



**RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**  
**Executive Council**

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**MAIN DECISIONS**

**Executive Council Meeting – Friday 30 June 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) To approve the creation of a landmark historical, heritage and cultural tourism circuit in Rodrigues commencing at the Museum and Archives Building of Baie Lascar leading to the Garde Poste of Pointe Venus (1809) which is a National Heritage Site, the observation of Transit of Venus Site (1761), the Cable and wireless Site-Telegraph cable (1901) linked with the history of communication in Rodrigues which will culminate with the old colonial quarters at Mont Venus.
- (ii) To approve the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Ministry of Arts and Cultural Heritage and the Rodrigues Regional Assembly to inter-alia:
  - (a) enhance artistic and cultural cooperation between the Ministry and the Commission on the basis of equality and mutual benefits;
  - (b) encourage local, regional and international exchanges of artists, creators, performers and other players in the field of Arts and Cultural Heritage to and from Rodrigues;

- (c) enable eligible staff, creators, performers and other players to participate in workshops, seminars and training courses with a view to enhance cultural development between the Ministry and the Commission; and
  - (d) encourage the use of existing facilities, contacts and expertise to foster artistic and cultural development.
- (iii) That the Commission for Youth and Sports will proceed with the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Rodrigues Sport Company Limited, a private company set up by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly with the objective to:-
  - (a) promote the efficient and effective maintenance of sport infrastructures,
  - (b) promote the sustainable development of sport development structures,
  - (c) harmonise the organisation of "Sport Pour Tous" type activities around the Island, and
  - (d) raise funds for the above objects.

## **TAKEN NOTE**

- (i) That in view of ensuring timely implementation and proper monitoring of the projects for better service delivery and effectiveness, as well as the optimization of financial resources allocated during a specific financial year, the Chief Commissioner's Office is initiating actions to enlist the service of Project Managers on a contract basis under the Expert Skill Scheme.
- (ii) The holding of the Mock Exams 2023 and End of Second Term Assessment for Grade 6 and Grades 1 to 5 pupils respectively to assess pupils' strengths and weaknesses so as to bring remedial actions before the final examinations according to the following the timetable

<b>Day and Date</b>	<b>Morning Session</b>	<b>Afternoon Session</b>
Thursday 06 July 2023	Grades 1 – 6 French	Grades 3 - 6 Science/SSEE
		Grades 1- 2 Communication Skills
Friday 07 July 2023	Grades 1- 6 English	Grades 1- 3 Communication Skills
		Grades 4 - 6 History and Geography
Monday 10 July 2023	Grades 1- 6 Maths	Grades 1- 2 Practical Work
		Grade 3 Communication Skills

- (iii) Of the outcome of the participation of a delegation of the RRA headed by the Deputy Chief Commissioner in the validation workshop held in Mauritius on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023 in connection with the development of a Roadmap and Action Plan for a Circular Economy in the Republic of Mauritius including a dedicated section for Rodrigues. A session was dedicated to Rodrigues whereby an overview of the Roadmap and Action Plan for Circular Economy in Rodrigues was presented by the Consultant, followed by a panel discussion.
- (iv) That the Commission for Family welfare will organise the following activities to mitigate societal issues:
- (a) A brainstorming/consultative session with representatives of all partners concerned with the subject matter during the month of July 2023;
  - (b) Based on the findings and proposals that will come out from the brainstorming/consultative session, work out a costed action plan with measures to be undertaken to remedy the situation;

- (c) Conduct Information/Education and Communication programmes at College and Community levels; and
- (d) Organise Women Leadership programmes for girls targeting female students of upper classes of Secondary Schools, with the participation of boys, covering topics such as gender concept, reproductive and sexual health, adulthood, communication with parents, teenage pregnancy and access to contraception and domestic violence.
- (v) That according to last statistical records for the month of May 2023, 7,483 tourists visited Rodrigues compared to 5,404 for the same month in 2019 prior to the outbreak of the COVID 19 pandemic. The number of tourist visitors from January to May 2023, has increased by 22.2 % from 28,991 for the same period in Year 2019 to 35,411.
- (vi) That a technical team from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) will undertake a mission to Rodrigues from 03<sup>rd</sup> to 07<sup>th</sup> July 2023 to monitor the progress made under three ongoing projects namely Coral Reef Restoration, GEF Mainstreaming Biodiversity and the UNDP Mauritius Ecofish projects.
- (vii) That the Commission for Youth and Sports in collaboration with the Commission for Education and Training and other partners will celebrate the **World Youth Skills Day** on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023 involving: -
- nine (9) youth skills march in the streets of Port Mathurin;
  - an exhibition and an animation by the youths at the SAJ Square;
  - participation of relevant organizations and firms involved or desirous of promoting skills in the youth

The theme for the World Youth Skills Day 2023 is "Skilling Teachers, Trainers and Youth for a Transformative future.

**Chief Commissioner's Office  
Port Mathurin  
Rodrigues**

**Date: 30 June 2023**