Expression of Interest for the Rental of Buildings located in the region of
Mourouk to Rivière Coco to host Kindergartens
RRA/CCD/EOI 04 Of 2017/2018

1. Introduction

The Commission for Industrial Development, Child Development and Women, is inviting interested building owners in the locality of Mourouk to Rivière Coco, to be enlisted for the rental of their buildings with the Commission in view to operate kindergartens (Garderies). The duration of the rental shall be of a minimum period of two years, renewal afterwards. The proposed building should be in very good condition and located in an environment safe for young children to develop. The building should have easy access and be located close a main road. It should have all amenities and parking facilities, to allow parents to easily drop and pick up their children.

2. Background

The Rodrigues Regional Assembly is proposing to provide registered women entrepreneurs (with Invest Rodrigues / SMEDA) and other self-employed women entrepreneurs residing in the south-east coastal region of Rodrigues, free access to kindergartens. This project aims at offering the possibility for active women to pursue their normal economic activities while having their young children under the supervision of a professional in a safe environment during normal working hours. This activity will encourage and spur women to remain focus on their businesses while progressing in their family and social sphere.

3. Location

The building shall be located in the region of Mourouk to Rivière Coco, easy access and situated close to main roads.
4. **Building Requirements**

I. **Building and Premises**

   i. Building shall have access to water, electricity and other amenities;

   ii. The building and premises should have the necessary pre-requisites facilities or can easily be modified to host the following activities in accordance with the Safety and Health Act 2005 and the Institution for Welfare and Protection of Children Regulation 2000 guiding the operation of kindergartens:

      a. Playing and common area;
      b. Kitchen, laundry;
      c. Sleeping area;
      d. Toilet facilities;
      e. Bathroom & sanitary facilities;
      f. Emergency Exit;
      g. Staff room; and
      h. Others

   iii. The indoor space requirement shall be at least 3.25 square metres of creative space per child for every 15 children. Only areas designated for child play activities and sleep shall be counted when calculating available space. Hallways, toilets, staff rooms, kitchen shall not be counted.

   iv. The outdoor space requirement shall be at least 7 square metres of usable play space per child. This does not include outdoor buildings.

   v. The area around the building shall be well fenced or having an appropriate boundary wall.
II. Health and Safety

- The equipment in the outdoor areas must not constitute a hazard for children on account of -

  (a) lack of soft surface around the equipment;
  (b) the height from which a child can fall;
  (c) the likelihood that a child can be trapped, crushed or struck by the equipment and sharp edges, rust or other hazards.

- The building should be recurred to prevent access to animals, bird or livestock present which is a likely source of infection or which may be detrimental to the well-being of children.

5. APPLICATION

I. Conditions

Interested parties are invited to fill in the attached application form available at Invest Rodrigues or Child Development Unit (CDU), Malabar.

II. Contact Information

Any clarification with respect to this expression of Interest-should be addressed to:

Departmental Head, Commission for Women, Child Development and Industrial Development,
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III. Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation criteria will be spelt out in the Invitation for Bids (IFB)

IV. Deadline

Expressions of Interest, clearly marked **RRA/CCD/EOI/4/2017/2018** together with the duly filled in Application Forms, must be addressed to:

**Departmental Head, Commission for Women, Child Development and Industrial Development,**

**Antoinette Prudence Human Resource Development Centre**

**Malabar**

**Rodrigues**

not later than **23 April up to 13hr 30.**