



RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY Executive Council

MAIN DECISIONS

Executive Council Meeting – Friday 19 May 2023

The Executive Council met today under the chairmanship of the Deputy Chief Commissioner, Mr. Franceau Aubret GRANDCOURT and has among its deliberations:

DECIDED

- (i) To approve the organisation of a Tripartite Conference on Social Dialogue on the 30 May to 01 June 2023 by the Commission for Tourism and Others with the collaboration of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) Occupational Safety and Health in the context of the setting up of an Advisory Council in Occupational Safety and Health in Rodrigues, in line with the relevant ILO conventions on social dialogue and the Sustainable Development Goals for Sustainable Development and Decent Work as well as the Sustainable Integrated Development Plan for Rodrigues (SIDPR). Mr. Limpho MANDORO, Specialist on Social Dialogue and Labour Administration from the International Labour Organisation (ILO) will be on official visit in Rodrigues as from 28 May 2023 to 02 June 2023 to assist in the organisation of the proposed Tripartite Conference/Workshop on Social Dialogue.
- (ii) The Commission for Arts and Culture will implement the following programmes and projects for the promotion of our mother tongue – “Kreol Rodrige” (KR):-
 - a. Launch an expression of interest for the printing and publishing of the Dictionary on “Kreol Rodrige”;

- b. finalisation of a pocket dictionary in Kreol Rodrige: a concept note is being worked out by the University;
 - c. the organization of an award course in “Kreol Rodrige” in Rodrigues; and
 - d. to organise a full workshop with the collaboration of the Chief Commissioner’s Office (Commission for Education), the UOM and the Mauritius Institute of Education in the context of teaching of “Kreol Rodrige” in Secondary School in Rodrigues.
- (iii) That the application of the Director of Eye Candy Ltd to operate an ophthalmological Clinic in Rodrigues will be referred to the Ministry of Health and Wellness for clearance. The Eye Candy Ltd intends offer the following services:
- (a) in-depth diagnosis of the eyes (refraction, retinography, glaucoma, cataract, dry eyes);
 - (b) eyes care advices; and
 - (c) other allied services (spectacles)

TAKEN NOTE

- (i) That the survey report carried out by the National Drug Secretariat on drug use in Rodrigues will be launched on Tuesday 23 May 2023 at the Youth and Family Centre, Anse aux Anglais followed by a two-day workshop with relevant stakeholders focusing on two main aspects, namely Drug situation in Rodrigues, and the formulation of an action plan based on the findings and recommendations of the report.

- (ii) That a team of Consultants from the BRGM Consortium and an officer from the Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change will field a mission to Rodrigues from 16 to 18 May 2023 to conduct field visits and interviews of stakeholders concerned with risks associated with coastal erosion and marine submersion in the context of the Study on Risks Assessment of Coastal Erosion and Marine Flooding in Mauritius and Rodrigues. The study which is funded by the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) will include the:
 - (a) assessment and mapping of coastal hazards;
 - (b) analysis and mapping of exposed assets; and
 - (c) analysis, assessment and mapping of coastal risks.
- (iii) A four-days training in goat production which will be organised by the Commission for Agriculture in collaboration with Food Agricultural Research and Extension Institute (FAREI) for goat breeders, from 22 to 26 May 2023. Goat farming is very popular in Rodrigues and there is a need to strengthen the “filière” to face the challenges of animal diseases, meet market and customer’s demand, improve productivity and adopt sustainable farming system.
- (iv) Of the participation of seven (07) members of the Rodrigues Regional Youth Council in the Annual General Meeting for all Regional Youth Council members and two finalists will compete in the Inter Youth Club Competition finale/quiz and Play Station 5 to be organised by the National Youth Council on Saturday 27 May 2023 at Cote D’Or National Sports Complex in Mauritius.
- (v) That a team of 15 youth from Rodrigues will participate in the Acapella Competition organized by the Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation on Saturday 27 May 2023 as from 18.00 hours at the Indira Gandhi Centre for Indian Culture, Phoenix. Last year, the Rodrigues team won the first Edition with a cash prize of Rs 100,000.00.

The objectives of the Competition are to:

- (a) provide a platform and opportunities to the Youth of the Republic of Mauritius to demonstrate their talents’; and
- (b) To promote healthy leisure and recreation activities.

- (vi) Of the activities that will be organised by the Commission for Arts and Culture to mark the commemoration of the 184th Anniversary of the Emancipation of slavery on 04 June 2023 at the memorial heritage site at Montagne cimetiére to pay tribute to our ancestors.

- (vii) Of the participation of 17 athletes and their coaches in the National Judo Competition as from 22 to 24 May 2023 which serve as a basis for participation in other international Competitions, namely the World Judo Championship, Olympic Games and the Indian Ocean Island Games.

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