

**MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**Questions of which notice has been given**

**Requiring an Oral Answer**

**Sitting of Tuesday 10 December 2024**

**Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands**

I B/1            The Honourable Fourth Member of Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Duval**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –*

**Whether, in regard to the proposed payment of a 14<sup>th</sup> month end of year bonus to the pensioners, the private and public sector employees, he will state where matters stand?**

I B/2            The Honourable Fourth Member of Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Duval**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –*

**Whether, in regard to the proposed reduction in the price of Mogas and diesel, he will state where matters stand?**

I B/3            The Honourable Fourth Member of Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Duval**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –*

**Whether, in regard to the proposed setting up of an electoral college for the election of the President of the Republic of Mauritius and the Speaker of the National Assembly, he will state where matters stand?**

I B/4 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –*

**Whether, in regard to the supply of goods and fuel to Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the relevant authorities, information as to the procedures established for the shipment thereof, indicating the measures being envisaged in order to avoid any shortage thereof for the end of year period?**

I B/5 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –*

**Whether, in regard to electoral reforms for the National Assembly elections, he will state if consideration will be given for the setting up of a Parliamentary Committee mandated to make recommendations thereon, in particular, the introduction of proportional representation and increasing the number of representatives to three for Constituency No. 21, Rodrigues?**

I B/6 The Honourable Second Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (**Mr Beechook**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –*

**Whether, in regard to the comprehensive report on the state of the economy currently under preparation, he will state where matters stand, indicating if consideration will be given for the tabling thereof in the National Assembly?**

I B/7 The Honourable Third Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Mr Etwareea**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister of Finance, Minister for Rodrigues and Outer Islands –*

**Whether, in regard to the recent increase in the number of larcenies in the coastal areas in the North, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the measures taken and being envisaged to address same?**

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

I B/8            The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Apollon**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –*

**Whether, in regard to the compensation payable to the victims of the Wakashio shipwreck, he will state where matters stand?**

I B/9            The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Apollon**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to electric cremation incinerators, he will state the number thereof installed, indicating the number thereof not in operation and further indicating where matters stand as to the repairs thereof?**

I B/10           The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Apollon**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –*

**Whether, in regard to the fishermen cards, he will state the number of applications therefor received since 2019 to date, indicating the number thereof (a) issued and (b) rejected?**

I B/11           The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Apollon**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –*

**Whether, in regard to the Mahebourg Hospital, he will state if consideration will be given for the review and upgrading of the medical services and facilities thereof?**

I B/12            The Honourable Fourth Member of Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Duval**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to the forthcoming Municipal Council Elections, he will state when same will be held?**

I B/13            The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Savabaddy**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the alleged murder of minor E.E.J. on 25 November 2024, she will state the assistance extended, if any, by her Ministry to the victim's family?**

I B/14            The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Savabaddy**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

**Whether, in regard to water meter connectivity to households along Rivalland Road in Crève Coeur, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to whether they are connected thereto and, if not, the reasons therefor?**

I B/15            The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Savabaddy**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

**Whether, in regard to water meter connectivity to households along Paul and Virginie Street, also known as Ti Rodrigues, in Cité La Cure, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to whether they are connected thereto and, if not, the reasons therefor?**

I B/16            The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Edouard**)  
  
*To ask the Honourable Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –*

**Whether, in regard to the supply of petroleum products in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) if there has been any shortage thereof in the past year, giving details thereon (b) the established procedures for the import and retailing thereof and (c) if consideration will be given for the setting up of a centralized system for the coordination and distribution thereof?**

I B/17            The Honourable Fourth Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Edouard**)  
  
*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –*

**Whether, in regard to the supply of goods during the festive season in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Shipping Corporation Ltd., information as to whether consideration will be given for the increase in the number of trips of the vessel Peros Banhos to Rodrigues during the month of December 2024?**

I B/18            The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –*

**Whether, in regard to the death of dialysis patients during COVID-19 pandemic, he will state if the report of the Fact-Finding Committee thereon will be rendered public, indicating the supportive actions, if any, given or will be given to the families thereof?**

I B/19            The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –*

**Whether, in regard to the forthcoming rainy season, he will state the measures taken and/or being envisaged to mitigate the risk of flooding in the flood prone areas in Port Louis, particularly at the beginning of Ruisseau du Pouce in the vicinity of Crown land Tory and Rivulet Pailles?**

I B/20            The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Baboolall**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

**Whether, in regard to water supply in the regions of Pellegrin, Sebastopol, Bramsthan, Bel Air and Beau Champ, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as (a) to the reasons for the erratic distribution thereof, indicating the remedial measures envisaged therefor and (b) expected time-frame for the provision thereof on a 24/7 basis?**

I B/21            The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Baboolall**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to flooding in Constituency No. 10, Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East, he will state if a survey has been carried out to identify the flood prone areas to avoid recurrent flooding in the different regions thereof?**

I B/22            The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister Arts and Culture –*

**Whether, in regard to the donation of USD 5 million from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the refurbishment of mosques, he will state where matters stand?**

I B/23            The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the National Pension Fund and the National Solidary Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain in each case, information as to (a) the investments effected therefrom, giving a breakdown as to the amount thereof and (b) if the amount invested into United Investments Ltd (UIL) has been recovered and, if so, give a breakdown thereof?**

I B/24            The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –*

**Whether, in regard to the death of dialysis patients during the COVID-19 pandemic, he will state if he proposes to render public the report of the Fact-Finding Committee thereon?**

I B/25            The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –*

**Whether, in regard to the CT-Scan apparatus and X-Ray apparatus at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Rodrigues, he will state if they are operational and, if not, the measures envisaged to ensure the continuity of these services thereat?**

I B/26            The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries –*

**Whether, in regard to the fishing vessel Chang Fong II, he will state if the vessel has, on or about mid-November 2024, been contravened in breach of the Fisheries and Marine Resources Act 2023 at the Port Mathurin Harbour and Port Louis Harbour and, if so, give details thereon and the action taken in relation thereto?**

I B/27            The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Baboolall**)

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

**Whether, in regard to the alleged murder and sexual aggression of minor E. K. G. on or about 29 November 2024, she will state the support and assistance her Ministry extended or proposes to extend to the victim's family?**

I B/28            The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (**Mr Baboolall**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport –*

**Whether, in regard to the New Flacq Hospital, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, information as to whether consideration will be given for the provision of a regular bus service for the persons attending same?**

I B/29            The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Caserne**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –*

**Whether, in regard to recurrent flooding in the region of Vallée des Prêtres, in particular, in Morcellement Ramlagun during rainy season, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority/Drains Infrastructure Construction Ltd., information as to the projects for the construction of drains being envisaged thereat to mitigate the risk thereof?**

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

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to the extension works currently being carried out at the Abercrombie Market fair, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the scope of works thereof, including the cost and duration thereof?**

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

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –*

**Whether, in regard to the distribution of methadone currently being carried out near the Abercrombie Police Station which is causing inconvenience to the inhabitants thereat, he will state if consideration will be given for the relocation thereof?**



I B/32            The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka  
(**Mr Venkatasami**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

**Whether, in regard to the water pipe renewal works recently carried out by the Central Water Authority in the regions of Nouvelle Découverte and L’Agrément, St Pierre, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to (a) the name of the contractor/s thereof, giving details in each case as to the (i) contract value thereof (ii) completion date thereof and (iii) penalty clauses applicable for lateness and (b) if an assessment of the works undertaken thereat was carried out and, if so, by whom, giving details thereof?**

I B/33            The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka  
(**Mr Venkatasami**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –*

**Whether, in regard to State Land at Réduit Triangle initially allocated to various socio cultural organizations, he will state the remedial actions being envisaged by his Ministry for the settlement of the dispute thereon?**

I B/34            The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and  
Souillac (**Mr Jhummun**)

*To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Education and Human  
Resource –*

**Whether, in regard to State Secondary Academies and Regional Schools, he will state the yearly intake of boys and girls at Grade 10 level, respectively, since the implementation thereof to date, indicating if his Ministry proposes the phasing out thereof and, if not, why not?**

I B/35            The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and  
Souillac (**Mr Jhummun**)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*

**Whether, in regard to the Rivière des Anguilles Dam, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the (a) amount disbursed for the construction thereof to date and (b) timeframe for the completion of works thereof?**

I B/36 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Jhummun)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –*

**Whether, in regard to the maintenance of drains in Constituency No. 13, Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to where matters stand therefor in view of the upcoming rainy season, indicating the amount disbursed since January 2020 to date?**

I B/37 The Honourable Third Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Mr Etwareea)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure –*

**Whether, in regard to the construction of cut-off drains in the region of Fond du Sac, he will state (a) the work progress thereof and (b) if any survey has been effected to assess the risks of flooding in view of the forthcoming heavy rain and cyclonic seasons?**

I B/38 The Honourable Third Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Mr Etwareea)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government –*

**Whether, in regard to the Building and Land Use Permits issued for construction projects in wetlands in the region of Grand Bay and Pereybère, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the criteria established for the allocation thereof and (b) if any survey has been carried out by the relevant authorities prior to the allocation thereof in each case?**

I B/39 The Honourable Third Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Mr Etwareea)

*To ask the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Intergration and International Trade –*

**Whether, in regard to the ongoing occupation of Palestine by Israelis armed forces, he will state if he will consider (a) issuing a statement to reaffirm the position of Mauritius and (b) joining like-minded countries to put an end to the bombings and suffering of the civil population in Gaza?**

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