PRESS RELEASE

The Executive Council met at 10.00 hours this Friday 26 August 2011 under the chairmanship of the Deputy Chief Commissioner, Mrs. M.T. CLAIR-BRAULT and has, among its deliberations:

DECIDED:-

(i) to approve the fees and criteria for the allocation of stalls at the new Market Fair of Port Mathurin, to be opened soon, as follows;

(a) Vegetable, fruit and Hawkers stalls will be allocated against payment of an annual rental fee renewable yearly;

(b) Meat Stalls will be allocated through public auction for period of five years renewable yearly; and

(c) Two restaurants on first floor and one snack on ground floor equipped with a kitchen, selling spaces and food court and will be rented to prospective tenderers, through open bidding.
**DECIDED:-**

(ii) to subsidize freight and related costs to the tune of Rs 1,677,500 for the export of 500 tons of onion to Mauritius (i.e. Rs 3,355/Ton) so that onion growers in Rodrigues receive the same market price for their produce as those offered by the AMB in Mauritius. To date, a formal order of at least 500 tons of onion has been placed at the Rodrigues Trading and Marketing Co. Ltd (RTMC) by the Agricultural Marketing Board (AMB) at Rs 27/kg. With this measure the RTMC ltd intends to buy onion from producers as follows:-

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<th>Onion Variety</th>
<th>Price</th>
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<td>Local Onion Grade I</td>
<td>Rs 26.00/kg</td>
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<td>Onion variety Noflaye and Red Creole</td>
<td>Rs 26.00/kg</td>
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<td>Local Onion Grade II</td>
<td>Rs 24.00/kg</td>
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<td>Onion Veronique (G22)</td>
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**TAKEN NOTE :-**

(i) that the following delegation of eight boxers accompanied by one Coach and one Referee/Judge is participating in the “Championat Nationaux Jeunes and Championats Elite Dames/Junior Filles” 2011 being held at the National Boxing Centre, Vacoas from 24 to 27 August 2011:-

(a) John Bert PHILIPPE
(b) Jean Yode RAVINA
(c) Besmandy GUILLAUME
(d) Wesley LISETTE
(e) Assiana MANAN
(f) Marie Cedrine RAVINA
(g) Luicika PIERRE
(h) Sophie COLLET
(i) Mandino FARLA – Coach
(j) Lucina PRUDENCE – Referee/Judge
TAKEN NOTE :-

(ii) of the award of contract for the construction of three hundred and sixty 6m$^3$ domestic concrete water tank for vulnerable families around the island. The project is expected to be completed within 90 days as from the contractor’s letter of acceptance.

(iii) that the construction of the 1000m$^3$ concrete reservoir at Creve Coeur has been completed on 23 May 2011 and it has been put into service, in replacement of the steel reservoir which was leaking, to supply Queen Elizabeth Hospital and inhabitants of the northern part of the island with potable water.

(iv) that the first meeting of the organizing committee for the Rodrigues Day was held on Monday 18 July to look into the activities to be organised to celebrate the 9th Anniversary of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly. The official ceremony will be held on 12 October at La Ferme Stadium with the participation of the Police, National Coast Guard, SMF, Fire Services, Fisheries and Forest for the official parade followed by a non-stop show of one and a half hour. The “Soirée de Récompense” will be held on the same date at 19.30 hrs at the Cultural Leisure Centre, Mon Plaisir.

(v) that a get together will be organised on Saturday 27 August 2011 at the Residency as from 10.00 hours to reward athletes who participated in the Indian Ocean Island Games and coaches for their dedicated commitment. Prizes will be awarded to participants according to their performance as follows:-

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<th>Medal Type</th>
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<td>Gold medal</td>
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<td>Bronze medal</td>
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Other participants will also be rewarded.
TAKEN NOTE :-

(vi) that the Commission for Youth and Sports will organize a Youth Rally on Saturday 10 September 2011 at Malabar in the context of the International Youth Day.

Central Administration Office
Port Mathurin

Date: 26 August 2011
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