

APPENDIX**RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY****Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral answer****Sitting of Tuesday 26 November 2013****Questions addressed to Commissioners**

B/151 The Ninth Island Region Member (**Ms. M. D. S. Perrine**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Health and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the purchase of new equipment to offer better medical services to people in Rodrigues (CT Scan and Dialysis machines) as announced in the Budget Speech 2013, he will, for the benefit of the House, state where matters stand?

B/152 The Ninth Island Region Member (**Ms. M. D. S. Perrine**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Health and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a boxing centre at Malabar as announced in the Budget Speech 2013, he will, for the benefit of the House, state where matters stand?

B/153 The Eighth Island Region Member (**Mr. A. Edouard**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to Information Communication and Technologies Development in Rodrigues, she will, for the benefit of the House, state the actions taken by this Regional Government in relation thereto since January 2013 to date?

B/154 The Eighth Island Region Member (**Mr. A. Edouard**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

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

B/155 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the finances of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly for this financial year, he will:

- (a) give a detailed breakdown of expenditure as at to date and all commitments of Programme Based Budget (PBB) 2013 up to 31 December 2013 on "Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets" by each Commission and by programme and to table same; and
- (b) state if under any programme of the "Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets" there has been or there will be any excess of expenditure/under-expenditure on the budget provision and if so, to give the reasons thereof?

B/156 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

As regards to Airport Development at Sir Gaetan Duval Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) the option (as per ECORYS report) this Regional Government has opted for; and
- (b) when the Expression of Interest for Consultancy Services regarding same has been launched indicating the closing date thereof and to table a copy of the list of bidders received, if any?

B/157 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the "élaboration d'un label pour les produits locaux", she will inform the House:

- (a) if any tender for the elaboration thereof has been launched and if so, when and to table a copy thereof;
- (b) the scope of work thereof together with the products concerned; and
- (c) when will the label become effective?

B/158 The Third Island Region Member (**Mr. F. A. Grandcourt**)

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

Whether, in regard to the newly upgraded road junction at Brûlé, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) who designed same; and
- (b) if the recommendations of the Road Safety Committee has been obtained prior to the execution of the works thereat and if so, to table a copy thereof?

B/159 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J. D. Speville**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the Form III National Assessment, he will inform the House as to if recommendations have been made for any change in the time and date schedule for the implementation thereof and if so, where matters stand?

B/160 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mrs. J. Ravina**)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of "bassin ronds" of capacity of 4m³ each as announced in the Budget speech 2013, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) the number of families who have benefitted from this scheme as at to date and table a list of the beneficiaries;
- (b) the criteria to benefit from same and table a copy thereof;
- (c) the modus operandi for the construction of same;
- (d) the amount earmarked therefor and under which vote item; and
- (e) the amount spent as at to date under this project?

B/161 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mrs. J. Ravina**)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of a shelter at the Port Mathurin market, he will state where matters stand?

B/162 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Tourism and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the promotion of Rodrigues as a tourism destination, he will:

- (a) state the number of promotional campaigns attended by the Commission and the Tourism Office since 24 April 2013 to date and the outcome thereof in each case; and
- (b) table a list of the promotional campaigns together with the names of the different officials attending same and the amount disbursed for each participant for the different campaign?

B/163 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to missions in Mauritius and abroad, he will, for the period January 2013 to date, state:

- (a) the different missions attended by him and the different Commissioners together with the reasons therefor and indicating the outcome thereof; and
- (b) the costs incurred for each and to table a copy of all the missions?

B/164 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to training for Entrepreneurs in India for the period 2012 to date, she will:

- (a) give details about these training;
- (b) state the criteria for selection of the candidates together with the names of the beneficiaries and to table a list thereof; and
- (c) state the costs incurred per participant as at to date and from which item vote funds were made available for same?

B/165 The Seventh Island Region Member (**Mr. J. S. Swee**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the legal adviser appointed by the previous Regional Government, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) state the yearly allowance which was paid from the date of his appointment to the end of his contract; and
- (b) table same, giving details with regards to cases/works concerned together with the outcome, thereof?

B/166 The Minority Leader (**Mr. G. Jabeemissar**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to onion production in Rodrigues for 2013, he will:

- (a) obtain, for the benefit of the House, information, from the Rodrigues Trading and Marketing Company (RTMC), as to:
 - (i) the total production thereof;
 - (ii) the quantity thereof exported to date together with the total value of export for that product; and
- (b) state if any planters have not been able to sell their onions and if so, the reasons thereof and to table their names?

B/167 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. D. L. Guillaume**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to *Entrepreneuriat* in Rodrigues, she will state the:

- (a) number of entrepreneurs who have been provided with training during the past two years; and
- (b) quantity and quality of products (excluding agricultural ones) exported by entrepreneurs to mainland Mauritius and abroad for that period?

B/168 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. D. L. Guillaume**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible Commerce and others:-

Whether, in regard to recent increase in the price of powdered milk in the island, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) how the price thereof has been worked for both the wholesalers and retailers in order to determine their profit;
- (b) the buying price thereof by the wholesalers and their margin of profit together with the selling price of each brand to the public; and
- (c) if there is presently lack of some brands in Rodrigues and if so, the reasons, thereof?

B/169 The Second Local Region Member for St. Gabriel (**Mr. J. R. Ramdally**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Youth and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the “Spéciale Vacances 2013”, she will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) the objectives underlying same and the activities chosen; and
- (b) the number of participants targeted and the actual number of subscribers for the different activities?

B/170 The Second Local Region Member for St. Gabriel (**Mr. J. R. Ramdally**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the increase of internet connectivity in Rodrigues from 37 Mbps to 155 Mbps as mentioned in the Budget Speech 2014, she will inform the House where matters stand?

B/171 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 private lorry tankers contracted by the Commission to deliver water to the public and institutions for the period January 2013 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, state the:

- (a) number of lorries contracted therefor together with the names of their owners and their registration number;
- (b) scope of work assigned to each of the vehicles;
- (c) tendering/procurement procedures for the selection process thereof; and
- (d) cost incurred for each lorry for this period?

B/172 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 public fountains situated at Malabar, Bigarade and Marechal, he will, for the benefit of the House, state how same are managed for the time being?

B/173 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal
(Mr. J. D. Speville)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the production of letchis in Rodrigues, he will:

- (a) give, for the year 2011 to date, the quantity produced together with the surface area of land cultivated;
- (b) state what is being done to enhance the cultivation thereof; and
- (c) inform the House what is being done regarding the massive problems of bats and other insects together with the problem of water adversely affecting the production thereof and for the possibility of an islandwise action to eliminate these problems?

B/174 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Allan Ladd Emilien**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to onion in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain for the period January 2013 to date, from the Rodrigues Trading and Marketing Company (RTMC), information as to:

- (a) the dates the company purchased onions together with the price thereof from planters of the region of Port Sud Est and Mourouck; and
- (b) the dates payment was effected in relation thereto?

B/175 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Allan Ladd Emilien**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the increase in internet connectivity in the island, she will state if there has been any improvement in the connectivity thereof, since January 2013 to date, and if so, when and if not, what her Commission has envisaged or is planning to do in relation thereto?

B/176 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Allan Ladd Emilien**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Fisheries and Others:-

Whether, in regard to illegal fishing in Rodrigues, he will, for the period January 2013 to date, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) the number of cases thereof reported and indicating each category of fishing;
- (b) the number of offenders being prosecuted and the outcome thereof; and
- (c) if there is any strategy from his Commission to bring down this illegal fishing and if so, to name them and if not, why not?

B/177 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Allan Ladd Emilien**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Water and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the distribution of water in Rodrigues, he will inform the House if there is any frequency table scheduled for the distribution of same for each region and if so, to state same region wise and if not, why not?

B/178 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to the procurement of all types of vehicles, for the period January 2013 to date, by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly, he will, for the benefit of the House:

- (a) give a list thereof by stating the type, make and Price Cost, Insurance and Freight (CIF) to Rodrigues; and
- (b) state if any vehicle was delivered with the official Coat of Arms of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly affixed thereon, and if so, the cost of this item per vehicle and indicating if same was removed and if so, the reasons therefor?

B/179 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to state lands in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state if this Regional Government will use its good office to see to it that amendment be brought to the State Land Act, in the light of paragraph 489 of the National Budget Speech 2014, to also include those families of Rodrigues with very modest means?

B/180 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Commissioner responsible for Fisheries and Others:-

Whether, in regard to illegal fishing in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state if he is aware of any suspected cases of collusion between certain Fisheries Protection Officers and illegal fishers who operate freely during the hours of duty of the former and if so, will his Commission propose or cause an enquiry to be conducted thereinto?

B/181 The First Island Region Member (**Mr. J. Roussety**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, as regards a proposed "System Dynamic Modeling" by the organization/project ISLANDS, he will give details thereof and state if the scope of the Sustainable Integrated Development Plan for Rodrigues (SIDPR) was fully taken on board?

B/182 The Sixth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. L. R. Perrine**)

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

As regards to road safety in Rodrigues, will he, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) if any action plan regarding same has been elaborated by his Commission and if so, to table a copy thereof; and
- (b) whether there has been any consultation with the villagers in the vicinity of Mt Lubin and the public prior to the changes made on the road together with the placement of traffic signs and speed breakers at Mt Lubin and if so, when?



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