

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 25 March 2008****Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service &
Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands**

B/1 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Jhugroo**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the post of Communications Manager at the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to (a) the date (i) it was advertised (ii) interviews were carried out (iii) appointment was effected (b) the name of the incumbent, indicating his/her qualifications (c) the terms and conditions of appointment and (d) the scheme of duties attached thereto?

B/2 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Jhugroo**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the overseas missions undertaken by the Communications Manager of the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, since her appointment to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to (a) the countries visited (b) the purpose and duration of the missions (c) the composition of the delegations (c) the total amount of money spent in terms of air fares and *per diem* allowances and (d) the criteria used for her selection?

B/3 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Lauthan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to reported cases of alleged assaults, rapes and larceny committed against tourists, since March 2007 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the number thereof, on a monthly basis (b) the number of cases reported for legal actions and (c) the measures, in addition to those already taken, that are envisaged to combat such acts?

B/4 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Guimbeau**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the members of the Police Force, he will state if they will be allowed to set up their Trade Union, and if so, when?

B/5 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Guimbeau**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Public Service Commission, he will state if Government will consider amending the law to provide for (a) a permanent seat to be attributed to a Trade Unionist and (b) the setting up of a Public Service Commission Appeal Tribunal, and if so, indicate when?

B/6 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Mrs Jeewa-Daureeawoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to reported cases of alleged aggressions and/or assaults committed on Police Officers, since November 2007 todate, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the number thereof and (b) the measures, in addition to those already taken, that are envisaged?

B/7 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Mrs Jeewa-Daureeawoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to reported cases of larceny committed in bungalows rented to tourists, since January 2006 todate, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the number thereof and (b) the remedial measures that have been or will be taken?

B/8 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Mrs Jeewa-Daureeawoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to reported cases of alleged rapes on minors since July 2007 todate, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number thereof, indicating in each case if the Police inquiry has been completed and, if so, the outcome thereof?

B/9 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Lauthan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Special Supporting Unit and the Special Mobile Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of times they have been requested to intervene with regard to incidents and/or social disturbances which have occurred since January 2006 todate, indicating the dates and places thereof?

B/10 The Honourable Fifth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Soodhun**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to reported cases of alleged larceny with violence, murders and deadly assaults, assaults against tourists, rapes, including rapes involving minors, kidnapping, including kidnapping of minors, hold ups and gang robbery, public riots and public demonstrations, since 01 January 2007 todate, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of the Police, information as to the number thereof, indicating the status of the inquiries?

B/11 The Honourable Fifth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Soodhun**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, he will state if Government will consider the advisability of reintroducing the death penalty?

B/12 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mrs Hanoomanjee**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to reported cases of assaults on Police Officers on duty since August 2005 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number thereof, indicating the measures, in addition to those already taken, that are envisaged to prevent the recurrence of such acts?

B/13 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mrs Hanoomanjee**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to reported cases of alleged assaults on tourists since January 2006 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the number thereof (b) the number of cases which have already undergone trial, indicating the outcome in each case?

B/14 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Varma**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to one Mr O. U., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to whether he was arrested in 2005/2006 and, if so (a) the reason as to why he was arrested (b) if he was released on bail and subsequently absconded and (c) if he is equally wanted in respect of other cases?

B/15 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mrs Labelle)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the last recruitment exercise of Police Officers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the number of male Police Officers and female Police Officers recruited and (b) the duration of the training they have undergone?

B/16 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka **(Mr Dayal)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the reports, films and other materials produced by the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation which are of national interest or which have acquired the status of cultural or historical patrimony, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to (a) the measures taken to have them (i) stored in optimum conditions and (ii) preserved against the test of time, indicating if the latest technologies are being used and (b) a list thereof which have been reported lost or damaged?

B/17 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, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the case of alleged larceny with violence which occurred on 16 March 2008 at Vallée des Prêtres whereby one Mr N. H. was seriously injured, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand?

B/18 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, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the suspension of three Police Officers posted at the Abercrombie Police Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand?

B/19 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, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the reasons why the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Mr J. B., was not called upon to act as Commissioner of Police during the absence of the incumbent from the country?

B/20 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, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to Police Inspector H. T., former Officer in Charge of the *Brigade des Jeux* and of the Anti Piracy Unit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to his present posting, indicating (a) the effective date thereof and (b) the reasons therefor?

B/21 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Bhagwan)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if, on Friday 14 March 2008, Officers of the Central Criminal Investigation Division effected a landing at the premises of Radio One and if so (a) the reasons therefor (b) if any statement was taken from the Chief Editor and one journalist and (b) the outcome thereof?

B/22 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Bhagwan)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Bank of Mauritius, he will state if he has received any letter signed by six members of the Board complaining about the conduct of the affairs of the bank by the Governor and, if so, will he state where matters stand?

B/23 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal **(Mr Bodha)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the proposals for the reform of the electoral system, the financing of political parties and the organization of elections in the country, he will state where matters stand in each case?

B/24 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mr Bodha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Chagos Archipelago, he will consider the setting up of a National Chagos Archipelago Desk involving all parties interested to help, prepare and further the case of Mauritius in addressing the issues of sovereignty and related matters as regards the stand of Mauritius *vis-à-vis* the United Kingdom, the United States of America and the international community at large?

B/25 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mr Bodha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the case of alleged rape on minor M. K. M., residing in Mahebourg, in 2003, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to who conducted the Police inquiry and the outcome thereof?

B/26 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mr Bodha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Police Force, he will state who is presently in charge?

B/27 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the proposal for the reform of the electoral system, he will state where matters stand?

B/28 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Allet**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if, on 14 March 2008, Police Officers landed in the newsroom of a private radio and if so the reasons therefor, indicating where matters stand?

B/29 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs, Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Agalega Island, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to when a Magistrate was last sent there?

**Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than
Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence & Home Affairs,
Minister of Civil Service & Administrative Reforms
and Minister of Rodrigues & Outer Islands**

B/30 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Jhugroo**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Industry, Small & Medium Enterprises, Commerce and Co-operatives:-

Whether, in regard to the overseas missions undertaken by the Director of the State Trading Corporation, since January 2007 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to (a) the dates of the missions (b) the countries visited (c) the composition of the delegations (d) the purpose and outcome of the missions and (e) the total amount of money spent in terms of air fares and *per diem* allowances?

B/31 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Jhugroo**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the lease of State lands in Constituency No. 4, Port Louis North and Montagne Longue, since July 2005 to date, he will state the names and addresses of the beneficiaries, indicating the extent, location and purpose of the lands leased?

B/32 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Lauthan**)

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

Whether, he is aware of the incidents which occurred in the Detoxification Centre of the Brown Sequard Hospital, on or about Wednesday 09 January 2008, and if so, will he state the circumstances surrounding same?

B/33 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Guimbeau)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the inter-ministerial committee set up last year to review the status of industrial leases on *Pas Géométriques* to obtain a fair return therefrom, he will state (a) where matters stand and (b) if all the types and purposes of industrial leases such as bungalow complexes, guest houses, villas, apartments, agricultural and others are concerned by the new status and, if not, why not?

B/34 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Guimbeau)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to leases on *Pas Géométriques*, he will state (a) the number of industrial leases which are actually campement site leases and which have been converted and have changed appellation into that of industrial lease (b) the terms and conditions of these new industrial leases and (c) the names of the lessees, in each case?

B/35 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Mrs Jeewa-Daureeawoo)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Tourism, Leisure and External Communications:-

Whether, he is aware of the long wait problem faced by the passengers at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, especially during weekends, and if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the the Airport of Mauritius Ltd., information as to the remedial measures that have been or will be taken in connection therewith?

B/36 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Lauthan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the bus stops on the motorways, he will state if consideration will be given to having them stretched in length with a view to accommodating a minimum of three buses at a time?

B/37 The Honourable Fifth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Soodhun**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Voluntary Retirement Scheme 2, he will state (a) the cost of providing land, infrastructural works and compensation to workers and (b) if the total cost will be met by the Mauritius Sugar Producers Association and, if not, the amount that will be disbursed from funds provided under the accompanying measures?

B/38 The Honourable Fifth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Soodhun**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro Industry and Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the collection of milk, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Agricultural Marketing Board, information as to if the Board has stopped same and, if so (a) since when and (b) if any alternative support is being provided to the cow breeders?

B/39 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Varma)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Local Government:-

Whether he is aware of the existence of a night club and pub bearing the name “Buddha” and of the sensibilities attached to the name and if so, will he state his Ministry’s policy in connection thereto?

B/40 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Varma)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the alternative modes of public transport, he will state (a) the number of studies carried out thereinto as at todate, indicating the cost thereof and (b) if any decision has been taken in connection therewith?

B/41 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien **(Mr Varma)**

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Justice & Human Rights:-

Whether, in regard to the reviewing of the relevant legislation in regard to arrest and bail, he will state where matters stand?

B/42 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Bhagwan)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Industry, Small & Medium Enterprises, Commerce and Co-operatives:-

Whether, in regard to Mr L. H. C. A. F., Adviser to his Ministry, he will state if his contract has been renewed, and if so, indicate (a) in which category and (b) the terms and conditions thereof?

B/43 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mrs Hanoomanjee**)

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

Whether, in regard to foreign loans contracted or about to be contracted by Government for the financial year 2007/2008, he will state the sources and amounts thereof?

B/44 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mrs Hanoomanjee**)

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

Whether, in regard to the introduction of targetting in the education and health sectors, he will state if Government has already taken any commitment with either the World Bank or the International Monetary Fund?

B/45 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (**Mrs Labelle**)

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

Whether, in regard to the School Certificate and the Higher School Certificate examinations fees for the year 2008, he will state (a) the number of applications her Ministry has received for payment (b) the number of applications approved and (c) the dates the funds will be disbursed?

B/46 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (**Mrs Labelle**)

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

Whether, in regard to the posts of Supply Teachers, he will state (a) the minimum entry requirements (b) the number thereof posted in the State Secondary Schools as at 29 February 2008, indicating their average length of service?

B/47 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mrs Labelle)

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

Whether, in regard to the exercise of automatic promotion in primary schools, he will state if his Ministry is considering abolishing same and, if so, indicate the measures that are being taken for its implementation and, if not, why not?

B/48 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka **(Mr Dayal)**

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

Whether, in regard to Physical Education classes conducted at the Mahatma Gandhi Secondary School, Moka, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the facilities existing thereat, including the extent of the playfields and other areas available and (b) if the playfield of other school/s is used to carry out these activities and, if so, indicate (i) the time taken to go thereat and return therefrom and (ii) if any transport facility is made available?

B/49 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka **(Mr Dayal)**

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

Whether, in regard to the closure of Private Secondary Schools in 2007 and 2008, he will state (a) the number thereof (b) the policy of his Ministry regarding the closure of schools and the redeployment of students and staff and (c) the measures taken to redeploy (i) the students (ii) the teaching staff and (iii) the non-teaching staff?

B/50 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Guinness**)

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

Whether, in regard to the recent closure of three private secondary schools in the South, he will state if the teaching and non-teaching staff have now been redeployed?

B/51 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Guinness**)

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

Whether, in regard to the students who have applied for a seat in Lower VI in the different subject combinations at the Royal Colleges, the Queen Elizabeth College and the Dr Maurice Curé State Secondary School, he will state if (a) all the students have obtained a seat and (b) the lists thereof will be rendered public?

B/52 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Guinness**)

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

Whether, in regard to the error that occurred for the Design and Technology Paper of the last Higher School Certificate Examinations, he will state (a) the causes thereof and (b) the effect, if any, that this error has had in the award of scholarships?

B/53 The Honourable Third Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East **(Mr Guinness)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Industry, Small & Medium Enterprises, Commerce and Co-operatives:-

Whether, in regard to the importation of flour from China and Turkey, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if same has already been ordered and, if so (a) the quantity thereof in each case (b) if the first consignment has reached Mauritius and (c) if they are available on the local market?

B/54 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Bhagwan)**

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

Whether, in regard to the overseas missions undertaken by the Governor of the Bank of Mauritius since his appointment, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank, information as to (a) the countries visited (b) the purpose of each mission (c) the amount spent in terms of airfares and *per diem* allowances or any other benefits?

B/55 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka **(Mr Dayal)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of the road of Verdun and Terre Rouge, he will state where matters stand?

B/56 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Ganoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro Industry and Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the agreement between Government and the Mauritius Sugar Producers Association in the wake of the reforms in the sugar sector, he will state where matters stand as to the issue of the appointment of an international expert to look into the question of the Independent Power Producers and in particular, his terms of reference?

B/57 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Ganoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether he will state if Government has received representations for an increase in bus fares?

B/58 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Ganoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the CT Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to where matters stand, indicating if a Power Purchase Agreement has already been agreed upon between the Board and the promoters of the project?

B/59 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Perrier)

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

Whether she is aware that professional registered fishermen have been denied the subsidy on the examinations fees for their wards sitting for the Cambridge School Certificate and Cambridge Higher School Certificate Examinations this year and, if so, will she state the reasons therefor?

B/60 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West **(Mrs Grenade)**

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

Whether, in regard to cases of alleged aggressions in the State Secondary Schools perpetrated on students and members of the staff since January 2008 to date, he will, state the number thereof in each school?

B/61 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West **(Mrs Grenade)**

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

Whether, in regard to reported cases of drug related incidents in the State Secondary Schools since January 2008 to date, he will state the number thereof in each school?

B/62 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Grenade**)

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

Whether, in regard to the students enrolled with the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam Medical Institute for the first year of the MBBS course 2008, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Institute, information as to the number thereof?

B/63 The Honourable Third Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun**)

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

Whether, in regard to the agreements signed between Government and the Union of Private Secondary Education Employees in 1983, he will state if his Ministry has decided to override same?

B/64 The Honourable Third Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Lower VI classes in the State Secondary Schools, he will state if the exercise for the admission of the students has been completed and, if not, why not?

B/65 The Honourable Third Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Schools, he will state if (a) the vacant seats at Form I level thereat have been filled and (b) he will give the names and the examination results of the students who have been admitted in the second admission exercise?

B/66 The Honourable Third Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

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

Whether, in regard to the prevocational classes in the State Secondary Schools, he will state if his Ministry has defined a clear cut policy for the running thereof?

B/67 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West **(Mrs Navarre-Marie)**

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

Whether he is aware that one Mr E. D., of Cité Grande Rivière, Pailles, who has to undergo a surgical operation, has been sent back home on two occasions from hospital, on 10 December 2007 and 19 February 2008 respectively and, if so, will he state the reasons therefor?

B/68 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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

Whether, in regard to the persons recruited at the Independent Broadcasting Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to the number thereof as from September 2005 to date, indicating (a) their respective (i) qualifications (ii) post held and (iii) terms and conditions of service and (b) if the recruitments have been approved by the Board?

B/69 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Allet**)

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

Whether he is aware that there is a shortage of drugs to be issued to patients suffering from diabetes and high blood pressure in most of the health centres in Mauritius and if so, will he state the remedial measures that will be taken?

B/70 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Nancy**)

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

Whether she is aware that one Mr J. J. F. and one Mr B. G., of Palisade Rodrigues, have not yet been informed of their Social Security Medical Board results, since 17 October 2007, and have consequently not been paid their Basic Invalidity Pension and if so, will she state where matters stand?

B/71 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Nancy**)

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

Whether she is aware that one Mrs R. J. P., a severely handicapped woman displacing in a wheel chair, has not been paid her Basic Invalidity Pension, since January 2008, and if so, will she state the reasons therefor?

B/72 The Honourable First Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Nancy**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Commissioners of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly, he will state if (a) in addition to the petrol allowances paid to them, they are still enjoying unlimited petrol paid by their respective Commissions (b) any correspondence from his Ministry has been sent to the Island Chief Executive ordering him to remedy the situation and (c) any action has been initiated by his Ministry to recover the excess amount paid by the different Commissions and, if not, why not?

B/73 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether he will state if Government is envisaging any increase in the public bus fares?

B/74 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West
and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Women's Rights, Child
Development, Family Welfare & Consumer Protection:-*

**Whether, in regard to iron bars, he will state if there is any
new policy for the control of the price thereof in view of
the increase of its price since July 2005?**

R. R. Dowlutta
Clerk of the National Assembly

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