

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral answer****Sitting of 20 August 2019****Questions addressed to Commissioners**

B/99 The Minority Leader (**Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, GOSK**)

To ask the Commissioner for Arts and Culture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the treasure reportedly discovered at St. François, she will inform the House on where matters stand as at date, detailing on any:-

- (a) official correspondence received by the regional government in relation thereto together with corresponding dates of receipt; and
- (b) measure taken by her Commission as regards:
 - (i) any excavation works required;
 - (ii) custody of the said treasure;
 - (iii) any counter-affidavit sworn or being contemplated,

indicating any corresponding time-frame, in each case, and giving reasons?

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

To ask the Commissioner for Fisheries and Others: -

Whether, in regard to high sea fishing courses delivered by his Commission for the financial year 2018/2019, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the: -

- (a) number thereof and the corresponding duration of same, if any;
- (b) number of fishermen targeted;
- (c) facilities offered to fishermen to complete such courses; and
- (d) costs implications thereof?

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 of community and health centres around the island by his Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the: -

- (a) status of any tendering process therefor;
- (b) status of any renovation works undertaken for financial years 2017/2018 and 2018/2019; and
- (c) number and list of community and health centres targeted?

B/102 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Miss M.R. COLLET**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to facilities provided through his Commission for the electrification of *morcellements*/settlements around the island by the Central Electricity Board (CEB), he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the: -

- (a) number of *morcellements* where needful has been done with the CEB for the installation of electric poles;
- (b) *morcellements* where poles have been installed; and
- (c) amounts disbursed therefor as at date?

B/103 The First Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Miss M.R. COLLET**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table on the status of infrastructural projects being implemented by his Commission around the island for financial year 2018/2019, indicating any delay occasioned in the commissioning thereof, more specifically with regards to track roads, renovation of water reservoirs and street lightings?

B/104 The Minority Leader (**Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, GOSK**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the recent dismissal of General Workers from the Public Service in Rodrigues, he will state: -

- (a) the exact number thereof and reasons therefor, indicating the specific clause/s of their agreed terms of employment which was breached, if any; and
- (b) if they will be reinstated in their respective posts and, if so, to give the time frame therefor?

B/105 The Minority Leader (**Mr. L.J. VON-MALLY, GOSK**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the acquisition of new vehicles by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly since March 2019 to date, he will indicate the use to which each is being or will be made?

B/106 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mr. J.N. VOLBERT**)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether he will inform the House of the number of cases of tuberculosis detected in Rodrigues, from January 2019 to date, indicating if there has been any death resulting therefrom during the said period?

B/107 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. Zepth FELICITE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Environment and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the eco-village project at Rivière Coco, he will, for the benefit of the House, state where matter stands as to date, indicating the number of streetlights to be installed in connection thereto and providing the: -

- (a) number thereof already installed together with the successful bidder and the amount disbursed therefor;
- (b) distance of alignment between the poles, as per contracted terms; and
- (c) the time frame for the completion of scheduled works?

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

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether he will state and table, for the benefit of the House, on any increase in the number of cases of sexually transmitted disease(s) (STD) detected in Rodrigues, from June 2018 to date, indicating for each STD detected, the prevalence rate thereof per age group and providing any action taken, remedial or otherwise, in regard thereto?

B/109 The Second Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mr. J.N. VOLBERT**)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether he will state and table the list of all tractors available at his Commission, since January 2018 to date, providing: -

- (a) the date(s) servicing or other maintenance was done thereon indicating, in each case, the respective dates the tractors entered the mechanical workshop and left;
- (b) the odometer reading of each tractor from the most recent servicing as well as the one immediately preceding same; and
- (c) copy of their respective log book showing entries made for the last fifteen days to date, for each tractor?

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

To ask the Commissioner for Environment and Others: -

Whether, in regard to Anse aux Anglais beach near to Les Cocotiers Hotel, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table: -

- (a) the implied use of heavy vehicles thereat indicating if necessary clearances have been obtained therefor from the concerned authority and specifying the conditions attached;
- (b) if an environment impact assessment has been obtained; and
- (c) if part of the public beach has been allocated to a promoter for a development project, and if so, to state the area concerned?

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

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the government quarters in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table: -

- (a) the total number thereof, indicating their respective regions and their respective use, as at date;
- (b) the number actually available for use, giving details; and
- (c) if he is contemplating the possibility of selling or renting same to Rodriguan people?

B/112 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. J.R. AUGUSTIN**)

To ask the Commissioner for Housing and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the housing programme ‘Ene fami ene bon lacaz,’ implemented through his Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table on the number of houses constructed since January 2017 to date, region-wise, indicating: -

- (a) if same was under any dedicated scheme set up by his Commission and/or through beneficiaries’ own contribution; and
- (b) the list of contractors involved therefor, providing the number of contract(s) awarded to each?

B/113 The Fourth Island Region Member (**Mr. J.R. AUGUSTIN**)

To ask the Commissioner for Child Development and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the Child Mentoring Committee set up by her Commission, she will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the objectives thereof, indicating: -

- (a) the composition thereof and the setting up date of same;
- (b) the number of meetings held, the number of families concerned and the outcome in each case;
- (c) if members of the committee are remunerated and, if so, to give details; and
- (d) if any report has been submitted thereby and any action taken in relation thereto?

B/114 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 Indian Ocean Island Games held in Mauritius recently, she will, for the benefit of the House state the number of officials from Rodrigues attending the opening and closing ceremonies thereof, respectively, indicating: -

- (a) the sum disbursed by her Commission in terms of stipend, air tickets, lodging and accoutrement; and
- (b) how selection was made in respect of those attending same?

B/115 The Second Island Region Member (**Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Environment and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the maintenance of vehicles owned and/or rented for operational purposes by Rod Clean Company Ltd, from January 2017 to date, he will seek information from the relevant authority to state and table for the benefit of the House: -

- (a) to whom the maintenance thereof has been attributed;
- (b) the total sum disbursed therefor per servicing company or individual; and
- (c) if there has been any termination of contract in that regard by RodClean Co. Ltd, stating, in the affirmative, if same resulted from breach of contract by either contracting party, or both, and to provide all relevant documents linked thereto?

B/116 The Second Island Region Member (**Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Fisheries and Others: -

Whether, in regard to Bad Weather Allowance payable to fishermen in Rodrigues, he will state and table to confirm to the House if the current rate applicable to the Republic of Mauritius from 2017 to date is being applied in Rodrigues, giving details, and, in the negative, to indicate since when and the reasons therefor?

B/117 The Second Island Region Member (**Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Social Security and Others: -

Whether, in regard to social aid or any other allowance payable to cancer patients, from January 2017 to date, he will state and table: -

- (a) the number of beneficiaries and the amount paid thereto for the period;
- (b) if there was discontinuance of payment in any case and, if so, to provide the reasons therefor; and
- (c) if any special consideration is given in these specific cases and if so, to give details thereon?

B/118 The Second Island Region Member (**Mr. J.L.R. PERRINE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Fisheries and Others: -

Whether, in regard to off-lagoon fishing in Rodrigues, he will state and table to the House on where matters stand concerning the use of the six outer lagoon fishing boats previously owned by ex-Rodrigues General Fishing Company Ltd, indicating: -

- (a) the current operator in each case and the yearly production per boat, from 2017 to date; and
- (b) if any one thereof is currently not operational, and if so, to give details?

B/119 The First Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mr. F.A. GRANDCOURT**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether in regard to the repair of roads in Rodrigues, he will state, for the benefit of the House, where matter stands as at to date?

B/120 The First Local Region Member of La Ferme (**Mr. F.A. GRANDCOURT**)

To ask the Commissioner for Environment and Others: -

Whether, in regard to water lorries supplying water to control the recent fire outbreaks at Roche Bon Dieu Dumping site, he will state the: -

- (a) number of lorries involved therefor per day, indicating the number of days this operation has taken place; and
- (b) amount of money to be paid per trip and the procurement method used therefor, if any?

B/121 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mr. Zepth FELICITE**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to Public Service Vehicle (Taxi) License in Rodrigues, from 2012 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the eligibility criteria to obtain same, indicating the number of: -

- (a) applications received together with the respective proposed operating area/region; and
- (b) licenses which have been approved and refused, respectively?

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

To ask the Commissioner for Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the recent Indian Ocean Island Games events held in July 2019 in Rodrigues, she will, for the benefit of the House, state and table: -

- (a) all hotels and/or other accommodating place where athletes and officials were put;
- (b) the eligibility criteria applied for the selection of institutions, if any; and
- (c) a breakdown of the sum paid to each accommodation facility including transport facilities?

B/123 The Second Local Region Member for St. Gabriel (**Mr. J.R. RAMDALLY**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the socio-economic study and the environmental impact assessment undertaken by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly in connection with the airport development project, he will enlighten the House on if same has been completed and, in the affirmative, to state the major findings and recommendations of both, and, in the negative, to give details about the status as at to date of the two studies?

B/124 The Second Local Region Member for St. Gabriel (**Mr. J.R. RAMDALLY**)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the E-health project, he will enlighten the House as to where matters stand as at date, giving details about the aims and objectives of same in the short and long run?

B/125 The Second Local Region Member for St. Gabriel (**Mr. J.R. RAMDALLY**)

To ask the Commissioner for Training and Others: -

Whether she will enlighten the House about the Rodrigues Regional Assembly Technical Field Scholarship Scheme, giving details about the target group, the criteria that will be used for selection therefor, the fields targeted together with the facilities to be given to selected candidates?

B/126 The Third Island Region Member (**Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM**)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to medical wastes, he will state and table, for the benefit of the House, on the means of disposal thereof as at date, detailing on any new site of disposal therefor and the specifics of vehicles currently being used in that process, including their registration numbers?

B/127 The Third Island Region Member (**Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM**)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to transport facilities in the health sector, he will state and table thereon for the benefit of the House, indicating the number of ambulances available to service the island and specifying the current mode of operation therefor?

B/128 The Third Island Region Member (**Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the coming of operation of the desalination plant at Pointe Coton, he will state and table: -

- (a) the different villages benefiting from this new service as at date;
- (b) the frequency of distribution resulting therefrom together with a clear time table in relation thereto; and
- (c) if there has been any breakdown/s thereat and, in the affirmative to give clear reasons therefor?

B/129 The Third Island Region Member (**Mrs. M.T. AGATHE, PMSM**)

To ask the Commissioner of Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the bio cultivation of Combava lime plants and the production of chilli paste projects under the Switch Africa Green Programme, he will state where matters stand as at date in relation thereto indicating: -

- (a) the amount of funds earmarked and /or disbursed therefor as at date;
- (b) the current monitoring method thereof specifying the number of initial beneficiaries who are still actively involved therewith; and
- (c) when the first products will be ready for commercialisation?

B/130 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J.N. NEMOURS**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the upgrading works at Batatran Government School, he will enlighten the House as to where matters stand as at to date?

B/131 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J.N. NEMOURS**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the “Carnet Scolaire” project in primary schools, he will, for the benefit of the House, state: -

- (a) the objectives thereof;
- (b) what have been achieved up to now in the design and development thereof; and
- (c) the timeframe for the implementation thereof?

B/132 The Second Local Region Member of Maréchal (**Mr. J.N. NEMOURS**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the construction of a pre-primary school at Jardin Mamzelle, he will enlighten the House as to where matters stand as at to date?

M.L. Yannick LEGENTIL Miss
Clerk, Regional Assembly

Date: 16 August 2019

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Requiring a Written answer

Sitting of Tuesday 20 August 2019

Questions addressed to Commissioners

A/2 The Second Local Region Member for St. Gabriel (**Mr. J.R. RAMDALLY**)

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

Whether, in regard to the licence of retailer of liquor and alcoholic products in Rodrigues, she will obtain, for the benefit of the House, information from the Mauritius Revenue Authority, as to the number of retailers holding same, a list of licensees region-wise together with their address, and the criteria that are taken into consideration for the issue thereof?

**M.L. Yannick LEGENTIL Miss
Clerk, Regional Assembly**

Date: 16 August 2019