

APPENDIX

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral answer

Sitting of Tuesday 21 August 2012

Questions addressed to Commissioners

B/77 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. C. Agathe**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Youth and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the 'Centre d'Accueil' at Malabar, she will state if any renovation has been undertaken or will be undertaken this year and, in the affirmative, to table the list of tenderers and who has undertaken the works?

B/78 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. C. Agathe**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the 245 General Workers employed by the Public Service Commission on contract of a month to month basis, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) The number of vacant posts for General Workers on the Civil Establishment Order for Rodrigues?
- (b) If official discussions are still ongoing with the relevant authorities in Mauritius for their employment on a permanent basis?
- (c) The number of workers who have been laid off and the reasons thereof?

B/79 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. C. Agathe**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Fisheries and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the Rodrigues Regional Assembly (Octopus Closed Season) Regulations 2012, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) If any closed season allowance or compensation will be paid to the fishing community and in the affirmative, what is the rate and the number of days to be paid accordingly and the conditions attached;
- (b) The number of fishermen/fisherwomen registered at the different landing stations and to table the said list of such fishermen/fisherwomen.

B/80 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. C. Agathe**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Health and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the development of sports in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) Where does matter stand as regards the participation of Rodrigues 'a part entiere' in the different games to be organised?
- (b) What his commission has done for the participation of Miss Christianne Legentil in the Olympic Games 2012 in London?
- (c) If all the regional sports committees are acting in accordance with the rules of the Registrar of Association?

B/81 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Public Infrastructure and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the rental of buildings and other amenities by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly, he will:-

- (a) Table the list of buildings or other amenities rented, stating (i) the purpose to which the rented premises are put to, (ii) the surface area, (iii) the location, (iv) the name of the owner/lessor and (v) the monthly rental;
- (b) State what is the policy of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly as regards the renting of premises from external non-governmental parties and if there are prescribed

- procedures or established practices in government for the procurement and bidding of same;
- (c) State if any procedure has been launched or building/premises rented by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly since the beginning of this year and give all related details thereon as requested in (a) above?

B/82 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the Programme Based Budgeting (PBB) data relative to financial year 2012, he will state if it is the same to those approved in this House in 2011 for the year 2012 and if not, if he will state (i) which changes have been made, (ii) by whom, (iii) when, (iv) how, (v) under what authority, and (vi) if he will cause fresh updated copies of the PBB actually giving authority for expenditure in the different Commissions and as indicators of performance to be tabled and circulated for the information and benefit of the House?

B/83 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Water Resources and Others:-

Whether, in regard to water connections, he will state for which purpose or use, if any, the Commission intends to put the water meters installed since years?

B/84 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the 'Plan pour l'emploi' and the creation of an 'Economic and Infrastructure Stimulus Fund' mentioned at paragraph 32 of the Discours Programme 2012-2017, he will state what steps have been taken to date and where does matter stand?

B/85 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. A. L. Emilien**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the setting up of an office of the Human Resource Development Council in Rodrigues since

1st of June this year, he will state to the House what actions have been initiated so far by either the local office or the one in mainland Mauritius in so far as unemployment is concerned?

B/86 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. A. L. Emilien**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to onion planters in the region of Port-Sud-Est, Mourouk and others, if any, who have encountered severe loss with a specific variety in 2011, he will inform the House:

- (a) If any refund has been made to them;
- (b) If yes, specify (i) the names and addresses of each planter, (ii) the amount of money spent by each planter of these seedlings, and (iii) the total amount of money refunded to each planter; and
- (c) If not, to give reasons thereof?

B/87 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. A. L. Emilien**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to Information and Communication Technology (ICT) development in Rodrigues, she will state if any new company has made any request to operate in Rodrigues and, in the affirmative, to state where matters stand, specifying the types of services proposed and the packages to be offered to Rodrigues, if any?

B/88 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. A. L. Emilien**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Fisheries and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the closed season for octopus fishing, he will inform the House:

- (a) If there has been any contraveners so far;
- (b) What measures have been made by his Commission to enforce the regulations;
- (c) Has there been any control in hotels, restaurants and other places where octopus, be it dried, chilled or fresh, is usually served and/or sold;

- (d) What is being done to control dried and/or chilled octopus exported to Mauritius; and
- (e) Whether any export of same has been reported so far?

B/89 The Ninth Island Region Member (**Ms. M. D. S. Perrine**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Youth and Others:-

Whether, in regard to activities organized in the context of the International Youth Day 2012 by her Commission, she would elaborate on (i) the activities carried out, and (ii) the outcome of the said event?

B/90 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the forthcoming budget presentation for Estimates January to December 2013, he will for the benefit of the House state:

- (a) if consultations with the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development (MOFED) have already been undertaken, and in the affirmative, to inform the House of the outcome thereof; and
- (b) table any correspondence from MOFED regarding the quantum for budget allocation for PRB 2013?

B/91 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to REDCO (Rodrigues Educational Company Ltd), he will inform the House of his policies concerning same and table the composition of the new Board of Directors specifying their respective responsibilities?

B/92 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, with regard to the Programme Based Budgeting of 2012, he will state if items 31113434 (Airport Development) and 31113007 (Port Development) under Programme code

204 and 214 respectively have been used to date, and in the affirmative for what purpose and if not, why not?

B/93 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Fisheries and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the octopus closed season which has become effective as from 13 August 2012, he will for the benefit of the House:

- (a) state the number of fishermen concerned and table the number of fishermen per region;
- (b) table a copy of the agreement/contract between his commission and the fishermen regarding same;
- (c) state the duties/activities assigned to the fishermen including the conditions attached thereto;
- (d) state under which item vote or any sources of fund to be made available for the remuneration of these fishermen.

B/94 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the development of the port, he will inform the House about his policy for the future development of the port and table a copy of the latest Port Master Plan for Rodrigues?

B/95 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to commercial leases in Port Mathurin, he will:

- (a) table the list of commercial leases including their owners and the area allocated for each lease?
- (b) State whether a commercial lessee can be authorized to reside on same?

B/96 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Water Resources and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the distribution of water to school institutions in Rodrigues, he will inform the House of:

- (a) the volume of water distributed in each school institutions?
- (b) the time frame for distribution of water?
- (c) whether the water is potable and is within prescribed norms?

B/97 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Tourism and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the tourism sector, he will table:

- (a) the list of all Tourism Enterprises registered with the Rodrigues Regional Assembly together with the name(s) of owner(s) and director(s) of each enterprise and their respective licence fee(s) thereon?
- (b) the names of the enterprise registered with Tourism Office who beneficiate from the Special Holiday Package agreed by the Office of the Vice Prime Minister & Ministry of Finance and Economic Development?
- (c) the name(s) of potential enterprise, the director(s), their address(es) and their respective date of application made to have a licence from the Rodrigues Regional Assembly to operate in Rodrigues?

B/98 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. D. L. Guillaume**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Fisheries and Others:-

Whether, in regard to passes, channels around the island, he will inform the House if all beacon lights of these vicinities are in good running conditions, and if not, what actions are being taken to remedy this situation?

B/99 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mrs. J. Ravina**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to Saint Gabriel Breeding Station, he will inform the House of:

- (a) the on-going activities carried out there?
- (b) the number of animals present on the site per category?
- (c) his policy regarding the management of the site?

B/100 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mrs. J. Ravina**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the cases related to "Gandia" in Rodrigues, he can obtain information from the Commissioner of Police regarding:

- (a) the number of cases reported since March 2012 to date, including the number of plants uprooted by the police?
- (b) the measures taken by the authority to combat this social problem?

B/101 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mrs. J. Ravina**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether with regard to recent interviews conducted by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly for recruitment of General Workers, he will inform the House of:

- (a) the number of candidates called for interview?
- (b) state and table the criteria used for selection of candidates?
- (c) the number of posts/grades available under the Civil Establishment Order for Rodrigues in PRB 2012 for such selection exercise?
- (d) table the names and grades of the different interviewers of the panel?

B/102 The Seventh Island Region Member (**Mr. J. S. Swee**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the recent visit of the Commissioner of Prisons in Rodrigues, he will state the outcome thereof?

B/103 The Eighth Island Region Member (**Mr. A. Edouard**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Health and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the re-opening of the Maréchal swimming pool, he will state where matters stand?

B/104 The Second Local Region Member for St. Gabriel (**Mr. J. R. Ramdally**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Social Security and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the setting up of a Medical Unit under the aegis of the Commission of Social Security, he will state its mission, objectives and functions?

B/105 The Third Island Region Member (**Mr. F. A. Grandcourt**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Environment and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the fenced sylvo pastoral area at Grenade (next to the dumping site), he will inform the House of:

- (a) the number of animals seized and contraventions taken for stray animals within the perimeter for the last 3 months?
- (b) any decision taken by his Commission to allow animals to graze within same and the reasons thereof?

B/106 The Third Island Region Member (**Mr. F. A. Grandcourt**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Public Infrastructure and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the extension of water network in the northern region of Rodrigues, he will table and give a

breakdown of the total length of polypipe(s) of diameter 63 mm or more installed including their localities, length as well as the cost incurred by the Commission?

B/107 The Third Island Region Member (**Mr. F. A. Grandcourt**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Public Infrastructure and Others:-

Whether with regard to the eventual closing down of the Rodrigues Water Company, he will for the benefit of the House:

- (a) table a copy of any correspondence sent to the employees following his meeting with them at La Ferme this year?
- (b) confirm the possibility of his Commission to go ahead with the closing down of the Rodrigues Water Company and, in the affirmative, to state the reasons thereof?

B/108 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. D. Speville**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Water Resources and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of the two 1000 m³ concrete reservoirs at L'Union and Camp Pintade, he will give a description of progress of the projects to date?

B/109 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. D. Speville**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Water Resources and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the desalination plant of Songes he will inform the House on the tendering procedures which were involved in the rehabilitation of same and its way forward since commissioning?

B/110 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal
(Mr. J. D. Speville)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Water Resources and Others:-

Whether, he will inform the House on the outcome of the water gallons bought by his Commission in year 2011 and which were to be given to vulnerable groups to stock water for domestic purposes?

B/111 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal
(Mr. J. D. Speville)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Fisheries and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the South-East Marine Protected Area (SEMPA), he will inform the House on the number and lengths of illegal nets and the date on which same were captured/identified together with the number and nature of contravention(s) attached therewith, if any, since February 2012 to date?



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