



RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY
Executive Council

MAIN DECISIONS

Executive Council Meeting – Friday 21 July 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 Housing will apply the revised rates of grants allocated to beneficiaries of Slab Schemes as announced in the Budget 2023/2024 by the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development on 02 June 2023 as follows:

Monthly Household Income Threshold	Maximum Grant Payable
Up to Rs 15,000	Rs 130,000
From Rs 15,001 to Rs 20,000	Rs 100,000
From Rs 20,001 to Rs 30,000	Rs 75,000

The Grant for Casting of Slab Scheme and the Elderly Slab Scheme is meant for families whose monthly household revenue does not exceed Rs 20,000 and 30,000 monthly respectively, and aims at helping beneficiaries to meet the cost for the purchase of construction materials only and is for the casting or recasting of slab up to a maximum of 100 m² on a building meant for dwelling purposes.

- (ii) That the Commission for Industrial Development will further process 5 commercial and industrial projects in line with the revised procedures for the evaluation of commercial and industrial projects.
- (iii) That the Commission for Water Resources will provide funds to the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation to meet its obligations with regard to salaries, fuel, repairs and maintenance of vehicles, consumables and replacement of equipment.
- (iv) To approve that the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation (RPUC) award the contract for the procurement of 400 pre-fabricated water tanks of 5m³ each to the lowest evaluated substantially responsive bidder for the total sum of Rs 9,735,582., VAT exclusive. Priority for the provision of both pre-fabricated and in-situ water tanks will be given to low income households who do not possess any water tank or who have water tanks with the very low storage capacity of less than 3m³ to further promote rainwater harvesting with a view to mitigating water shortage caused by climate change.
- (v) That the Commission for Environment will provide a cash grant to Ms. Mary Joanna Robertson who has been elected as Miss Environment International Rodrigues 2023 on 25 February 2023 in Mauritius, to enable her to attend the first Fashion Show on the theme 'Recycled Materials' to be organized by SME Mauritius Rodrigues on Saturday 29 July 2023.
- (vi) To approve the nominations of three officers of the Commission for Health and Others to attend the following training programmes in the People Republic of China from 06 September to 19 September 2023:
 - (a) Training Course on Maternal Healthcare Technique for Developing Countries;
 - (b) Seminar on Infectious Disease Prevention and Control System and Technology Program Introduction; and
 - (c) Training Course for Hospital Technicians for Developing Countries Program Induction.

- (vii) That the Commission for Health and Others will organize a training course for carers in collaboration with Polytechnics Mauritius. The syllabus will consist of 12 modules including Social and Emotional needs of people in care, Principles of Safeguarding and Protection, Basic Manual Handling Techniques, Care for Elderly and others.
- (viii) To approve the extension of employment of Mr Julien COLIN as Technical Supervisor of the GCCA+ Climate Smart Agriculture Project with effect from 01 January 2023 up to 31 December 2023 at Anse-Ali and Montagne du Sables. The project comprises the setting of an Integrated Organic Chilli Farm at Montagne du Sable targeting 28 beneficiaries and the setting up of a lime and honey farm at Anse Ali for 15 beneficiaries.
- (ix) Of the nomination of Mr G. Herman CLAIR, Administrative Officer of the Commission for Health, as secretary of the Human Research Ethics Committee in replacement of Ms Christiana PRUDENCE who has been appointed as Departmental Head.
- (x) To appoint the Visiting Magistrate and Principal Court Officer respectively as Chairman and Secretary of the Rehabilitation Youth Centre Board of Visitors. The Rehabilitation Youth Centre Board of Visitors for Rodrigues is set out under the Section 53(6) of the Reform Institutions Act of 1988.
- (xi) Of the appointment of Mr. J. Thomas GENAVE, Departmental Head, Commission for Tourism and Others as Director/Member on the Board of Discovery Rodrigues Company Ltd with effect from 01 August 2023.
- (xii) That the Commission for Arts and Culture will launch the Artist Assistance Scheme for the financial year 2023-2024 on Friday 28 July 2023 and the closing date will be Friday 15 September 2023. The main objective of this scheme is to provide financial assistance to artists and cultural groups for the creation of arts projects hence contributing to the development of Cultural Industry of Rodrigues.

TAKEN NOTE

- (i) That the Commission for Education will meet the cost of return air tickets and a daily living allowance of Rs 1,000 to six (6) members of the Maison Familiale Rurale (MFR) who will participate in trainings organised by Fédération des Maisons Familiales Rurales (FMFR) from 27 July to 02 August 2023 in Mauritius. The Maison Familiale Rurale (MFR) de Rodrigues was registered in 2009 and operates at Remir while the Maison Familiale Rurale

(MFR) Zone 3 was registered in 2015 and operates at Quatre Vents and they provide out-of-school youth between 16 and 18 years with technical and professional training to enhance their various skills and help them to secure employment or set up their own enterprises.

- (ii) That subject to all documents being ready for signature, including the final approval of Cabinet, it is proposed to proceed with the signature of the Subscription Agreement between the Mauritius Investment Corporation and the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation in Rodrigues early August 2023.
- (iii) That the Building and Land Use Permit Committee at its meetings held on 19 July 2023 has approved the grant of four Residential Building and Land Use Permits and one Commercial Building and Land Use Permits.
- (iv) Of the organisation of the Special Vacances Programme during the School Holidays of July/August 2023 from Tuesday 25 July to Friday 04 August 2023 by the Commission for Youth and Sports in collaboration with the youths of the six Regions of Rodrigues with the objectives to:
 - (a) to encourage youths to adopt a healthy style of living through the practice of sports, leisure and art;
 - (b) to provide appropriate platforms to the youths to showcase their talents;
 - (c) to strengthen relationships and friendship between the youths of the different regions and the different Youth Clubs; and
 - (d) to increase the visibility of Youth Centres and make them more friendly to the youths.

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Date: 21 July 2023