



RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY
Executive Council

MAIN DECISIONS

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING – FRIDAY 25 MARCH 2022

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

1. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Water Resources will launch an expression of interest for technical specialists for the rehabilitation, operation and maintenance of existing desalination plants in Rodrigues. The main objective is to optimise the operation of these desalination plants in view of stabilising water production so as to ensure regular supply to the population.
2. The Executive Council has approved the preliminary reform of the Water Resources Sector. A High Powered Water Steering Committee will be set up under the chairmanship of the Chief Commissioner and comprising the Deputy Chief Commissioner and Commissioner for Agriculture inter alia to ensure sustainable production and distribution of water.
3. The Executive Council has approved the vesting of the desalination aspect of water into the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation with a view to better manage the technical aspects of this sector.
4. The Executive Council has approved that the Deputy Chief Commissioner's office will provide assistance to Hearts Football Club for the completion of its building at La Ferme.

5. The Executive Council has approved the re-establishment of the Integrated Regional Offices (IRO) which will ensure continuous consultation with the community through their respective Regional Councils. The main aim is to enhance social inclusion and improve the quality of life for all whilst leaving no one behind.
6. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Fisheries will proceed with the implementation of urgent measures to trigger fisheries development in Rodrigues as follows: -
 - (i) renovation and rehabilitation of the *Maison des Pêcheurs* Building at Pointe Monier;
 - (ii) repair of existing equipment of the "*Maison des Pêcheurs*";
 - (iii) To initiate procedures for technical assistance of a Marine Surveyor to survey boats/vessels which are in a state of disrepair to enable their repairs and resumption of their fisheries/research activities; and
 - (iv) reorganisation of the Fisheries Division and the Fisheries Research and Training Unit into a full fledged Fisheries Department under the control of the Head, Fisheries.
7. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Fisheries will allocate off-lagoon fisherman cards to sixty-four professional fishermen who have already received training at the Fisheries Research and Training Unit; and
8. The Executive Council has approved a one-off payment for 78 Health Agents to alleviate the hardship sustained by them during the period of January to Mid-March 2022 when they did not earn any allowance due to sanitary restrictions.
9. The Executive Council has approved the reconstitution of the Health Advisory Board.
10. The Executive Council has approved the implementation of placement programme which will target women in situation of distress such as women victims of domestic violence and ex-inmates of the shelter Marie Madeleine de la Croix at Baladirou.

11. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Arts and Culture provides financial assistance under the Artist Assistance Scheme and the reconstitution of the Evaluation Committee.
12. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Sports will provide financial assistance to all sports team as follows:
 - (a) Football

1 st Division	-	Rs. 75,000 per team
2 nd Division	-	Rs. 30,000 per team
Regional teams	-	Rs. 25,000 per team
Feminine	-	Rs. 25,000 per team
 - (b) Volley ball teams (Men & Women) - Rs. 25,000 per team
 - (c) Handball (Men & Women) - Rs. 25,000 per team
 - (d) Basketball (men & Women) - Rs. 25,000
 - (e) Rugby (Men & Women) - Rs. 25,000
13. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Sports will proceed with the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding with the RCSS for the implementation of "Fisik dan Villaz' Project.
14. The Executive Council has taken note of the status of the relocation of Sainte Marie Villagers, agricultural and fishing activities in the context of the Airport Development Project at Plaine Corail.
15. The Executive Council has taken note of the actions initiated by the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Office for the improvement of service delivery at the National Land Transport Authority cashier's Office.
16. The Executive Council has taken note of the number of tourism licences processed by the Rodrigues Tourism Licensing Committee since its coming into operation.
17. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in collaboration with the HRDC will proceed with the launching of the training course in Cisco Certified Network Administrator (CCNA) on Tuesday 29 March 2022 at Wisdom in Tech Ltd. Training Centre.

18. The Executive Council has taken note that to mark the World Theatre Day 2022, the Commission for Arts and Culture will organise a "Drama Workshop" on Saturday 26 March 2022 at the Cultural and Leisure Centre of Mon Plaisir.
19. The Executive Council has note that the Head Library Services will proceed on official mission in Mauritius from Monday 28 March to Saturday 2 April in connection with the Annual Book Purchase.
20. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Arts and Culture will proceed with the payment of a one-off allowance of Rs. 10,050 to artists on 25 March 2022 as part of compensation in the Covid-19 pandemic.
21. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Youth will organise an Outreach Programme under the Youth Caravan Project. It aims at providing sensitisation awareness/counselling services for the youth population that might otherwise not have access to those services in their respective villages/regions. The programme will be launched on Saturday 2 April at Riviere Coco at 15.30 hrs.
22. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Agriculture is co-sponsoring a young farmer for her enrolment in the Young Leadership Incubation Program organised by the Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU) in connection with the Association of Farmers in Agriculture, Livestock Cooperative, Organic Network (FALCON) based in Mauritius.
23. The Executive Council has taken note of the outcome of the consultative meetings which the Commission for Tourism had with all operators and stakeholders of the Tourism Sector on 23 March 2022.

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