

RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Executive Council

MAIN DECISIONS

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING - FRIDAY 27 AUGUST 2021

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

- 1. The Executive Council has taken note that a batch of 66 residents of Rodrigues has proceeded to 14-days' quarantine in Mauritius on Thursday 26 August 2021. They are expected to travel to Rodrigues on 10 September 2021 subject to all COVID-19 tests being negative. Moreover, another batch of passengers will proceed to quarantine on Tuesday 31 August 2021.
- 2. The Executive Council has agreed that the Commission for Education provides a financial grant to Parent Teacher's Associations (PTA) of each primary school for the provision of local cakes to pupils of pre-primary, primary and Special Needs Education (SEN) Schools once weekly as from the second school term.
- 3. The Executive Council has agreed to the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Rodrigues Regional Assembly and Statistics Mauritius to set out a framework of cooperation between the two parties with regard to the improvement of Rodrigues Statistical System and capacity building of the Rodrigues Statistical Unit.
- 4. The Executive Council has agreed to the common activities to be implemented under the Matching Fund Concept project for the period January 2022 to December 2024 between the Rodrigues Regional Assembly and the United Nations Fund for Population (UNFPA). Activities will be implemented by the Commissions responsible for Women Affairs, Health and Youth.

Activities have been elaborated to target the fight against drug and substance abuse, Gender Based Violence (GBV), Sexual Reproductive Health (SRH) and empowerment of youths and women.

- 5. The Executive Council has agreed that the Commission for Vocational Training organises a Basic First Aid Course for 142 pre-primary teachers of all pre-primary schools in Rodrigues. The training will be delivered by the Mauritius Red Cross Society Rodrigues Branch.
- 6. The Executive Council has approved that the Commission for Social Security provides a financial grant to the "Congrégation des Filles de Marie" for the procurement of a motor van for the Respite Care Centre.
- 7. The Executive Council has agreed that the Commission for Agriculture provides assistance to:
 - i. Baie du Nord Farmers Association and Baie Malgache Agricultural Multipurpose Cooperative Society to optimise the use of agricultural land and increase food production; and
 - ii. Mt. Fanal Village Committee for the setting up of a model orchard.
- 8. The Executive Council has taken note that a third batch of 72 Tourist Enterprise Licensees have been exempted from the payment of Operating License Fee and Rental Fee for State Land Leases in the prevailing COVID-19 context.
- 9. The Executive Council has taken note that Primary Government Schools will organise their respective Annual Sports Fun Day during the period 25 August to 30 September 2021.
- 10. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Information, Communication and Technology is organising the Web Cup Junior 2021 and the Web Cup Final Event 2021 on 02 to 03 September and 04 to 05 September 2021 respectively at the ICT Centre for Excellence.
- 11. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Agriculture will proceed with the extension of Low-Voltage network at Saponaire to provide electricity to farmers in the region.
- 12. The Executive Council has taken note of the status of the vaccination campaign against COVID-19 in Rodrigues. As at 25 August 2021, 19,032 persons have been administered the first dose and 14,696 persons have been administered the second dose.

13. The Executive Council has taken note of the modalities being put in place by the Commission for Health for the setting up of a Medical Board pursuant to sections 5.1 (c) and 5.2 of the COVID-19 (Restriction of Access to Specified Institutions, Places and Premises) Regulations 2021 for those persons who cannot be vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine for medical reasons.

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Date: 27 August 2021