

APPENDIX

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral answer

Sitting of Tuesday 16 April 2013

Questions addressed to Commissioners

B/41 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the pre-vocational sector in Rodrigues, he will inform the House:

- (a) of the number of students attending same, giving details on the number of boys and girls for each school year;
- (b) of how the "new strategy for pre-vocational education" is being implemented in Rodrigues; and
- (c) if any complaints/representations have been received from parents/students and/or any organisation regarding same and, if yes, to inform the House of the nature thereof?

B/42 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the "New Hotel Development Scheme", he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) the number of applicant(s) for such scheme in Rodrigues, and to table the name(s) and address(es) of the promoter(s) and the amount to be invested;
- (b) how many projects have been approved, specifying the promoters and where; and
- (c) which projects have been rejected and to give the reasons thereof?

B/43 The Minority Leader (Mr. G. Jabeemissar)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Trade, Commerce and Licensing and Others:-

Whether, in regard to private and public businesses in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) state the number of registered enterprises under operation since 2010 to date;
- (b) state the number of applications for new enterprises during the same period; and
- (c) table the number of enterprises which applied for cessation of business for the same period?

B/44 The Second Island Region Member (Mrs. M.D.L.C. Meunier)

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

Whether, in regard to medical boards for beneficiaries of Basic Invalidity Pension and Carer's Allowance, he will inform the House:

- (a) about the composition of the Medical Board and to table the names of the members;
- (b) who decides who will be the members of same;
- (c) how many medical boards have been held since January 2013 to date and table the list together with their dates and the Medical Board members who undertook these respective boards; and
- (d) how many requests in connection with the above have been entertained, rejected and accepted from January 2013 to date?

B/45 The Second Island Region Member (Mrs. M.D.L.C. Meunier)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Environment and Others:-

Whether, in regard to tourism promotion campaign abroad, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) state the composition of the delegation which proceeded to the International Tourismus-Börse Berlin fair this year;
- (b) table a breakdown of expenses incurred for each participant together with the vote item concerned;
- (c) state who decided on the composition of the delegation and reasons why these persons were chosen; and

- (d) state if the decision was adhered to by all stakeholders concerned?

B/46 The Third Island Region Member (**Mr. F. A. Grandcourt**)

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

Whether, in regard to loss of employment in government/private sector activities (mainly construction industries and hotels) in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) table a breakdown of the number of persons who have lost their jobs per category as specified above for the last five months;
- (b) give details of the measures his Commission is taking to tackle this social problem; and
- (c) confirm the receipt of a letter addressed to him or his Commission from a group of victims inviting him for a meeting with them during the last five months?

B/47 The Third Island Region Member (**Mr. F. A. Grandcourt**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Environment and Others:-

Whether, in regard to refuse collection carried out by Rod Clean Co Ltd (Rod Clean) in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) the amount of money earmarked for this item under the present financial year;
- (b) the reasons as to why the contract of employees of Rod Clean has not been renewed on a yearly basis; and
- (c) the number of meetings he had with the employees of Rod Clean to discuss matters related to cleaning services or others?

B/48 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the National Day Celebrations 2013, he can inform the House:

- (a) if there has been any official complaint(s) emanating from parents/student councils/Parent Teachers Association's

- as per the quality of juices and cakes offered to the students, and if yes, to table a copy of same;
- (b) how was the bidding exercises done to allocate contract regarding same; and
- (c) if there has been any pre selected list of potential service providers which was sent to schools regarding same and, in the affirmative, to table the list per school and successful bidders?

B/49 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to land mechanization in the regions of Parc Tortue, Camp Pintade and Mt Goyaves/Baladirou, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) table the list of equipment in running condition at his Commission;
- (b) state if there has been any request from planters of these regions which was turned down and to give reason(s) thereof; and
- (c) state his policy with regards to increase in crop production?

B/50 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Forestry and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the creation of new or reactivation of structure/unit in the Forestry sector, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) give details of same, including whether the Forest Squad is still functioning;
- (b) state the policy of same and what has been the output since its setting up; and
- (c) table the list of officers affected in the respective units and their responsibility thereof?

B/51 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Health and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of new infrastructure for sports complex at Baie-Lascars, he will for the benefit of the House:

- (a) give details about the project and table the list of successful bidders for the project together with the initial cost involved;
- (b) state why the initial terraces (*gradins*) have been demolished and give details thereon including the cost of same; and
- (c) state when the project will be completed and if there have been delays in the initial time of completion, if any, and the reasons thereof?

B/52 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal
(**Mr. J. D. Spéville**)

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

Whether, in regard to the borehole situated at Le Chou, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) state the number of times same has broken down, giving the different dates and the nature thereof, since February 2012;
- (b) give the number of trips made by the government water lorry tankers since February 2012 together with its purpose;
- (c) inform on the consequences arisen with respect to the borehole breakdown on the day to day functioning of the institutions which use that water; and
- (d) give his policy on the future use of the borehole with respect to its location?

B/53 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal
(**Mr. J. D. Spéville**)

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

Whether, in regard to the fuel station at Mont Lubin, he will inform the House on:

- (a) the different dates associated with the state of progress of the project;
- (b) the modus operandi associated with the fuel depot;
- (c) whether any geological and hydrogeological surveys were made before construction; and
- (d) the conditions in the lease and the operation permit to ensure an environment friendly operation and the measures taken to ensure road safety?

B/54 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal
(Mr. J. D. Spéville)

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

Whether, in regard to water distribution in the village of Eau Vannée, he will inform the House about the status of the water network as from the house of one late C to the extremity of the trackroad?

B/55 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal
(Mr. J. D. Spéville)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the erection of a greenhouse in the village of Eau Vannée, he will inform the House on the purpose of same?

B/56 The Second Local Region Member for St. Gabriel
(Mr. J. R. Ramdally)

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

Whether, in regard to the production of water in Rodrigues, he can inform the House about:

- (a) the average amount of rainfall per month and the average volume of water produced per day and per month from January to March 2013;
- (b) the policy of the government with respect to same in the light of the figures above; and
- (c) state the measures implemented, if any, or those to be implemented in the short and long term and the expected results on water production in Rodrigues?

B/57 The Second Local Region Member for St. Gabriel
(Mr. J. R. Ramdally)

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

Whether, in regard to the infrastructural projects undertaken by this Commission for the year 2012 up to date, he can inform the House of the name of same, their status, their completion date, their costs together with the number of jobs created?

B/58 The Seventh Island Region Member (**Mr. J. S. Swee**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the sale of the former Putters Paradise, he will, for the benefit of the House, state if the building has been sold to a third party and, in the affirmative, if the approval of the Commission for State Lands has been obtained prior to the sale and when?

B/59 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to disaster preparedness, he can inform the House:

- (a) about the actual arrangements in force in case of any natural calamity;
- (b) where matters stand as regards preparedness for floods, earthquake and tsunamis; and
- (c) if there has been any specific risk assessment for natural disasters in some areas of the island, the recommendations thereof and action undertaken?

B/60 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Trade, Commerce and Licensing and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the trade in salt in Rodrigues, he will for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) how the trade is organized;
- (b) the volume of different categories of salt imported over the last ten years together with their respective average yearly price; and
- (c) if any measures are being contemplated to encourage local production of salt?

B/61 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the Entrepreneurship Forum/Seminar recently organized by her Commission, she will, for the benefit of the House, state and/or table:

- (a) the total itemized cost of the event;

- (b) the list of invitees, including speakers and their background/qualifications;
- (c) the tenure of the discussions;
- (d) the full report of the findings; and
- (e) how this event will help to shape oncoming policies in the field?

B/62 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Environment and Others:-

Whether, in regard to fenced protected zones, sylvo-pastoral areas and similar fenced areas on land under government responsibility, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) list and table the full list of these zones specifying their extent, date or year of creation, location and actual state of conservation;
- (b) state how many trees or other have been planted island wise and where in view of the reforestation programme; and
- (c) state if grazing animals have been authorised in any of the areas/zones and, if yes, when and why?

B/63 The Eighth Island Region Member (**Mr. A. Edouard**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner

Whether, in regard to the Entrepreneurship Development in Rodrigues, she will, for the benefit of the House, state the actions of Regional Government since January 2013 to promote same and the outcome thereof?

B/64 The Ninth Island Region Member (**Ms. M. D. S. Perrine**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Youth and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the launching of the Youth Coordinating Committee, she will, for the benefit of the House, elaborate on the aim and the 'raison d'être' of the committee?

B/65 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. C. Agathe**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to heavy rain which occurred in Rodrigues lastly, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) which region was affected mostly and if an evaluation was carried out to situate the causes;
- (b) what action is being taken to overcome the problem identified; and
- (c) if any person was compensated and the reason attached thereto?

B/66 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. C. Agathe**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Environment and Others:-

Whether, in regard to missions effected by Commissioners and officials, including officials from the Tourism Office, outside Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) table the list of missions effected per Commissioner and per official since February 2012 to date together with the list of countries visited, per diem paid and the outcome thereof; and
- (b) state if any incident has happened to the participant(s) during the different missions and, if yes, to state the problems encountered?

B/67 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. C. Agathe**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Health and Sports:-

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

- (a) which team will participate in the Mauritius Football Association cup this year; and
- (b) the different problems which occurred in football since last year and what action is being taken to remedy same?

B/68 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. C. Agathe**)

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

Whether, in regard to the distribution of water in Local Region Number Two todate, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) table the frequency of distribution from February 2012 to date per village; and

- (b) state if the quality of water distributed to the inhabitants is according to the norms?

B/69 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. D. L. Guillaume**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Environment and Others:-

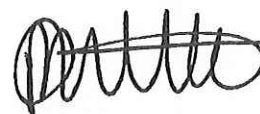
Whether, in regard to forest in the island, he can inform the House:

- (a) how many hectares have been or are being fenced; and
(b) how many officers are attached to the department and their grade?

B/70 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. D. L. Guillaume**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Environment and Others:-

Whether, in regard to difficulties faced by inhabitants of the island due to the big problem of *Rubus Alceifolious/Acacia Nilotica (piquant loulou)*, he can inform the House what action(s) is(are) being taken to tackle this situation?



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