



RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Executive Council

MAIN DECISIONS

Executive Council Meeting–Friday 02 December 2022

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

DECIDED

- (i) That the Chief Commissioner's Office (Water Resources) proceeds with the setting up of an Implementation Committee to scrutinise the 638 applications received under the Rain Water Harvesting Scheme and for the launching of bids for the procurement of 200 fibreglass water tanks of 4 m³ each under the scheme.
- (ii) To approve the proposed activities to be organised by the Commission for Arts and culture and Others in collaboration with the Commission for Tourism to celebrate the 23rd Edition of the Festival Creole in Rodrigues from 07 to 11 December 2022 under the theme "***Kreolite Siman Nou Linite***" including amongst others the: -
- Celebration of the inscription of the Segga Tambour of Rodrigues as Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) of Humanity by UNESCO on Wednesday 7 December 2022;
 - Artistic training by one member of the delegation from the Republic of Seychelles with local artists on Thursday 8 December 2022,

- “*Expozision ek Lavant Prodwi Artistik*” in front of Discovery Rodrigues and & ‘*Restoran Kreol*’ in front of Central Administration from Thursday 07 to Saturday 10 December 2022.
 - ‘*Spektak Teat Kreol*’ with the participation of famous one-man show actors from Rodrigues on Saturday 10 December; and
 - “*Fet dan Vilaz*” in three villages namely: Songes, Grand La Fouche Corail and Riviere Banane on Friday 09 December 2022 comprising song, dance, slam, sales of creole dishes, zwe lontan, sirandan and a bal Bobes/souskri/rann zariko.
- (iii) That the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation (RPUC) be entrusted the responsibility for the management of Pte Venus Desalination Plant which is operational since 01 December 2022 and producing 440m³ of desalinated water per day.
- (iv) That the Commission for Education and Vocational Training provide a financial grant of Rs 407,200 to Action for Integral Human Development (AIHD) for the recruitment of two Coordinators for the implementation of the project: “**Les Amis de Zippy**” in twelve (12) Government schools for the next Academic Year 2023 The project “**Les Amis de Zippy**” for Grade 2 pupils focus on the promotion of pupils’ social and emotional well-being.
- (v) That the Deputy Chief Commissioner’s Office proceeds with the implementation of the Solar Water Heater Scheme 2022 to promote the use of Renewable Energy in Rodrigues, on a *first come first serve basis* to eligible households with a monthly income not exceeding Rs 25,000.
- (vi) That a building located in the Ex-Pointe Venus Hotel will put at the disposal of the Rodrigues Educational Development Company (REDCO) to house its Head Office.
- (vii) That a Memorandum of Understanding will be signed between the Commission for Agriculture and Others and the Mauritius Society for Animal Welfare (MSAW) with a view to set up a structure for the implementation of the National Sustainable Project of Dog Population Control in Rodrigues for the catching and disposal of stray dogs, control of stray dogs in strategic locations, implementation of Mass Sterilisation Program and implementation of the Catch Neuter Release (CNR) Program.

- (viii) That the Commission for Social Security and Others will set up a Rodrigues Committee for the Elderly as proposed under the Protection of Elderly Person Act 2005 to provide an administrative framework for the protection and assistance to elderly persons.
- (ix) that the Rodrigues Sports Company Limited (RSCL) will implement the Family Fitness Programme in replacement of the former *“Fisik dans Villaz”* programme, based on a new concept of lifelong fitness promoting the participation of all family members in regular physical activities from early childhood and all through adulthood.

TAKEN NOTE

- (i) That the Honourable Somilduth BHOLAH, Minister of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives will be on mission to Rodrigues from 02 to 04 December 2022 to participate in the third Salon des PME's organized by SME Mauritius Ltd.
- (ii) That a delegation from the Public Service Commission headed by Mr. V. LUCHMEEPERSAD, C.S.K., Chairperson of the Public Service Commission (PSC) and the Disciplined Forces Service Commission (DFSC) is on official mission to Rodrigues since 27 November up to Friday 02 December 2022 to conduct interviews and written examinations for the filling of vacancies in respect of the following grades : Office Management Assistant, Administrative Officer, Assistant Financial Operations Officer, Court Usher and Assistant Procurement and Supply Officer.
- (iii) That the revamped Rodrigues Citizen Support Portal (RCSP) broadcast its first event **“ANSAM AVEK CSU RODRIG”** on Rodrigues FM at the Senior Citizen Centre of La Ferme on Saturday 26 November 2022 from 09.00 to 11.00 hours on theme ***“l'écologie ek protection lanvironman”***.
- (iv) That a delegation from Statistics Mauritius will be on mission to Rodrigues from 08 to 13 December 2022 for the training of field staff in connection with the Household Budget Survey 2023.
- (v) Of the activities and events being organised by Polytechnics Mauritius Limited – Rodrigues Campus in collaboration with various Commissions of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly in November and December 2022 to raise awareness of the population on training opportunities and career options.

- (vi) Of the School Calendar for the Academic Year 2023 for Primary and Secondary sectors, as approved by Government as follows:

Term	Primary	Secondary
1	<p>09 January 2023: Admission to Grade 1</p> <p>Tuesday 10 January 2023: Resumption of all classes</p>	<p>09 January 2023: Admission to Grade 7</p> <p>10 January 2023: Resumption of all classes</p>
2	Monday 17 April 2023 to Friday 14 July 2023	Monday 17 April 2023 to Friday 14 July 2023
3	Monday 14 August 2023 to Friday 03 November 2023	Monday 07 August 2023 to Thursday 26 October 2023

- (vii) That a delegation from the Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology led by Mrs. Maya Devi SOONARANE, Director Strategic Planning and International Relations will be on mission to Rodrigues from 13 to 15 December 2022 in the context of the restructuring of the Private Pre-Primary Schools falling under the aegis of the Association des Ecoles Maternelles de Rodrigues.
- (viii) That Qualitropic Reunion in collaboration with the Economic Development Board (EDB) is organising a two-day workshop in Rodrigues with local stakeholders to make a situational analysis of existing aromatic, cosmetic, and medical plants of Rodrigues on the 1st and 2nd of December 2022 at La Détente, Eau Clair.
- (ix) That the Commission for Water Resources has awarded a contract for the Supply, Delivery and commissioning of a water leakage equipment for the total sum of Rs 224,721, VAT exclusive. The equipment will permit the detection of water leakage from underground pipes for prompt repairs.
- (x) Of the of the outcome of the official mission of the delegation led by the Deputy Chief Commissioner to Reunion Island from 16 to 19 November 2022 to attend the meeting to take stock of the results of the project *Sequestration du Carbone dans les territoires des Iles de L'Ocean Indien* (SeqCOI) and validation of the results obtained.

- (xi) That the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office in collaboration with the Lions Club of Rodrigues will launch the First Edition of Flea Market (Marché aux Puces) to be held on 27 and 28 December 2022 at Port Mathurin to promote the reuse and recycling of second hand and unused goods.
- (xii) That in view of the festive period, streets Mamzel Julia and Solidarité in Port Mathurin will be closed to vehicular traffic from 06.00 hrs to 18.00 hrs as from 14 December 2022 up to 02 January 2023.
- (xiii) That according to last statistical records, **8,150** tourists visited Rodrigues in August 2022. There has been a total of 30,000 visitors from January 2022 to August 2022 compared to 46,847 for the same period in 2019.
- (xiv) That two Young Entrepreneurs of Rodrigues, namely Mr Stephelio CLAIR and Marie Franceska BEGUE to be accompanied by Miss K. Legoffe, Youth Officer of the Youth Entrepreneurship section will participate in the 'Salon des Jeunes Entrepreneurs de L' Océan Indien' organised by the Commission de la Jeunesse et des Sports de l'Océan Indien (CJSOI) in collaboration with the Ministry for Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation and the 'Conference des Ministres de la Jeunesse et de Sports des Etats et Gouvernements ayant le français en partage (CONFEJES)' In the context of the 12th CJSOI Games 2022 from 04 to 08 December 2022.
- (xv) That a delegation comprising eight (8) members of the Rodrigues Regional Youth Council will participate in the Annual General Meeting of the National Youth Council to be held on Saturday 26 November 2022 at Cote D'Or National Sports Complex and the Commission Jeunesse et Sports de L'Océan Indien (CJSOI) Games 2022 in Mauritius as volunteers as all the RYC members of Mauritius from 25 November to 12 December 2022.
- (xvi) of the activities which are being organised in collaboration with the Rodrigues AIDS Secretariat to Commemorate the World AIDS Day 2022 including inter alia Sensitisation and Testing of HIV/AIDS at Solocal on 22nd November at 13.00 hours, Mont Charlot on 25th November 2022, Saint Gabriel Community Centre and Mont Lubin market on 26th November 2022 respectively and Sensitisation for Students and youth on 13 December 2022 at Mon Plaisir, Cultural and Leisure Centre from 13.00 hours up to 15.00 hours.
- (xvii) That the Ombudsperson for Children will be in Rodrigues from 04 to 07 December 2022 to launch the Ombudsperson for Children Annual Report 2021/2022 and to organise a workshop on the theme "Strengthening of the chain of protection for children with serious behavioural concerns and in conflict with the law".

(xviii) That the Commission for Youth and Sports has launched tender for the upgrading of Port Sud Est Football Ground with the following scope of works: -

- Demolition of existing fence and goal posts;
- Construction of new fence 4.0 m and 5.0 m high;
- Supply, manufacture and fix goal post; and
- Levelling of the playground.

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Date: 02 December 2022