

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

MAIN DECISIONS

Executive Council Meeting – Friday 15 March 2024

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 the Commission for Education will provide a top up sponsorship to two students, Second Laureate Boy for Rodrigues for Academic Year 2021 and 2022 respectively under the Rodrigues Open Scholarship so as to enable them to pursue their studies leading to a Doctor of Medicine.
- (ii) To approve the renewal of the lease agreement of Tuck Shops at Pointe Cotton, Port Sud Est and Saint Francois under the same terms and conditions for a period of two years.
- (iii) To approve the nomination of the Chief Executive Director of the Mauritius Investment Corporation (MIC) as Director on the Board of the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation (RPUC) Ltd in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Subscription Agreement signed between the MIC and the RPUC.
- (iv) That the Commission for Health will proceed with the procurement of one Water Truck and one coach bus for the conveyance of potable water to the Dialysis Unit and conveyance of patients respectively.

(v) That the Commission for Women's Affairs will provide an additional grant to the Rodrigues Regional Women's Committee for the payment of Internet Connection Fee pertaining to their Tech Lab donated by Accenture Services (Mauritius) Ltd.

TAKEN NOTE

- (i) That the Honourable Prime Minister, Mr. Pravind Kumar JUGNAUTH and Mrs. Kobita JUGNAUTH have agreed, in principle, to attend the Ordination Ceremony of Mgr. Michel MOURA as the second Apostolic Vicar (bishop) of Rodrigues.
- (ii) That the following vacancies have been filled during period November 2023 to date:

Driver (on Roster)	16
Social Worker	01
Deputy Head Master	01
Principal Social Security Officer	01
Confidential Secretary	01
Support Teacher	01
Statistical Officer	01
Stores Attendant	09
Assistant Manager Financial Operations Officer	01
Office Management Executive	02
Analyst (Trade)	01
Plant and Equipment Manager	01
Telephonist	04
School Clerk	01
Senior Social Security Officer	01

(iii) That in a letter dated 26 February 2024, the Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology has informed that pupils of Grade 5 for Academic Year 2024 will be allowed to sit for PSAC Assessments 2024 upon request from parents as was the case last year.

- (iv) That for the period 01 to 29 February 2024, the average daily water production was 6042m³ as compared to 5824m³ per day in January 2024. This has resulted in an improvement of water distribution in most villages.
- (v) That to mark the World Consumer Rights Day 2024, the Commission for Consumer's Affairs will organize a seminar with the local theme, "To Equip Consumers for an Artificial Intelligence Future" at the Ananias Andre le Chou College on 15 March 2024 targeting some 380 Grade 13 students of the eight (08) secondary schools in Rodrigues with the aim of raising awareness among the students on how artificial intelligence (AI) is shaping the future and how to embrace same with responsibility.

An awareness campaign through radio programme to sensitize the population on specific issues related to consumer protection will also be held.

- (vi) That a Book sales Exhibition will be held under the Chapiteau next to Central Administration from Tuesday 26 March to Saturday 30 March 2024. Books and other reading materials will be sold at affordable prices to students of primary and secondary schools as well as to the general public.
- (vii) That the Republic Football Cup Final between Lataniers Sports Club and Riviere Coco Rising Sports Club, which could not be played as scheduled on the 12 March, will now be held on Sunday 17 March 2024 at 14.30 hrs at St. Jean Paul II Stadium, La Ferme.
- (viii) That in the context of the Characterisation and Authentication of Rodriguan Lemon (Citrus aurantifolia) project, the Commission for Agriculture in collaboration with the University of Mauritius has organized a one-day workshop on Friday 15 March 2024 to train fifty (50) lemon growers on Sustainable lemon production focusing on the Key Criteria to meet the Mauri-Gap Certification.
- (ix) That following, assistance sought from the Ministry of National Infrastructure and Community Development, a Mechanical Engineer/Senior Mechanical Engineer has been designated to chair a Board of Survey as from Monday 01 April 2024 for the disposal of 71 vehicles which are beyond economic repairs.

- (x) That Dr. Ian Ramdin, Director, Dental Services and Dr. Ashroy Jhugroo, Consultant-in-Charge, Endodontics are actually on official visit in Rodrigues to conduct an Audit of Dental Services. They will submit their recommendations for the procurement of any additional equipment which will be needed for the setting of an Endodontic Treatment Unit in Rodrigues.
- (xi) That a Medical and Health Officer/Senior Medical and Health Officer has been nominated to participate in a two-day workshop on Stroke and Neuro-Rehabilitation from 27th to 28th March 2024 in Mauritius. International Experts/Speakers in the field of stroke/Neuro-Rehabilitation from different part of the world will facilitate the workshop through lectures, case studies and presentations of research work carried out on Stroke /Neuro-Rehabilitation.
- (xii) Following an invitation from the Food Agricultural Research Institute (FAREI), six technicians of the Commission for Agriculture have been nominated to attend a one-day Technology Review Meeting (TRM) on Onion and Potato in March and April 2024. The TRM will benefit officers of the Commission to keep abreast with developments in the sector in terms of production, extension activities, problems faced by planters, variety evaluation, pest and disease management and seed production

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