RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral answer

Sitting of 24 October 2017

Questions addressed to Commissioners

B/92 The Minority Leader (Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, GOSK)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to water for household distribution in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state: -

- (a) the frequency of distribution throughout the island, indicating the reasons for any disruption in relation thereto in certain regions and giving the remedial measures being taken therefor;
- (b) if tests are regularly done on different water samples to ensure its potability, indicating the frequency and the body/team responsible for the monitoring thereof; and
- (c) if new dam(s) will be built, indicating the respective location and time frame, if any?

B/93 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal (Mr. J.N. NEMOURS)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the coastal road linking Rivière Cocos to Songes, he will state if he has been informed of the bad conditions of the road thereat and, if so, to indicate if any remedial measures will be taken therefor during this financial year?

B/94 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal (Mr. J.N. NEMOURS)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to Rivière Cocos village, he will, for the benefit of the House, state if he intends to carry out any survey on the state of the gabion bridge crossing the river and of the absence of street lanterns thereat and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

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B/95 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal (Mr. J.N. NEMOURS)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to hospitals and area health centres in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House: -

- (a) indicate the number of dentists, generalist and specialist doctors, respectively, attached to each; and
- (b) table a list thereof, indicating their qualifications and field of specialisation, respectively?

B/96 The Minority Leader (Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, GOSK)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to his recent mission in France for tourism promotion, he will, for the benefit of the House, state: -

- (a) and table the composition of his delegation;
- (b) the amount of money disbursed by his Commission therefor, indicating the sum paid in terms of stipend to each member of the said delegation; and
- (c) the outcome thereof?

B/97 The Minority Leader (Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, GOSK)

To ask the Commissioner for Social Security and Others: -

Whether, in regard to capital project(s) falling under his Commission for financial year 2017/2018, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table a list thereof that have been implemented to date together with the respective cost and successful bidder for each project, indicating the evaluation criteria observed behind each choice?

B/98 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (Miss M. R. COLLET)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to reforestation across the island, he will inform the House on where matters stand in relation thereto, indicating if his Commission has already determined and/or identified the concerned zones/regions/villages and the anticipated starting date of the said project?

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B/99 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (Miss M.R. COLLET)

To ask the Commissioner for Housing and Others: -

Whether, in regard to housing projects for Cité Patate, he will, for the benefit of the House, state where matters stand together with the proposed starting date of the project?

B/100 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (Miss M.R. COLLET)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the construction of a reservoir at Mont Cabris Corail, he will inform the House on where matters stand and the expected starting date therefor?

B/101 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (Miss M.R. COLLET)

To ask the Commissioner for Community Development and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the renovation and upgrading of social and community health centres in the electoral regions of La Ferme (number 1) and Maréchal (number 2), he will state where matters stand, indicating the estimated cost thereof together with any remedial actions his Commission is envisaging as regards the centres currently in a non-functional state?

B/102 The Minority Leader (Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, GOSK)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the ongoing project whereby fencing facilities are provided to planters of Rodrigues, he will state: -

- (a) the number of beneficiaries thereof;
- (b) the eligibility criteria to benefit therefrom, indicating the equipment, materials and support provided in each case; and
- (c) if there has been any bidding process for the supply of the best equipment and service, and tabling the list of all the bidders, the tender documents and the name of the successful bidder together with the funds concerned?

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B/103 The Fourth Island Region Member (Mr. J.R. AUGUSTIN)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to subsidy on meat put forward by his Commission on 12 August 2017, he will, for the benefit of the House:-

- (a) state the number of animals slaughtered by butchers operating at the Port Mathurin market specifying the slaughtering date;
- (b) state how supervision was made by his Commission and indicating the price at which meat was sold; and
- (c) table the report of the Health Inspector on this activity at Port Mathurin market, if any?

B/104 The Second Island Region Member (Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to security at Plaine Corail Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information from the relevant authorities, including the Commissioner of Police, on if any enquiry has been initiated into the alleged loss of a "colis" which occurred on or about the 27th January 2017 at the then Sir Gaetan Duval Airport?

B/105 The Second Island Region Member (Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the write-off of items at the Commission for Public Infrastructure, from 2012 to date, he can state and table all items disposed per category per price and the names of purchasers thereof, if any?

B/106 The First Local Region Member of La Ferme (Mr. F.A. GRANDCOURT)

To ask the Commissioner for Environment and Others: -

Whether, in regard to Rodclean Ltd, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information from the company and table: -

- (a) the organigram thereof;
- (b) the name and grade of any new recruit, from January 2016 to date, indicating their respective salary and scope of work; and
- (c) and state the average monthly breakdown of expenses incurred by the company detailing in terms of salaries, fuel and other related operational costs?

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B/107 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (Mr. J.N. VOLBERT)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the recent promotion exercise in the health sector, he will, for the benefit of the House, state: -

- (a) the grades concerned, indicating the number of staff involved, both male and female, and specifying the eligibility criteria observed therefor; and
- (b) if any vacancy in the grade of Ward Manager was filled and, if not, when same will be done and to indicate if all wards are currently supervised by a Ward Manager?

B/108 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (Mr. J.N. VOLBERT)

To ask the Commissioner for Social Security and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the social housing project at the level of his Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the contractor involved per housing unit and to indicate if there is any supervising officer overseeing the construction before handing over of the housing unit to beneficiaries?

B/109 The Fourth Island Region Member (Mr. J.R. AUGUSTIN)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the construction of kitchen and *préaud* in government primary schools in Rodrigues, he will: -

- (a) state the number thereof being constructed and the list of primary schools concerned together with the amount of money involved therefor in each primary school;
- (b) state the procedures followed for the construction thereof, the progress of works to date and the expected date that same will be fully operational; and
- (c) table the list of bidders, indicating the successful bidder for each school together with the specifications of the building?

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B/110 The Fourth Island Region Member (Mr. J.R. AUGUSTIN)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the tourism promotion campaign for Rodrigues as a tourist destination, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the number of missions effected since January 2017 to date by his Commission indicating the countries involved, the list of Rodriguan delegation for each mission and the amount of money disbursed therefor?

B/111 The Fourth Island Region Member (Mr. J.R. AUGUSTIN)

To ask the Commissioner for Fisheries and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the five fishing cooperative vessels acquired under the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and under the 'Promotion of Outer Lagoon Fishing Development Scheme', he will, for the benefit of the House, state what facilities or support his Commission has put forward or given to fishing cooperatives so that these vessels be operational to their optimal capacity?

B/112 The Second Island Region Member (Mr. J.L. R. PERRINE)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to fire safety in hospital and area health centres in Rodrigues, he will: -

- (a) state if all the health centres are equipped with fire alarms and, if so, to give details on the installation date thereof per centre/building/ward, and by whom; and
- (b) obtain information from relevant authorities and inform the House about the outcome of the fire which broke out in March 2016 in the administrative building of Queen Elizabeth Hospital?

B/113 The Second Island Region Member (Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE))

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the desalination plant of Anse Goeland/Baie Malgache, he will state if there has been any modification/readjustment in the location and/or piping to the original plant proposed in 2014, indicating if same is operational as at date and, in the affirmative, to specify when the operational test therefor was carried?

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B/114 The Second Local Region Member of St. Gabriel (Mr. J.R. RAMDALLY)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the construction of a community school at Baie Malgache, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) the cost of the project, the successful bidder, the scope of work and the expected completion date thereof; and
- (b) its objective(s), specifying the expected intake of pupils and the catchment area of the school?
- **B/115** The Second Local Region Member of St. Gabriel (Mr. J.R. RAMDALLY)

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

Whether, in regard to the contract for the procurement of internet connection bandwidth through undersea fibre optic cable, she will inform the House about new developments in relation thereto, if any?

B/116 The Second Local Region Member of St. Gabriel (Mr. J.R. RAMDALLY)

To ask the Commissioner for Training and Others: -

Whether, in regard to research and innovation for Rodrigues, she will inform the House of the different measures taken by her Commission in relation thereto together with the expected outcome(s) of each measure taken and to table a copy of the strategic plan, if any?

B/117 The Second Local Region Member of St. Gabriel (Mr. J.R. RAMDALLY)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to measures taken for Rodrigues to recover its free from Foot and Mouth Disease status, he will give details thereon and any other matter incidental thereto including the bans imposed in connection thereto on agricultural produces?

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B/118 The Third Island Region Member (Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the renovation and upgrading of Marc Etienne Roche Bon Dieu Government School, he will state and table on where matters stand as at date indicating the total cost of the project?

B/119 The Third Island Region Member (Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM))

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to road safety in the electoral region of Grande Montagne, he will, for the benefit of the House, state measures undertaken by his Commission to: -

- (a) minimise the danger represented by road drains which are, in some places, more than two metres deep; and
- (b) fit road lighting in strategic places and especially at dangerous curves?

B/120 The Third Island Region Member (Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM))

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to public health in Rodrigues, he will state and table on facilities and protections currently being offered to patients and the population at large in connection with the severe cold and fever which has been persistent in the island for the past three months and indicating if his Commission is adequately equipped to deal therewith?

B/121 The Third Island Region Member (Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the different agricultural stations/centres, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table on all services offered per station/centre and to indicate the respective officer in charge in each case?

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B/122 The Fifth Island Region Member (Mr. Z. FELICITE)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the CT scan at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, he will, for the benefit of the House state: -

- (a) the actual connectivity speed thereof indicating if same has been subject to any disruption in relation to the internet connection, if yes, to state when and why; and
- (b) if there is any outstanding bill relating to the operation thereof and, in the affirmative, to give reasons therefor and to table any document in relation thereto?

B/123 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (Mr. J.N. VOLBERT)

To ask the Commissioner for Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to "Sport dan villaz", "Sport pour tous" and "Village on the Move", she will, for the benefit of the House, give details thereon indicating the expenses incurred and/or disbursed therefor as at date, detailing the involvement of officers from her Commission therefor and to state any incidental effect of "sport de masse" over "sport d'élite"?

B/124 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (Mr. J.N. VOLBERT)

To ask the Commissioner for Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the ceremony of the State Recognition Allowance Scheme held in Ebène, Mauritius on 03 October 2017, she can inform the House on if there were any retired athletes from Rodrigues who were invited thereto and, if so, the number thereof, indicating if all of them have been able to assist same; and, if not, why not?

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B/125 The Fifth Island Region Member (Mr. Z. FELICITE)

To ask the Commissioner for Water Resources and Others: -

Whether, in regard to water distribution in villages of Mangues, Montagne Du Sable, Grand La Fouche Mangues and Chateaux de Fleurs, he will, for the benefit of the House: -

- (a) state how water is distributed to these villages;
- (b) give and table the different dates of water distribution in these villages for the period of January 2017 to date; and
- (c) state the policy of his Commission to attend complaints in these villages in the shortest delay?

Marie Lyndia Yannick LEGENTIL Clerk, Regional Assembly

Date: 20 October, 2017