

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY Executive Council

MAIN DECISIONS

Executive Council Meeting – Friday 15 December 2023

The Executive Council met today under the chairmanship of the Chief Commissioner, Mr. Johnson ROUSSETY, G.O.S.K; and has among its deliberations:

DECIDED

- (i) That the Commission for Industrial Development proceeds with the placement and training of a batch of eight (8) eligible applicants under the Youth Mobility Programme and to issue letter of intent to three (03) other eligible applicants requesting them to submit the required documents for further processing by the Screening Committee.
- (ii) That the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation will proceed with the award of prefabricated water tanks to a third batch of 44 beneficiaries who are eligible for the Rainwater Harvesting Scheme.
- (iii) That the Commission for Trade and Licence will grant Trade Licences to 2 applicants, pending amendment of the lease as appropriate and to refer the cases to the Cadastral Office for processing and finalisation of appropriate commercial leases.
- (iv) To ratify the grant of Agricultural Permits to the 30 beneficiaries of the GCCA+ climate smart Agriculture Projects consisting of the setting up of a lime honey project farm at Anse Ally and an Integrated Organic Chilli Farm at Mt Du Sable.

- (v) That the Commission for Health will provide a special performance stipend to the 89 Community Health Agent, equivalent to one-month stipend for their involvement in community health works namely to:
 - (a) provide minimal health assistance to people of all years who require medical follow-up like testing of hypertension and diabetes;
 - (b) carry out door to door sensitization campaign;
 - (c) assist the Health Promotion Unit in its outreach programmes; and
 - (d) provide assistance to NCD Secretariat for the smooth running of its activities.
- (vi) That the Commission for Family Welfare will set up a Family Nature Park at Marechal to enable families to combine sport, leisure and health activities in one secured and environmentally friendly environment. The project includes pruning of trees and replacement of invasive plants by endemic plant, construction of a toilet block, fitness trail, construction of kiosks, fencing of compound and provision and installation of kindergarten equipment and open-air sports equipment.

TAKEN NOTE

- (i) Of the results for the Primary School Achievement Certificate Assessments (PSAC) for Academic Year 2023 for Rodrigues.
 - According to results, the overall percentage pass rate for Rodrigues for Academic Year 2023 is 79.77% compared to 77.47% for Academic Year 2021/2022 which represents an increase of 2.30%. The percentage pass rate for Rodrigues is above the pass rate for Mauritius which is at 77.34%.
- (ii) Of the arrangement being made by the Commission for Social Security in collaboration with the family for the celebration of the centenarian of Mrs. Rosana PIERRE-LOUIS on 10 January 2024 at Vainqueur Sports Complex.

- (iii) That on 01st December 2023, Cabinet was apprised of the implementation of water sector projects by the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation (RPUC) through the financing of the MIC Ltd, the terms and conditions of the investment and the setting up of the Monitoring Committee chaired by the Secretary to Cabinet and Head of Civil Service, to monitor the implementation of the projects.
- (iv) That the Commission for Health and others will set up of an Endoscopy Unit at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Creve Coeur as presently patients who need Endoscopy, have to be sent to Mauritius or to await visit of Specialist which occurs thrice yearly.
- (v) That at its last meeting held on Tuesday 12 December 2023 the Rodrigues Tourism Licensing Committee (RTLC) considered 19 applications for Tourism Enterprise Licenses.
- (vi) According to last statistical records, 11,757 tourists visited Rodrigues during the month of November 2023, compared to 10,379 for November 2022. It is to be noted that for period January to November 2023, there have been a total of 85,360 tourists' arrivals compared to 67,607 for the same period in Year 2019 (normal year prior to Covid pandemic), an increase of 26.26%.
- (vii) That the Commission for Family Welfare and others will organise christmas activities comprising Christmas Carol by the Association Les Enfants D'abord and distribution of token gift to children in a Christmas décor at La Ferme (Children Playground) on 21 December 2023 at 10.00 hours and at Mont Lubin (near the market) at 10.00 hours, and Port Mathurin (near the Office du Tourisme) on 22 December 2023 at 10.00 hours and 13.00 hours respectively. The objective of the activity is to offer a joyful moment and brings the spirit of Christmas in the heart of families.
- (viii) That at its meeting held on Wednesday 13 December 2023, the Building and Land Use Permit Committee has approved the grant nine Residential Building and Land Use Permits.
- (ix) That the Forestry Services will sell Christmas trees to the public on Friday 22 December 2023 in the compound of the Commission for Agriculture and Others from 08.00 to 14.00 hours.

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Date: 15 December 2023