

## RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY Executive Council

## MAIN DECISIONS

## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING – FRIDAY 20 May 2022

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 Global Consultant proceeds with the preparation of bidding documents for the installation of two new desalination plants of 500m3/day each at Pointe Venus and Caverne Bouteille to replace the existing which have broken down and are beyond repairs.
- 2. The Executive Council has approved the reconstitution and operationalisation of the Board of the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation (RPUC) under the Chairmanship of Mr. Claude WONG SO, O.S.K.
- 3. The Executive Council has approved the provision of a financial grant to the Rodrigues Educational Development Company Itd (REDCO) for the implementation of the following projects:
  - (a) Refurbishment of schools for compliance with fire and safety regulations (Rs 2,000,000.);
  - (b) Painting of colleges (Rs 3,000,000.); and
  - (c) Setting up of computer lab in the context of Nine Year Continuous Basic Education (NYCBE) (Rs 2,000,000.).
- 4. The Executive Council has approved to extend the sponsorship in favour of twelve (12) secondary Educators, who are holders of Pre-teacher's Diploma Secondary (Maths) to enable them to pursue their Bachelor in Education Mathematics with the Mauritius Institute of Education.

- 5. The Executive Council has approved the organisation of a capacity building programme on Soft Skills Development for the Staff of the Commission for Education which will be run by Polytechnics Mauritius Ltd (PML) with a view to enable the delivery of timely and quality service.
- 6. The Executive Council has approved the provision of a financial grant to Gonzague Pierre Louis Special Learning Centre to enable them to procure two single user computer software licenses with the aim of facilitating the learning of visually impaired children/students in Rodrigues.
- 7. The Executive Council has approved the provision of grant to Parents Teachers Association (PTA) of Primary Schools for organisation of the following activities in the context of the implementation of Nine Year Basic Continuous Basic Education (NYCBE):
  - (a) Revamping of school gardening projects;
  - (b) Promotion of Eco-Schools; and
  - (c) Initiation to Traditional Dance and Music.
- 8. The Executive Council has approved the organisation of the 2022 edition of the "Tournee Rodriguaise" in Mauritius and Reunion Island from 01 to 12 June 2022. The main aims of the event are to increase and maintain visibility of the destination and to encourage travel agencies to promote Rodrigues.
- 9. The Executive Council has approved the resumption of the Foundation Course in Tourism to Local Tourism Operators in view of the Professionalisation of the Rodrigues Tourism Industry and to ensure improvement in service delivery.
- 10. The Executive Council has approved the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding between Breast Cancer Care and the Commission for Health on Saturday 21 May 2022 at the Breast Cancer Care Centre in Mauritius.
- 11. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Agriculture organise a training in pork processing and manufacturing of pork delicatessens for local producers to promote the processing of pork.

- 12. The Executive Council has taken note that the Rodrigues Educational Development Company Itd (REDCO) has proceeded with the recruitment of nine Educators on a part time basis for short- and long-term replacement in REDCO colleges so as to ensure the smooth running of its colleges.
- 13. The Executive Council has taken note that the Office of Eastern Section of the Water Resources Unit will be transferred from Malabar to Grande Montagne (Post Office Building) as from 01<sup>st</sup> June 2022to facilitate its accessibility to the public in the region.
- 14. The Executive has taken note that the Commission for Tourism will provide financial assistance to the Rod Trail Association for the organisation of the 12<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Trail de Rodrigues which will be held on the 19<sup>th</sup> June 2022.
- 15. The Executive Council has taken note of the organization of the Lakka Lakka Employability Skills Project for Social Inclusion in Rodrigues from 12 to 19 June 2022 by the Commission for Youth and Sports in collaboration with the Youth Empowerment Forum International (YEF) and the Mauritius Film Development Corporation (MFDC).
- 16. The Executive Council has taken note that two teams of the Mauritius Institute of Education (MIE) will be in Rodrigues as hereunder:
  - (a) The first team led by Prof. V. NAECK, Director of the Mauritius Institute of Education to conduct community of Practice Sessions with Extended Programme facilitators and will also have sessions with Grades 4 and 6 Educators with respect to Carnet Scolaire.
  - (b) The second team will organise Peer Micro Teaching sessions and Teaching Practice for the eight Fortified Learning Environment (FLE) Extended Programme Tutors of Rodrigues and senior staff of the eight secondary schools in the FLE Programme who were trained as mentors.
- 17. The Executive Council has taken note that a delegation from the Special Education Needs Authority (SENA) will be on mission to Rodrigues from 24 to 27 May 2022 to present the SENA and its function as well as the importance of revamping the Special Education Needs sector and to raise awareness about inclusive education practices.

- 18. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Agriculture will proceed with the issue of agricultural permits to planters of Oyster Bay and Mourouk.
- 19. The Executive Council has taken note that a delegation of the National Drug Secretariat will be on mission to Rodrigues as from 23 to 26 May 2022 to hold meetings with authorities concerned in order to expedite the implementation of the recommendations made in the Report of the Commission of Inquiry on Drug Trafficking.
- 20. The Executive Council has taken note that Mr. Mbuli Charles BOLIKO, Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Representative for Madagascar, Comores, Mauritius and Seychelles will be on official visit to Rodrigues from 23 to 25 May 2022.

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