The Executive Council met at 09.00 hours this Friday 27 March 2015 under the chairmanship of the Chief Commissioner, Mr. Louis Serge CLAIR, G.C.S.K.

1. The Executive Council has agreed for the installation of an Automatic Weather Station at Patate Theophile. Records of weather conditions prevailing in the eastern region of Rodrigues especially during cyclonic conditions will be available on a continuous basis.

2. The Executive Council has agreed for the organization of the 16th edition of the Festival Kreol in Rodrigues from 02 to 06 December 2015. The Festival Kreol will comprise the following activities: “La Nuit Sega Tambour, konferans lors kreolite, Festival teat, Sirandan dan vilaz, Bal Souskri,Konser Losean Indien and Piknik dans la kanpagn”. Artists, musical groups, speakers and resource persons from creole speaking islands will be invited to participate in the festival.

3. The Executive Council has taken note of the mission of two Consultants to Rodrigues from 30 March to 1st April 2015 in the context of a Mid-Term Review of the Education and Human Resources Strategy Plan 2008-2020 of the Ministry of Education and Human Resources. The objective of the Mid-Term Review is to provide feedback on the efficient and effective implementation of the Education Strategy in Mauritius and Rodrigues and also to make recommendations for the reconceptualization/re-orientation of the Education Strategy for the remaining years until 2020.

4. The Executive Council has taken that two Pépiniéristes from Reunion Island were on mission in Rodrigues from 24 to 27 March 2015 in the context of the project Orchards Development Project in Rodrigues. The Pépiniéristes were on prospective mission prior to the provision of technical support and short practical training in the setting up of some five orchards of 2 acres each for the professional production of local fruit.
5. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Agriculture has launched tender for the refurbishment of the Ex-Agricultural marketing Board Store at Citronelle. The upgraded building will be used for the storage of agricultural products such as onions.

6. The Executive Council has taken note that Mr. F. DESCROIX, Coffee Expert is on mission in Rodrigues in the context of the implementation of the Coffee Project. Practical training in coffee planting is being delivered to members of the Rodrigues Coffee Producers Multipurpose Cooperative and the Expert visited the land earmarked for the extension of the coffee development project at l’Union for the preparation of a work plan.

7. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Industrial Development is setting up a mechanism to facilitate access to new technologies by Small and Medium Enterprises (SME’s) with a view to increase productivity and improve product quality.

8. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Public Infrastructure is launching tender for the selection of Consultant for Global Consultancy Services for Selected Development Projects in Rodrigues.

9. The Executive Council has taken note that the Commission for Fisheries has installed beacon lights at Grand Bassin for the security of fishers. The lights are operational since 23 March 2015.

10. The Executive Council has taken note that two officers from the Ministry of Fisheries will be on mission to Rodrigues from 31 March to 04 April 2015 in the context of the reorganization of the Fisheries Protection Service. The delegation will have meeting with the relevant stakeholders, training programme with staff of the Fisheries Protection Service.

11. The Executive Council has taken note of the organization of the Sustainable Development Workshop under the programme “Inspired Generation for a Sustainable Future” in Rodrigues from 09 to 10 April 2015. THE WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE Cultural and Leisure Centre, Mont Plaisir under the theme “Une ile écologique pour un développement durable: pou tou dimoune et avec tou dimoune”.

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