INTRODUCTION

The inception of the Clean-Up and Embellishment Campaign 2017 is evolving in a positive way regarding the protection, conservation and embellishment of the environment including all proclaimed public beaches in Mauritius.

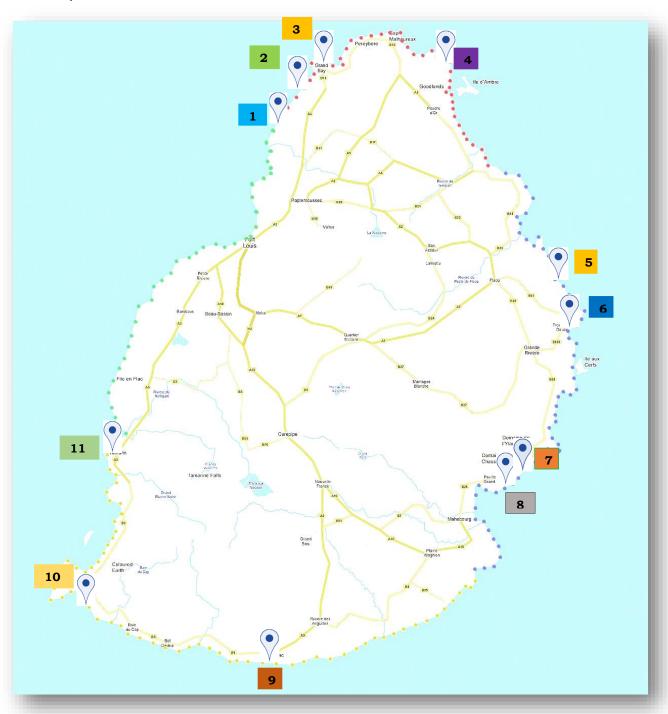
With this agenda, the Beach Authority has maintained its objectives and is in line with its mandate to conserve and protect the environment of all public beaches. The collaboration of several stakeholders plays a vital role in achieving the Beach Authority's aim to make it possible for beach users to derive maximum benefit from cleaner, greener and safer public beaches with appropriate and adequate amenities.

Needless to say, these campaigns, where sensitisation of the public plays a vital role, help to alleviate environmental degradation for the benefit of the public in general.

Participants:

- 1. Beach Authority
- 2. District Council of Black River
- 3. Employees Welfare Fund
- 4. District Council of Savanne
- 5. National Coast Guard
- 6. Mauritius Police Force

Activities carried out on different public beaches during the period of **01 October to 31 October, 2017**.





Activities:

- i. Construction of new toilet blocks, parking space, retaining wall, low masonry wall and a drainage system at Petit Sable public beach.
- ii. Completion of new toilet blocks at Pointe aux Piments public beach.
- iii. Construction of new toilet blocks at Melville public beach.
- Provision of 200 bins on the western coast. iv.
- v. Painting of wooden parapets at Tamarin public beach.
- vi. Upgrading of toilet blocks at Trou d'Eau Douce public beach.
- vii. Upgrading of Belle Mare public beach.
- viii. Upgrading of Grand Baie public beach.
- ix. Construction of a Recreational Park at St Felix public beach.
- Repairs of wooden parapets at Bambous Virieux public beach. X.
- xi. Grass Cutting on public beaches.
- xii. Renovation of changing rooms at La Cuvette public beach.
- xiii. Enclosure of leaching field with recycled plastic pine poles at Le Morne St Regis public beach.
- Safety and Security on public beaches. xiv.
- Sensitisation campaign and Lifesaving Programme (Ganga Snan) XV.
- xvi. Clean-Up and Embellishment Campaign in the Northern region.

Dr. Dhuneeroy Bissessur

General Manager Beach Authority

October 2017

1.0 Petit Sable public beach

New toilet blocks, parking space, retaining wall, low masonry wall as well as a drainage system to evacuate rainwater are being constructed at Petit Sable public beach. The project is expected to be completed by mid **November 2017**.



Ground floor of new toilet blocks completed and blockwork is ongoing



Excavation to receive components of leaching field is completed and construction of leaching field structure is ongoing



Coping on drainage system is ongoing



Construction of low masonry wall with undecomposed blue basalt rocks is ongoing

2.0 Completion of new toilet blocks at Pointe aux Piments public beach

The construction of new toilet blocks at Pointe aux Piments public beach is completed. This will help in providing better facilities to the beach users.

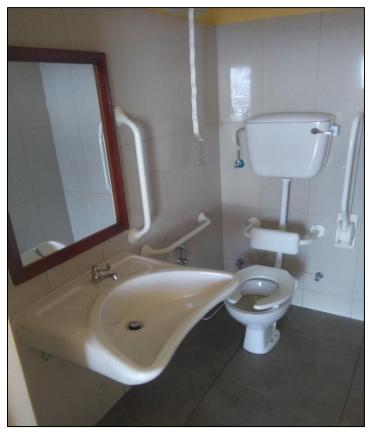




Painting of toilet blocks and fixation of Corrugated Iron Sheet (CIS) roof completed



Enclosure of leaching fields with pine poles



Provision of toilet facilities for disabled persons

3.0 Melville Public Beach

Construction of new toilet blocks at Melville public beach is ongoing and same is expected to be completed by **November 2017**.



Internal and external plastering works completed



Construction of manhole covers



Installation of 9000 litres water tank at Melville public beach



 ${\it Installation of septic tank at Melville public beach}$

4.0 Provision of 200 bins on the western coast

Dust bins play a vital role in waste management. Two hundred bins have been provided on thirty one (31) public beaches on the western coast to encourage the public to avoid littering and thus keep our beaches always clean.

SN	Public Beaches	No. of Bins
1	Surinam	6
2	Riambel	6
3	Pomponette	10
4	Saint Felix	5
5	Rivière des Galets	10
6	Bel Ombre	7
7	P.G Bel Ombre	5
8	Ruisseau des Créoles	8
9	Part of Ruisseau des Créoles Village	4
10	Baie du Cap	5
11	P.G La Prairie (G.N 372/2013)	8
12	La Prairie (G.N 348/1991)	6
13	P.G La Prairie (G.N 371/2013)	4
14	P.G L'Embrazure	10
15	La Pointe Cassis Le Morne Village	7
16	Le Morne Brabant (Pointe Sud Ouest)	6
17	P.G Le Morne (Near Ex-Berjaya Hotel)	4
18	P.G Le Morne	10
19	P.G Comptesse La Marque	3
20	P.G Petite Case Noyale (G.N 370/2013)	6
21	P.G Petite Case Noyale (G.N 369/2013)	3
22	P.G Petite Case Noyale (G.N 374/2013)	6
23	P.G Les Salines Koenig	5
24	La Preneuse (G.N 348/1991)	8
25	La Preneuse (G.N 655/2010)	4
26	Tamarin	8
27	Wolmar	4
28	Flic en Flac (Near Pearl Beach Hotel)	10
29	Flic en Flac (Opposite Manisa Hotel)	8
30	Flic en Flac (Opposite Restaurant Ocean)	8
31	P.G Anna	6
	Total	200



Bin provided along the western coast



Provision of bin at Flic en Flac public beach



Provision of bin at Wolmar public beach



Provision of bin at Le Bouchon public beach

5.0 Painting of wooden parapets at Tamarin public beach

The wooden parapets at Tamarin public beach were painted in collaboration with the District Council of Black River with a view to further embellish the public beach.

Before







After







6.0 Upgrading of toilet blocks at Trou d'Eau Douce public beach

The existing toilet blocks at Trou d'Eau Douce public beach is being upgraded to provide better services to the beach users. The project is expected to be completed by **November 2017.**

6.1 Upgrading of toilet blocks at Trou d'Eau Douce public beach is ongoing



6.2 Provision of 2000 litres water tank on new metal support and 9000 litres water tank placed on newly constructed concrete platform.



6.3 Replacement of wooden fascia and merantil.

Before



After



7.0 Upgrading of Belle Mare public beach

Belle Mare public beach was enclosed with wooden parapets to prevent unauthorized vehicular access to the public beach for the safety and security of beach users as well as to prevent beach erosion.

Before





After





8.0 Upgrading of Grand Baie public beach

With a view to ensure a good service delivery and provide better comfort to beach users, the benches at Grand Baie public beach have been painted.





After



9.0 Construction of Recreational Park at St Felix public beach

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed among the Employees Welfare Fund (EWF), the Beach Authority (BA) and the District Council of Savanne (DCS) on the 31st of August, 2017 for the construction of a recreational park at St Felix public beach. The purpose of the MoU is to sign an agreement among the stakeholders in order to successfully launch, implement, and ensure the efficient running, security and proper maintenance of the facilities to be set up at St Felix public beach. The construction of the recreational park is in progress and same is expected to be completed by November 2017.

Project Components:



Construction of Footbridge



Construction of Beach Soccer Pitch



Construction of Pétanque Court and Jogging Track



Marking of Jogging Track



Ramp to facilitate disabled persons to have access to the beach

10.0 Repairs of wooden parapets at Bambous Virieux public beach

Damaged wooden parapets were repaired at Bambous Virieux public beach for the safety and security of beach users.





After



11.0 Grass Cutting on public beaches

The Beach Authority has set up a team for grass cutting on some public beaches where contractors have not been outsourced. Mowing of grass was effected on the following public beaches during the month of October in order to keep our public beaches clean and tidy:

- ➤ Sable Noir public beach
- Grand Gaube public beach
- Grand Baie (near NCG) public beach
- ➤ Pointe aux Piments public beach
- ➤ Belle Mare (near Residence Thalassa Hotel) public beach
- ➤ Palmeraie public beach
- ➤ Melville public beach

11.1 Grass Cutting at Sable Noir public Beach





After



11.2 Grass Cutting at Melville public beach

Before



After



12.0 La Cuvette public beach

An existing building at La Cuvette public beach that will be used as changing rooms, is being renovated by the Beach Authority and the works comprise of:

- painting of the building
- electrical works
- fixing of doors

Building in poor state





Building after renovation works





13.0 Le Morne St Regis public beach

The leaching field of the toilet blocks at Le Morne St Regis public beach was enclosed with recycled plastic pine poles. The enclosure also serves to prevent unauthorised vehicular access to the public beach.





After



14.0 Safety and Security on public beaches.

A meeting was called at the seat of the Authority on 13 October, 2017 in connection with safety and security of beach users including tourists on public beaches. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Dhuneeroy Bissessur, the General Manager of the Beach Authority in the presence of representatives of the National Coast Guard, Mauritius Police Force and the Beach Authority.

Present:

SN	Name	Designation	Organisation
1.	Dr. D. Bissessur	General Manager	Beach Authority (Chairperson)
2.	Mr. L. Chaytoo	Administrative Manager	Beach Authority
3.	Mr. S. K Dubey	Lieutenant Commander	National Coast Guard
4.	Mr. V. Dawon	Superintendent of Police	Police Headquarters
5.	Mr. Mohesh	Chief Inspector of Police	Police "du Tourisme"
6.	Mr. Ramma	Inspector of Police	Police "du Tourisme"
7.	Mr. Yagambrun	Police Constable	Police Headquarters
8.	Mr. V. Sumessur	Beach Enforcement Officer	Beach Authority (as Secretary)

Matters discussed:

- Illegal trading on public beaches
- > Thefts on tourists
- Cases of drugs
- > Acts of vandalism
- ➤ Drowning in the lagoon

It was proposed that:

- i. Amendments should be brought to legislations in force as regards to swimming and some nautical activities being undertaken such as kitesurfing.
- ii. Appropriate panels with wordings "Dos and Don'ts" be placed at Mont Choisy public beach on a pilot basis to sensitise beach users and tourists and thereafter to replicate this exercise on other public beaches subject to availability of funds.
- iii. Beach lockers be placed near appropriate locations on public beaches for safekeeping of personal belongings by beach users and in particular the tourists.
- iv. CCTV Surveillance Cameras be installed on specific public beaches for close monitoring of all activities and to enable Police officers to take immediate action against offenders.
- v. Construction of Beach Vigilance Towers on some highly frequented public beaches
- vi. Regular sensitization and crack down operations on public beaches with the collaboration of relevant stakeholders.
- vii. Promote visibility of actions taken.

15.0 Sensitisation campaign and Lifesaving Programme (Ganga Snan)

A meeting was convened with relevant stakeholders on the 23rd of October, 2017 at the seat of the Authority in the context of Ganga Snan to be held on 4 November, 2017. During the meeting, the roles and responsibilities of each stakeholder were discussed.

Present:

SN	Name	Designation	Organisation
1.	Mr. L. Chaytoo	Administrative Manager	Beach Authority (Chairperson)
2.	Mr. V. Sumessur	Beach Enforcement Officer	Beach Authority
3.	Mr. J. Mamode	Beach Enforcement Officer	Beach Authority
4.	Mr. R. Geerwaar	Beach Enforcement Officer	Beach Authority
5.	Mr. Nundlall	Police Sergeant	National Coast Guard
6.	Mr. I. Auckburally	Acting Principle Engineer	Central Water Authority
7.	Mr. S. Ramsurn	Trainee Engineer	Central Water Authority
8.	Mr. P. Koonjee	Senior Inspector/Regional coordinator	Central Water Authority
9.	Mr. N. Andee	Life Saver	Flacq Swimming Association
10.	Mr. R. Anasamy	Life Saver	Pereybere Swimming Club
11.	Mr. D. Juwaheer	Superintendent of Police	Police Headquarters
12.	Mr. S. Seebaluck	Police Corporal	Special Mobile Force
13.	Mr. S. Kistoo Mohun	Supervisor	Maxi Clean Co Ltd
14.	Mr. K. Rajabalee	Supervisor	Keep Clean Ltd
15.	Mr. Balchand	Supervisor	Mauriclean Co Ltd





Meeting held with all stakeholders at the seat of the Authority in the context of Ganga Snan

Roles and Responsibilities of stakeholders:

Beach Authority	 As coordinator of Life Saving and Beach Patrol Programme. Provision of goggles, marquise, T-Shirts and First Aid Kits (comprised of basic medical supplies to effectively attend to any emergency or casualties) to life savers. Payment of stipend to Life Savers. Transport facilities for Life Savers. Enforcement Officers will monitor services provided by relevant scavenging contractors. Distribution of eco plastic bin bags and flyers to beach users.
Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity, and Environment and Sustainable Development (Environment and Sustainable Development Division)	 Transport facilities for Life Savers
Police Department (NCG and SMF)	Provide Lifesaving assistance to beach users, enforcement of beach regulations and traffic control on public and parking zones.
Ministry of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping (Fisheries Division)	 Provision of patrol boats and personnel
Ministry of Health & Quality of Life	 Provision of Ambulance services on some specific public beaches
Municipal Council of Port Louis	 Transport facilities for Life Savers
Central Water Authority	 Provide water tankers and cater for standpipes on highly frequented public beaches
Life Saving Groups Pereybere Swimming Club, Royal Life Saving Society, Club Aquatique de Port Louis, Albion Life Saving Club, and Flacq Swimming Association	❖ Life Saving assistance to beach users

16.0 Clean-Up and Embellishment Campaign in the Northern region

A meeting was convened at the seat of the Citizen Advice Bureau (CAB) of Rivière du Rempart on the 23rd of October, 2017. The meeting was chaired by the Honourable Sharvanand Ramkaun, *Parliamentary Private Secretary* in the presence of Mr Prakash Maunthrooa, *Senior Adviser to PMO*, Dr. Dhuneeroy Bissessur, *General Manager of the Beach Authority*, Mr Vinod Seeburn, *Advisor on Land Management of the Ministry of Housing and Lands*, Mr Joenathan Mamode, *Beach Enforcement Officer of the Beach Authority*, Mr Ashvin Gopaulen, *Beach Work Inspector of the Beach Authority* and other stakeholders regarding the Clean-Up and Embellishment Campaign in the northern region.

16.1 Address by the Honourable Sharvanand Ramkaun, Parliamentary Private Secretary



Mr Vinod Seeburn, Advisor on Land Management of the Ministry of Housing and Lands, Mr Prakash Maunthrooa, Senior Adviser to PMO, Honourable Sharvanand Ramkaun, Parliamentary Private Secretary, Dr. Dhuneeroy Bissessur, General Manager of the Beach Authority, Mr Joenathan Mamode, Beach Enforcement Officer of the Beach Authority (from left to right)

16.2 Mr Prakash Maunthrooa, Senior Adviser to PMO, giving his views and comments



16.3 Mr Vinod Seeburn, Advisor on Land Management from the Ministry of Housing and Lands, giving his views and comments



16.4 Dr. Dhuneeroy Bissessur, General Manager of the Beach Authority, giving his views and comments



Dr. Dhuneeroy Bissessur gave a brief overview of the works being carried out and informed that a new modern parking at Von Moltke (Roches Noires) and new toilet blocks at Pointe des Lascars public beaches will be constructed shortly. Bids for the new modern parking at Von Moltke (Roches Noires) public beach have been received and are under evaluation. Regarding the new toilet blocks at Pointe des Lascars public beach, clearances are being sought from stakeholders and bids will be launched thereafter.

He also added that the following works have been carried out at Pointe des Lascars public beach:

- Construction of a fireplace
- Construction of a mini-kiosk
- Placing of three benches
- > Enclosure of the beach with concrete bollards

Way Forward

The concept of a sensitisation campaign on a regular basis is to arouse awareness of beach users on the need to keep our beaches cleaner, greener and safer. It has been observed that beach users are getting more conscious about the **Dos** and **Don'ts** and we are having a positive response from the public in general.

The activities related to the Clean-Up Mauritius and Embellishment Campaign is ongoing and the Beach Authority is fully involved in this praiseworthy initiative. The support of various stakeholders have been sought for the execution of different activities as well as the implementation of relevant projects.

An action plan for period **March 2017 to March 2018** is annexed.



Wolmar public beach

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-	Le Goulet to PG Union Kibet													
2	Sable Noir to Pointe aux Sables													
3	Albion to Wolmar													
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9	Le Souffleur to Grand Sable													
7	Grande Rivière Sud Est to Roches Noires													
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