

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 23 April 2024

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

B/230 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

*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 Automated Fingerprint Identification
System, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the
Commissioner of Police, information as to if the system has
reached its lifespan and, if so, since when?

B/231 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine
Magnien (Mr Doolub)

*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 infrastructural development in Agaléga
and the recent inauguration of the new airstrip and jetty, he will
state if consideration will be given for the Agreement between the
Government of Mauritius and the Government of India to be made
public?

B/232 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 offence of murder, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported/detected cases thereof, since January 2015 to date, indicating the number thereof which (a) are still under inquiry and (b) have been tried, indicating the outcome thereof in terms of conviction and acquittal?

B/233 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

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 payment of double-pay to public officers of the essential services sector working on Sundays, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof, indicating if same will apply to officers working on both day and night shift?

B/234 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

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 new mobile identity card, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) number of users thereof to date and (b) number and type of public institutions equipped with appropriate devices for the electronic reading thereof?

B/235 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 our Exclusive Economic Zone, he will state when surveillance operation therefor will start from the facilities recently put in place in Agaléga, indicating the (a) logistics involved and (b) authority responsible for the command and control thereof?

B/236 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

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 acquisition of specialized equipment for the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the actions taken/being envisaged following the findings of the Director of Audit in his 2022-2023 Report thereon?

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/237 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 13th edition of the African Games, which was held in Accra, Ghana from 08 to 23 March 2024, he will state the composition of the Mauritian delegation having participated therein?

B/238 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to expenses incurred by his Ministry for H.E. J-F.C., High Commissioner for the Republic of Mozambique, he will table a list thereof since his appointment to date, indicating the quantum thereof in terms of (a) accommodation (b) furniture purchased and (c) *per diem* and medical expenses claimed?

B/239 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

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

Whether, in regard to capital projects as announced in the Budget for financial years 2019 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Project Implementation and Monitoring Agency, information as to the projects whose implementation has been delayed, giving and tabling a detailed list thereof?

B/240 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the HeForShe Clubs in Community Centers, she will give a list thereof, giving details of the (a) modus operandi thereof and (b) members thereof, indicating their age groups?

B/241 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 overtime and allowances accruing for four to seven months to officers employed in public hospitals, he will state when payment thereof will be effected?

B/242 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 Model United Nations programme for Grade 12 students, she will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/243 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the three recreational centers, namely Lady Sushil Ramgoolam in Pointe aux Piments, James Burty David in Pointe aux Sables and Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam in Belle Mare, she will state the amount of funds earmarked for the rehabilitation and reopening thereof, giving details thereof?

B/244 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

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

Whether, in regard to alleged cases of discrimination and violence against women within Sports Federations since 2019 to date, he will state the number of reported cases thereof, if any, indicating the actions taken thereon?

B/245 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Electronic Inventory Management System (E-IMS), he will state the number of Public Hospitals, Mediclinics and Area Health Centres, if any, already connected thereto, indicating if same is fully operational and, if not, why not?

B/246 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 setting up of a health track at Débarcadère in Pointe aux Sables, he will state the (a) scope and schedule of works thereof (b) total cost budgeted therefor and (c) number of consultation meetings held with the public prior to the start thereof?

B/247 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to cigarettes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the quantity thereof imported since January 2023 to date, indicating the (a) amount paid therefor (b) country of origin and (c) amount of taxes collected therefrom?

B/248 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to football, he will state the actions his Ministry proposes to take following the elimination of Club M in the preliminary round of the Coupe d’Afrique des nations 2025 and, if not, why not, indicating if the national coach thereof, Mr F.R., is under contract with his Ministry and, if so, indicate (a) the terms and conditions thereof and (b) if same will be renewed?

B/249 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 Haemophilia, he will state the number of patients suffering therefrom since 2022 to date, indicating the treatment available therefor?

B/250 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Blue Economy, Marine
Resources, Fisheries and Shipping –*

Whether he will state if he has been made aware of the lack of space to accommodate containers in the Rodrigues port area in view of the increasing number thereof and, if so, indicate the measures his Ministry proposes to take in relation thereto?

B/251 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to water pumped from rivers and distributed in the potable water network, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the (a) location where such pumping facilities have been installed (b) regions concerned therewith (c) details of the water treatment process applicable prior to distribution and (d) testing protocol followed therefor?

B/252 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to Dialysis Centres in public hospitals, he will state, in each case, the number of patients over the last 4 years on a yearly basis (a) attending same and (b) having passed away, indicating the (i) causes thereof and (ii) Centres concerned therewith?

B/253 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to the daily traffic congestion along M1 at Labourdonnais, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the remedial measures envisaged to address same?

B/254 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether, in regard to the gas incinerator at Belmont, Goodlands, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Rivière du Rempart District Council, information as to the (a) date of the coming into operation thereof (b) number of times it broke down and (c) current status thereof?

B/255 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

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

Whether, in regard to the arbitral proceedings brought by Patel Engineering Ltd., against the Republic of Mauritius, he will state the stand adopted by the State thereon, indicating if the damages to the tune of Rs 1,35 billion together with interests, accrued since February 2015, have already been paid and, if not, why not?

B/256 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the upgrading works being carried out at the Vacoas Bus Terminal, he will state where matters stand?

B/257 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Wochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the Sir Rabindrah Ghurburrin stadium in Triolet, he will state (a) when lighting facilities thereat will be restored and (b) the maintenance facilities provided therefor for the benefit of the users thereof?

B/258 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius MultiSports Infrastructure Ltd., he will state the amount of funds disbursed by his Ministry thereto for financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24, giving a breakdown of the expenditures incurred?

B/259 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to the La Vigie to Flic en Flac link road project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of land owners in La Marie and Henrietta whose land has been the subject of compulsory acquisition, indicating, in each case, if compensation has been paid thereto?

B/260 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 Victoria Square Urban Terminal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to the (a) number of stalls presently unoccupied, indicating the process for the reallocation thereof and date thereof and (b) quantum of fees currently owed by the existing stallholders?

B/261 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

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

Whether, in regard to plastic/fibre glass water reservoir, he will state if consideration will be given for subsidising the freight thereof with a view to encouraging a larger number of persons to resort to rainwater harvesting in Rodrigues?

B/262 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

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

Whether, in regard to MauPass and MoKloud Government Applications, he will state if the uploading of a photograph is a mandatory requirement for registration thereto?

B/263 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the decision of his Ministry to allow young drug users to have access to methadone treatment as from the age of 15 years, he will state the reasons therefor, indicating (a) the number of drug users concerned therewith, gender wise (b) how same will be distributed and the conditions attached thereto and (c) if Non-Governmental Organizations engaged in the treatment and rehabilitation of drugs users have been consulted prior to the implementation thereof?

B/264 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and
Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to works for the upgrading of the bridge along the main road in Vallée des Prêtres with a view to mitigating flooding in Morcellement Ramlugun, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/265 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and
Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to electricity consumption by households, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the amount revenue collected therefor since January 2015 to March 2024, giving a breakdown thereof?

B/266 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis
Central (Dr Aumeer)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritian Embassy in Riyadh in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, he will state the (a) budget allocated yearly thereto since the opening thereof to date and (b) number of staff employed thereat, indicating their respective nationalities?

B/267 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the alleged case of child pornography involving a 4-year-old girl, she will state if an officer from her Ministry was present at the victim's bedside during her hospitalization and, if not, why not?

B/268 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether, in regard to the new market fair of Goodlands, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Rivière du Rempart District Council, information as to when same will be operational?

B/269 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

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

Whether he will state if consideration will be given for a comparative study to be conducted by his Ministry regarding the actual cost of living in Rodrigues and that of mainland Mauritius with a view to determining the disparity, if any, and to come up with corrective measures to address same?

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A/18 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of housing units at Riche Terre, for the inhabitants of Constituency No. 3, Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the New Social Living Development Ltd., information as to the number of (a) units to be constructed and (b) applications received therefor?

A/19 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the Lataniers River, Port Louis, he will state if he has been informed of the overflowing thereof after each torrential rainfall, in the vicinity of the NHDC Complex and, if so, indicate the urgent remedial measures being envisaged therefor?

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