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The Executive Council met at 09.00 hours this Friday 25 May 2012 under the chairmanship of the Chief Commissioner, Mr. Louis Serge CLAIR, G.C.S.K. and has among its deliberations:

DECIDED:

(i) To approve the organisation of the Rodrigues Drama Festival in Creole Language on the theme “Rodrigues Zil Ekolozik” with the view to develop and promote drama and theatre in Rodrigues and also to encourage young actors and directors to set up their own troupe.

(ii) To approve the reallocation of funds from the different commissions’ budgets as detailed hereunder to be able to meet the operating expenses of the Rodrigues Water Company for the month of May 2012.

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To approve the launching of tender for the purchase of one Bicarbonate Mixer and one dual reverse osmosis machine for Haemodialysis for Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Rodrigues with objective to provide a better service to the increasing number of patients on dialysis treatment.

To approve that Boat Yard Building at Pointe Monier be temporarily put at the disposal of a promoter for the start of a project on compaction of plastic and metal wastes activities in line with the vision to make Rodrigues an ecological Island.

**TAKEN NOTE**

That the Rodrigues Regional Assembly is preparing a plan for submission to the Central Government for inclusion into the 10-year Economic and Social Transformation Plan (ESTP). The overall vision is to reduce the gap of the Human Resource Development Index between Mauritius and Rodrigues. In that context, a mission led by the Financial Secretary and accompanied by other donors’ agency will be in Rodrigues as from 1\textsuperscript{st} June 2012 to finalise the plan.

That following the launching of the Grand Slam National Poesie 2012 by the Ministry of Arts and Culture, the Commission for Arts and Culture will organise a local slam competition with a view to select teams from Rodrigues to participate in the finals of the National Slam Competition to be held in Mauritius on 28 June 2012.

That a residential seminar will be organised for members of the Conseil Culturel de Rodrigues at St. Francois Thevaux Centre from 09 to 10 June 2012 to enable members of the Conseil to carry out an in-depth analysis of the present status of arts and culture in Rodrigues with a view to come up with appropriate and context-related solutions so as to enhance the development and promotion of arts and culture in Rodrigues.

That a workshop pertaining to Prevocational Education will be organised in collaboration with the Rodrigues Educational Development Company Limited and the Mauritius Institute of Education for Secondary School Rectors followed by training sessions for Prevocational Educators with view to brief them on the new Prevocational Education Curriculum.
(v) That one Rodriguan Midwife will be nominated to follow a training course in the People’s Republic of China in the field of “Mother and Child Health Promotion for English-Speaking African Countries in Chengdu, China from 15th August to 04 September 2012.

(vi) That three football coaches will participate in the CAF “B” Licence coach course to be held in Mauritius from the 16 July to 4 August 2012 at the MFA Technical Centre, Trianon.

(vii) That a “Brevet d’état de Cadre Sportif” Course will be launched on Wednesday 30 May 2012 at Mont Lubin College. The Course is offered by the Ministry for Youth and Sports in collaboration with the Commission for Health and Sports and is meant to impart fundamental knowledge of human body, anatomy, biomechanics and Sports Administrative skills to coaches and Administrative Cadres. Sixty-one (61) participants have been selected to follow the course.

(viii) That the Commission for Health in collaboration with other NGO’s in Rodrigues will commemorate Aids Candlelight Memorial 2012 on Sunday 03 June 2012 at Grande Montagne Volley Ball Ground.

(ix) Of the outcome of the mission of Dr. A. SUDDHOO, Executive Director of the Mauritius Research Council in Rodrigues on 17 May 2012 in relation to activities to be considered towards an Ocean Economy.

(x) That in order to mark the World Book Day Celebrations 2012, the Commission for Library Services in collaboration with National Library and the World Book Day Committee will hold a book festival from 31 May to 02 June 2012 under the veranda of the Central Administration.

(xi) Of the management letter from the National Audit Office on projects implemented by the Commission for Education.

(xii) Of the Outcome of the mission of a delegation of SMART FISH project of the IOC composed of Mr. Dominique GREBOVAL, “Chef de Projet” and Mr. Yann YVERGniaux, Fisheries Economist in Rodrigues from 13 to 15 May 2012.

Central Administration
Port Mathurin
RODRIGUES.

Date: 25 May 2012