

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral answer****Sitting of Tuesday 16 May 2017****Questions addressed to Commissioners****B/ 1 The Minority Leader (Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, G.O.S.K)***To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -***Whether, in regard to the ongoing work on the Montagne Charlot to Montagne Fanal Road, he will state: -**

- (a) the scope of work and the contractor/s concerned;
- (b) the precautionary measures taken to prevent or minimize soil erosion and landslide;
- (c) the cost of the whole project; and
- (d) if an environment impact assessment was made prior to work being started?

B/2 The Minority Leader (Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, G.O.S.K)*To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -***Whether, in regard to the work being carried out at the ex-Maternity Ward of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, he will state: -**

- (a) the scope of work;
- (b) the cost implication thereof;
- (c) who is the successful bidder for the execution thereof;
- (d) if precautionary measures were taken when removing any hazardous waste on site; and
- (e) when the work is due to be completed?

B/3 The Minority Leader (Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, G.O.S.K)

To ask the Commissioner for Environment and Others :-

Whether, in regard to the excavation, clearance and derocking works being carried out at Montagne Baie Topaze and Montagne Croupier, he will state: -

- (a) the scope of work indicating if proper tender procedures have been followed therefor, giving the name of the successful bidder;
- (b) if an Environment Impact Assessment (E.I.A) was done and an E.I.A. certificate given prior to the start of work, tabling same; and,
- (c) the measures taken to minimize any ecological catastrophe in relation thereto?

B/4 The Minority Leader (Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, G.O.S.K)

To ask the Commissioner for Social Security and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the new Housing Scheme of his Commission, he will elaborate on the criteria to benefit therefrom together with the conditions attached thereto and to table the names and address of the beneficiaries up to now, if any?

B/5 The First Local Region Member of La Ferme (Mr. F. A. GRANDCOURT)

To ask the Commissioner for Cooperatives and Others: -

Whether, in regard to government premises/assets granted or leased to cooperative societies in Rodrigues, she will, for the benefit of the House: -

- (a) table a list of items granted per cooperative society to date; and
- (b) state what mechanism, if any, has been set up by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly to monitor the smooth running thereof?

B/6 The First Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mr. F. A. GRANDCOURT**)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to fruits flies in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House: -

- (a) table the latest report or study, if any, on the impact thereof on agricultural productions; and
- (b) state the measures his Commission is taking to remedy same, if any?

B/7 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. J.R. AUGUSTIN**)

To ask the Commissioner for Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to football teams in Rodrigues, she will state to the House if any Grant has been allocated thereto and, in the affirmative, to indicate how much has been or will be granted per team and if all teams will benefit therefrom?

B/8 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. R. AUGUSTIN**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the acquisition of private buildings in Rodrigues by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly, from 2012 to date, he will state the number thereof and to table details, per acquisition, concerning the cost price, geographical site and the surface area thereof?

B/9 The Third Island Region Member (**Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM**)

To ask the Commissioner for Environment & Others: -

Whether, in regard to the Roche Bon Dieu Dumping Site, he will inform the House on the legal status thereof and state if: -

- (a) activities within the dumping site represent health hazard to the surrounding residents;
- (b) wastes are being segregated and disposed of separately; and
- (c) complaints have been received by the relevant authorities on the difficulties that the residents are facing due to the activities being carried out thereat and the actions that have been taken so far in relation thereto, if any?

B/10 The Third Island Region Member (**Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM**)

To ask the Commissioner for Social Security & Others: -

Whether, in regard to Social Aid to vulnerable groups in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table: -

- (a) the types of social aids being provided in the island, indicating the eligibility criteria and conditions attached thereto;
- (b) the procedures and steps that are followed for the application and approval thereof;
- (c) the number of beneficiaries thereof, to date, and further indicate:
 - i. if his Commission will consider giving appropriate notice thereto before any aid is discontinued; and
 - ii. the measures taken to enable beneficiaries going to Mauritius on medical ground to cash their aid?

B/11 The Second Island Region Member **(Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE)**

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture & Others: -

Whether, in regard to any policy pertaining to subsidy on animal feed, he will: -

- (a) state and table the eligibility criteria to benefit therefrom;
- (b) state the number of beneficiaries per electoral region and to table the list thereof; and
- (c) inform the House on how much money has been disbursed as at end of February 2017 and under which item vote this transaction has been effected?

B/12 The Second Island Region Member **(Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Rodrigues Trading and Marketing Company Ltd (RTMC), she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Company, information: -

- (a) on any debt the company has with the government and/or any institution and to give details thereon; and
- (b) about the organigram thereof and to table details with regards to salary per category for the staff and others, if any?

B/13 The Second Island Region Member **(Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE)**

To ask the Commissioner for Industrial Development and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the building housing *Invest Rodrigues*, she will state, for the benefit of the House, if: -

- (a) same is being rented and, in the affirmative, to table details as regards to rent and to indicate the owner thereof; and
- (b) there was any bidding exercise for the purpose thereof, and if yes to table a copy of all documents in relation thereto?

B/14 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. Z. FELICITE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Fisheries and Others: -

Whether, in regard to alternative work pertaining to the octopus closed fishing season 2017, he will inform the House on the: -

- (a) number of fishermen concerned per electoral region and to table the list thereof; and
- (b) eligibility criteria to benefit therefrom?

B/15 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. Z. FELICITE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Information Technology and Telecommunications and Others: -

Whether, in regard to internet connection in Rodrigues, she will inform the House: -

- (a) about the connectivity speed thereof as at date; and
- (b) if the call centre inaugurated lastly at Camp du Roi is fully operational and, if not, to state the reasons therefor?

B/16 The Second Local Region Members of La Ferme (**Mr. J.N. VOLBERT**)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture & Others: -

Whether, in regard to the grant to breeders who were affected by the Foot and Mouth disease, he will, for the benefit of the House state: -

- (a) the number of beneficiaries thereof per local region including the number of animals killed per beneficiary and amount of money obtained and to table a copy thereof;
- (b) the number of cases reported to his Commission still awaiting assistance from the Regional Government;
- (c) if the vaccination campaign is over; and
- (d) if the disease is under control and/or any case reported after vaccination?

B/17 The Second Local Region Members of La Ferme (**Mr. J.N. VOLBERT**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the Citronelle to Terre Rouge road, he will state if there has been any request from villagers/parents to provide transport facilities for students and pupils of Terre Rouge College and Terre Rouge Government School respectively, indicating the actions taken up to now in relation thereto, if any, and, if not, why not?

B/18 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. R. AUGUSTIN**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to airport development in Rodrigues, he could state: -

- (a) if the Regional Government has initiated any study in order to determine the tourism carrying capacity of Rodrigues, while further considering the island's surface and the current amenities available locally; and
- (b) the government strategy in order to ensure that airport development is in line with the tourism development strategy, if any?

B/19 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. J. R. AUGUSTIN**)

To ask the Commissioner for Information Technology and Telecommunication and Others:-

Whether, in view of the promotion of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) to generate productive employment in Rodrigues, she could, for the benefit of the House, state the: -

- (a) number of investors who are currently seeking to invest in the ICT Sector in Rodrigues, indicating the total number of direct jobs that will be generated thereby; and
- (b) actual total project cost to the Rodrigues Regional Assembly of the newly established call centre project at Camp du Roi, the surface area that the centre occupies in the DBM Building, and the number of employees?

B/20 The Third Island Region Member (**Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM**)

To ask the Commissioner of Family Welfare & Others:-

Whether, in regard to domestic violence in Rodrigues, she will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the number of cases reported to the family welfare and protection unit of her Commission, from 2015 to date, indicating the number of repeated complainants, if any, and, the case follow-up procedures set by her Commission in regard thereto?

B/21 The Third Island Region Member (**Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM**)

To ask the Commissioner of Health and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital and the different Area/Community Health Centres around Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the sanitary measures taken in regard to public health and the mechanism set for compliance with established hygienic guidelines/procedures thereat, indicating the number of cleaners in post in each of these establishments as well as detailing the supervisory staff involved therewith?

B/22 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. Z. FELICITE**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to new bus routes in Rodrigues, he will state if his Commission has made any call for applications for the operation thereof, indicating: -

- (a) the eligibility criteria to apply therefor;
- (b) the number of applications received at his Commission in connection thereto, stating the number of approval(s) thereof as at date, if any;
- (c) if successful applicants include existing public bus operating licensees and, if so, how many?

B/23 The Second Local Region Member of St. Gabriel (**Mr. J. R.RAMDALLY**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:-

Whether, in regard to students of Maréchal College living in the area of Citron Donis, Eau Vannée and Petit Gabriel, he will state if his attention has been drawn to the difficulties encountered by students commuting thereto by public transport and, in the affirmative, to indicate the measures his Commission has taken or will take to remedy the situation?

B/24 The Second Local Region Member of St. Gabriel (**Mr. J. R.RAMDALLY**)

To ask the Commissioner of Agriculture and Others:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a *Lycée Agri-Business* at St. Gabriel, he could inform the House on the scope and objective/s thereof, stating the: -

- (a) total cost thereof; and
- (b) status of the work-in-progress together with the expected completion date thereof, as well as the name of the contractor executing the project?

B/25 The Second Local Region Member of St. Gabriel (**Mr. J. R.RAMDALLY**)

To ask the Commissioner of Agriculture and Others:-

Whether, in regard to measures to eradicate Foot and Mouth Disease in Rodrigues, he could enlighten the House on any new development in connection thereto, in the wake of the publication of the report of the Commission of Enquiry set to enquire into the 2016 outbreak thereof?

B/26 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. Z. FELICITE**)

To ask the Commissioner of Sports & Others:-

Whether, in regard to the participation of Centre Gonzague PIERRELOUIS in the Inter-Island 7-aside games in Mauritius, from 28 to 29 April 2017, she will state the: -

- (a) number of athletes who were selected to represent Rodrigues in same, indicating if all thereof did make it to Mauritius and, in the negative, to give the actual number thereof who participated, providing reasons as to why any selected athlete did not travel thereto; and,
- (b) the contribution, financial or otherwise, made by her Commission to enable the participation of the Rodriguan delegation?

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Date: 12 May, 2017

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A/1 The Second Island Region Member (**Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner:

Whether, in regard to construction/upgrading/renovation of buildings/roads in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House: -

- (a) give the number of projects/contracts allocated to contractors for the period starting from August 2016 – February 2017 together with each project scope of work, the executing contractor(s) and the respective sum earmarked therefor;
- (b) indicate if there has been any delay on any projects and the reasons thereof; and,
- (c) provide the organigram of the relevant department of his Commission involved therewith, as at date?

Marie Lyndia Yannick LEGENTIL
Clerk, Rodrigues Regional Assembly

Date: 12 May, 2017