MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 23 May 2023

Questions addressed to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity

B/579 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

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

Whether he will state if consideration will now be given for the introduction of a Freedom of Information Bill in the House and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/580 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Joanna Berénger)

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

Whether, in regard to the Report of the Court of Investigation set up to look into the grounding of the MV Wakashio, he will (a) state (i) the findings of the Inter-Ministerial Committee set up to examine the recommendations contained therein and (ii) where matters stand as to the implementation of the recommendations contained therein and (b) table copy thereof and, if not, why not?
B/581 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to the Anti-Drug Smuggling Unit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) number of officers attached thereto indicating the allowances, if any, payable thereto and (b) amount of reward money paid to informers since 2019 to date?

B/582 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

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

Whether, in regard to official overseas missions undertaken by Dr N. R., GCSK, FRCP, former Prime Minister, since 2005 to 2014, he will state the number thereof, indicating in each case the (a) countries visited (b) composition of the delegation and (c) costs incurred, giving details thereof?

B/583 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to sexual assaults on women, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof over the past five years, indicating the number thereof (a) prosecuted and (b) in which convictions have been secured?
B/584  The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to the "Shatta Festival" organised by Katar Ltd., at the Champ de Mars, in the evening of Saturday 13 May 2023, until the wee hours of Sunday, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if (a) approval for the holding thereof had been sought and obtained and, if so, indicate if all the conditions attached thereto have been complied with and (b) any complaint has been received in relation thereto?

B/585  The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Mr L. R., Adviser at the Prime Minister’s Office, he will state the (a) qualifications thereof (b) terms and conditions of the contract of employment thereof, including salary and benefits drawn and (c) governmental and/or parastatal bodies on which he has been nominated, indicating the allowances drawn?

B/586  The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

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

Whether, in regard to rave parties organised since 2015 to date he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if inquiries have been initiated thereinto and, if so, indicate the (a) number of persons (i) arrested (ii) prosecuted and (iii) convicted and (b) type and quantity of drugs seized, if any, in relation thereto?
B/587  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to electoral petitions entered before the Supreme Court since 2020 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Electoral Supervisory Commission, information as to the amount of fees paid to Counsel in relation thereto?

B/588  The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

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

Whether, in regard to the inquiries initiated into the acquisition of properties at Angus Road, in Vacoas, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Independent Commission against Corruption, information as to where matters stand?

B/589  The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

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

Whether, in regard to the 20 tons or more of copper ingots seized on a scrap yard at La Tour Koenig on Monday 10 April 2023, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the name of the company allegedly involved therein and (b) if the sources thereof have been identified?

B/590  The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether, in regard to the inquiry initiated into the alleged sabotage of the racing track of the Champ de Mars on the eve of the maiden Cup Day last year, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand?
B/591 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether, in regard to the inquiry initiated into the ‘Bet 365’ case, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand?

B/592 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

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

Whether, in regard to the Director of Audit, he will state the mode of appointment and eligibility criteria considered for the appointment thereof, indicating if same were reviewed for the appointment of the former and incumbent to the post thereof and, if so, the reasons therefor?

B/593 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

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

Whether, in regard to the Judgment delivered by the Special Chamber of the International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea on 28 April 2023, establishing a binding international maritime boundary between Mauritius and Maldives in the region of the Chagos Archipelago, he will state the actions Government proposes to initiate as a result thereof?

B/594 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to the Special Striking Team, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) reason for the setting up thereof (b) number of officers attached thereto (c) resources provided
therefor (d) allowances, if any, paid thereto and (e) number of arrests effected since the setting up thereof to date?

B/595
The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether, in regard to the inquiry initiated into the statement made by Mrs S. K. against Mr Y.S., for the alleged fictitious employment of the former as Constituency Clerk of the latter, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand, indicating when Mr Y.S. was interviewed by the police?

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

B/596
The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the extension of the Metro Express line to Côte d'Or, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Metro Express Ltd., information as to if a feasibility study has been conducted thereinto and, if so, table copy thereof and, if not, why not?

B/597
The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Dr Gungapersad)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

Whether, in regard to the deployment of wireless local area network in the 155 secondary schools in Mauritius and Rodrigues as announced in the Budget Speech 2021-2022, she will state where matters stand?
B/598 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the Notre Dame Relay Shelter, she will state since when Baby C. P. is admitted thereat, indicating if the admission protocol has been respected and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/599 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Ittoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the drain project at Malakoff, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/600 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

Whether, in regard to Green Agriculture, he will state the initiatives taken by his Ministry (a) for the promotion thereof and (b) to attract the youth towards this sector?

B/601 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Nuckcheddy)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the “Prime à L’Emploi” Scheme, he will state the number of young persons and women, respectively, having benefitted thereunder since the implementation thereof?
B/602 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Joanna Berénger)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

Whether he will state if consideration will be given for the designation of the area earmarked for a Smart City project at Roches Noires as a National Park/Special Natural Reserve in view of Mauritius being signatory to the Conventions for the protection of biodiversity, wildlife, flora and fauna and wetlands and if not, why not?

B/603 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of the Curepipe Area Health Centre, he will state where matter stand?

B/604 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Pailles-Guibies Sewerage Project – Phase 2, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Wastewater Management Authority, information as to the (a) number of houses connected thereto (b) number of foreign and local workers mobilized therefor and (c) expected date for launching of bids for the completion of the remaining works thereat, if any?

B/605 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the chartering of two regional feeder vessels to support industries in exporting to the region as announced in the Budget Speech 2022-2023, he will state the (a) name of the owner of the vessels (b) procurement method used therefor (c) number of trips undertaken to date and (d) aggregate amount paid in relation thereto?
B/606 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the National Development Unit projects in Constituency No. 4, Port Louis North and Montagne Longue, since 2020 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof (a) completed (b) in progress and (c) proposed?

B/607 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to medicines, he will state the (a) amount of money disbursed for the procurement thereof for each of the financial year 2020 to 2022 and 2023 to date and (b) quantity thereof expired for the same period, indicating the cost thereof?

B/608 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to the Children’s Act, she will state if consideration will be given for amendments to be brought thereto for the definition of street children to be inserted thereinto and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/609 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to foreign nationals, he will state the number thereof recruited, over the last four years to date, sector wise, indicating the (a) nationality thereof and (b) companies registered at his Ministry for the recruitment thereof, further indicating the number thereof they are allowed to recruit?
The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to Corneal grafts, he will state the number thereof performed at the Subramaniam Bharati Moka Eye Hospital and Souillac Hospital, respectively, over the past two years?

The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the payment of overtime in his Ministry, he will state the amount due for the years 2021, 2022 and 2023 to date, if any, giving a breakdown for each Department grade-wise?

The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether he will state if he is in presence of representations from unions of employees of State Corporations/ companies and the private sector for the protection of the Defined Benefit Pension Schemes/ Funds on account of same facing deficits and, if so, indicate the actions, if any, he proposes to take in relation thereto?

The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

Whether, in regard to agricultural land, he will state the acreage thereof under vegetable cultivation?

The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Mayotte)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to patients suffering from autism, he will state the reported number thereof as at to date?
B/615 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the resumption of operation of Terragen Co. Ltd., he will state if the targeted sixty per cent renewable energy in our energy mix by 2030 will be attained and, if not, why not?

B/616 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the Free Travel Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the implementation of the Cashless Bus Ticketing System?

B/617 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to the foreign workers, he will state the number thereof who have been in the country for more than ten years, indicating the (a) sectors concerned and (b) number thereof whose permits have not been renewed and are still in the country?

B/618 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

Whether, in regard to wheel and crawler tractors, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Agricultural Mechanisation Unit, since January 2022 to date, information as to the (a) number thereof currently operational and table copy of the historical breakdown thereof and (b) number of applications for the hiring thereof (i) received and (ii) approved?
B/619 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the renovation and construction works carried out at the Salle des Fêtes of the Municipal Council of Vacoas-Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the date the contract was awarded, indicating the name of the contractor and the total project value thereof?

B/620 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the new premises of the Economic Development Board in Ebène, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if tender was floated for the selection thereof and, if so, indicate the (a) name of the selected bidder thereof and (b) monthly rent payable therefor?

B/621 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to wastewater management in Constituency No. 4, Port Louis North and Montagne Longue, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Wastewater Management Authority, information as to the measures being envisaged to remedy the problems encountered in relation thereto?

B/622 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Abbas Mamode)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the construction of a Community Health Centre at Roche Bois, he will state where matters stand?
B/623  The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West *(Mr Armance)*

*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –*

Whether, in regard to Mauri Facilities Management Co. Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Landscope Mauritius Ltd., information as to the number of persons employed thereat indicating the (a) number thereof posted in schools, giving details thereof and (b) amount of money disbursed in terms of salary and administrative cost for period June 2022 to date?

B/624  The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West *(Mrs Navarre-Marie)*

*To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –*

Whether, in regard to the setting up of the Skills Development Authority, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand?

B/625  The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière *(Mr Bhagwan)*

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

Whether, in regard to Mr R. M., General Manager of the Central Water Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) the date of his appointment (b) the terms and conditions, indicating (i) the total monthly pay packets thereof (ii) allowances drawn (iii) yearly gratuity payable, if any, and, if so, the quantum thereof (iv) if he is entitled to an official car and, if so, the type and model thereof and (c) the number of boards and sub-committees of the Authority of which he is a member?

B/626  The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal *(Mr Ittoo)*

*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –*

Whether, in regard to the Overseas Treatment Scheme, he will state the eligibility criteria to benefit therefrom, indicating if consideration will be given for a review of the threshold thereof?
B/627 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

Whether, in regard to potatoes and onions, he will state the quantity thereof produced locally since 2019 to date, indicating the quantity imported and the value thereof?

B/628 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services and Good Governance –

Whether, in regard to foreign capital flows from Mauritius to the Indian markets, he will (a) provide figures and statistics thereof for the fiscal year 2022-2023 and (b) state the amount of Assets under Custody (AUC) from Mauritius as at to date?

B/629 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the National Action Plan for Tobacco Control 2022-2026, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/630 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

Whether, in regard to the proposed importation of live cattle by the Mauritius Meat Authority for the forthcoming Eid-Ul-Adha Festival, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the number thereof, indicating (a) the cost thereof (b) where they will be sheltered and (c) the selling price to the consumers thereof?
B/631 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the entrance of Ruisseau le Pouce in Tranquebar, he will state where matters stand as to the remedial measures being envisaged to avoid repetitive flooding and overflowing of water during torrential rains and flash floods thereat?

B/632 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard, to the Central Electricity Board staff pension fund and the Central Electricity Board manual workers pension fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the respective quantum of deficit thereof as at 31 December 2022, if any?

B/633 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the Wage Assistance Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Revenue Authority, information as to the (a) source of funds thereof (b) total amount disbursed and (c) mode of reimbursement thereof?

B/634 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Mayotte)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the closure of the road at Macondé, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the (a) nature of the works to be undertaken thereat, indicating the (i) estimated cost thereof (ii) expected duration thereof and (b) measures taken to ensure the safe transit of the inhabitants thereat?
B/635 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a flyover at Wooton, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/636 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Dr Gungapersad)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

Whether, in regard to the employment of retired Educators (Secondary) on a contract basis for the academic year 2023, she will state where matters stand?

B/637 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the New Social Living Development Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the names and terms of appointment of the (a) Chairperson and board members thereof (b) Chief Executive Officer and (c) Chief Operating Officer appointed thereto since the date of incorporation thereof to date, indicating in each case the monthly remuneration drawn?

B/638 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Joanna Berénger)

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

Whether, in regard to children placed in shelters, she will state the structure put in place by her Ministry for the accompaniment thereof on turning 18 years old?
B/639 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to workshops organized by his Ministry from January 2022 to date, he will state the total number thereof, indicating in each case the (a) venue (b) duration and (c) cost thereof?

B/640 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to the General Manager of the State Trading Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) salary, benefits and allowances drawn and (b) number of overseas missions undertaken since his assumption of office to date, indicating in each case, the (i) costs incurred therefor and (ii) allowances, including per diem payable thereto?

B/641 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

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

Whether, in regard to the Non-Governmental Organisation kolektif Riviere NWAR (KRN), she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Social Inclusion Foundation, information as to (a) if the said NGO is registered therewith and, if so, indicate the assistance granted thereto since 2016 to date (b) composition of the board thereof and (c) the main sponsors thereof?

B/642 The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr Boolell)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Investment Corporation Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the amount of funds invested by the Corporation into Airport Holdings Limited?
B/643 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the construction of 83 housing units at Mare d'Albert, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Co. Ltd., information as to (a) the terms and conditions of the initial contract thereof and (b) if there is any litigation with the initial contractor and, if so, indicate where matters stand?

B/644 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Abbas Mamode)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a multipurpose complex adjacent to the building formerly housing the Anti-Drug Smuggling Unit Office and the Lower Plaine Verte Taxi Stand, he will state where matters stand?

B/645 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to Mrs Y. B. R., President of the Air Mauritius Cabin Crew Association, he will state if his Ministry is in presence of any formal complaint from the said Association regarding accusations levelled by Air Mauritius Ltd., against her and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto?

B/646 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Nuckcheddy)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 9, Flacq and Bon Accueil, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the District Council of Flacq, information as to the number of drain works carried out thereat since 2014 to 2019 and 2020 to date?
B/647 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to applications for new water supply, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, since 01 July 2022 to date, information as to the number (a) thereof received (b) approved and (c) of water meter connected?

B/648 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Mayotte)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Gender Policy 2022-2030, she will state the recommendations contained therein and the implementation plan thereof?

B/649 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the Contribution Sociale Generalisée, he will, for the benefit of the House, from the Mauritius Revenue Authority, information as to if the contribution effected thereto is reimbursed to expatriates while returning to their countries of origin and, if not, why not?

B/650 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the lease of land in Champ de Mars to the People’s Turf Club, he will (a) state the terms and conditions thereof indicating the (i) annual rent payable therefor and (ii) duration thereof and (b) table a copy of the lease agreement thereof?
B/651 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Ittoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to methadone, he will state the (a) protocol for the dispensing thereof and (b) reasons for the diversion thereof, if any?

B/652 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed implementation of the Government Medical Insurance Scheme for the benefit of public officers, he will state if same will be reconsidered and, if not, why not?

B/653 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the proposed upgrading of Residence La Cure Youth Centre, he will state where matters stand, indicating the (a) cost thereof and (b) amenities to be added thereto?

B/654 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the Cap Malheureux Relay Shelter, also known as L'Oiseau du Paradis, she will state, if any monitoring and evaluation report has been submitted by the National Children Council to her Ministry in respect thereof during the last six months and, if so, give the details thereof and, if not, why not?
B/655  The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the “Shatta Festival” held at the Champ de Mars on 13 May 2023, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Society of Authors, information as to (a) the name of the organizer thereof (b) if appropriate copyright license has been sought by the organizer therefor and (c) the category of event under which the license for the holding thereof has been issued?

B/656  The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Dr Gungapersad)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

Whether, in regard to the transformation of Mauritius into an Education Hub, she will state the public and private educational institutions involved therein, respectively, indicating the number of local and foreign students enrolled to date?

B/657  The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

Whether, in regard to the post of Lecturer at the Mauritius Institute of Education, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom information as to the current number of vacancies thereof subject-wise, indicating when same will be filled?

B/658  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to Champ de Mars, Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Côte d’Or International Racecourse and Entertainment Complex Ltd., information as to the scope of activities being authorised thereat by (a) the People's Turf Club PLC and (b) any other subsidiary companies affiliated to the People’s Turf Club PLC?
The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the construction and rehabilitation of drains along the road at Solferino No. 3 in Vacoas, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas-Phoenix, information as to the date the contract was awarded, indicating the (a) name of the contractor and (b) total project value thereof?

The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the resurfacing of the Royal Road, Grand River North West leading to the Old bridge, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to where matters stand?

The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to the forthcoming Eid-Ul-Adha festival, he will state if the price of cattle for Qurbani has been fixed and, if so, indicate the price thereof?

The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the synthetic football pitches currently being renovated at Champ de Mars, Ward IV (Harris), and Plaine Verte, he will state if his Ministry has received representations as to the health and safety risks football players may be exposed to as a consequence of the fixing of the new artificial grass carpet directly on concrete bedding without crucial sub layers?
B/663  The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of the new Multipurpose Hall at 16ème Mille, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the District council of Grand Port, information as to where matters stand?

B/664  The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Joanna Berénge)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to film shooting with whales in Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Film Development Corporation Ltd., information as to (a) the number of authorization granted therefor for the years 2021, 2022 and 2023 to date, indicating the (i) names of the companies/organizations and (ii) actions taken to ensure the compliance of the conditions attached thereto and (b) if any non-compliance of the conditions thereof has been reported and, if so, the actions taken in relation thereto?

B/665  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the lorry square situated between the Quay D and ABC motors roundabouts, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to if the lorry owners based thereat have been requested to vacate therefrom due to the new flyover project and, if so, indicate the new base of operation thereof?

B/666  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to sports activities, he will state the number of deaths that have occurred over the last four years during active competition thereof, indicating the actions taken to prevent the recurrence of such fatal incidents?
B/667  The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

_to ask the Honourable Minister of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping –_

Whether, in regard to our Exclusive Economic Zone, he will state the number of reported cases of foreign fishing vessels operating illegally therein during January 2022 as to date, indicating the actions taken in relation thereto, if any?

B/668  The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

_to ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality and Family Welfare –_

Whether, in regard to the Chairperson of the National Women Entrepreneur Council, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the name of the incumbent, giving details as to the (a) qualifications thereof (b) allowances and other benefits payable thereto?

B/669  The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

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

Whether, in regard to the bidding exercise for Procurement of Services for the Transportation and Recycling of E-wastes launched in 2022, he will state where matters stand?

B/670  The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Ittoo)

_to ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –_

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a new bridge along Royal Road, in Holyrood No.1, he will, for the benefits of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand?
B/671 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Mayotte)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the public hospitals, he will state the number of (a) patients presently being treated for Cardio-vascular diseases and (b) heart surgeries carried out thereat over the past five years?

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