The Executive Council met today under the chairmanship of the Chief Commissioner, Mr. Johnson ROUSSETY, G.O.S.K.

1. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Education, Chief Commissioner’s Office provides a financial grant assistance to the “Association des Ecoles Maternelles” (Pre-Primary Schools), Management of Secondary schools and RCA Primary Schools for the procurement of visual signage to all schools so as to ensure the smooth re-opening of schools in the context of the COVID-19 in Rodrigues.

2. The Executive Council has approved that the Deputy Chief Commissioner’s Office, Commission for Environment proceeds with the enlistment of 300 young unemployed over a period of three months to assist in the implementation of the Integrated Waste Management and Sorting System Project.

3. The Executive Council has taken note that the handing over of site for the project “Upgrading of works at Oyster Bay Rehabilitation Youth Centre” has been effected on 17th March 2022. The works are expected to be completed within a period of 150 days.

4. The Executive Council has taken note that in the context of the World Water Day 2022, the Chief Commissioner will organise a meeting on Tuesday 22 March 2022 at La Residence with staff representatives of all grades of the Water Resources Unit. The theme chosen by the UN-Water for this year is “Groundwater – making the invisible visible”.
5. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Water Resources will proceed with the procurement of:

a) bush cutters so as to improve the various sites of the Water Resources Unit which are in state of abandonment; and

b) two additional water lorries and four double cab lorries.

6. The Executive Council has taken note that Deputy Chief Commissioner’s Office has on 15 March 2022 approved the grant of twenty-two Residential Building and Land Use Permits.

7. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Health is proceeding with extension of the vaccination programme from 16 to 31 March 2022 at the Central Administration, Port Mathurin.

8. The Executive Council has taken note that in the context of the World Consumer Rights Day 2022, the Commission for Consumer Protection will organise a Conference/debate on the theme ‘Fair Digital Finance’ on Saturday 19 March 2022 at 10.00 hrs in the Lecture Theatre of the Antoinette Prudence Human Resource Development Centre, Malabar.

9. The Executive Council has taken note in the context of World Poetry Day on Monday 21 March 2022, the Commission for Arts & Culture will organise a ‘Scène ouverte de poésie’ on the same date at the Cultural & Leisure Centre, Mon Plaisir.

10. The Executive Council has taken note that a contract has been awarded to Sub Aquatic Network Ltd for the supply and fixing of 20 mooring buoys, 40 demarcation buoys and 8 navigational lights including accessories by the Commission for Marine Parks. The aim is to protect marine resources and ensure security at sea.

11. The Executive Council has taken note that the Deputy Chief Commissioner’s Office will launch bids for the maintenance, upgrading, resurfacing and construction of roads in Rodrigues for the year 2022 to 2024.

12. The Executive Council has taken note that Mr L. Boyer, Chief Engineer of La Mairie de Tampon, Reunion Island is fielding a mission to Rodrigues from 20 to 28 March 2022 so as to provide technical assistance to boost water production for agricultural production in Rodrigues.
13. The Executive Council has taken note of the visit of two FAO representatives in Rodrigues from 17 to 19 March 2022, in view of identifying projects to be funded under the next Country Programme Framework which the FAO will be signing with the Government of Mauritius in April 2022.

14. The Executive Council has taken note that in order to mark the International Day of Forests on Monday 21 March 2022, the Forestry Services is organising the following programmes:

(i) Reforestation of Community Centres throughout Rodrigues through the distribution of plants to villagers for planting in the yard of the Community centres and at household level; and

(ii) Sustainable Management Programme of rivers in the catchment areas, focusing on water conservation within river course as well as eco-tourism trails.

The Official Ceremony will be held at Camp Pintade on Monday 21 March 2022 at 16.30 hrs.

15. The Executive Council has taken note of the outcome of the meeting which the Commissioner for Tourism had with the Executive Committee of the Association du Tourisme Réunie (ATR) on 15th March 2022.

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Date: 18 March 2022