RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral answer

Sitting of 13 December 2022

Questions addressed to Commissioners

B/122 The First Local Region Member for Grande Montagne (Dr H. AGATHE)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the severe shortage of water faced by planters and breeders all around the island, he will state to the House on:

- (a) measures that are being implemented by his Commission to enable fulltime planters and breeders to continue their activities, and
- (b) if consideration will be given for payment of compensation thereto and, if so, to give details?

B/123 The Minority Leader (Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether approval has been granted by his Commission for the cutting down and export of sandal wood and if so, to give details thereof indicating: -

- (a) the number of applications therefor received and their respective date;
- (b) the number of applications approved and their respective date of approval;
- (c) the number of trees authorised to be cut down per location, and
- (d) the approximate amount of wood in cubic meters that was due to be exported?

B/124 The Second Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Mr L. D. BAPTISTE)

To ask the Commissioner for Consumer Protection and Others: -

Whether, in regard to bottled water and water jar being commercialised in Rodrigues, she envisages to introduce subsidies thereon and, subsequently, include these items on the list of controlled commodities for the benefit of all consumers during this period of water crisis and, if so, when, and if not, why not?

B/125 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (Mr N. LISETTE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the operation of boreholes by private individuals in Rodrigues and for private use, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table:

- (a) the number of permits/authorisations delivered so far, giving details thereof as to names of owners and their locality, and
- (b) if in the context of the high water shortage being experienced in Rodrigues actually, he would consider making use of these boreholes for the interests of the population?

B/126 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (Mr N. LISETTE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to water production by boreholes in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table:

- (a) the number which are in operation and their respective production;
- (b) if any borehole has been set in operation lately, and
- (c) if he intends to set up new boreholes around Rodrigues and, in the affirmative, to give details thereof?

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B/127 The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Dr H. AGATHE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the water production by the Pointe Coton Desalination plant during the last three weeks, he will state the:

- (a) daily volume thereof;
- (b) volume being transferred to the different reservoirs, and
- (c) villages that are being served with this water and the frequency of distribution thereof?

B/128 The Second Island Region Member (Ms M. N. RAFFAUT)

To ask the Commissioner for Tourism and Others: -

Whether, in regard to supply of water to tourism establishments through his Commission, he will for the benefit of the House:

- (a) state the daily demand of water by the tourism industry;
- (b) state the mechanism set up by his Commission for the provision of water by private tankers thereto indicating any costs related therewith;
- (c) table the list of all tourism institutions that have benefitted therefrom so far together with the respective volumes?

B/129 The First Local Region Member of Saint Gabriel (Mr J. R. RAMDALLY)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the setting up of a nursing school in Rodrigues, he will enlighten the House on:

- (a) the scope, the cost implications and the commencement date and the duration of the project;
- (b) if all the requirements for the smooth running thereof have been taken into consideration, and
- (c) what will be the duties and responsibilities of all the stakeholders thereof?

B/130 The First Local Region Member of Saint Gabriel (Mr J. R. RAMDALLY)

To ask the Commissioner for Environment and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the waste segregation project already started by his Commission, he will inform the House as to where matters stand as at to date?

B/131 The Second Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Mr L. D. BAPTISTE)

To ask the Commissioner for Social Security and Others: -

Whether, in regard to recruitment of medical practitioners involved in medical board and domiciliary visit, he will state:

- (a) the number, the eligibility criteria and the current mode of selection thereof, and
- (b) where matter stands in relation to the recruitment thereof to work exclusively for the Commission for Social Security?
- B/132 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (Mr N. LISETTE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the construction of a football ground at Le Chou College, he will state:

- (a) if the construction thereat has been completed;
- (b) the cost implication thereof, and
- (c) if the villagers and youths of the nearby community will have access thereto?

Assembly House, Port Mathurin, Rodrigues: Tel 8310686/Fax 8310681 Email: regionalassembly@intnet.mu Web site: http://rra.gov.mu B/133 The Second Island Region Member (Ms M. N. RAFFAUT)

To ask the Commissioner for Consumer Protection and Others: -

Whether her Commission has received any complaint or her attention has been drawn to the sale of fish in Rodrigues at prices above fixed price and, if so, to state which remedial actions she intends to take in relation thereto?

B/134 The First Local Region Member of Saint Gabriel (Mr J. R. RAMDALLY)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the Area Health Centre of La Ferme, he will inform the House of any change in its operation and, in the affirmative, to give the reasons therefor and its bearings on patients and staff thereat?

B/135 The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Dr H. AGATHE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the new runway project at Plaine Corail Airport, he will state if the relocation of all the villagers and economic activities from Ste Marie have been dully completed, and if not, why not?

B/136 The Minority Leader (Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the project for the production of Essential Oil from the Rodriguan lemon, he will inform the House on what has been done so far and if he intends to go ahead therewith in the interest of our lemon producers?

B/137 The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Dr H. AGATHE)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the refurbishment project of 'La Maison des Pêcheurs' at Pointe Monier, he will state:

- (a) the scope of work, the starting date and the expected date of completion thereof;
- (b) the list of bidders highlighting their respective bid value and indicating the successful bidder, and
- (c) where matters stand as at date?

B/138 The Second Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Mr L. D. BAPTISTE)

To ask the Commissioner for Social Security and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the construction of a recreation centre for the Elderly at Baie Lascar (Camp Pintade), he will inform the House on where matters stand as at date, providing information as to the procedures initiated so far and the outcome thereof?

B/139 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (Mr N. LISETTE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the setting up of an 'Observatoire de l'Eau' in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state where matter stands as at date?

B/140 The Minority Leader (Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the activity of the Economic Development Board in Rodrigues, he will obtain information therefrom and state to the House:

- (a) its mission and scope of intervention;
- (b) all projects implemented so far thereby or under the current purview thereof and the outcomes thereof;
- (c) its action plan or calendar of activities, and
- (d) the budget earmarked to implement the different activities for Rodrigues?

B/141 The Second Island Region Member (Ms M. N. RAFFAUT)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to communication matters, in written publications or online, promoting activities organised in or outside Rodrigues for the Rodrigues Regional Assembly, he will inform the House on any contract awarded to any individual and/or company from March 2022 till date and, in the affirmative, to state and table the list of awardees together with their respective associated costs?

B/142 The Fourth Island Region Member (Mr J. P. SPEVILLE)

To the Commissioner of Youth & Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to men's national rugby training match of Rodrigues XV team against Mauritius XV team, held in Mauritius in November 2022, he will state and table the:

- (a) cost incurred therefor and facilities given to the members of the delegation thereof by his Commission;
- (b) list of persons in the delegation and their respective responsibilities, and
- (c) scope and outcome of the match?

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B/143 The Fourth Island Region Member (Mr J. P. SPEVILLE)

To the Commissioner of Youth & Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the tournament of the Mauritius Football Association Cup 2022, he will inform the House on if Rodrigues has been excluded from the competition, and, if so, why?

B/144 The Minority Leader (Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K)

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

Whether, in regard to the Rodrigues Information and Communication Technology Development and Promotion Company Ltd, he will obtain information therefrom to:

- (a) state and table the detailed composition of the board of directors thereof together with board members' respective profiles;
- (b) state and table the mission and vision thereof, and
- (c) table the organisational structure of the company together with its action plan?

B/145 The First Local Region Member of Saint Gabriel (Mr J. R. RAMDALLY)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the construction of a modern hospital at the Queen Elisabeth Hospital (QEH), Créve-Coeur, he will enlighten the House as to where matters stand as at to date?

B/146 The Second Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Mr L. D. BAPTISTE)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the 'Maison de transition' constructed by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly, he will state the purpose thereof, indicating the:

- (a) number presently available and the respective locations thereof;
- (b) number and location already allocated, if any, together with the conditions attached thereto, and
- (c) timeframe for allocation of those not yet granted?

B/147 The Second Island Region Member (Ms M. N. RAFFAUT)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the introduction and implementation of 'Kreol Rodrige' in secondary school in Rodrigues, he will inform the House on where matter stands?

B/148 The Fourth Island Region Member (Mr J. P. SPEVILLE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the ICT Support Officers posted and discharging duties in primary schools, he will, for the benefit of the House state:

- (a) and table the number thereof per primary school, their salaries and qualifications held, and
- (b) if any recommendations have been made to upgrade their qualifications as at date?

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Date: 09 December 2022