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## **RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**

### **Executive Council**

#### **MAIN DECISIONS**

#### **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING - FRIDAY 13 AUGUST 2021**

**The Executive Council met today under the chairmanship of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Mr. Nicolson LISETTE**

1. Due to the recent case of misuse of Information and Communication Technology, the Executive Council has agreed that the Commission for Family Welfare extends the implementation of the project "Permis Internet pour les Enfants de Rodrigues" (P.I.E.R) in all Special Education Needs (SEN), Primary and Secondary School Institutions as well as in Vocational Training Centres and Youth Counselling Centres.

The project aims to promote the safe and responsible use of Information and Communication Technology amongst the pupils and the youth particularly on the use of internet.

2. The Executive Council has taken note of the Cambridge School Certificate Examinations results for the year 2020/2021. Out of 789 students in Rodrigues, 577 have been successful representing a pass rate of 73.1% as compared to 57.0% in 2019.
3. The Executive Council has agreed that the Commission for Information and Communication Technology launches a bidding exercise for the procurement of tablets in view of extending the Tablet Loan Scheme to all Grades of Secondary Schools. The Scheme was initially launched for Grade 10 pupils only.
4. The Executive Council has agreed, in principle, to the proposed ICT/BPO Scheme for Rodrigues which will be launched by the Economic Development Board. The objective of the Scheme is to boost the ICT/BPO sector and develop the capacity building of IT professionals in Rodrigues.

5. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Industrial Development grants a financial assistance of Rs 50,000 to fifteen (15) beneficiaries under the Booster Grant Scheme to help develop and consolidate their businesses.
6. The Executive Council has agreed that the Commission for Housing provides an additional 10% Grant under the Casting of Slab Scheme and Elderly Housing Scheme as a result of the higher cost of construction materials in Rodrigues.
7. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for State Land will issue 98 additional State Land Leases in August 2021.
8. The Executive Council has taken note of the protocol worked out for jointly by the Commissions for Industrial Development, Health, Agriculture and Air Mauritius Ltd for the air transfer of Day Old Chicks to Rodrigues to meet local demand.
9. The Executive Council has taken note of the status of the vaccination campaign against COVID-19 in Rodrigues. As at 12 August 2021, 15,934 persons have been administered the first dose and 13,419 have been administered the second dose.
10. The Executive Council has taken note that following discussions with the Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security, the movement of poultry species from Rodrigues to Mauritius is now authorised under certain conditions.
11. The Executive Council has taken note that a batch of 66 passengers will be proceeding to 14-days' quarantine in Mauritius today 13 August 2021. They are expected to travel to Rodrigues on 28 August 2021 subject to all COVID-19 tests being negative.
12. The Executive Council has taken note of the recruitment of 17 new officers under the establishment of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly:
  - i. 10 Trainee Primary School Educators;
  - ii. 4 Trainee Assistants Inspector of Works; and
  - iii. 3 Trainee Midwives.

**Chief Commissioner's Office  
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**Date: 13 August 2021**