

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 25 May 2021****Questions addressed to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity**

B/464 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 Mr K. R., residing at Laventure, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if he was booked for driving under the influence of alcohol above permissible limit at Pont Bon-Dieu roundabout on 04 May 2021 at around 22 hours, and failed to provide the required specimen for analysis and, if so, if an inquiry has been initiated in relation thereto and the outcome thereof?

B/465 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 the Report of the Commission of Inquiry on Drug Trafficking of July 2018, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number, since July 2020 to date, of (a) meetings held by the Task Force and by the Committee set up to look therein (b) recommendations contained therein implemented and (c) investigations carried out and arrests effected in connection therewith?

B/466 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Ittoo**)

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 thefts of agricultural products, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, since January 2020 to date, information as to the number of (i) prosecutions initiated thereinto and (ii) convictions secured and (b) state if consideration will be given for the setting up of a dedicated unit within the Police Force to deal therewith?

B/467 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

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 death of detainee M.A.C. at the Melrose High Security Prison, on or about 15 May 2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information from the Commissioner of (a) Police as to where matters stand regarding the inquiry initiated thereinto, indicating if the detainee died of overdose and, if so, if the manner in which he procured the drugs has been established and (b) Prisons, if stricter measures are being taken to stop the introduction of drugs in the prisons?

B/468 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 for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to thefts in plantations in Constituency No. 16, Vacoas and Floréal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof, since March 2019 to date, indicating where matters stand as to the inquiries initiated thereinto and the number thereof having been completed and prosecutions initiated?

B/469 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Mayotte)

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 detainees, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) number thereof having joined the penitentiary centers since the start of the current lockdown and (b) health protocols established for the incoming detainees transferred from police remand cells to prison cells?

B/470 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 illicit drugs trafficking, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof by the sea route over the past ten years, indicating the (a) number of convictions secured as at to date and (b) specific measures taken/being taken, if any, to counter Mauritius being used as a transit therefor by sea route?

B/471 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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 issue of the delimitation of the maritime borders in the north of Chagos Archipelago, he will state the main thrusts of the paper to be submitted to the Special Chamber of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea by Tuesday 25 May 2021?

B/472 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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 body found in a freezer in Résidence Vallijee, on Friday 14 May 2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters as to the inquiry initiated thereinto?

B/473 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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 aircrafts which landed at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, since 01 May 2021 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Civil Aviation Department, information as to the number of Indian nationals having alighted therefrom?

B/474 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 recent Consultation Paper of the Information and Communication Technologies Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to (a) the reasons for the proposals contained therein and (b) if discussions have been held with the social media platforms such as Facebook in relation thereto?

B/475 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 recent skipping of Port Louis harbor by marine vessels, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Ports Authority, information as to the reasons therefor, indicating any change of marine transport strategy having been worked out, if any, giving details thereof?

B/476 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 Police Officers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number thereof suspended from duty, since January 2010 to date, indicating the reasons for the suspension in each case?

B/477 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 death of Jockey N. J. on 15 May 2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand as to the inquiry initiated thereinto?

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/478 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Ms Tour**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Child Day Care Centres, she will state the proposed re-opening date thereof, indicating the measures taken by her Ministry to ensure that appropriate health and safety measures are taken thereat amid the Covid-19 pandemic?

B/479 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 forthcoming Paralympic Games, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain for the Olympic Committee, the list of the athletes qualified for participation thereat?

B/480 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 proposed construction and upgrading of 58 specialist rooms in the State Secondary Schools for the teaching of Food and Textile Studies and Design and Technology, respectively, she will state where matters stand, indicating (a) if same have been completed (b) the project costs thereof and (c) the names of the contractors therefor?

B/481 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether, in regard to the Inter-Ministerial Council on Climate Change, he will state the (a) name of the Secretary thereof and table information as to the qualifications and experience held and remuneration drawn (b) composition thereof and table information as to the names, qualifications and experience held and remuneration drawn in each case and (c) number of meetings held as at to date?

B/482 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritians living abroad and tourists having been administered both doses of the Covid-19 vaccine wishing to visit Mauritius, he will state if a special protocol is being or will be set up to grant them entry on the Mauritian territory?

B/483 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 proposed introduction of the Air Quality Index in Mauritius, he will state where matters stand?

B/484 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

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

Whether, in regard to the disappearance at sea, on 13 May 2021, of Mr. A. J. C., he will state if his Ministry has caused an inquiry to be carried out thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof and, if not, why not?

B/485 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Integrity Reporting Services Agency and the Integrity Reporting Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain for each of the years 2016 to 2020 and since January 2021 to date, information as to the (a) remuneration and quantum of fees paid to the Director, Chairman and Assessors thereof and (b) number of unexplained wealth orders issued?

B/486 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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 line from Rose Hill to Réduit via Ebene, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Metro Express Ltd., information as to the (a) costs thereof (b) procurement method used for the award of the contract (c) scheduled start and completion dates of work thereof and (d) source of financing therefor?

B/487 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 Air Mauritius Ltd., he will state the amount of public funds injected therein since January 2020 to date, indicating the (a) terms and conditions thereof and (b) how these funds have been used by Air Mauritius Ltd.?

B/488 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 team sports, he will state if his Ministry has established a sanitary protocol to be observed for the respective federations concerned therewith to resume the championships and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/489 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 nursing staff working in public hospitals, he will state (a) the normal working hours thereof (b) how often they are assessed for Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (c) the ratio of intensive care nurses caring for a ventilated patient and (d) if the nurses are benefiting from continuous education/training and, if so, give details thereof?

B/490 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the Modular Housing Units for low income earners, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, information as to the number thereof purchased since 2015 to date, indicating in each case the (a) type and cost thereof and (b) location thereof?

B/491 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the commercial agreement of Rs 400 million signed with the Liverpool Football Club as an official tourism and economic development partner, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Tourism Promotion Authority, information as to the quantum of the aforementioned amount paid as at to date, indicating if the discontinuation thereof is being envisaged on account of the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic and its impact on the economy?

B/492 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 the Integrity Reporting Services Agency, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) number of reported cases of unexplained wealth and number thereof investigated, since July 2020 to date, indicating the actions taken in relation thereto, if any, and (b) established protocol, if any, regarding a collaboration between the said Agency and the Independent Commission against Corruption?

B/493 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

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

Whether, in regard to the Police and Criminal Justice Bill, he will state the expected date of introduction thereof in the Assembly?

B/494 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed reconstruction and widening of the bridge found along Royal Road, in Holyrood No. 1, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the expected start and completion dates thereof?

B/495 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Central Water Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the number of new recruits thereat since November 2020 to date, indicating the (a) job descriptions of the posts filled and (b) number thereof who reside within the locality and catchment area of the Authority found in Constituency No. 15, La Caverne and Phoenix?

B/496 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 flood prone areas in Constituency No. 17, Curepipe and Midlands, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to if a survey thereof has been carried out and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/497 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 implementation of a football playground project in La Brasserie by the National Development Unit, he will state where matter stands?

B/498 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Dhunoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed demolition of old blocks and of the reconstruction of new ones at Robinson Road Government School, in Curepipe, she will state where matters stand?

B/499 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Dhunoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the Technical Committee set up in her Ministry to study the phenomenon of child/revenge pornography following the circulation of indecent photos and videos against payment on the social media application “Telegram”, she will state where matters stand as to the work thereof?

B/500 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 overseas treatment, he will state the (a) quantum of funds disbursed therefor, since 2015 to 2020, on a yearly basis and since January 2021 to date (b) number of patients sent for treatment overseas per specialty and (c) foreign medical centers to which the patients have been referred, indicating the specific treatments currently not available in Mauritius for which the services of these specialized centers are required?

B/501 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 labour ward of each regional hospital, he will state if there is a protocol for high-risk pregnant women attending thereto, indicating (a) the frequency of antenatal ultrasound offered thereto and by whom (b) the choices of pain relief in labour and (c) if the presence of husbands or partners are now allowed thereat at time of delivery?

B/502 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Academics of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Mauritius, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the University, information as to the names of the incumbents, indicating the (a) qualifications held in each case and (b) criteria for the (i) recruitment thereof and (ii) award of titles thereto?

B/503 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 Government-owned buildings and properties, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service, information as to (a) if a survey has been carried out to assess the number thereof not holding fire certificates and, if so, table copy thereof and (b) the procedure for the renewal of a fire certificate?

B/504 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 Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if the restructuration thereof is being envisaged and, if so, indicate where matters stand?

B/505 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)

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

Whether, in regard to the private schools, she will state the reasons why the resumption of classes thereat is scheduled for 14 June 2021 while the academic year is scheduled to end on 30 June 2021 in some educational institutions?

B/506 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Ittoo**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Land Drainage Master Plan, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/507 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Ittoo**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Information and Communication Technologies sector, he will state the measures and initiatives being put in place to cope with future digitalization requirements of the country to benefit the citizens amid the Covid-19 pandemic?

B/508 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Ittoo**)

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

Whether, in regard to flood prone areas, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to the number thereof identified since the setting up of the Authority to date, indicating the number thereof having been removed from the said list on the recommendation of the Authority?

B/509 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(**Mr Yeung Sik Yuen**)

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

Whether, in regard to the commercial agreement of around Rs 400 million signed with the Liverpool Football Club, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Tourism Promotion Authority, information as to if a postponement of the implementation or cancellation thereof is being envisaged on account of *force majeure* attributable to the Covid-19 pandemic?

B/510 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 the dispute between his Ministry and Pack and Blister regarding the purchase of 50 defective ventilators Acomed VG70 in 2020, he will state where matters stand?

B/511 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 the Opticians Registration Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to if graduates from India in optometry have applied for registration therewith since January 2020 to date and, if so, indicate the number of applications having been (a) accepted and (b) rejected, indicating the reasons therefor?

B/512 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 the Dialysis Administrator in his Ministry, he will state if the latter holds office on a permanent or contractual basis, indicating the (a) qualifications and experience held and (b) monthly pay packet drawn?

B/513 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether she will state (a) if she is aware of an incident which occurred at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam Hospital on 15 May 2021 wherein officers of the Child Development Unit (CDU) allegedly used force when removing a child in distress from his family and (b) the established protocol for the removal of a child in distress from his/her family by the CDU?

B/514 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Anquetil)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the regional hospitals, he will state if psychiatric wards are operated thereat and, if so, give details thereof, including the number of beds, the staff attached thereto and the treatments available and, if not, why not?

B/515 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 minor children in situations of difficulty, she will give details of the protocol in place at the Child Development Unit to deal therewith, indicating the composition of the intervention team in relation thereto?

B/516 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 last flooding at La Rivière Raffia at Chamouny, he will state if a survey thereat has been conducted and, if so, indicate (a) the main thrusts of the report and (b) if urgent consideration will be given for remedial measures to be taken in the light thereof?

B/517 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Mayotte)

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

Whether, in regard to the Fishermen Welfare Fund and the schemes set up in 2001 to propose education scholarships to children of registered professional fishermen, he will give details thereof, indicating if consideration will be given for a review upward of the quantum thereof?

B/518 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the projects being implemented at Agalega, he will state (a) the actions (i) taken to mitigate the negative impacts thereof, if any, on the environment and (ii) that will be taken for the rehabilitation of the ecosystems thereat, if required and (b) who is carrying out environmental monitoring onsite, indicating if the environmental report will be made public?

B/519 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the Legend Hill Project at La Tourelle Mountain, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to if land drainage issues are being faced thereat as a consequence of its steep topography and, if so, indicate (a) the actions being envisaged in relation thereto and (b) if consideration will be given for a stop order to be issued therefor?

B/520 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the roadside deforestation taking place in the context of infrastructural works undertaken on road B104 at Chamarel, he will state if an Environment Impact Assessment has been carried out in relation thereto and, if not, why not?

B/521 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to Phase 2 of the Metro Express Project, he will state if (a) a cultural impact assessment has been carried out prior to the implementation thereof and (b) any structure of historical significance or unique architecture that may be impacted have been identified, indicating the measures taken to preserve and integrate these structures into the project?

B/522 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Covid-19 vaccination campaign, he will state where matters stand as to the carrying out thereof?

B/523 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the Shelters/Residential Care Institutions, she will state the measures taken by her Ministry to ensure (a) the safety thereof (b) that they do not accommodate more children than allowed and (c) proper administration thereat?

B/524 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a Model Shelter at La Colombe, Pointe aux Sables, she will state where matters stand, indicating the expected date of coming into operation thereof?

B/525 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the Roche Bois Youth Centre, he will state where matters stand as regards the renovation works being undertaken thereat, indicating (a) since when it is closed and (b) the scope of works thereof?

B/526 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 horse racing, he will state the measures taken to combat money laundering in relation thereto, following the recommendations contained in the Report of the Commission of Inquiry on Horse Racing in Mauritius set up in September 2014?

B/527 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 the recommendation based on the preliminary findings of the International Monetary Fund staff expressed in the recent End-of-Mission press release to the effect that the central bank should relinquish ownership of the Mauritius Investment Corporation Ltd., and that the financing thereof should be provided through the budgetary process, he will state if consideration is being given thereto?

B/528 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

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

Whether, in regard to the inclusion of Mauritius by the European Union on its revised list of high-risk countries allegedly having strategic deficiencies in their anti-money laundering and counter terrorist financing frameworks (AML-CFT Framework) since 01 October 2020, he will state if an assessment of the impact thereof on the economy has been carried out, indicating the quantum of loss of revenue to the financial services sector?

B/529 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 minors, she will state the number thereof victims of sexual abuse during the lockdown periods, indicating the measures taken for the protection thereof?

B/530 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the regional hospitals, he will state if it is the practice for surgical operation not to be carried out thereat during week-ends and, if so, indicate the reasons therefor?

B/531 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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

Whether, in regard to the horse racing industry, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Revenue Authority, information as to the total quantum of revenue generated for the period 2018 to date, indicating if consideration will be given for the re-investment of part of the said revenue in the said industry with a view to ensuring the sustainability thereof?

B/532 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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

Whether in regard to the fishing boats owned by licensed fishermen, he will state the equipment which should be compulsorily taken on board?

B/533 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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

Whether, in regard to the death of a professional jockey on 15 May 2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, from the Gambling Regulatory Authority, information as to if a joint inspection with the Chairperson of the Race Meeting Steward for a proper inspection of the track was conducted?

B/534 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the illegal constructions of drains obstructing water passages during torrential rainfall, he will state if his Ministry has made an assessment thereof with the collaboration of the Land Drainage Authority and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/535 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the building and land use permit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the local authorities, information as to the number of prosecutions initiated over the past five years against promoters/contractors for failure to abide by the legislation in relation thereto?

B/536 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Assirvaden)

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 proposed extension of the metro express project from Rose Hill to Reduit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Metro Express Ltd., information as to the cost thereof, indicating how same is being financed?

B/537 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 proposed construction of 12,000 housing units as announced in the last budget exercise, he will state if a business plan has been worked out and, if so, give details thereof?

B/538 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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

Whether, in regard to the recent closure of licensed money transfer companies, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank of Mauritius, information as to the reasons therefor, indicating the measures taken to ensure service continuity?

B/539 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 recreational and sports facilities in Vallée Pitot, Tranquebar, Ward IV and Plaine Verte, respectively, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to if measures are being taken for the upliftment thereof in anticipation of the re-opening thereof following the lifting of Covid-19 restrictions?

B/540 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 landslide sites identified in the Japan international Cooperation Agency Report 2015, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Geotechnical Unit, details thereof, indicating the remedial measures taken in relation thereto?

B/541 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Luchmun Roy**)

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

Whether, in regard to the forthcoming admission exercise in colleges at Grade 7 level, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Examinations Syndicate, information as to the criteria for admission at the Rabindranath Tagore State Secondary School?

B/542 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 State-Owned Non-Bank Deposit Taking Institutions operating under the aegis of his Ministry, he will state if the conversion of one or more of them into banking institution is/are being envisaged and, if so, give details thereof?

B/543 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 3, Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East, he will give the list of flood prone areas thereat, indicating the remedial measures envisaged in relation thereto?

B/544 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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

Whether, in regard to the roundabouts on the motorways of classified roads, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, the list thereof (a) presently being embellished and maintained by private companies, indicating the (i) name thereof (ii) roundabouts concerned therewith and (iii) contract period and (b) not embellished and maintained by private companies, indicating if his Ministry envisages to launch proposals in relation thereto?

B/545 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 Magon Street, at the level of Boulevard Victoria up to the Mariamen Temple street, on both roads, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to if consideration will be given for the installation of LED street lanterns at the dark spots thereat?

B/546 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 street lighting on the roundabout on the motorway, at the level of Quay D, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to if same is out of order and, if so, since when, indicating if urgent remedial measures will be taken?

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