PRESS RELEASE

The Executive Council met at 10.00 hours this Friday 4 November 2011 under the chairmanship of the Deputy Chief Commissioner, Mrs. M.T. CLAIR-BRAULT and has, among its deliberations:

DECIDED:

(i) to approve infrastructural works to be carried out in the context of 13th Edition Festival Creole 2011 to be held from 28th November to 4th December 2012 at Marechal and La Ferme, namely:

(a) replacement of fencing at Marechal Football ground and provision of a shelter for guests and public;

(b) painting of the Jean Paul II Sports Complex;

(c) painting of the kiosk and toilet of Ile Michel beach;

(d) Painting and embellishment of Marechal Community Centre and Market;

(e) Painting of metal barriers at the Marechal Swimming Pool; and

(f) Provision of a parking space near La Ferme Sports Complex and also cleaning along the roads in the region.
DECIDED:

It is to be noted that the following activities will be organised to mark this Edition Festival Creole 2011, namely:

(a) Debate conference on “la Kreolité”
(b) Drama Festival “Teat dans village”
(c) Artistic and handicraft sales exhibition
(d) Photo and painting Exhibition and workshop
(e) Sega tambour competition
(f) “Sware conte”, sirandanes et limour
(g) Gastronomy
(h) Regatta competition at Ile Michel
(i) “Concours Ti Mamzel ek Ti Missié Kreole »
(j) Traditional games
(k) Animation dans la krwazé
(l) Musical concert ‘Grand concert de L’Ocean Indien’ at La Ferme

(ii) to approve that the Commission of Youth and Sports proceeds with the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the MCB Forward Foundation in the context of the project “MCB Football Academy in Rodrigues at Patate Theophile.” The project is an initiative of the MCB Forward Foundation whereby sport and education will be used to create an environment conducive to child development. It is to be noted that it is an essential condition for all children who wish to be considered under the MCB Football Academy that they must attend school.
TAKEN NOTE:

(i) that a team of three officers from the Metrology Services of the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Consumer Protection are on mission from 3\textsuperscript{rd} to 16 November 2011 for the assizing of instruments of traders, including weighbridge of stone crushing companies, petrol pump of the filling station and the inspection of trade services.

(ii) that ten markers from Rodrigues have been selected to participate in the marking exercise of the CPE Examination as from Tuesday 8 November 2011 in Mauritius. They were selected on the following criteria namely (a) priority be given to CPE Teachers; and (b) year of last participation in the exercise based on document/records submitted by the Mauritius Examinations Syndicate.

(iii) that the Commission for Womens Affairs proceeds with the release of grant in aid of Rs 100, 000 to the Rodrigues Regional Women’s Committee. The grant will be used towards payment of salary to the staff, administrative expenses and also to organise activities and exchange with other Women’s Association.

(iv) of the increase in the number of Tourists Arrivals in Rodrigues for the months of July and August by 5.01\% and 3.55\% respectively compared to the same month last year. As for the month of September there has been a massive increase of 30.10\% compared to same period last year. With the present trend in the increase of tourists’ arrival it is expected that the historical target of 50, 000 visitors be reached this year.

(v) that the commission for Public Infrastructure has submitted to the Central Procurement Board the necessary bidding documents for the following projects, namely (a) construction of 60 concrete low cost housing units at different locations in Rodrigues, (b) construction of track road and Minor Civil Works in Rodrigues for financial year 2012, and (c) maintenance, Upgrading, Resurfacing, construction of roads in Rodrigues for financial year 2012.

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