

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY Executive Council

MAIN DECISIONS

Executive Council Meeting – Friday 17 March 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 one double cab lorry will be allocated to the Commission for Youth and Sports to be put at the disposal of the Rodrigues Sports Company Ltd for the transport of materials and equipment for the upgrading and rehabilitation of sport infrastructure in Rodrigues.
- (ii) To provide financial assistance to a student, who has been awarded the Medical Scholarship in May 2022 and is currently pursuing studies leading to a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) at Anna Medical College, affiliated to the University of Technology, Mauritius to enable her to meet the costs of affiliation fees.
- (iii) That with a view to identify and assess gaps, challenges and opportunities associated with the implementation of educational policy and National Curriculum Framework 2015, the Commission for Education will set up four regional platforms for the primary sector in the context of the Nine Year Continuous Basic Education (NYCBE). The main responsibilities of the platform will be to submit recommendations for innovative approaches and best practices to ease the teaching and learning process and to foster continuous professional development of educators.
- (iv) To waive rental arrears amounting to Rs 46,291,287.68 due by the Airport of Rodrigues Ltd (ARL) in respect of its lease of a plot of state land of an approximate extent of 170 Ha at Plaine Corail for airport development as ARL will be investing

heavily in the construction of the new runaway and will not be in a position to support additional charged.

- (v) That the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office will carry out a procurement exercise for the services of a service provider for the Management of the Roche Bon Dieu Dumping Site including its operation and maintenance with the following scope of services while Rodclean Ltd. will still be doing the wastes collection and the security of the site during normal working hours:
 - i. Managing wastes in the dumping site;
 - ii. Ensure site security (during the absence of Rodclean Ltd.);
 - iii. Ensure fire and smoke control/emergency action plan; and
 - iv. Site rehabilitation work after saturation level.
- (vi) That the Waste Water Treatment Plant at Grenade, of a capacity of about 50m² daily, with inflow basin, and channel complete with services installations, external drainage, and other associated works has been taken over by the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office on Monday 06 March 2023. Its recycled water will be stored in a basin of 100m³ and will be utilised by Rodclean Ltd. for irrigation of green spaces.
- (vii) The removal of restriction on sale of wood, except for sandal wood, to facilitate those who are involved in the wood transformation such as furniture and cabinet to have access to local timber and to allow people who have to cut trees which are of dangerous nature to their dwelling houses and other properties.

TAKEN NOTE

- (i) That the Commission for Marine Parks has awarded contracts for procurement of twenty spherical mooring buoys for a contract value of Rs 1, 783,500.00 to be provided to fishers operating in the South East Marine Protected Area (SEMPA) for safe mooring of their boats and to prevent damages to marine ecosystem.
- (ii) That the following sites have been earmarked for the setting up of solar photovoltaic (PV) farm projects and cemeteries in Rodrigues:

Sn	Projects	Proposed location
1	Solar PV Farms	Baie du Nord
2	Solar PV Farm	Mont Charpentier
3	Solar PV Farm	Baie Malgache
4	Cemetery	Mont Charpentier
5	Cemetery	Baie Topaze

- (iii) That the Commission for Meteorological Services has approved that Airport of Rodrigues Ltd. proceeds with the construction of a new toilet facility at Plaine Corail Airport in a building which was formerly used as store by the Health Services and has now been reallocated to the Meteorological Services to be converted into a dormitory for its female staff.
- (iv) That in view of the forthcoming Rodrigues Regional Assembly Budget for Financial Year 2023/2024, Dr. the Honourable Renganaden PADAYACHY, Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development will lead a delegation to Rodrigues as from 17 to 19 March 2023 to have pre-budget consultation meetings with officials of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly and local stakeholders.
- (v) Of the visit of Mr. Gianni CHIANETTA from of Global Solar Council and President of Worldwide Carbon Price and also Founder and Director at Greening the Islands and CEO at The Green Consulting Group in Rodrigues from 1st to 06th March 2023 in connection with the Greening of the Island Project.
- (vi) That the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office is issuing Works Order under the rates contract Maintenance, Upgrading, Resurfacing and Construction of Roads in Rodrigues for the following projects:

Sn	Project	Cost
		Estimates
1.	Extensive patching Songe-Riviere Coco	22,642,189.12
2.	Parking facilities at Marechal Fountain	1,989,444.86
3.	Construction of Road Citron Donis to Anse	24,996,236.80
	Raffin (About 380 m long)	
4.	Access Road from La Ferme to Marechal	24,792,598.66
5.	Construction of road from Terre Rouge to	24,989,829.31
	Solitude Phase 1	
6.	Resurfacing of road from Baie Malgache to	20,754,283.52
	Mangues Junction	
7.	Wearing Course from Mt. Malgache to Port Sud	4,411,996.16
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8.	Parking at Fountain Bigarade	2,282,880.51
9.	Parking at Fountain Latanier	6,000,000.00
10.	Resurfacing of road from La Ferme to Grand	11,908,091.39
	La Fouche Corail	
11.	Levelling and compaction of Road from	812,160.00
	Football Ground towards Mourouk	
12.	Resurfacing of Road Junction Accacia to Pointe	13,531,900.00
	La Gueule	

- (vii) That Professor T. Ramjeawon, appointed by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) as a consultant to develop a Roadmap and a Legislative Framework on Circular Economy for the Republic of Mauritius accompanied by a delegation from the Ministry for Environment, including Mr. Berachee, Director of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change (Climate Change Division) and Mrs. Outim, Acting Divisional Environment Officer, will be on mission in Rodrigues as from 16 to 18 March 2023.
- (viii) That the theme for the International Day of Forests 2023 which will be celebrated on the 21 March 2023 is "Forests and Health" and to mark this occasion the Commission for Forest will organise the following activities:

Date	Venue	Activities
20 March 2023	MBC Radio	Talk on radio on the theme "Forest
		and Health"
21 March 2023	Terre Rouge	Distribution of fruit seedlings to the
	Community Centre	villagers
		Planting of trees
		Distribution of pamphlets on forests
		restoration
23 March 2023	Mt Lubin Parking	Distribution of plants and fruit trees
		to the public
		Planting of endemic plants
24 March 2023	Anse Goeland	Distribution of fruit seedlings to the
		villagers
		Planting of trees

- (ix) That a delegation from the Prime Minister's Office (Rodrigues, Outer Island and Territorial Integrity Division) is in Rodrigues for period 15 to 18 March 2023, for two days consultative meetings with staff of the Commission for Family Welfare and other stakeholders involved in Gender Based Violence in connection with the Study on the prevalence of Gender Based Violence (GBV) in Rodrigues.
- (x) That Honourable (Mrs.) Kalpana KOONJOO-SHAH, Minister for Gender Equality and Family Welfare will lead a delegation of her ministry for a mission to Rodrigues from 19 to 21 March 2023 for two days' consultative workshop on the Formulation of the National Policy Paper on the Family and for the launching of Domestic Violence Information System in Rodrigues.

(xi) That during the period 18 February to 17 March 2023, 22 officers have been recruited in the following grades:

SN	Grade	No.
1.	Firefighter	5
2.	Trainee Meteorological Observer	6
3.	Court Usher	1
4.	Office Management Assistant	3
5.	Assistant Procurement and Supply Officer	3
6.	Assistant Financial Operations Officer	2
7.	Administrative Officer	2

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