



RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

MAIN DECISIONS

Executive Council Meeting – Friday 28 February 2025

The Executive Council met today under the chairmanship of the Chief Commissioner, Mr. Franceau Aubret GRANDCOURT, G.O.S.K; and has among its deliberations:

DECIDED

- (i) That in order to reenergise village committee groups and render community centres more active, the Chief Commissioner's Office, Commission for Community Development will procure equipment, furniture and indoor games to properly equip the community centres.
- (ii) To approve that the Chief Commissioner's Office, Commission for Environment will issue letter of award to one hundred (100) applicants under the solar water heater scheme.
- (iii) That the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office, Commission for Public Infrastructure will initiate bidding exercise for urgent patching of roads around Rodrigues to improve road safety.
- (iv) That the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office, Commission for Industrial Development will provide financial assistance under the SME Skills Development Programme to a group of seven (07) entrepreneurs in the handicraft sector to participate in an exchange programme in Seychelles from 21st to 31st March 2025.

- (v) That in line with the budget speech for financial year 2024/2025, the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office, Commission for Trade, Commerce and Licensing will enlist the services of a consultant for the design, development and implementation of an online Licensing Application System (LAS).
- (vi) That in the context of the World Handicrafts Day celebrated annually on the 10th of June, the Commission for Handicraft will organise the following activities:
 - (a) Craft Exhibition and Fairs by local and foreign artisans;
 - (b) Panel Discussions and Webinars on challenges and opportunities in the global handicraft sector focusing on sustainability and fair trade;
 - (c) Cultural Exchange Programs;
 - (d) Social Media Campaigns to promote handicrafts and artisans through digital platforms;
 - (e) Educational Programs to introduce handicraft programs and foster appreciation for traditional art forms among students; and
 - (f) Defilé-fashion show of craft products from modern crafting training course.
- (vii) That the Commission for Arts and Culture will organise a regatta competition on 27th April 2025 at Mourouk in the context of the National Day Celebration.
- (viii) That the Commission for Information and Communication Technology will provide return air tickets to eighteen (18) students enrolled in Information Technology (Cybersecurity) and Digital and Interactive Media Courses at Polytechnics Mauritius Ltd to attend an Educational Tour in Mauritius.
- (ix) That the Commission for Youth and Sports will provide a financial assistance to the Rod Trail Association for the organisation of the International Golden Bat Night Trail on Saturday 1st March 2025 at Jean Daniel Andre Stadium, Camp Du Roi.

TAKEN NOTE

- (i) That the Honourable Prime Minister has designated the Vice-President of the Republic, His Excellency Mr. Jean Yvan Robert HUNGLEY, G.O.S.K. to be the Guest of Honour in Rodrigues at the Official Ceremony marking the 57th Anniversary of the Independence and the 33rd Anniversary of the Republic of Mauritius.

- (ii) That the Chief Commissioner's Office will award a contract for the refurbishment of the Electrical Installations at the Central Administration.
- (iii) That a committee will be set up in view of the development of a Sexual Exploitation and Abuse and Sexual Harassment (SEA/SH) Action Plan in connection with the Airport Development Project.
- (iv) That 65 unserviceable government vehicles were sold by auction on 21st and 22nd January 2025 in Rodrigues by a Sworn Auctioneer.
- (v) That a delegation from the Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development (Procurement and Supply) will field a mission to Rodrigues from 2nd to 18th March 2025, to provide additional training to Officers of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly on the Electronic Inventory Management System.
- (vi) That the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office, Commission for Public Infrastructure has awarded contracts for the procurement of essential heavy machineries required by the Public Infrastructure Division to enhance operational efficiency in public works.
- (vii) That at its meeting held on Tuesday 25th February 2025, the Building and Land Use Permit Committee has approved the grant of seven (7) Residential Building and Land Use Permits and one (1) Industrial Building and Land Use Permits.
- (viii) That the Commission for Women's Affairs will initiate bidding exercise for the re-conversion of ex-Restaurant Mont Limon into a Market Fair to provide a dedicated space to women entrepreneurs to commercialise their local products.
- (ix) That the Commission for Family Affairs will organise a consultative meeting with relevant stakeholders including Non-Governmental Organisations to obtain their views and comments regarding the proposed Domestic Abuse Bill.
- (x) That the SOS Children's Villages Mauritius will organize a working session on Child Rights and Protection on Thursday 6th March 2025 at Cotton Bay Hotel for eleven (11) public officials from the Child Development Unit (CDU) and Family Protection.

- (xi) That the Commission for Women's Affairs will award contract for waterproofing works at Foyer Marie Madeleine de la Croix at Baladirou.
- (xii) That the Commission for Women's Affairs will organise training programmes from mid to end of March 2025 on Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Sustainability to empower women entrepreneurs in Rodrigues.
- (xiii) That the Commission for Tourism in collaboration with the Tourism Authority (TA) will organise a Training of Skipper (theoretical) for licence Category (C) up to 12 Nautical Miles from 10th to 22nd March 2025.
- (xiv) That the Commission for Youth and Sports is providing a financial grant to Miss Elodie VOLBERT a Rodriguan student to participate at the International Student Conference (ISFIT 25) in Norway from 13th to 23rd March 2025.
- (xv) Of the outcome of the mission led by the Commissioner of Youth and Sports from 19th to 23rd February 2025 in Mauritius.

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