# MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

## Questions of which notice has been given

## Requiring an Oral Answer

## Sitting of Tuesday 12 May 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/630 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 People's Republic of China, he will state (a) whether Mauritius will be reciprocating the recent zero-tariff policy to our imports applicable as from 01 May 2026 and (b) in respect of the Free Trade Agreement entered therewith in 2021, indicate (i) whether Mauritius is benefitting therefrom and, if so, indicate the impact thereof on local businesses and (ii) the total amount of revenue foregone in terms of excise and import duties as at to date?**

B/631 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues **(Mr François)**

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

**Whether, in regard to weather and climate data and information for Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Meteorological Services, information as to whether same is available and accessible to the public at the Pte Canon Meteorological Station and, if not, indicate the reasons therefor and the remedial measures being envisaged in relation thereto?**

B/632 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 Police Quarters, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police and table the list thereof, indicating the (a) location thereof and (b) number thereof occupied and unoccupied respectively, giving details of projects earmarked for implementation thereat, if any?**

B/633 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mrs Savabaddy)**

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

**Whether, in regard to fatal road accidents, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof since January 2026 to date, indicating the (a) main reasons therefor (b) number thereof linked to drink or drug driving (c) number of hit and run cases and (d) number of arrests effected in connection therewith?**

B/634 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Apollon)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the arrest of a passenger on a charge of drug importation at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport on or about Monday 23 March 2026, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand regarding the inquiry initiated thereinto, indicating whether the collaboration of the French Authorities has been or is being sought in connection therewith?**

B/635 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 aircrafts, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Air Mauritius Ltd., information as to, since 2014 to 2024, the number thereof (a) sold, indicating in each case, the proceeds thereof and time of service at time of sale and (b) purchased and hired, indicating in each case the (i) cost thereof (ii) time in service at the time of purchase/hire and (iii) number of times same was grounded, indicating the reasons and duration thereof?**

B/636 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 then COVID-19 Projects Development Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to who authorized the deposit of Rs 3 billion thereof into the Silver Bank in 2023, indicating whether the selection of the said bank was made pursuant to a bidding exercise?**

B/637 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal **(Ms Joanna Bérenger)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the Fair Share Contribution, as announced in the Budget Speech 2025-2026 and subsequently amended, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Revenue Authority, information as to the (a) amount of revenue projected under the original measure (b) revised amount of revenue expected following the amendments and (c) number of individual taxpayers and companies expected to be liable under the original and revised schemes, respectively?**

B/638 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mrs Savabaddy)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the death of detainee, late Mr J. A. P, on or about 01 May 2026, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand regarding the inquiry initiated thereinto, indicating (a) the circumstances of death and (b) whether a Judicial Enquiry has been instituted thereinto?**

B/639 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 drug trafficking offences, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of Police Officers arrested and/or suspended in connection therewith since 2014 to date, indicating the number thereof convicted and where matters stand regarding the remaining cases?**

B/640 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues **(Mrs Henriette-Manan)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the Beau Bassin Central Prison, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, information as to the (a) number of detainees having passed away since December 2025 to date thereat, indicating the number of such death attributed to (i) natural causes and (ii) suspicious causes or otherwise and (b) measures being taken and/or envisaged to ensure that same and other detention and correctional institutions operate within the legal framework and respect of the dignity of detainees?**

B/641 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues **(Mr François)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the death of detainee, late Mr J. A. P, on or about 30 April 2026 at the Beau Bassin Central Prison, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the (a) Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand regarding the inquiry initiated thereinto, indicating the cause of death and (b) National Human Rights Commission, information as to whether same has been referred thereto and, if so, indicate where maters stand?**

B/642 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Beechook)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the proposed introduction of the Freedom of Information Bill in the Assembly, he will state where matters stand?**

B/643 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 implementation of the Central Bank Digital Currency initiative, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank of Mauritius, information as to where matters stand, indicating the commercial bank chosen in January 2024 for the launching thereof on a pilot basis and the progress achieved as at to date?**

B/644 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Apollon)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the International Driving Permit for tourists in Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to whether consideration is being given for the adoption of the three years validity period therefor and, if so, indicate where matters stand?**

B/645 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 St. Felix Public Beach, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) where matters stand regarding the alleged murder committed thereat on or about 14 April 2026, indicating the number of arrests effected in connection therewith, if any and (b) the measures being contemplated to enhance safety and security thereat, particularly during weekends and public holidays?**

B/646 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 death of detainee, late D. S., at the Beau Bassin Central Prison on or about 05 May 2026, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand regarding the inquiry initiated thereinto, indicating (a) the circumstances and cause of death and (b) whether (i) any prison officer has been suspended in connection therewith and (ii) all relevant evidence, including CCTV footage, medical records and duty logs have been secured?**

B/647 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 Mr A.C.P. arrested on or about 03 April 2026 and the subsequent arrest of his twin brother, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the reasons therefor and circumstances thereof, indicating the items seized in the course thereof and whether same include illicit drugs and, if so, give details thereof and (b) whether they are currently subjected to objections to departure?**

B/648 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 Private Security Service Provider Licence, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the current number of registered holders thereof, indicating the (a) number of new and renewal applications for the issue thereof (i) pending over the past five years and (ii) approved over the past two years and (b) average time taken for the processing of applications for the issue of new or for the renewal thereof, indicating the reasons for delays, if any, in the processing thereof?**

B/649 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 national maritime zone, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) systems currently in place for the monitoring thereof, indicating whether same are deemed adequate and (b) number of existing National Coast Guard stations, indicating their respective locations and in each case, the number of personnel posted thereat and helicopters and vessels at the disposal thereof?**

***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/650 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Dr Ms Daureeawo)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –*

**Whether, in regard to State land at Rivière du Poste, he will state the extent thereof lying bare thereat, indicating whether his Ministry is (a) in presence of an application from certain members of the public for the use and occupation of part thereof and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof and (b) envisaging any future development or use thereof, including the construction of a Centre for Women on the plot adjacent to the traffic lights?**

B/651 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues **(Mr François)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism –*

**Whether, in regard to the implementation of the policy of developing medical and sustainable tourism for the transformation of Mauritius into a medical hub, he will state where matters stand, indicating the expected benefits thereof for the tourism sector, further indicating how same is expected to contribute towards enhancing the attractiveness of Mauritius as a destination?**

B/652 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mrs Savabaddy)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to the report submitted following the inquiry conducted into the recent recruitment exercise in the local authorities, he will state (a) whether copy thereof will be tabled and (b) the measures taken or being envisaged on the findings thereof?**

B/653 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 construction of drains in Constituency No.18, Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to where matters stand?**

B/654 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 revocation of Mr N. V. as Chairperson of the Trust Fund for Excellence in Sports, he will state (a) the reasons therefor, indicating whether an inquiry was conducted prior thereto and (b) whether (i) he has taken cognizance of allegations of irregularities thereat and of interference by the Chief Executive Officer thereof in the management of the Fund made by Mr N.V. and (ii) the governance structure and operation of the Fund will be reviewed?**

B/655 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Apollon)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –*

**Whether, in regard to the Museum of the Special Mobile Force, at Vacoas, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the closing date thereof to the public, indicating whether consideration is being given for the renovation thereof and, if so (a) give details thereof and (b) indicate the expected reopening date thereof to the public?**

B/656 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Ramdass)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the Fisherman Registration Card, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) whether it is a prerequisite for the applicants to hold a clean Certificate of Character for eligibility thereto and (b) the number of applications rejected on account of the Certificate of Character over the past five years?**

B/657 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Mr Baboolall)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the announced 15 percent increase in electricity tariffs as from May 2026, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the (a) estimated impact thereof on households and small businesses, indicating the mitigating measures being envisaged for vulnerable consumers and (b) number of households having had their electricity supply disconnected over the past year for non payment of bills and (c) incentives being envisaged to help consumers acquire solar panels?**

B/658 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 Shelter Cap L'Espoir, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the identity of the current Acting Shelter Manager, indicating the scheme of duties thereof and qualification requirements therefor?**

B/659 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues **(Mr Edouard)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the use of pesticides in agriculture in mainland Mauritius and Rodrigues Island, he will state the (a) norms applicable thereto and (b) control measures in place to prevent contamination in the chain of agricultural products?**

B/660 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Ramdass)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –*

**Whether in regard to the proposed implementation of the fleet management system by his Ministry, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand?**

B/661 The Honourable Second Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or **(Mr Beejan)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the recruitment of Cadet Technicians at the Central Electricity Board in or about 2019 and the recent award of the Employment Relations Tribunal in relation thereto, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) reasons for the non-termination of the contracts of employment of the said technicians and (b) identity of the Head of the Human Resource Management Department thereat at the material time?**

B/662 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues **(Ms Collet)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the preparedness of the Republic of Mauritius to respond to emerging infectious diseases, he will state the (a) adequacy of the (i) regional and other hospitals, (ii) Areas and Community Health Centres (iii) sanitary officers (iv) medical officers posted at the ports and airports and (v) other relevant Ministries to deal therewith and table relevant information in relation thereto and (b) protocols and/or measures in place in respect of surveillance, treatment, sanitation and inter-agency coordination?**

B/663 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues **(Mr François)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to the purchase of conventional high-floor or semi-low-floor buses under the Bus Modernisation Scheme in Rodrigues Island, he will state whether consideration will be given for a review of the subsidy payable thereunder, considering that the cost of the bus-body is higher than that of the chassis and engine?**

B/664 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Mr Baboolall)**

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

**Whether, in regard to agricultural lands, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the extent thereof (a) allocated to planters since November 2024 to date, indicating the extent thereof effectively under cultivation and (b) that will be made available to planters and, if so, indicate the incentives to be provided to encourage same amidst the prevailing food supply issue?**

B/665 The Honourable Second Member for Grand Baie and Poudre D'or **(Mr Beejan)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the Barachois operating in Constituency No. 6, Grand Baie and Poudre D'Or, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the names and addresses of the leaseholders thereof in each case, indicating the start and completion dates of the respective leases?**

B/666 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Lukeeram)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to fatal road accidents reported in the Southern Division, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof over the past three years, on a yearly basis, indicating the (a) principal causes thereof and (b) measures being envisaged in terms of policy, enforcement, and infrastructural or technological improvements for road safety enhancement in the said region?**

B/667 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues **(Ms Collet)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the implementation of the CEB Agrivoltaics Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to where matters stand, indicating, as at to date, the (a) success rate thereof and (b) number of applications received, indicating the number thereof (i) processed (ii) approved and (iii) pending?**

B/668 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix **(Mr Lobine)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to the motor vehicles industry, he will state whether a study has been carried out to assess the impact of the latest revised rates of excise/customs duty thereon and, if so, indicate the findings thereof?**

B/669 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Ramdass)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the KOREK mobile application, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether the procurement procedures were followed in relation thereto and, if so, give details thereof?**

B/670 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal **(Ms Joanna Bérenger)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour and Industrial Relations–*

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

B/671 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Ramkalawon)**

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

**Whether, in regard to indiscipline in schools, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of reported cases thereof since January 2025 to date, giving a breakdown thereof between primary and secondary schools, respectively?**

B/672 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Dr Saumtally)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to the implementation of the crematorium project at Montagne Blanche, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, indicating the (a) expected completion date thereof and (b) measures being envisaged to ensure the timely operationalisation thereof?**

B/673 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 Investment Banking Licence granted to Banco Valor International Ltd., beneficially owned by Mr A. S., she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Services Commission, information as to the outcome of the due diligence exercise carried out when the application therefor was processed, indicating (a) whether the Board thereof was informed of any red flag concerning Mr A. S. and, if not, whether it was subsequently informed thereof and (b) the actions, if any, taken in respect of the officers involved in the processing thereof?**

B/674 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix **(Mr Lobine)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to the public areas within the town of Vacoas-Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the cleaning campaigns undertaken thereat, indicating the immediate actions taken for sanitation to avert the proliferation of rats?**

B/675 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet **(Mr Rookny)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the recruitment, retention and discipline of medical and health professionals in the public service, he will (a) give details of the existing arrangements governing same and (b) state whether consideration is being given for the setting up of a dedicated Medical and Health Services Commission along the lines of existing service commissions with a view to strengthening efficiency, governance and accountability therein?**

B/676 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Dr Ms Daureeawo)**

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

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

B/677 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues **(Mr Edouard)**

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

**Whether, in regard to Medical Social Workers, he will state the (a) number thereof posted in public hospitals in mainland Mauritius and Rodrigues Island, respectively and (b) scheme of duties thereof?**

B/678 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka **(Mr Venkatasami)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to the installation of speed cameras along the M3 Motorway, from the Trianon junction to the Ripailles Roundabout, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Traffic Management and Road Safety Unit, information as to whether a survey has been carried out thereat and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof and, if not, why not?**

B/679 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Ramkalawon)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the importation of cattle, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether the importation of the Punganur dwarf cow is being envisaged, indicating the implications thereof, and the conditions and requirements therefor?**

B/680 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 women entrepreneurship, she will state the vision of her Ministry for the enhancement and strengthening thereof amid the current Middle East conflict?**

B/681 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 Fertiliser Subsidy Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Small Farmers Welfare Fund, information as to the total (a) amount earmarked thereunder during the current financial year, indicating the amount thereof disbursed as at to date and (b) number of requests received from small planters, indicating the number of beneficiaries and number of requests pending as at to date?**

B/682 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Mr Baboolall)**

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

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

B/683 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac **(Mr Jhummun)**

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

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

B/684 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues **(Mrs Henriette-Manan)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the concerns expressed as to the adverse effects of social media on the mental health of the youth, he will state whether consideration is being given for the implementation of stricter controls, including mandatory age-verification measures, in respect of access to social media platforms for minors under the age of 16 years?**

B/685 The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues **(Mr Edouard)**

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

**Whether, in regard to fishermen in Rodrigues Island who have contributed in the National Pension Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) number thereof (b) benefits accruing from the said contributions and (c) number thereof who are not in receipt of any pension, indicating the reasons therefor?**

B/686 The Honourable Third Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Ramdass)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the elaboration of a Solid Waste Management Strategy, he will state where matters stand, indicating the (a) expected implementation date thereof and (b) measures being envisaged to encourage (i) waste segregation at source and (ii) composting of market waste by local authorities?**

B/687 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal **(Ms Joanna Bérenger)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the severe erosion occurring at the Tamarin public beach and recent excavation works allegedly carried out in the vicinity thereat, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) whether an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof and remedial actions taken, if any (b) the extent of the damage caused and (c) the emergency and long-term measures being implemented or envisaged to address the situation?**

B/688 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River **(Mr Babajee)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to scavenging services in the Black River District, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) name of the contractor/s (b) value thereof (c) number of lorries available (d) number of staff deployed and (e) areas covered?**

B/689 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Dr Saumtally)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –*

**Whether, in regard to the provision of sports infrastructure in Constituency No. 10, Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Sports Council, information as to whether consideration will be given for the (a) construction of a modern and fully-equipped sports complex thereat in accordance with international standards and (b) opening, as an interim measure, of the gymnasium at the SSS Bel Air to the public, including the provision of qualified coaching facilities, free of charge, during weekends and after school hours?**

B/690 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Beechook)**

*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science and Research –*

**Whether, in regard to administrative and operational reforms undertaken by Polytechnics (Mauritius) Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) nature thereof (b) reasons therefor (c) number of contracts not renewed, indicating the posts concerned therewith and (d) current financial situation thereof, indicating the estimated anticipated savings therefrom?**

B/691 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Lukeeram)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to the scavenging lorries servicing the southern region, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) number thereof currently out of service, indicating the estimated timeframe for the repair and/or replacement thereof and (b) immediate and long-term measures being envisaged to ensure the timely repair of the existing fleet thereof and the procurement of new ones?**

B/692 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes **(Ms Anquetil)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the security services, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the company/companies to which the provision thereof have been contracted since 2015 to date?**

B/693 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet **(Mr Rookny)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the announced 15 percent increase in electricity tariffs as from May 2026, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the (a) additional revenue expected to be generated on a yearly basis as a result thereof and (b) financial situation thereof as at 31 December 2024?**

B/694 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix **(Mr Lobine)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

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

B/695 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Dr Saumtally)**

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

**Whether, in regard to overseas medical treatment, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Overseas Treatment Unit of his Ministry, information as to the eligibility criteria for the provision of financial and logistical assistance to patients applying therefor, indicating the mechanisms in place to ensure fairness, accountability and proper monitoring thereof?**

B/696 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Ramkalawon)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the current Director of the Financial Intelligence Unit, Mrs L. P., she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) her terms and conditions of appointment, including salary and other allowances drawn and (b) the number of overseas missions undertaken as at to date, indicating, in each case, the expenditure incurred in terms of air tickets, *per diem* and other allowances?**

B/697 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil **(Mr Ramkalawon)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the Central Water Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the financial situation thereof (a) giving details of loans entered into by the authority and currently being repaid and (b) indicating the amounts owed to contractors as at to date?**

B/698 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 heavy traffic congestion occurring along the By-Pass from the Goodlands Roundabout to the level of Espace Maison/Rouillard Roundabout between 7 00 a.m. to 9 00 a.m. and between 3 30 p.m to 7 p.m., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to whether consideration will be given for the construction of (a) an additional lane along same and (b) a separate stretch of road at the appropriate roundabout for commuters converging towards the Vale and Petit Raffray?**

B/699 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka **(Mr Venkatasami)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –*

**Whether, in regard to the Residence Lavande Housing complex at Dagotiere, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Company Ltd., information as to (a) whether the site has been vested in the Moka District Council and, if not, why not and (b) the measures in place for the regular maintenance of the green spaces and amenities thereat?**

B/700 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mrs Savabaddy)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the issue of the transfer of the Rehabilitation Youth Centre from under the responsibility of the Prime Minister's Office to her Ministry, she will state whether the committee set up to look thereinto has recommended same and, if so, indicate the expected implementation date thereof and whether amendments to the Children's Act 2020 or to any other relevant legislation are being contemplated to facilitate same and, if not, why not?**

B/701 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Caserne)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the implementation of the Calebasses Dam Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Water Resources Commission, information as to where matters stand, indicating the timeframe set therefor?**

B/702 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Caserne)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to the vehicles owned by the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof being out of order, indicating whether the disposal thereof will be envisaged?**

B/703 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Apollon)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the Fisherman Registration Card, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the number thereof suspended or revoked over the period 2023 to 2024 and (b) when the next exercise for the issuance thereof will be conducted, indicating whether any change in the eligibility criteria therefor is being envisaged?**

B/704 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River **(Mr Babajee)**

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

**Whether, in regard to shortages of teaching and non-teaching staff in primary State schools, secondary State schools and private secondary schools, he will state (a) the extent thereof in each category since the resumption of school in January 2026 and (b) whether consideration will be given to the regularisation of all supply teachers and to their appointment on a permanent basis?**

B/705 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Mr Baboolall)**

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

**Whether, in regard to the National Certificate of Education Examinations, he will state whether same will be abolished after the holding of the 2026 edition thereof and, if so, indicate the alternative pathways and measures being envisaged for students thereafter?**

B/706 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Quirin)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –*

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

B/707 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal **(Ms Joanna Bérenger)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –*

**Whether in regard to the M4 Motorway linking the Rivière du Rempart District to the Grand Port District via the Flacq District Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to (a) the main beneficiaries thereof (b) whether prior economic, social and financial impact assessments thereof were carried out and, if so, indicate the main findings thereof and (c) the reasons for the prioratisation thereof over other urgent road works in villages and localities facing severe daily traffic congestion?**

B/708 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet **(Mr Rookny)**

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –*

**Whether, in regard to the practice of supermarkets levying charges, including 'r*emises de fin d'année*' and marketing fees on their suppliers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to whether the impact thereof on retail prices and consumer purchasing power has been assessed and, if so, indicate the findings thereof?**

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## Sitting of Tuesday 12 May 2026

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

A/34 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 plot of State land of an extent of some 200 acres situated at Wolmar recently being the center of significant development, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the current legal status thereof and (b) state the measures being envisaged to ensure that same is preserved for sound long-term ecological purposes?**

A/35 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 each of the projects approved by the Economic Development Board since November 2024 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the quantum of revenue raised in terms of Land Conversion Tax and table the details thereof in terms of location and extent?**

***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/36 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 payment of examination fees for students opting for Kreol Morisien as a sixth subject at the Cambridge School Certificate Examinations, he will state whether the payment thereof will be funded by the State to be at par with other subjects taken at first sitting?**

A/37 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka **(Dr Ms Thannoo)**

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

**Whether, in regard to mountain slopes classified as ecologically and environmentally sensitive areas, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the measures taken through natural protection and bioengineering to safeguard same, indicating any physical and structural reinforcement carried out for drainage and water control and soil stabilisation and (b) whether collaboration with the Geotechnical Engineering Unit of the Ministry of National Infrastructure is envisaged to formulate an ecologically-informed soil stabilisation plan?**

A/38 The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart **(Dr Prayag)**

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

**Whether, in regard to public officers nearing retirement age and having been serving higher positions for prolonged periods, he will state whether (a) consideration is being given for the promotion thereof prior to retirement and, if so, indicate the modalities applicable therefor and (b) any review is being envisaged to ensure fairness in the career progression thereof?**

A/39 The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart **(Dr Prayag)**

*To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General –*

**Whether, in regard to the transitional arrangements following the coming into force of the Certificate of Character Act 2026, he will state the situation of the persons (a) who recently collected their Certificates of Character under the previous legal framework (b) whose Certificates of Character have already been prepared and are awaiting collection and (c) whose applications therefor are currently being processed?**

A/40 The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart **(Dr Prayag)**

*To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General –*

**Whether, in regard to the recent award of the Employment Relations Tribunal concerning the implementation of the 24/7 specialised services for Specialists/Senior Specialists in the fields of Gynaecology, Anaesthesia and Paediatrics, he will state (a) whether legal advice has been tendered to the Ministry of Health and Wellness in respect of compliance therewith and (b) the legal measures being envisaged to ensure fair, lawful and sustainable working conditions for the Specialists/Senior Specialists concerned, whilst safeguarding patient care and public health services?**

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