

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral answer****Sitting of 19 December 2023****Questions addressed to Commissioners****B/159** The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mrs M. A. L. ALLAS**)*To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -***Whether, in regard to the National Livestock Information System being implemented by his commission, he will inform the House on: -**

- (a) when same will be fully implemented, and
- (b) the beneficial effect thereof, if any, for the livestock sector in Rodrigues?

B/160 The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mrs M. A. L. ALLAS**)*To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -***Whether he will inform the House on if there has been a fall in the production of pigs in Rodrigues indicating, in the affirmative, any action he proposes to take to address the issue?****B/161** The Fifth Island Region Member (**Mrs M. A. L. ALLAS**)*To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -***Whether, in regard to the development of the Blue Economy sector in Rodrigues, he will inform the House on if the action plan has been completed and, if not, to state when the plan will be operational?**

B/162 The Minority Leader (**Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K.**)

To ask the Commissioner for Child Development and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the main requirements for a child day care centre as per the second schedule of the Child Day Care Centre Regulations 2022, she will state the measures taken by her commission to ensure that the child day care centres in Rodrigues can obtain their license and the time-frame set therefor, if any, to ensure that same is completed?

B/163 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (**Mr N. LISETTE**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether he will state, in regard to the issue of Public Service Vehicle Licences for buses, taxis and contract cars in Rodrigues, if there has been any issue thereof during the year 2023 and, if yes, to state:

- (a) if any report has been carried out beforehand;
- (b) the name/s of the beneficiary/ies, and
- (c) the procedure adopted for the selection of the successful beneficiary/ies?

B/164 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 Rodriguan educators employed by the Rodrigues Educational Development Company Ltd (REDCO) on a determinate duration or temporary basis for replacement for the year 2023, he will seek information and state on:

- (a) the number per college, and
- (b) if they are eligible and have been paid an end of year bonus and, if not, the reasons thereof?

B/165 The Second Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (**Mr L. D. BAPTISTE**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the school buildings and infrastructure at Maréchal college, he will state to the House on if any investigations/surveys have been carried out by consultants/ engineers thereat, from 2020 to date and, if so, to give information about the findings and recommendations thereof, and to state where matters stand as regards to Executive Council decision taken on 30 September 2022 in relation thereto?

B/166 The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (**Dr. H. AGATHE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Social Security and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the Global Climate Change Alliance Plus (GCCA+) at Mt Du Sable and Anse Ali, he will, for the benefit of the House, provide information relating to the value of the project, the amount disbursed from the contribution of the European Union funds and the amount financed by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly; and to table a breakdown of the expenditure incurred to date?

B/167 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (**Mr N. LISETTE**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the allocation of seats in colleges around the island following the Primary School Award Certificate (PSAC) results 2023, he will state to the House:

- (a) on if there have been any recent modifications to the criteria applied therefor and, in the affirmative, to provide details thereof;
- (b) and table the number of seats available in the different colleges together with the respective number of students allocated thereto, and
- (c) the number of complaints/requests for transfer received from parents to date together with the corresponding outcomes?

B/168 The First Local Region Member of Saint Gabriel (**Mr J. R. RAMDALLY**)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to bed bug infestation at the Queen Elisabeth Hospital at Crève Coeur, he will enlighten the House on:

- (a) when and where same occurred in the compound;
- (b) the measures taken to eradicate same, and
- (c) the measures taken to house the patients due for admission at concerned ward/s?

B/169 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 resurgence of COVID-19 in Rodrigues, from July 2023 to date, he will enlighten the House on the:

- (a) number of cases registered per month together with the number of deaths, if any, and the number of active cases as at to date;
- (b) present status of COVID-19 as per the World Health Organisation(WHO), and
- (c) genetic variation of the virus prevailing in Rodrigues together with surveillance measures, if any, that are being implemented in regard thereto?

B/170 The Minority Leader (**Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K.**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the budget measure for a return air ticket from Mauritius for post-secondary students, he will state and table the:

- (a) criteria to benefit therefrom and the mechanism applied therefor;
- (b) number of applications received and the number of eligible students, and
- (c) amount disbursed for the project?

B/171 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 the import of cement to Rodrigues, she will inform the House on the:

- (a) number of registered importers;
- (b) yearly breakdown of the volume shipped from 2013 to date;
- (c) monthly breakdown of cement shipped since 2017 to date, and
- (d) actual available stock thereof and expected level to be shipped for December 2023, indicating if same will be sufficient to meet consumers demand till the end of the year?

B/172 The Second Island Region Member (**Ms. M. N. RAFFAUT**)

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

Whether, in regard to the facilities offered and rental fee paid by artists, he will inform the House since when there has been a change in the cost of using the podium at Malabar?

B/173 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (**Mr N. LISETTE**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the construction of the gymnasium at La Ferme College/Pistaches, he will state the:

- (a) contractual completion date thereof;
- (b) cost of the project;
- (c) progress of work as at date, and
- (d) amount of money paid so far therefor and if there are any outstanding payment due to the contractor?

B/174 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 different missions undertaken abroad for the promotion of Rodrigues as a tourist destination, from January 2023 to date, he will state and table, for the benefit of the House, the:

- (a) detailed breakdown of each mission destination;
- (b) composition of each delegation together with each delegate's capacity, respectively, and
- (c) missions attended by the Commissioner, indicating in each case the purposes thereof, and a breakdown of the cost of participation thereto?

B/175 The Minority Leader (**Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K.**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Technopark project at Baladirou, he will inform the House on the:

- (a) state of completion of the building and the targeted period of operationalization thereof;
- (b) item vote from which payment is being made together with the sum disbursed as at date, and
- (c) type of activities to be run thereat and the status thereof?

B/176 The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (**Dr. H. AGATHE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Agriculture and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the local meat market, he will inform the House on if he is aware of the shortage in the supply of pork and, if so, to state the reasons thereof together with the measures that his commission is implementing or envisaging to address this shortage and its consequences?

B/177 The Second Local Region Member of Baie Aux Huîtres (**Ms K. ROUSSETY**)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to gastroenterology services in Rodrigues, he will inform the House on any existing facilities/arrangements/ collaboration already available therefor and state his policy to enhance same, including procedures initiated for the empowerment of staff?

B/178 The Fourth Local Region Member for Maréchal (**Mr J. P. SPEVILLE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Youth and Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to sports in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, state the policies and activities of his commission for the promotion of handball, giving details on any collaboration with the sports federations based in mainland Mauritius?

B/179 The First Local Region Member of Baie aux Huîtres (**Mr N. LISETTE**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether he will state and table, for the benefit of the House, the list of active construction sites for roads as per contracts/work orders given by his commission as at 01 December 2023, indicating the respective number of workers on each site?

B/180 The First Local Region Member of Saint Gabriel (**Mr J. R. RAMDALLY**)

To ask Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the dumping ground at Montagne Plate, from January 2023 to date, he will:

- (a) state if same is identified as a full-fledged dumping site and to give a list of problems encountered on the site together with the remedial measures adopted therefor;
- (b) give a list of the type/s of waste that can be discarded thereat, and
- (c) state if any authorisation is required to cast-off waste thereat and, in the affirmative, to state the eligibility criteria and the procedure to be followed to benefit from this facility?

B/181 The First Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (**Dr. H. AGATHE**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to item vote 25110006 of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly approved budgets, concerning the subsidy on solar water heater, he will state to the House on if there has been, since 2022 to date, any Scheme/Tender/Expression of Interest launched in relation thereto and, if so, when and the respective number of applicants and beneficiaries thereof?

B/182 The Minority Leader (**Mrs R.M.F. GASPARD PIERRE LOUIS, C.S.K.**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to the accelerated program for Grade 2 pupils to Grade 3, implemented at the primary level for the present school year, he will inform the House on if any evaluation has been carried out so far therefor and, in the affirmative, to briefly outline the outcome thereof, giving details of any corrective measures taken/to be taken?

B/183 The Fourth Local Region Member for Maréchal (**Mr J. P. SPEVILLE**)

To ask the Deputy Chief Commissioner: -

Whether he has been made aware of the bad state of the road from Manges to Quatre Vents and, if so, to state the measures he envisages to take in regard thereto and the time frame set therefor?

B/184 The Second Island Region Member (**Ms. M. N. RAFFAUT**)

To ask the Commissioner for Youth and Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the Baladirou Youth and Training Centre, he will inform the House on if it is still operational and, in the affirmative, to state and table for which purpose, providing details of any recent activity/purpose it has been used for since January 2023 to date and the delegations if any that have used the facilities?



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

Date: 15 December 2023

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A/1 The Fourth Local Region Member for Maréchal (**Mr J. P. SPEVILLE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Youth and Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to football in Rodrigues, he will inform the House on if any reform will be brought about to promote the discipline locally and, in the affirmative, to give details thereof?

A/2 The First Local Region Member of Saint Gabriel (**Mr J. R. RAMDALLY**)

To ask the Commissioner for Health and Others: -

Whether, in regard to patients admitted at Queen Elisabeth Hospital since August 2023, he will inform the House on if:

- (a) there has been any case of nosocomial infection and, in the affirmative, to give details thereof together with the remedial measures taken therefor, and
- (b) there is an existing protocol in regard thereto and, in the affirmative, to table a copy of same?

A/3 The Second Local Region Member of Grande Montagne (**Mr L. D. BAPTISTE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Industrial Relations and Others: -

Whether, in regard to labour and industrial relations issues from July 2022 to date, he will, provide the:

- (a) total number of complaints registered in the labour office therefor, the nature thereof and total number of employers and workers concerned;
- (b) monthly breakdown of the number of workers who have been laid off/ have had their contract of terminated, and
- (c) number of workers laid off/ contract terminated per industry/ trade?

A/4 The Fourth Local Region Member for Maréchal (**Mr J. P. SPEVILLE**)

To ask the Commissioner for Youth and Sports and Others: -

Whether, in regard to the upgrading of football grounds and sport complexes in the different villages in Rodrigues, for the period July 2022 to date, he will enlighten the House on where matter stands, giving details of the cost of project, scope of work and if there has been tendering procedures, to provide the name of awardees to date, if any?

A/5 The Second Island Region Member (**Ms. M. N. RAFFAUT**)

To ask the Chief Commissioner: -

Whether, in regard to pre-primary education in Rodrigues, he will inform the House on:

- (a) where matters stand with regard to the registration of the schools with the Early Childhood Care and Education Authority, and
- (b) if the project of providing free education at pre-primary level in mainland will impact local schools and, if so, to provide details?

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