources Commission, information as whether consideration is being given to utilising the water therefrom for domestic purposes and, if so, give details thereof?

A/87 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Dr Ms Thannoo)

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

Whether, in regard to acts of juvenile delinquency among the youth under 18, he will state whether consideration will be given to reviewing the existing educational assessment system at early childhood and primary levels, with a view to reducing educational exclusion and identifying alternative learning pathways for pupils at risk of disengagement modelled on that of the Finnish pedagogical education system?

A/88 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Dr Ms Thannoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the Independent Committee of Enquiry set up to look into alleged mismanagement and industrial relations issues at the New Educational College, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, indicating (a) the outcome thereof (b) whether the report will be rendered public and (c) the actions being envisaged to address any alleged mismanagement practices?

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