

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 24 May 2011****Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
Minister of Defence, Home Affairs
and External Communications**

B/365 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Ms Ribot)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence,
Home Affairs and External Communications:-*

Whether, in regard to the beauty parlours, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof where illicit massage services were offered, since 2005 to-date, indicating (a) in each case, the number of (i) arrests effected in connection therewith and (ii) persons prosecuted and the outcome thereof and (b) if regular checks are carried out on the premises thereof to verify if no illicit activities are carried out thereat?

B/366 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and
Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence,
Home Affairs and External Communications:-*

Whether, in regard to the last examination for promotion to the rank of Police Sergeant, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) number of (i) graduates who participated therein and failed (ii) Police Constables who passed the written examination but were not successful candidates, after screening by the Commissioner of Police (b) checks carried out by the Commissioner of Police before selecting the successful candidates and (c) recourse open to a police constable if unsatisfied with the result of the examination and the screening process?

B/367 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Lesjongard**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the term “Population Generale”, he will state if Government proposes to bring amendments to the First Schedule of the Constitution for either the deleting and replacement thereof by a more appropriate appellation or to delete reference thereto?

B/368 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the Creole Language, he will state if Government proposes to amend the existing legislation with a view to introducing the use thereof in the National Assembly and, if so, when?

B/369 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the promotion exercise from the grade of Police Constable to that of Police Sergeant, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if the results of the competitive examinations have been proclaimed and, if so, indicate when they will be promoted?

B/370 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to Police Officers in the rank of Corporal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if some of them have recently been demoted and, if so, the reasons therefor?

B/371 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, following the recent judgment of the Supreme Court, in the case of Bhajan v/s The State, he will state if it is proposed to amend the law with a view to allowing an accused party to appeal against his conviction when a court makes a Community Service Order?

B/372 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (**Mr Nagalingum**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether he has received representations from the Unions for an inquiry to be carried out in the circumstances of the recent death of a member of the staff of the Ministry of Business, Enterprise, Cooperatives and Consumer Protection and, if so, will he state the actions taken in relation thereto?

B/373 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to drug trafficking, through the Port Area, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, since 2005 to-date, information as to the (a) number of arrests effected in connection therewith and (b) value of the drugs seized?

B/374 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to late R. B., whose body was recently found in the Roche Bois dumping ground, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) if an inquiry has been carried out thereinto and the outcome thereof and (b) the measures taken, if any, to improve security at the said dumping ground?

B/375 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mrs Radegonde**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the Bel Ombre Police Station, he will state if he has been informed of a shortage of Police Officers and other supporting staff thereat and if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if remedial measures will be taken and, if so, when?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications

B/376 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Seetaram**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the sugar milling companies involved in the production of energy, he will state if, in the past, his Ministry had given its agreement for the purchase, by any of them, of second hand equipment?

- B/377 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Anquetil)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare:-
Whether, in regard to sexual abuse, she will state the number of children victims thereof referred to her Ministry, since 2000 to-date, indicating the (a) cases thereof in which commercial exploitation has been established and (b) additional measures that will be taken to combat same?
- B/378 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Anquetil)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Industry and Commerce:-
Whether, in regard to petroleum products, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation (a) a breakdown of the quantity of each type thereof currently imported and (b) obtain information as to (i) the sulphur content in the diesel presently being imported, indicating the actions being taken to reduce the sulphur content thereof to comply with the *Maurice Ile Durable* initiative and (ii) if it is proposed to introduce the use of ethanol mix?
- B/379 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Anquetil)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-
Whether, in regard to the tourism sector, he will state if Government has developed a Strategic Plan with a view to attracting emerging markets and potential new ones and, if so, give details thereof?
- B/380 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mrs Labelle)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-
Whether, in regard to the Tertiary Education Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commission, information as to if the posts of Financial Controller and Head Finance Division, Head Research and Planning Division and Head Distance Education and Open Learning Division were advertised as per the procedure laid down in the regulations in force and, if not, why not and indicate the terms and conditions on which the incumbents thereof have been employed?

B/381 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the Goodlands bypass, he will state the (a) name of the contractor (b) contract value thereof (c) starting date thereof (d) completion date as per the contract, indicating if there has been any delay, and, if so, the reasons therefor and (e) amount of money paid to the contractor, in excess of the contract value?

B/382 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the Verdun Terre-Rouge Road project, he will state the (a) name of the contractor (b) contractual value thereof (c) completion date as per the contract, indicating if there has been any delay, and, if so, the reasons therefor and (d) amount of money paid to the contractor, in excess of the contract value and, if so, the reasons therefor?

B/383 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Mr Seetaram)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the recent expulsion of two students of the Regis Chaperon State Secondary School, he will state the reasons therefor?

B/384 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Mr Seetaram)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the Scheme whereby parents are informed of the absence of their children at school through SMS, he will state if he will now consider extending same to all schools?

B/385 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Ms Ribot)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions:-

Whether, in regard to the deaf and dumb persons, she will state (a) if the sign language used on the MBC television is similar to the one taught in schools (b) the secondary education prospects open to them and (c) if consideration will be given for the advisability of (i) impressing upon the bus operators to fit the buses with warning lights for their benefit and (ii) setting up a scheme with a view to offering them batteries for their hearing aids and mobile phones free of charge?

B/386 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Dayal)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a swimming pool in Quartier Militaire, as announced in the Budget Speech of 2008/2009, he will state where matters stand?

B/387 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Dayal)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security:-

Whether, in regard to the vegetables sold on the market, he will state if his Ministry has set up a unit to analyse the content of pesticides therein and, if so, indicate the (a) number of persons employed and their respective qualifications (b) methods used to (i) collect the vegetables for testing and (ii) carry out the tests (c) number of times vegetables were collected for testing over the past year (d) number of cases where vegetables were found to be unfit for consumption and the remedial actions taken and (e) mechanism put in place to ensure that the vegetables put for sale on the market are free from harmful pesticides?

B/388 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Guimbeau)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius National Lottery, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from each local authority, information as to the amount of fees collected in terms of trade licences from the selling outlets, indicating the names and addresses thereof?

B/389 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Guimbeau)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the Les Salines Development Project (Neotown Project), he will state if a Social Impact Assessment has been carried out and, if not, why not?

B/390 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Guimbeau)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius National Lottery, he will state if consideration will be given for amendments to be brought to the Gambling Regulatory Authority Act with a view to restricting the advertising of the loto by the Mauritius National Lottery?

B/391 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central **(Mr Uteem)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Industry and Commerce:-

Whether, in regard to the contract with Betamax Ltd. for the transport of petroleum products, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to if the Corporation has (a) received any technical advice concerning the suitability of the vessel proposed by Betamax Ltd. and (b) sought and obtained legal advice from the State Law Office before the signature of the contract?

B/392 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Li Kwong Wing**)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the Development Bank of Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank of Mauritius, information as to (a) if the DBM Ltd. is operating as a deposit-taking institution, outside the purview of the Bank of Mauritius, indicating the amount of deposits placed therein as at to-date by the National Pension Fund, the SICOM Ltd., Government bodies, and individual savers (b) the amount of Non-Performing Loan portfolio and total loan portfolio as at date (c) the amount of operating loss during the year ended June 2010 and the period July 2010 to April 2011 and (d) the measures taken for the restructuring of the DBM Ltd. into a Development Finance Agency?

B/393 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Li Kwong Wing**)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to foreign debts, grants and direct investments, he will (a) give a breakdown, since May 2010 to date, of the (i) foreign grants received and programmed to be received by the public sector (ii) total amount of external loans raised and programmed to be raised by Government, indicating the total amount thereof disbursed as at to date and the balance yet to be disbursed and (iii) amount of Foreign Direct Investment received and (b) state if Government proposes to continue having recourse to external borrowings?

B/394 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the recent purchase of boots and the purchase thereof in 2006 by the Municipal Council of Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, in each case, information as to the (a) names of the bidders, indicating their respective bids (b) names of the successful bidders and (c) cost of each pair thereof?

B/395 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (**Mr Seeruttun**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions:-

Whether, in regard to the project with the object of encouraging enterprises to employ persons with physical disabilities, she will state the number of enterprises which have employed these persons, as at to-date, indicating the (a) number thereof having been employed and (b) types of jobs that these persons have secured?

B/396 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (**Mr Seeruttun**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the setting up of the Cane Democratisation Fund, he will state where matters stand?

B/397 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mr Ganoo**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the Foreign Consultant, Mr D. W., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Waste Water Management Authority, information as to (a) if the Authority is still retaining his services and, if not, the reasons why he has left (b) when his services were retained and in what capacity and (c) if he has taken cognizance of the fact that Mr D. W. has recently denounced any case of malpractice or corruption at the Authority to any international donor or authority?

B/398 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mr Ganoo**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to surrogacy and in-vitro fertilization, she will state if Government proposes to come up with any legislation to govern same?

B/399 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to the Radiotherapy/Cancer Unit at the Victoria Hospital, she will state if there is any project for the upgrading of the inpatient and outpatient facilities in connection therewith and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/400 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the University of Technology, he will state if he has taken cognizance of the representations made concerning the canteen in relation to the hygiene conditions prevailing thereat and of the food prices and, if so, the actions taken, if any?

B/401 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the Project Plan Committee, he will state (a) when it was set up (b) the terms of reference thereof (c) the composition thereof (d) the projects which have been considered and recommended, in the second half of 2010, mainly in relation to the construction of new buildings and the acquisition of existing buildings, indicating in each case (i) when decision was taken and (ii) the budget amount recommended and (e) if the acquisition of the Med Point Clinic was channeled through the Committee, prior to the purchase thereof and, if so (i) when and (ii) table minutes of the Committee in relation thereto?

B/402 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 Mauritian swimmers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Swimming Federation, information as to the (a) last ranking thereof on the International Pointing System (IPS) and (b) recommendations made by the Technical Committee of the federation concerning their participation in the forthcoming World Championship to be held in Shanghai, giving a list of the selected ones therefor and their respective IPS ranking?

B/403 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 sports coaches of his Ministry, he will give a list thereof, indicating in each case (a) their date of appointment (b) the sport discipline to which they are attached and (c) their respective job description?

B/404 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mr Lesjongard)**

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the electronic monitoring system and a horse racing software for the Gambling Regulatory Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to (a) the name of the consultancy firm which prepared the specifications and the amount paid for services provided (b) if a letter of award was issued to ABA Software Ltd. and if so, indicate the date thereof (c) if compensation has been paid to the Consultant and ABA Software Ltd. and (d) if ABA Software submitted its bid as a consortium and the name of its local partner or representative?

B/405 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the primary and secondary schools, he will state if any student thereof has been expelled therefrom, since the beginning of the academic year and, if so, will he give the reasons therefor, in each case?

B/406 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes **(Mr Ramano)**

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the National Lottery, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Gambling Regulatory Authority, information as to the number of games that its present licence authorises it to operate, indicating the (a) games which it is presently operating and (b) revenue generated by each game, on a monthly basis, since their coming into operation to-date?

B/407 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes **(Mr Ramano)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-

Whether, in regard to colporteurs/canvasseurs/beach hawkers presently operating on the public beaches and in front of the hotels, he will state if Government proposes to amend the legislation in relation to their activities, including making specific provision for the respective activities of the colporteurs selling excursions/tours to tourists and of the boat owners?

B/408 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mrs Perraud)**

Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the region of Riche Terre, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Waste Water Management Authority, information as to if there is any sewerage network project therefor?

B/409 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Perraud**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a bus terminal at Crève Coeur, he will state where matters stand?

B/410 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Perraud**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Long Mountain Village Hall, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Pamplemousses and Rivière du Rempart District Council, information as to (a) the activities that have been held thereat, since 2008 to-date (b) if the conditions of the building and of the equipment thereat are up to the standard and, if not, the remedial measures that will be taken?

B/411 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (**Mr Nagalingum**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Audit Squad of his Ministry, he will state if it has carried out regular audits of the different funds of the Municipal Councils of Curepipe, Vacoas/Phoenix, Quatre Bornes, Beau Bassin/Rose Hill and Port Louis, since 2005 to-date and, if so, the outcome thereof, in each case?

B/412 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (**Mr Dayal**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether his Ministry has received representations from the inhabitants of Cité Circonstance, St Pierre, in regard to the overflow of the drain commonly known as “Canal Ravin” at every rainfall, thus causing water to penetrate in almost all the houses found along the drain and if so, will he state the remedial measures that have been taken, if any?

B/413 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development:-

Whether, in regard to the St Patrick Clinic, at Flic en Flac, he will state if the Clinic has submitted an application for an Environment Impact Assessment licence and, if so, where matters stand?

B/414 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Khamajeet)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms:-

Whether, in regard to late Mr P. S., the ex-Acting Registrar of the Co-operatives, he will state if he has received representations with regard to the conditions in which late Mr P. S., was performing his duties and if the latter had reported any case of harassment against him to his Ministry and, if so, if inquiries have been carried out thereinto and the outcome thereof?

B/415 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Khamajeet)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the incidents that occurred in the Anjalay Coopen and the Germain Comarmond stadia recently, he will state if (a) inquiries have been carried out thereinto, indicating the actions taken, if any and (b) the stadia meet the security norms and, if not, the remedial measures that will be taken?

B/416 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Khamajeet)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development:-

Whether, in regard to the Trou Viré islet, he will state if, following the decision to relocate the food hawkers from the Ile aux Cerfs thereto, his Ministry has carried out any assessment regarding the ecological impact thereof on the islet and on the marine, eco-system around the islet, indicating if the mangroves found around the islet will have to be uprooted in favour of any development thereof?

B/417 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Dayal)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the road leading from the Cooperatives Store to the School Road at Petit Verger Branch Road, he will state if he will consider the advisability of (a) putting up speed breakers thereat and (b) covering the existing drain with slabs along same, for the safety of the school children and of other pedestrians?

B/418 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to child survival and early childhood well-being, she will state if her Ministry has surveyed recent trends of the (a) infant mortality rate (b) under 5 mortality rate (c) infants with low weight at birth and (d) percentage of children suffering from stunting and, if so, indicate the new measures, if any, that are being envisaged for the improvement thereof?

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Clerk of the National Assembly

Parliament House
Port Louis

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MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Not Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 24 May 2011****Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
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and External Communications**

A/143 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the employees on contract, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to the total number thereof presently employed by the MBC/television, gradewise, indicating (a) their respective addresses and the salaries drawn and (b) the names of those who have been transferred on the permanent establishment, since March 2011 to date, giving details of their present post and conditions of employment?

A/144 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the journalists, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to the number thereof recruited thereat, over the past three years, giving details of their terms and conditions of employment?

A/145 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:-

Whether, in regard to the Albion Village, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if excess speeding has been noted thereat and, if so, if consideration will be given for additional control to be exercised thereat with a view to avoiding accidents and to ensure the security of the public and in particular the school children?

A/146 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to road traffic accidents, in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, for the past five years, information as to (a) the number thereof, on a yearly basis indicating the number of fatal ones (b) if there are sufficient road markings and (c) if consideration will be given for the (i) posting of Police Officers in accident prone regions and (ii) sensitization programmes to be organised at community and school levels?

A/147 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to foreigners, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Passport and Immigration Office, information, as at to-date, as to (a) the number thereof residing in Rodrigues with a valid residential permit and (b) if suspected cases thereof residing without a residential permit thereat have been detected, indicating, in each case, their respective nationalities?

A/148 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the Military Road and Route des Pamplemousses, Port Louis, in the vicinity of the Ibrahim Abdullah Market Fair, he will state if traffic congestion is caused thereat during fair days, especially on Saturdays, as a result of vehicles parking in a disorderly manner and on double-yellow lines and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if consideration will be given for the posting of Police Officers thereat?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications

A/149 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Dr Sorefan**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the Verdun Terre Rouge Road Construction project, he will state the number of private lands which have been compulsorily acquired, indicating the number of cases thereof which have been referred to court and which are still pending and in all the other cases, if payments have been effected and, if not, why not?

A/150 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (**Mr Nagalingum**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the treatment of hazardous waste, he will state where matters stand, indicating if the hazardous landfill is operational?

A/151 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to the Medical Clinic in Nyon Street, Port Louis, she will state when it will be operational, indicating the reasons for the delay in it becoming operational and the actions taken against those responsible therefor?

A/152 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the Crown Land Tory in Tranquebar, Port Louis, he will state if he has received representations from the inhabitants thereof for the tarring of the roads thereat and, if so, will he state if consideration will be given thereto?

A/153 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Li Kwong Wing**)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to Real Estate Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board of Investment, a list of the projects approved by the Board, indicating, in each case the (a) name of the promoters (b) location and extent of the land (c) number of villas and apartments proposed, and the area of built up area proposed (d) number of projects (i) started (ii) completed and (iii) not yet started, indicating the reasons therefor (e) number of villas and apartments sold, indicating the total amount of investment made, categorized into foreign direct investment and local financing and (f) amount of Government revenue collected from the projects?

A/154 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Li Kwong Wing)**

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the Gambling Regulatory Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to (a) the conditions of the licence pertaining to fix odd betting on overseas football matches issued to each licensee and the dates on which these conditions of licence were communicated to the respective licensees in 2010 and (b) if a new set of conditions of licence has been issued to certain licensees only and, if so, the reasons therefor?

A/155 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes **(Mr Ramano)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-

Whether he has taken cognizance of the complaints made by tourist operators following the operation of a barbecue stand in front of the Marmara Club/Indian Resorts Hotel by a private operator and if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if any permit has been issued to that effect by his Ministry/the Tourism Authority to the private operator or to the hotel concerned?

A/156 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes **(Mr Ramano)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a Muslim cemetery in the town of Quatre Bornes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Quatre Bornes, information as to the (a) location of the site identified and the extent thereof (b) budget earmarked therefor and (c) date of its coming into operation?

A/157 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Information and Communication Technology:-

Whether, he will state if he has been informed of the inconveniences and interferences caused by an Emtel generator at the Malherbes Street, Curepipe and, if so, indicate the measures that will be taken to reduce noise and radio/television wave interferences?

A/158 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the request for land extension for the Muslim cemetery at the Bigara Cemetery, in Curepipe, he will state where matters stand?

A/159 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment:-

Whether, in regard to the region of Curepipe, Midlands and Dubreuil, he will state if a study has been carried out on the prevalence of poverty thereat and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof, and, if not, if consideration will be given for its commissioning?

A/160 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Cité Joachim, Forest Side, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Curepipe, information as to the sports and recreational activities available thereat for the inhabitants thereof?

A/161 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Quirin**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the Chebel NHDC Housing Estate, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Company Ltd., information as to if consideration will be given for the fencing thereof, as obtained in the other NHDC Housing Estates, to ensure the security of the residents thereof?

A/162 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to freight on the Mauritius-Rodrigues route, he will state if Government proposes to review the recent 30% increase thereof to alleviate the economic burden on the Rodriguan population?

A/163 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security:-

Whether, in regard to the Food Security Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Fund, information, as to the amount of money disbursed, as at to-date for Rodrigues, indicating the on-going and completed projects and in each case, indicate the (a) project value (b) projects contracted out (c) name of the bidders and respective bids value (d) name of the successful bidder and (e) method of procurement used?

A/164 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to projects under the Integrated Resorts Scheme and the Real Estate Schemes, he will give a list of the promoters who were issued with permits, in each case, since 2000 to 2005, indicating those who abandoned the project thereafter?

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