



RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Executive Council

MAIN DECISIONS

Executive Council Meeting – Friday 04 November 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 Rodrigues Regional Assembly will allocate a grant of Rs 6 million to the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation (RPUC), to refurbish two buildings at the ex-Pointe Venus Hotel for conversion into Office space, technical unit and stores.
- (ii) That the Chief Commissioner's Office will refer the project for the setting up of a private Medical Clinic in Rodrigues to the Ministry of Health and Wellness for a policy decision.
- (iii) That the Commission for Education will meet the costs of return air tickets of selected Educators who will take part in the National Certificate of Education marking exercise in Mauritius and that the same arrangement be made applicable for Educators who may be selected for the School Certificate/Higher School Certificate marking exercise.
- (iv) That for the smooth operation of the Student House at Vacoas, its management will be vested into the Rodrigues Property Development Company Ltd, a company owned by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly with the mandate, amongst others, to manage RRA's properties.

- (v) That the Commission for Water Resources will procure five smart meters and related IT equipment to be used to improve the monitoring of water flows at main water production sites, namely at the Desalination Plants of Pointe Coton, Songes, and Caverne Bouteille, Pumping Stations of Mourouk and Riviere Coco and Anse Raffin Treatment Plant.
- (vi) That the Commission for Women's Affairs will provide a grant to the Rodrigues S'kool of Arts for the production of sensitisation materials such as short videos depicting music, slam and short plays to be utilised by Commission for its sensitisation campaign to combat social ills and bring positive changes in people's approach and response to the social issues.
- (vii) That the Commission for Women's Affairs will organise the following activities in the context of the International Men's Day, Universal Children's Day, International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women and Girls:
- (a) **International Men's Day** on 19 November 2022 at the Grand Baie Football Ground and Public Beach
- A Motor Vehicle Rally (Auto/Moto) from Mt Lubin (Departure at 08.15 hours) to Grand Baie and a March from Baladirou (Departure at 08.40 hours) to Grand Baie;
 - A photo exhibition in tribute to men's contribution to the advancement of the Rodriguan Society and Sensitisation through arts; and
 - Recreational activities, sports competitions and talent show
- (b) **Universal Children's Day** at the Mt Charlot Community Government School on 20 November 2022 in collaboration with the Parent Teacher's Association of the school and the Village Committee of Mt Charlot:
- Sensitisation on the rights of children at Village level;
 - Carnaval from different villages in the region of Mt Charlot ;
 - Show by S'kool of Arts (the show will be filmed and used as material for sensitisation);
 - Talent show by Youth Band, Artists and Children from the different villages in the region of Mt Charlot; and
 - Recreational Activity for Children

(c) International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women and Girls on Friday 25 November 2022:

- a March from Mont Lubin to Mon Plaisir
- A debate on 'Gender Inequality and Domestic Violence' at the Cultural and Leisure Centre at Mon Plaisir.

(viii) That the Commission for Youth & Sports will allocate a cash prize to Floyd Mervin CLAIR for his performance at the African Championship 2022 where he obtained the silver medal in May 2022 in Algeria.

(ix) That the Commission for Arts & Culture will grant permission for the use of Podium at Malabar to applicants as follows to:

(a) 'Connected to Jesus' represented by Mrs. Stephanie Laine DAMONSING for the holding of a free of charge spiritual gathering which will be held on Saturday 26 November to Sunday 27 November 2022 as from 14.00 hours to 20.00 hours; and

(b) Shava Pro Entertainment and JC Entertainment represented by Mr. Jean Christ SPEVILLE for the holding of a paid Gospel Worship concert on Friday 09 December 2022 from 17.00 hours to 21.00 hours with a selection of international artist namely Jonathan Nelson from USA.

(x) That a delegation of eight boxers, two coaches and one referee will participate in the "Tournoi de Boxe Inter-Ile" in Reunion Island from 15 to 21 November 2022. The boxes selected for the competition are also preselected for the Indian Ocean Island Games 2023 and this competition will be an evaluation for them to compare their level with potential competitors from the region.

TAKEN NOTE

- (i) That the Central Procurement Board has approved that the contract for “Maintenance, Upgrading, Resurfacing and Construction of Roads in Rodrigues for the Year 2022-2024 – CPB/50/2022” be awarded to the selected bidder for the total sum of Rs 307,548,000.00 exclusive of VAT and a contract period of two years.

- (ii) That a team from the Ministry of Education led by the Director of Quality Assurance, one Quality Assurance Officer and one Primary Senior School Inspector will be on their second official mission to Rodrigues from 06 to 11 November 2022 to hold working sessions with Primary Educators of Grades 4 to 6 and feedback sessions with Headmasters and Deputy Headmasters on piloting the Performance Audit System in Grades 1, 2 and 3. They will also have working sessions with Heads of Secondary schools in line with the implementation of a Performance Audit System for the secondary sector.

- (iii) Of the activities that will be organised by the Commission for Youth and Sports in the context of the Special Vacances Programme during the School Summer Holidays of November/December 2022 from Wednesday 23 November to Saturday 17 December 2022 to:
 - (i) provide healthy leisure activity to young people during school holidays;
 - (ii) foster bond of friendship among the young people of the different regions;
 - (iii) encourage a spirit of adventure and discovery among the youths;
 - (iv) provide the youth with a fruitful leisure in the holiday period;
 - (v) sensitize the youth on the protection and conservation of the environment particularly on the islets to be visited; and
 - (vi) encourage young entrepreneurs to innovate, create and aim higher and to continue improve the quality and standards of their products in the fields of food processing, pastry, handicraft, textile, horticulture and agro industries.

- (iv) That the Commission for Youth and Sports is organising sensitisation sessions on Sexual Reproductive Health and Substance Abuse Prevention for some 300 youth around Rodrigues as follows:
 - (i) Six (6) One-day Training Sessions will be conducted during the month of November 2022 and the trainings will be coupled with recreational Activities such as Indoor Games and Team Building Activities;
 - (ii) Wall fresco/drawings to sensitise the Youth on Sexual Reproductive Health and Substance Abuse Prevention will be painted by the young people of region 03 on the wall of the Citron Donis sports complex during period (15 - 17) November 2022;
- (v) That Senior Officials of the Central Electricity Board and delegates of UNDP will be on mission to Rodrigues from 04 November 2022 in connection with the implementation of activities under the Green Climate Fund (GCF) "*Accelerating the transformational shift to a low carbon economy in the Republic of Mauritius.*" comprising, inter alia, deployment of solar photovoltaic on public buildings, promoting renewable energy amongst NGOs, Charitable Institutions & Religious Bodies and raising awareness on and free installation of solar photovoltaic for low income families.

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