### RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

# Questions of which notice has been given

## Requiring an Oral answer

#### Sitting of 14 March 2023

## Questions addressed to Commissioners

**B/1** The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (Mr N. LISETTE)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to public infrastructural projects implemented by the National Development Unit (NDU) in Rodrigues, he will obtain information to state:

- the number thereof implemented and completed since 2012 together with the respective financial costs;
- (b) if any Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between the Rodrigues Regional Assembly and the relevant Ministry in regard thereto, and
- (c) if the Executive Council has given its approval in 2022 for the implementation of projects under the NDU and, if so, to give details thereof and state where matter stands?
- B/2 The Minority Leader (Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K.)

  To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the recent Cabinet decision concerning the eligibility criteria for recruitment of secondary school educators, he will inform the House of the measures taken by his Commission in connection thereto?

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B/3 The Second Island Region Member (Ms. M. N. RAFFAUT)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to secondary schools in Rodrigues, he will state if there is a shortage of educators and, if so, to give details on the number per college together with the respective subjects and grade?

B/4 The Minority Leader (Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K.)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to admission to Grade 7 for the academic year 2023, he will inform the House on if any case of discrimination in any secondary institution in Rodrigues has been officially reported or brought to his attention and, if so, to indicate measures/actions taken therefor?

B/5 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (Mr N. LISETTE)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the construction/upgrading of road from Rivière Coco to Songes, he will, for the benefit of the House, state:

- (a) the length of road completed so far together with the scope of work and the costs implications thereof, and
- (b) if his Commission will continue with the upgrading of the road and, if so, to indicate when and the nature of the work?
- B/6 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (Mr N. LISETTE)

  To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the contract awarded for consultancy services for the development of Rodrigues Water Resources Strategy and the Definition of Priority Action Plan, financed by the 'Agence Française de Développement' (AFD), he will:

- (a) state the terms of reference thereof;
- (b) indicate the number of reports submitted so far to the Rodrigues Regional Assembly;
- (c) highlight the salient recommendations of the report(s), and
- (d) table a copy of the relevant reports?

B/7 The Fourth Island Region Member (Mr J. P. SPEVILLE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to students who sat for the Cambridge School Certificate and the General Certificate of Education examinations in October/November 2022, he will state and table the number thereof per college indicating the number:

- (a) who successfully passed same and the corresponding percentage, and
- (b) promoted to Grade 12 by college, the number of repeaters and the number of students who had to leave school?
- **B/8** The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (Mr N. LISETTE)

  To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to students who sat for the National Certificate Examination (NCE) for Academic Year 2022, he will state and table the:

- (a) number thereof per college who sat therefor in the Mainstream and Extended Stream, respectively;
- (b) number thereof per college who passed the examinations, and
- (c) criteria applied for promotion to Grade 10 and the consequent number of students per college who were promoted thereto?
- B/9 The First Local Region Member of Saint Gabriel (Mr J. R. RAMDALLY)

  To ask the Commissioner for Fire Services and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the repatriation of the firefighters serving on the Mauritian Establishment to Rodrigues, he will inform the House on where matters stand as at to date?

**B/10** The First Local Region Member of Saint Gabriel (Mr J. R. RAMDALLY)

To ask the Commissioner for Fire Services and Others: -

Whether, in regard to equipment available for the department of Fire and Rescue Service, he will inform the House of their present condition, giving details as to any recorded breakdown and the corresponding time period of same?

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**B/11** The Second Local Region Member of Baie Aux Huîtres (Ms K. ROUSSETY)

To ask the Commissioner for Tourism and Others: -

Whether, in regard to 'One Visitor, One Tree' project at Anse Quitor/ Dans Coco, he will provide information as to:

- (a) the promoter thereof;
- (b) the scope and extent of land earmarked therefor;
- (c) the number of planters and breeders carrying their activities in the earmarked area, and
- (d) any consultations held in connection thereto and the outcome thereof?
- **B/12** The Second Local Region Member of Baie Aux Huîtres (Ms K. ROUSSETY)

  To ask the Commissioner for Tourism and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the opening of the latest net fishing season, he will inform the House on if any official event was organised in connection thereto to boost up the tourism sector in Rodrigues and, if not, why not?

B/13 The Second Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Mr L. D. BAPTISTE)

To ask the Commissioner for Labour, Industrial Relations, and others: 
Whether he is aware of the unsafe conditions encountered by the officers of the Labour Office at the MHC building as well as the inconvenience caused to the respective users thereat, particularly during rainy seasons and, if so, to state the remedial actions taken to solve the problems?

**B/14** The Second Island Region Member (Ms. M. N. RAFFAUT)

To ask the Commissioner for Women's Affairs and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the number of reported cases of children beyond control, she will:

- (a) give a breakdown per sex and per age group for the past three years, and
- (b) state the measures taken by her Commission to mitigate same?

B/15 The Minority Leader (Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K.)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the 'Hot Meal Project' for schools, he will state and table the:

- (a) list of caterer/s per school/institution, together with the corresponding number of students for each caterer, and
- (b) mode of selection for the caterer, the cost per student per meal and the payment mode?
- B/16 The Minority Leader (Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K.)

  To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether he will state and table the school hours for each secondary institution in Rodrigues specifying their respective starting and ending time?

**B/17** The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (**Dr. H. AGATHE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the free distribution of animal feed to breeders as a measure to address the shortage of fodder due to the recent drought, he will inform the House of the:

- (a) starting date thereof;
- (b) procedures followed for the procurement of animal feed, and
- (c) method used to identify the beneficiaries and to distribute the feed thereto?
- **B/18** The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (**Dr. H. AGATHE**)

  To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the Departmental Committee set up to enquire into the alleged case of fraud/malpractice on the sale of meat at subsidised prices, he will state to the House on where matter stands?

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To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to patients sent to Mauritius for further treatment since September 2022 to date, he will inform the House about the:

- (a) total number of patients per illness sent together with the total number of accompaniers;
- (b) number of patients and/or accompaniers accommodated at the selected hotel, and
- (c) amount paid and/or due to the selected hotel?
- B/20 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 admission of patients in the health institutions in Rodrigues, he will state and table a breakdown of the:

- (a) bed capacity of each admitting institution, and
- (b) average occupation rate per institution since January 2023?
- **B/21** The Second Island Region Member (Ms. M. N. RAFFAUT)

  To ask the Commissioner for Social Security and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the bottled water distribution for the elderly in villages around Rodrigues, he will obtain information and state to the House:

- (a) the mechanism set up therefor;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries and total number of water jars and/or bottles distributed to date, and
- (c) any complaint or incident reported to the police during the distribution in the region of La Ferme/Grand La Fouche Corail and the nature thereof?

**B/22** 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 International Day for Older Persons 2022, he will state to the House:

- (a) the different activities organised;
- (b) the total costs incurred therefor including a breakdown thereof and tabling same, and
- (c) if all payments in connection thereto have been effected accordingly?
- **B/23** The Second Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Mr L. D. BAPTISTE)

  To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to construction materials procured by his Commission pertaining to the Social Housing Scheme, from July 2022 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, state and table the:

- (a) total amount thereof per item, together with the costs incurred respectively;
- (b) number of beneficiaries concerned so far together with the corresponding amount already distributed, and
- (c) number of housing units having already reached the foundation stage and those already completed, respectively?
- **B/24** The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (**Dr. H. AGATHE**)

  To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the contract awarded by his Commission for land surveying around Rodrigues, he will inform the House on the:

- (a) selected contractor indicating the contractual period and contract value, and
- (b) number of lots surveyed per region?

B/25 The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Dr. H. AGATHE)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the parcelling on State lands on the reclaimed land area at Baie aux Huîtres and Baie Lascars, following the recent decision of the Executive Council to resume undeveloped lots, he will state to the House on the number of lots resumed to date per site and the reasons therefor?

**B/26** The Second Island Region Member (Ms. M. N. RAFFAUT)

To ask the Commissioner for Family Welfare and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the reported cases of domestic violence, she will obtain information to state on:

- (a) the number of protection and/or eviction order(s) granted for the last three years;
- (b) when the shelter for victims thereof came into operation together with its monthly running costs;
- (c) the number of women and children housed thereat since its operation, and
- (d) if any decision has been taken to change the management thereof and, if so, as from when and providing the reasons therefor?
- **B/27** The Second Local Region Member of Baie Aux Huîtres (Ms K. ROUSSETY)

  To ask the Commissioner for Women's Affairs and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the Girls and Women Leadership Hub launched on the occasion of the Women's Day 2021, she will state to the House the different activities carried out in connection therewith as at to date? **B/28** The Second Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (Mr L. D. BAPTISTE)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the recent recruitment of General Workers on a contractual basis at the level of his Commission, he will inform the House on:

- (a) the recruitment procedure preferred therefor;
- (b) the number of recruits, indicating their terms and conditions of employment, and
- (c) table a copy their contract of employment?
- **B/29** The Fourth Local Region Member for Marechal (Mr J. P. SPEVILLE)

  To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to courses dispensed by the Polytechnics Mauritius Ltd in Rodrigues, he will obtain information and inform the House on:

- (a) the number of students already enrolled in the different programmes;
- (b) the number of staff and their respective grades, and
- (c) if any new course(s) will be run for academic year 2023 and, if so, to give details?
- **B/30** The Second Local Region Member of Baie Aux Huîtres (Ms K. ROUSSETY)

  To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to upgrading works done at Cascade Jean Louis Community Health Centre, he will inform the House about the works undertaken, the name of successful bidder/s, the total cost of the project and the budget item vote which funded same?

M.L. Yannick LEGENTIL Ms. Clerk, Regional Assembly

Date: 09 March 2023