

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY Executive Council

MAIN DECISIONS

Executive Council Meeting-Friday 10 February 2023

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 will hire the services of private Consultants for the preparation of tender documents and supervision of the following projects:-
 - (a) repair works of La Residence which is in very poor condition and requires major upgrading due to wear and tear over time and termite infections;
 - (b) Construction of Additional Classrooms at Pre-primary schools La Marguerite at Petit Gabriel, St Michel at Port Sud Est and La Coccinelle at Mont Lubin; and
 - (c) Repainting of the primary Schools of Mont Charlot, Oyster Bay, Anse Quitor, Port Sud Est, Mangues and Roche Bon Dieu.
- (ii) That the Commission for Education will resume the coaching session for GCE "O" and "A" level for private candidates for the Academic Year 2023 and will extend the coaching session to private candidates of the National Certificate Education (NCE) Assessments. The coaching session was introduced in 2008 and has been an on-going measure in view of providing these candidates with the opportunity to improve their qualifications.

- (iii) That in the context of the implementation of Eco-School Programmes in primary schools, the Rodrigues Regional Eco-School Committee will be re-established at the level of the Commission for Education as it is an ideal way for schools to embark on a meaningful path towards improving the environment in both the school at the local community while at the same time having a lifelong positive impact on the society.
- (iv) To provide a assistance to a Laureate for the Rodrigues Open Scholarship 2013 who is currently pursuing studies leading to a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) at the School of International Education of Nanjing Medical in China. The top up financial assistance will enable her to meet additional consequential costs related to the outbreak of the COVID 19 pandemic worldwide.
- (v) The Commission for Water Resources will initiate actions for upgrading works at Mourouk Pumping Station with the following scope of works:-
 - (a) Dismantling all Pipes on five Outlets from Main Tank to Station, replacement by HDPE Pipes, Valves, Meters, Gaskets, Bolts, Nuts etc. and Accessories;
 - (b) Dismantling and removal all Pump, Pipes, Valves, Fittings inside Station (Manifold), Replacement by Stainless Steel Pipes, Manifold, Valves /Fittings & Accessories; and
 - (c) Installation of New Pumps, Manifold Stainless Steel Pipes, Valves, Fittings & Accessories.
- (vi) That with a view to provide a better health services to the population, the Commission for Health will award the tender to supply, delivery and commissioning of six semi-medical ambulance for the sum of Rupees Twenty Three Million Four Hundred Thousand (Rs 23,400,000) exclusive of VAT.
- (vii) That the Commission for Women's Affairs will sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Gender Links, Mauritius for the management of the Emergency Shelter for victims of Domestic Violence which provides temporary accommodation for victims of domestic violence including their children up to a period of 15 days until the victims receive a protection order in order to return to their place or to move to another place.

- (viii) That the following activities will be organised in the context of the UNESCO International Mother Language Day celebrated on every 21st February;
 - a TV programme for vulgarization and promotion of "Kreol Rodrige";
 - reading of a message in every academic institution on the history, development and importance of mother language in the learning process; and
 - induction course on "Kreol Rodrige" and workshop for the "Akademi Kreol Rodrige"

TAKEN NOTE

(i) Of the names of the following four Laureates for Rodrigues for the Cambridge Higher School Certificate Examinations 2022:-

Girls

- Miss Christina ROUSSETY Rodrigues College
- 2. Miss Marie Juliana HORTENSE- Rodrigues College

Boys

- 1. Mr Thierry Pascal AZIE Rodrigues College
- 2. Mr Joseph Mathieu PRUDENCE- Rodrigues College
- (ii) that a meeting will be held with out of school students of post Grade 9 with their parents on Monday 20 February 2023 with a view to inform them of the available pathways to continue their learning and development. According to Circular No. 61 of November 2022 from the Private Secondary Education Authority (PSEA), only candidates who reach the minimum requirements (Level 2 on the National Qualification Framework) at the NCE Assessments are allowed to be promoted to Grade 10 in regional secondary schools, unfortunately some 187 students aged between 16 to 18 years old have not achieved these requirements and have dropped out from the academic stream.

- (iii) That the construction of the new waste water treatment plant at Grenade has been completed and will be handed over to the Commission for Environment on 15 February 2023. The contractor will ensure the operation and maintenance of the wastewater treatment plant for a period of one year and thereafter Rodclean Ltd. will take over the management and operation of the waste water treatment.
- (iv) That the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office has issued vehicle shipment permits for period September to December 2022 as detailed hereunder:

	Up to 7 years		More than 7
	New	Second hand	years
Motorcar	56	33	65
Double Cab Pick up	12	07	22
Autocycle	01	-	-
Goods vehicle	02	04	05
Motorcycle	139	20	08
Dual purpose	-	-	01
Light locomotive	02	-	-
TOTAL	212	64	101

- (v) That the Commission for Youth of Sports will launch the 'Programme pour la Promotion de L'Entreprenariat Jeunesse' Youth Entrepreneurship Training for year 2023 on Wednesday 15th February 2023 at Mon Plaisir Cultural and Leisure Centre. The objectives of the programme are among others:-
 - To increase youth employability and facilitate their socio-economic integration. To have a group of trained young people equipped with the necessary skill and mindset for identifying and launching new business ventures;
 - To have a pool of young Entrepreneurs with increased motivation and empowered to improve productivity;
 - To have a generation of young Entrepreneurs with improved lifestyle, generous/wise thinking, better morale and self-esteem, with higher economic choice and who are resilient and focus; and
 - To select at least twelve (12) projects (Business Plans) from Rodrigues to be submitted to Ministry for Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation and eventually to CONFEJES for potential financing.

(vi) That following a report of death of migratory birds at Ile aux Cocos and a site visit by the Veterinary Services, it has been decided to close the island to visitors until Sunday 12 February 2023 to allow for the general cleaning and sanitisation of the

island.

(vii) That with a view to improve the Veterinary Services in Rodrigues, three

Agricultural Laboratory Technicians who have recently been recruited will proceed to Mauritius as from February 2023 to undergo 6 months on-job training

at the Animal Health Laboratory of the Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food

Security.

That the Global Rainbow Foundation will inaugurate its Rodrigues Sub-Office on (viii)

20 February 2023 where it will undertake the following activities:-

• Joint rehabilitation, educational, cultural and research activities;

• Exchange of professionals (medical practitioners, occupational therapist,

Physiotherapist, psychologist and technicians); of assistive devices to

needy persons with disabilities; and

• Operation of a Jaipur Foot Centre to cater for the repairs and manufacture

of prosthesis and other assistive devices to persons with disabilities.

Chief Commissioner's Office

Port Mathurin

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Date: 10 February 2023