



## **RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**

### **Executive Council**

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#### **MAIN DECISIONS**

**Executive Council Meeting–Friday 23 September 2022**

**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) To invite the population particularly sportsmen to observe an afternoon of mourning to pay tribute to late Mr. Daniel ANDRE M.S.K., for his outstanding contribution in sports.
- (ii) That the Rodrigues Public Utilities Corporation (Rodrigues Water) will proceed with the recruitment of Heavy Vehicle Drivers (roster-day and night) for water lorries for distribution of water and Operatives for the operation of desalination plants, boreholes, and other water facilities to be managed by the corporation.
- (iii) That the Rainwater Harvesting Scheme be reviewed and that the Rodrigues Regional Assembly will grant Rs. 40,000 to eligible households under the following three (03) options:

#### **(a) Cash Grant**

An amount of up to Rs 40 000 will be granted to each eligible beneficiary for the purchase of a fibre/polyethylene water tank of at least 4m<sup>3</sup>.

**(b) DBM Financing (RRA Grant + DBM Loan)**

Each eligible beneficiary will be granted an amount up to Rs. 40,000 who may avail a loan up to Rs. 20,000 from the DBM for either the purchase of a fibre/polyethylene water tank or the construction of a concrete water tank by a registered contractor.

**(c) Built Up (Contractor)**

The RRA to meet the cost of construction of concrete water tank for the value of up to Rs. 40,000 each, payable directly to the registered contractors after satisfactory completion of works.

- (iv) That the Commission for Water Resources will award a contract to a specialised hazardous waste management firm for the assessment of the chlorine gas cylinders and full inspection of other hazardous wastes at desalination and water treatment sites for proper handling and discarding of these items.
- (v) That the Chief Commissioner's Office (Marine Parks) will provide a financial assistance to Mr. Jean Maurice RAVINA, President of Ter-Mer Rodriguez and chairman of the SEMPA Board, for his participation in the SMILO (Small Islands Organisation) Annual Meeting 2022 which will be held in Faro and Culatra Island, Portugal, from 25th to 29th September 2022. The meeting will be an opportunity to present Rodrigues as a potential candidate to obtain the "SMILO Label."
- (vi) That subject to the outcome of social enquiry, the Deputy Chief Commission's Office, Commission for Public Infrastructure will pay a non-refundable capital contribution to the CEB for the displacement of electric poles from the residential sites of seven needy families for security reasons.
- (vii) That the Commission for Fisheries will make recommendations to the Minister of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping for the extension of the Large Net Fishing Season 2022 for 10 days as from 01 October to 10 October 2022 being given that weather conditions prevented net fishers from fishing for several consecutive days.
- (viii) That the Commission for Youth & Sports will organise a training of Trainers Course in Tai Chi targeting 40 animators from 03 to 08 October 2022 thereafter sport representatives of villages will also be trained in the basics of Tai Chi.

## **TAKEN NOTE**

- (i) That a delegation headed by Dr. the Honourable M. A. HUSNOO, Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management will be on official mission to Rodrigues from 27 to 29 September. The objectives of the visit will include:
  - (a) sharing of the overall strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) in Mauritius and Rodrigues;
  - (b) sharing of the operational lessons learned of the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Centre (NDRRMC) and its national Emergency Operations Command (NEOC);
  - (c) roundtables with DRRM Stakeholders;
  - (d) community preparedness and community disaster response programme; and
  - (e) sites visits to facilities of the Emergency Services (Police, SMF, MMS, Fire Services)
  
- (ii) That the Commission for Water Resources has awarded contract for the procurement of pipes and fittings which will be used for replacement of network where warranted, repair works and extension of networks particularly in parcelised residential zones.
  
- (iii) That the Commission for Water Resources has completed the installation of a pipeline from Trèfles to Coromandel Reservoir to improve the transfer water from Pointe Coton Desalination plant to improve water distribution in villages of Coromandel, Patate Tehophile, Trois Soleil, Montagne Cabris Est, Mt Ursule, St Francois, Anse Femi, Batatran and Graviers.
  
- (iv) That the Commission for Youth is organising a Youth Talent Show and Expo-vente of young Entrepreneurs on Saturday 01 October 2022 at Malabar in order to give the youths the opportunity to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly by showing their talents and competencies in

various fields of entrepreneurship, arts and crafts, music, dance, Djaying, aesthetics and other sectors. The activity will also include an exhibition of different services offered by the Commission, a corner for sensitisation on Sexual Reproductive Health and voluntary screening of Natural Communication Diseases and a cultural show to be animated by Youth of the Youth Counselling Centre and the two youth bands of Grande Montagne and English Bay Youth Centres.

- (v) That the Rodrigues Sports Company Ltd has recruited 1 supervisor, 1 secretary and 11 handy workers, among ex-athletes in order to start its operation consisting of the management of selected sports infrastructure around the island.
  
- (vi) That in line with the policy of the Commission for Agriculture to promote training and development of planters and to help them to keep abreast with new agricultural techniques and practices, the commission will sponsor the travel cost of five members of the Port Sud Est Planter's Association to attend an Agricultural Training Session of five days which will be organised by the Midlands Agricultural Credit and Marketing Cooperative Society Limited in Mauritius from 03 to 07 October 2022.
  
- (vii) That the Commission for Women Affairs is organising a one-day recreational activity for inmates of the Foyer Marie Madeleine de la Croix on Saturday the 24th of September 2022 at the Francois Leguat Reserve at Anse Quitor. The recreational activity is also in line with Article 31 of the UN Convention of the rights of the child which says that every child has the right to rest and leisure and engage in play and recreational activities.

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