

**MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY****Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 08 September 2015****Questions addressed to the Right Honourable Prime Minister,  
Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and  
National Development Unit**

B/414 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière  
(Mr Bhagwan)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence,  
Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development  
Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to Mr R. G., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the reasons why no Police action has been initiated against him as at to date although serious allegations of criminal offences have been levelled against him, namely, regarding the (a) excessive loans and dealings with the Mauritius Co-operative Central Bank Ltd. (b) shops and restaurants at the Sir Seewoosagar Ramgoolam International Airport (c) State Insurance Company of Mauritius Ltd. Tower (d) allocation of State lands (e) Roche Noire case and (f) Mauritius Duty Free Paradise Ltd.?**

B/415 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière  
(Mr Bhagwan)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence,  
Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development  
Unit –*

**Whether, in regard the Commission of Inquiry on Horse Racing in Mauritius which was set up on 24 September 2014, he will state if he is in presence of the confidential Interim Report thereof submitted to the President of the Republic on 28 April 2014, as stated at paragraph 6 of page 11 of the Executive Summary in relation thereto and, if so, indicate if any action has been initiated for the urgent carrying out of investigations into alleged cases of cheating and, if not, why not?**

- B/416            The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière  
(**Mr Bhagwan**)
- To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*
- Whether, in regard the Commission of Inquiry on Horse Racing in Mauritius which was set up on 24 September 2014, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Gambling Regulatory Authority, a list of the actions initiated, if any, especially in respect of alleged cases of (a) cheating (b) taxes not paid to the Mauritius Revenue Authority by SMS Pariaz (c) under invoicing on the importation of horses (d) the *Police des Jeux* and (e) live monitoring of bettings?**
- B/417            The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Jhugroo**)
- To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*
- Whether, in regard to Mr G. C., he will state the assignments for which his services were retained by Government, over the period July 2005 to 10 December 2014, indicating in each case, the (a) amount of fees paid out thereto, giving a breakdown thereof and (b) number of visits he has effected to Mauritius in connection therewith, further indicating (i) the dates thereof (ii) the purposes therefor (iii) the expenditure incurred in connection therewith in terms of air tickets, accommodation and other allowances, if any and (iv) if Government car facilities had been provided thereto?**
- B/418            The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)
- To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*
- Whether, in regard to the offence of murder, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported/detected cases thereof, since 2005 to date, indicating the number thereof which (a) are still under inquiry and (b) have been tried, indicating the outcome thereof in terms of conviction and acquittal?**

B/419 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Jhugroo**)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the allocation of the contract to Airway Coffee Ltd. for the provision of catering services at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, allegedly to the detriment of Tropical Times, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airports of Mauritius Ltd., information as to if the case has been referred to the Commissioner of Police for inquiry and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof and, if not, why not?**

B/420 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Jhugroo**)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to Mr R. B-P., former Chief Executive Officer of the Mauritius Post and Cooperative Bank Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the where matters stand as to the inquiry being carried out in relation thereto, indicating the charges lodged against him, if any?**

B/421 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Mr Rughoobur**)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to Air Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the total turnover generated on its cargo operations over the past two years ending 31 March 2014 and 2015 respectively, indicating in each case, the (a) amount of profit and loss realised in relation thereto and (b) impact thereof on the overall performance of the company?**

B/422 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or  
(Mr Rughoobur)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the construction of drains at Camp Carol, Grand Bay and Pereybère respectively, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Development Unit, information as to (a) if a consultant has been appointed therefor and, if not, why not and (b) in each case, the (i) expected start and completion dates thereof (ii) name of the contractor therefor and (iii) project value thereof?**

B/423 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River  
(Mr Lesjongard)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the contract between the Betamax Shipping Ltd. and the State Trading Corporation for the transportation of petroleum products from India to Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if, in the course of the inquiry being carried out thereinto, all the (a) persons allegedly involved therein have given statements in relation thereto and, if not, why not and (b) documents related thereto have been secured, indicating the expected date of completion of the inquiry?**

B/424 The Honourable Fourth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière  
(Mr Quirin)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 20, Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if an alarming and rapid proliferation of synthetic drugs has been reported thereat and if so, indicate if he has recently received a letter addressed to him by the *Coalition des Acteurs Sociaux de Barkly* and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto, if any?**

B/425 The Honourable Second Member for Pamplémousses and Triolet  
(Mr Teeluckdharry)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the Special Mobile Force and the Special Supporting Unit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if the Officers thereof will be deployed to effect regular patrols and organize check points in sensitive zones with high crime rates?**

B/426 The Honourable Third Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes  
(Mr Ramano)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Police Force, he will state if Government is considering authorizing the setting up of a syndicate therefor and, if so, indicate the proposed (a) legal framework to be established to govern same and (b) date of coming into operation thereof?**

B/427 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central  
(Mr Osman Mahomed)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the football pitch at Tranquebar, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Development Unit, information as to the (a) start and completion dates of the construction works thereof (b) contract value thereof and (c) when activities in relation to football will be held thereat?**

B/428 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River  
(Mr Ganoo)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether he will state if he is aware that criticisms have been levelled against the Mauritius Police Force in the aftermath of the Lam Po Tang and Legend cases and, if so, will he state if consideration will be given for the (a) modernization and upgrading thereof and (b) setting up of a High Powered Commission to be presided by a former Judge to inquire thereinto and propose the necessary reforms to enhance the efficiency and credibility of the Mauritius Police Force?**

B/429 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien  
(Mr Hurreeram)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the premises rented to serve as official residence for H.E. the Vice-President of the Republic of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if tender procedures have been followed for the renting thereof and, if so, indicate the (a) date the bid therefor was launched (b) name of the bidders therefor, indicating the name of the successful bidder (c) extent thereof and (d) monthly rental thereof?**

B/430 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien  
(Mr Hurreeram)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the recent request made to the Government of Mauritius by Mrs K. L. A., Director of the Conflict Awareness Project, to re-open the inquiry concerning the alleged arm trafficking network in Mauritius, he will state if he will consider acceding thereto?**

B/431 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the proposed setting up of an Independent Police Complaints Commission, as mentioned in the Presidential Address, he will state where matters stand?**

B/432 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (**Mr Jahangeer**)

*To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –*

**Whether, in regard to the construction of the Melrose Prison, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons/Police, information as to the (a) name of the contractor thereof (b) contract value thereof and (c) delay in the completion thereof, if any?**

**Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit**

B/433 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services, Good Governance and Institutional Reforms, Minister of Technology, Communication and Innovation –*

**Whether, in regard to the Lalit Modi Gate Saga/IPL Cricket League, India, he will state if the Indian authorities have sought the assistance of the Mauritian authorities in relation to the inquiry it is carrying out regarding the transfer of black money through offshore companies in Mauritius and, if so, indicate where matters stand, indicating the (a) amount of money allegedly involved and (b) name of the companies allegedly involved therein?**

B/434 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

**Whether, in regard to live cattle, beef, goats and muttoms, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof imported since January 2015 to date, indicating the (a) names of the (i) importers (ii) sellers and (iii) resellers thereof (b) number of complaints received at the Consumer Protection Unit in relation thereto and (c) number of contraventions established in relation to the importation thereof in anticipation of the forthcoming *Eid-Ul-Adha* festival, indicating the (i) price per kilogram thereof of each, indicating if same is fixed and (ii) countries of origin thereof and (c) if Government is proposing to acquire a cattle carrier therefor and, if so, where matters stand?**

B/435 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the *Domaine Les Pailles Ltd.*, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Investment Corporation, information as to (a) the amount of profit or loss thereof, as the case may be, since January 2014 to date (b) the number of persons presently employed thereat (c) if the assets thereof are being disposed of and, if so, give details thereof and (d) if the sale thereof is being envisaged and, if so, give details thereof?**

B/436 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the forthcoming Hajj pilgrimage, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Islamic Cultural Centre, information as to (a) the composition of the (i) pre-Hajj mission and (ii) Hajj mission and (b) measures that have been or will be taken to avoid shortcomings in the organization thereof which arose in the previous pilgrimages?**



B/437 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries, Shipping and Outer Islands –*

**Whether, in regard to the fishermen of the Port Louis and Roche Bois regions, he will state if he has been informed of the inconveniences they are facing due to marine pollution being caused by the port development works and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for the setting up of a ministerial committee to look thereinto with a view to finding solutions thereto and, if not, why not?**

B/438 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services, Good Governance and Institutional Reforms, Minister of Technology, Communication and Innovation –*

**Whether, in regard to the investors who have invested into or through the Bramer Assets Management Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Services Commission, information as to how the debentures to be issued thereto will be repaid?**

B/439 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the proposed creation of a Small and Medium Enterprise Bank, he will state where matters stand?**

B/440 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services, Good Governance and Institutional Reform, Minister of Technology, Communication and Innovation –*

**Whether, in regard to the advisers and consultants whose services have been retained in connection with the various investigations carried out under the aegis of his Ministry, since January 2015 to date, he will state, in each case, the (a) names and qualifications thereof (b) terms and conditions of appointment thereof (c) amount of fees/allowances paid out thereto and (d) criteria used for the selection thereof?**

B/441 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Jhugroo**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the allegation of various cases of approval of loans without proper prior investigations having been carried out by the Mauritius Post and Cooperative Bank Ltd., he will state and obtain information as to the measures that have been or will be taken to prevent the recurrence thereof?**

B/442 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Mr Rughoobur**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment, Sustainable Development and Disaster and Beach Management –*

**Whether, in regard to the Koki Bay Project in Melville, in Grand Gaube, he will (a) state the (i) name of the promoters thereof and (ii) date on which the State land was allocated therefor, indicating the conditions of the renewal thereof, if any, and (b) table copy of the Environment Impact Assessment license in relation thereto?**

B/443 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Mr Rughoobur**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to the district councils, he will state if he is in presence of representations therefrom to the effect that funds are lacking to meet the demands for the carrying out of infrastructural works and for the organization of welfare activities thereat and, if so, indicate if remedial measures will be taken in relation thereto?**

B/444 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix  
(Dr Sorefan)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to the Verdun Terre Rouge Highway Link Road, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to (a) the number of engineers thereof having been suspended, indicating why and if the grant thereto of six vehicles is being investigated into, and if so, indicate where matters stand (b) the cost of repairs of the fissures following the landslide between Ripailles and Valton (c) if geological studies had been carried out prior to the construction thereof and, if so, indicate by whom and table copy of the report thereof and (d) the findings of the preliminary technical reports undertaken by the South African and Réunion Island consultants and table copy thereof, indicating the quantum of fees paid out thereto?**

B/445 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix  
(Dr Sorefan)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to the M1 Highway, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if it has been reported that the lamps found along same, heading south, have been intermittently out of order over the past three years and, if so, indicate (a) the reasons therefor and (b) if consideration will be given for the introduction of legislation for the setting up of a Road Lighting Authority?**

B/446 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix  
(Dr Sorefan)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to the Ring Road Phase I, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to (a) the reasons why the services of an expert consultant from Reunion Island to confirm the viability thereof is being sought and (b) who is supervising the repair works undertaken by the contractor therefor, indicating if (i) the Arab consulting company is involved therein and (ii) who prepared the scope of works therefor and if copy thereof will be tabled?**

B/447 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix  
(Dr Sorefan)

*To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

**Whether, in regard to the Waste Water Sewerage Network Project in Old Quatre Bornes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Waste Water Management Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the implementation thereof, indicating (a) if all the households have been connected to the network and, if not, why not and (b) the amount of money paid to the contractor for the variation works, as at to date?**

B/448 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River  
(Mr Lesjongard)

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

**Whether, in regard to the advisers attached to his Ministry, he will state the number thereof, indicating in each case the (a) names and qualifications thereof (b) post held and (c) monthly salaries and allowances drawn?**

B/449 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River  
(Mr Lesjongard)

*To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

**Whether, in regard to the Consultant Mott Mac Donald Company, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the number of contracts awarded thereto, since 2005 to date, indicating (a) the amount of money paid out thereto in respect of each contract and (b) if all of them were awarded thereto following a bid exercise and, if not, indicate the reasons therefor?**

B/450 The Honourable Fourth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière  
(Mr Quirin)

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

**Whether, in regard to the Rights Management Society, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) if the election of three artists to represent the interests of the artists on the Board thereof has been carried out and, if so, indicate when and, if not, why not (b) the qualifications and experience in copyright, related rights and intellectual property in general of the two Board Members appointed by the Honourable Minister (c) the subcommittees to which the above mentioned Board Members have been appointed and (d) the total amount of money paid thereto as at to date in terms of (i) Board Member fee and (ii) Committee Member fee?**

B/451 The Honourable Second Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet  
(Mr Teeluckdharry)

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

**Whether, in regard to the stray dogs and cats, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof which have been exterminated by the former Mauritius Society for Prevention of Cruelty of Animals and the Mauritius Society for Animal Welfare (MSAW) respectively, since 2005 to date, indicating if consideration will be given for the (a) introduction of legislation to do away with the practice of catching and killing same and (b) closing down of the MSAW and the setting up of another institution in replacement thereof with one of the objectives being to adopt a humane and empathic approach to solve the problem thereof in Mauritius?**

B/452 The Honourable Second Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet  
(Mr Teeluckdharry)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services, Good Governance and Institutional Reforms, Minister of Technology, Communication and Innovation –*

**Whether, in regard to the Biometric Identity Cards Project, he will state (a) the cost incurred for the implementation, setting up and maintenance of databases therefor and (b) if Government proposes to do away with the (i) practice of compulsorily requiring Mauritian citizens to give their fingerprints and other biometric data for the purpose of obtaining a national identity card and (ii) features contained in the biometric card, namely, the contactless integrated micro-chip and the integrated Radio Frequency Identification Device (RFID)?**

B/453 The Honourable Second Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet  
(Mr Teeluckdharry)

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

**Whether, in regard to the Additional Stimulus Package Scheme, he will state the (a) names of the direct and indirect beneficiaries thereof since the implementation thereof to date and (b) amount of public expenditure incurred in relation thereto since 2005 to December 2014?**

B/454 The Honourable Fifth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière  
(Mr Lepoigneur)

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

**Whether he will state if he has received a correspondence from the Registrar of Association concerning a sport federation which (a) is operating outside the legal framework prescribed therefor and (b) has not participated in the Indian Ocean Islands Games, since 2003 to date?**

B/455 The Honourable Fifth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière  
(Mr Lepoigneur)

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

**Whether, in regard to the sports complexes of the Ministry of Youth and Sports, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Sports Council, information as to the reasons why the quantum of the rental thereof has been increased and (b) state if he is aware of the prejudices that the increase of the quantum of rental thereof are causing to the sports practitioners who use these facilities and, if so, indicate if he proposes to take any action in relation thereto?**

B/456 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River  
(Mr Jhuboo)

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

**Whether, in regard to the resurgence of synthetic drugs, she will state if consideration will be given for the advisability of introducing a Drug Education and Intervention Programme at the level of all the secondary and tertiary institutions?**

B/457 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

*To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

**Whether, in regard to coal, heavy fuel oil, diesel and other petroleum products, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to (a) the actual prices at which the Board is purchasing same, indicating the percentage of decrease in these prices as compared to the highest levels at which these products have ever been purchased and (b) if, following the fall in the prices of fossil fuels worldwide, the electricity tariffs on the local market will be revised downwards?**

B/458 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Aliphon**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Business, Enterprise and Co-operatives –*

**Whether, in regard to the Vacoas Multipurpose Cooperative Society, he will state the measures being taken by his Ministry to help the Board thereof redress the situation thereat?**

B/459 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the live cattle being made available on the local market for the *Eid-ul-Adha* festival, he will state if he is aware that, currently, there are uncertainties surrounding the age thereof and, if so, indicate the measures being taken by his Ministry to guarantee that the age thereof is as per the prescribed norms?**

B/460 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mr Ganoo**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the employees laid off over the period 01 January 2015 to date, he will state the number thereof who were employed in the (a) private sector (b) parastatal/statutory bodies, partly or wholly government funded companies or local government authorities and (c) British American Insurance or other related companies?**

B/461 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River  
(Mr Ganoo)

*To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General –*

**Whether, in regard to the Certificate of Character Act, he will state if Government is considering bringing amendments thereto and, if so, indicate (a) when and (b) the nature thereof?**

B/462 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River  
(Mr Ganoo)

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

**Whether, in regard to the Pension System, she will state the actions, if any, that will be taken in relation thereto, following the recent recommendations for pension reforms proposed in the Working Paper of the International Monetary Fund?**

B/463 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Dr Joomaye)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life –*

**Whether, in regard to the courses run at the D.Y. Patil Medical College, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the (a) Medical Council of Mauritius, information as to where matters stand regarding the recognition and registration of the post-graduates thereof and (b) Tertiary Education Commission, information as to if it will be allowed to enroll under-graduate and post-graduate students in the future?**

B/464 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Dr Joomaye)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life –*

**Whether, in regard to infant mortality, he will state the latest figures thereof, indicating if there has been an increase thereof and, if so, indicate the (a) identified causes thereof and (b) measures that are being taken for the prevention thereof?**



B/465 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life –*

**Whether, in regard to the National Aids Committee, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) the composition thereof (b) when the Committee last met and (c) if the proposed discontinuation of the Methadone Substitution Therapy Programme was discussed at the level thereof and, if so, table copy of the proceedings thereof in relation thereto?**

B/466 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the proposed implementation of the Nine Year Continuous Basic Education Project, she will state how her Ministry is proposing to respond to the public concerns that (a) it will lead to the introduction of an additional competitive high stake examination at the end of Year 9 and (b) the introduction of mixed schooling in existing single sex schools, to be renamed *Academies*, in Year 10, may result in serious management issues?**

B/467 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Ramful**)

*To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General –*

**Whether, in regard to the Mediation Division of the Supreme Court of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Master and Registrar, information as to (a) the number of cases referred thereto, since the coming into operation thereof to date, indicating the number thereof that have been resolved and settled and (b) if consideration will be given for the advisability of extending mediation services to the lower courts with a view to allowing disputes to be expeditiously resolved and settled at the level thereof?**

B/468 The Honourable Third Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to the allocation of subsidies to the bus owners in relation to the Free Transport to the Elderly and to the Students Scheme, he will state if his Ministry is considering revising its policy in relation thereto and, if so, give details thereof?**

B/469 The Honourable Third Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart (Mr Rutnah)

*To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Tourism and External Communications –*

**Whether, in regard to the port area, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Ports Authority, information as to if new storage facilities for Liquefied Petroleum Gas have been constructed and commissioned thereat, since 2011 to date and, if so, indicate (a) the name/s of the promoter/s thereof and (b) if same have been constructed on freehold land or on land belonging to the Authority and, if in the latter case, further indicate the (i) extent and location thereof (ii) procedures followed and terms and conditions thereof and (iii) shareholding of the company/ies at the time of application therefor and subsequent thereto?**

B/470 The Honourable Fifth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Barbier)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries, Shipping and Outer Islands –*

**Whether, in regard to the developments in the port, he will state the medium and long term policies Government proposes to adopt to support the fishers of the regions of Tombeau Bay, Roche Bois, Les Salines, Bain des Dames, Sables Noir, Grand River North West and Pointe aux Sables, indicating if he will consider the possibility of giving a substantial compensation to those who would opt to quit the business?**

B/471 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Jahangeer)

*To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

**Whether, in regard to the last tender exercise for the St. Louis Project – CEB Tender CPB-22-2014 for the Redevelopment of St. Louis Power Station – Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 4x15MW Diesel Generating Sets, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the (a) name/s of the bidder/s thereof and (b) reasons why the bid exercise was cancelled?**

B/472            The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (**Mr Jahangeer**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to the Traffic Light Control System, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) terms and conditions of the maintenance contracts awarded in relation thereto and (b) name/s of the contractor/s therefor?**

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*Clerk of the National Assembly*

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