

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 21 November 2023

Questions addressed to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity

B/1512 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the drug Fentanyl, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if any case of consumption thereof has been reported and, if so, indicate the number and date thereof?

B/1513 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether following the incident which occurred in the late evening of Saturday 21 October 2023 during a concert at the Citadelle Fort, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the measures being envisaged to avert any recurrence of such incidents during the holding of similar events?

B/1514 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Abbas Mamode)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in the light of the Judgment in the Appeal before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the case of Surendra Dayal v Pravind Kumar Jugnauth & others and following the dismissal and/or withdrawal of the 14 electoral petitions lodged since the 2019 General Election, he will state the measures he proposes to take following the comments and recriminations made on the reputation and credibility enjoyed by the Office of the Electoral Commissioner and the Electoral Supervisory Commission with a view to repairing the damage caused to the public trust and confidence therein?

B/1515 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the report of the Court of Investigation set up to look into the grounding of the MV Wakashio, he will state the findings of the Inter-Ministerial Committee set up to examine the recommendations contained therein, indicating (a) where matters stand as to the implementation thereof and (b) if he will now table copy thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1516 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Air Mauritius moving operations to London Gatwick Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Air Mauritius Ltd., information as to the detailed costs incurred for the opening ceremony held therefor, indicating if tenders were launched for the selection of the artists participating therein?

B/1517 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Police raid carried out at a rave party in the vicinity of Triolet on or about 11 November 2023, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) quantity of drugs seized thereat, indicating the (i) nature and (ii) market value thereof and (b) number of persons arrested in connection therewith, indicating if the Police has objected to the grant of bail thereto?

B/1518 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to foreign workers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Passport and Immigration Office, information as to the number thereof whose work permit have expired and are currently staying illegally in the country, indicating the measures taken for their tracking and repatriation?

B/1519 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the new runway in Agalega, he will state if an official ceremony for the coming into operation thereof will be organized and, if so, indicate if Honourable Members of Constituency No. 3, Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East will be invited to participate thereinto?

B/1520 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the seizure of 2.03 kg of cocaine on 13 November 2023, leading to the arrest of one Bolivian national, E. P. S. at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if a controlled delivery exercise has been carried out in relation thereto, indicating if any local suspect has been arrested in connection therewith and, if not, why not?

B/1521 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Ittoo**)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to medicinal cannabinoids, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number thereof prescribed by the Police Medical Officer to date, indicating if there has been any follow up thereon, giving details thereof?

B/1522 The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Dr Boolell**)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to persons who have migrated to Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Passport and Immigration Office, information as to the current number thereof, indicating the country of origin?

B/1523 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Ms H. O. R., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the date of arrival thereof in Mauritius (b) the purpose of her visit and (c) if she has applied for a residence permit, indicating the date of (i) application and (ii) approval therefor, further indicating the grounds therefor?

B/1524 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) the cost incurred to acquire the broadcasting rights for the free-to-air package for the FIFA World Cup 2023, giving details thereof and (b) if negotiations for the retransmission on television of the UEFA Euro 2024 to be held in Germany have been initiated thereinto and, if so, where matters stand?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity

B/1525 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the upgrading of the football playground at the NHDC Baie du Tombeau, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information, as to where matters stand?

B/1526 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

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

Whether, in regard to child sexual abuse, she will state the (a) the number of reported cases thereof since 2019 to date, indicating the number of (i) arrests effected and (ii) convictions secured and (b) preventive measures envisaged to combat same?

B/1527 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Ms Tour**)

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

Whether, in regard to the free pre-primary education, she will state where matters stand as to the implementation and the defining of the modalities for the Grant-in-Aid scheme thereof?

B/1528 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Doolub**)

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

Whether, in regard to the various financial supports extended by Government over the past 5 years, he will state if he is in presence of any report on the impact thereof towards the reduction in the gap between the highest and lowest segment of the population and, if so, give details thereof?

B/1529 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Dr Gungapersad**)

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

Whether, in regard to applications for Environmental Impact Assessment licenses for State lands in the region of Anse La Raie stretching from Paradise Cove Boutique Hotel to Anse La Raie Fish Landing Station, he will give a list thereof since January 2020 to date, indicating in each case the number thereof (a) approved (b) issued and (c) still under consideration?

B/1530 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Ms Anquetil**)

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

Whether, in regard to the rehabilitation of perpetrators of domestic violence, she will state the policy of her Ministry thereon?

B/1531 The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr Boolell)

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

Whether, in regard to the importation of fish, namely “*Capitaine*”, he will state if any permit therefor has been allocated and, if so, since when, indicating the process for the granting thereof?

B/1532 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

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

Whether, in regard to the legal fees and costs in the arbitration proceedings and court cases between the State Trading Corporation and Betamax Ltd., in connection with the termination of the contract of affreightment, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to the amount thereof claimed and paid by the Corporation, indicating in each case the (a) name of the legal advisers and (b) amount of fees paid thereto?

B/1533 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the financial assistance scheme for artists, he will (a) state the number having benefitted therefrom for financial year 2022-2023, indicating (i) the total amount thereof and (ii) in each case the amount disbursed thereto and (b) table the list of the beneficiaries thereof?

B/1534 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to health care in Rodrigues, he will state if (a) an assessment will be made by his Ministry to identify the strength of the medical staff/skill mixed for delivery of quality care in order to avoid tardy diagnosis and (b) consideration will be given for the posting of a Medical and a Surgical Consultant thereat?

B/1535 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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

Whether, in regard to the women centres, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Women’s Council, information as to if the adult literacy programme is still being dispensed thereat and, if not, why not?

B/1536 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Abercombie Sports Complex, he will state where matters stand as to the coming into operation thereof, indicating the expected date thereof?

B/1537 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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

Whether, in regard to consumer protection, she will, for the period July to October 2023, state the number of (a) trade premises inspected (b) complaints received and (c) contraventions issued?

B/1538 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Ramful**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Governor of the Bank of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank of Mauritius, information as to the (a) yearly pay packet thereof, including the salary, allowances and other benefits drawn and (b) total cost incurred for missions attended since his appointment to date, giving details thereof and further indicating in each case the (i) *per diem* and (ii) other allowances drawn?

B/1539 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Power Purchase Agreement signed between CEB and Corexsolar International for the purchase of electricity from Renewable Energy Hybrid Facilities, in particular in relation to 2 projects of SPV 30 mw, he will state if the company fulfilled all of the conditions precedents set forth in Clause 3.1.2 of the Power Purchase Agreement within the period of 9 months as from the 'Long Stop Date' and, if not, why not, indicating the actions envisaged in relation thereto?

B/1540 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the ventilation system at the New Court House, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Master and Registrar, information as to if she is in presence of complaints of the break down thereof from the Bar council and the Law Society and, if so, indicate (a) the immediate and long term measures envisaged therefor and (b) if any Health and Safety assessment has been carried out thereinto and if so, table copy thereof?

B/1541 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to if consideration will be given for the construction of a link road from the Hua Luen round about on the Terre Rouge Verdun Road to the new Hillcrest entry into Sodnac?

B/1542 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Power Purchase Agreement between Sarako PVP Co. Ltd., and the Central Electricity Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board, information as to if any administrator has been appointed to administer the company and if so, since when?

B/1543 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to warehouses for the storage of medicines and allied products by his Ministry, he will state the number thereof (a) available and (b) rented, if any, giving details of the (i) lease agreement thereof and (ii) amount paid therefor since January 2023 to date?

B/1544 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

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

Whether, in regard to the cleaning and maintenance of existing drains in Constituency No. 15, Vacoas and Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas Phoenix, information as to the (a) list of regions having benefitted therefrom (b) maintenance works being undertaken thereat and (c) total costs thereof?

B/1545 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of the Rivière des Anguilles Dam, he will state the number of consultants appointed therefor as at date, indicating the fees paid thereto in each case?

B/1546 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the Residence L'Oiseau Community Center in Floréal, she will state (a) the composition of the *Comité de Gestion* thereof and (b) if she has been made aware of the current state of the center and the surroundings thereof?

B/1547 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

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

Whether, in regard to child pornography, she will state the findings of the Multidisciplinary Committee set up to analyse this phenomenon, indicating the Action Plan devised, if any, to combat same?

B/1548 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to the mentoring of women entrepreneurs at the grassroot level, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Women Entrepreneur Council and table a list of the beneficiaries thereof since 2019 to date, indicating their respective sector of operation?

B/1549 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to the betting outlets, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Gambling Regulatory Authority, information as to the number of permits granted since 2019 to date and table a list of the base of operation thereof?

B/1550 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to State lands in the region of Palmar, he will state if a master plan has been prepared for the development thereof and, if so, indicate (a) the exact location and extent of land involved and table copy thereof and (b) if any application has been received for projects thereat and, if so, indicate if any letter of reservation has been issued, giving details thereof?

B/1551 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of housing units at Arsenal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if the site earmarked therefor is partly located on wetland and a low-lying area prone to inundation during heavy rainfall and, if so, the actions being envisaged in relation thereto?

B/1552 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

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

Whether, in regard to the Multi Carrier Mauritius Ltd., he will state as to if there has been any disruption of Television and Radio Channels retransmission in the afternoon of Sunday 12 November 2023 and, if so, the reasons thereof?

B/1553 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to the renovation works undertaken in government schools in Constituency No. 4, Port Louis North and Montagne Longue, she will give a list thereof since 2020 to date, indicating in each case the (a) scope of works and (b) related costs?

B/1554 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether, in regard to State lands in the region of Anse La Raie stretching from Paradise Cove Boutique Hotel to Anse La Raie Fish Landing Station, he will give a list of the letter of reservation issued therefor to date, if any, indicating in each case the extent and purpose thereof?

B/1555 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the ventilation system of the New Court House, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Master and Registrar, information as to if she is in presence of any complaint of the breakdown thereof and, if so, indicate the remedial measures that have been taken in relation thereto?

B/1556 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to COVID-19, he will state if (a) any positive case thereof has been recently reported in Rodrigues and (b) the quarantine covid centres dedicated therefor are still operational and, if so, the reasons therefor?

B/1557 The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training –

Whether he will state if his Ministry has been made aware of a labour dispute regarding the salary revision of the employees of the Casino de Maurice before the Commission for Conciliation and Mediation and, if so, give details thereof?

B/1558 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

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

Whether, in regard to the sale of the non-strategic assets of the Casinos de Maurice, he will state where matters stand?

B/1559 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the volume of water in the reservoirs, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to if an inspection has been carried out to assess the current level thereof following the recent heavy rainfall?

- B/1560 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)
- To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –*
- Whether, in regard to the construction of social housing units at Hermitage in Constituency No. 15, La Caverne and Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the New Social Living Development Co. Ltd., information as to the (a) number thereof being constructed (b) names of the contractors, consultants and project managers selected therefor, if any and (c) surface area and locations earmarked to be used as green spaces and parks, giving details thereof?
- B/1561 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –*
- Whether, in regard to the proposed recruitment of a Director Agricultural Services on contract from India, he will state (a) the reasons therefor and (b) where matters stand?
- B/1562 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)
- To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –*
- Whether, in regard to hotel projects, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) number of applications for the construction of new ones received and approved, indicating in each case (i) the locations earmarked for the construction thereof (ii) if EIA licences or PER approval have been issued thereto and conditions imposed, if any and (b) name of the promoters therefor?
- B/1563 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Dr Gungapersad)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –*
- Whether, in regard to the construction of drains at Camp Caroll in Grand' Baie, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the work in progress of the remaining 40 per cent thereof?

B/1564 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the recent acts of vandalism at the Baie du Tombeau Child Day Care Center, she will state if an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto?

B/1565 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Wochit)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Renewable Energy Agency, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) the current number of staff thereof and (b) criteria and guidelines based on which the agency assesses the feasibility and competitiveness of waste-to-energy projects in Mauritius?

B/1566 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, regard to cultural events organised by his Ministry since 2020 to date, he will table the list of the bidders therefor, indicating in each case the (a) name of the successful bidder and (b) amount quoted?

B/1567 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

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

Whether, in regard to the Vessel MV Peros Banos, he will state the final cost for the acquisition thereof, indicating the expected date of delivery?

B/1568 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to the road accidents in the region of Ste Croix, in Constituency No. 4, Port Louis North and Montagne Longue, he will state the measures taken to curb down the occurrence thereof?

B/1569 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the budgetary measure announced in the Budget Speech of 2023-2024 to make it compulsory for all companies with more than 250 employees to provide the necessary childcare facilities in the workplace, he will state where matters stand?

B/1570 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and
Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to La Ferme Reservoir, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to if (a) there is any leakage of water thereat and (b) the level of water thereat is being controlled and, if so, the reason therefor?

B/1571 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite
Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the death of eleven dialysis patients who were undergoing dialysis during Covid-19 pandemic, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand as to the different inquiries initiated thereinto?

B/1572 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether in regard to the Public Bodies Appeal Tribunal, he will state the number of complaints received since January 2020 to date, indicating the number of rulings delivered?

B/1573 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the proposed setting up of a National Arts Centre at Reunion Maurel, Petit Raffray as announced in the 2022-2023 Budget Speech, he will state where matters stand?

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Acting Clerk of the National Assembly

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A/15 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the Food Court of the Khadafi Square, Plaine Verte, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to if the lighting system therein is defective and, if so, indicate the urgent remedial measures being envisaged?

A/16 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the street, situated at the Cocoterie Road, a few metres from the roundabout, in Roche Bois, near Marine Radar Sales & Services Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to if same is in a bad state with the presence of hole, causing inconveniences to vehicles and, if so, indicate the urgent remedial measures that will be taken?

A/17 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the vegetables section of the Central Market of Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to if the switching off of lamps thereat during the day is being envisaged and, if so, indicate the reasons therefor?

A/18 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to the National Land Transport Authority, he will state if he has been made aware of long queues at the offices thereof on a daily basis and, if so, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to the urgent remedial measures being envisaged, indicating if consideration will be given for (a) the provision of additional officers to be posted thereat (b) the opening of additional sub offices and (c) extending the payment of licences to post offices?

A/19 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), she will state the (a) number of reported cases thereof since September 2014 to date (b) awareness campaign put in place to promote safe sleep practices and SIDS awareness to date and (c) actions being envisaged in relation thereto in the long term?

A/20 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to the on-going construction of drains in Cité Madeleine in Tranquebar, he will state (a) if any technical study has been conducted by the Land Drainage Authority for the construction thereof (b) the scope of works (c) the name of the contractor and contract value thereof and (d) if complaints have been received against the contractor and, if so, indicate the measures being taken to address same?

A/21 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the employment of an Administrative Secretary by National Sports Federations, he will state if there is any budget earmarked by his Ministry therefor and, if so, the sum allocated for financial years 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24, indicating (a) the list thereof (b) the monthly basic salary and other benefits paid thereto, if any and (c) if there is an employment contract between the two parties and, if not, why not?

A/22 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to students studying music on a private basis, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Examination Syndicate (MES), information as to if the payment of the examination fees for the Associated Board of Royal School of Music is still being effected by the MES and, if so, give details thereof, if not, why not?

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