



BEACH AUTHORITY

CLEAN-UP MAURITIUS AND EMBELLISHMENT CAMPAIGN

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La Pointe Cassis (Le Morne Village)

public beach

INTRODUCTION

In line with the policy of the Government to create a cleaner, greener and safer environment and, with the inception of the Clean-Up and Embellishment Campaign launched by the Honourable Prime Minister, Pravind Kumar Jugnauth in 2017, the Beach Authority is continuously contributing positively towards sensitising the beach users and the public in general to protect our public beaches and keep them clean at all times.

The collaboration of several stakeholders such as, the National Coast Guard, Mauritius Police Force, Ministries, NGOs and private promoters, plays a vital role in achieving the objectives of the Beach Authority to conserve and protect the environment of all proclaimed public beaches both in Mauritius and Rodrigues. Undeniably, the Clean-Up and Embellishment Campaign accomplished by the Beach Authority, has inspired people from all sectors of the community including schools, colleges, tertiary institutions and NGOs to initiate such activities around the island.

Furthermore, the Beach Authority is doing its utmost effort to uplift all proclaimed public beaches in Mauritius with basic facilities and amenities for the benefit and comfort of the beach users. However, our public beaches are exposed to theft and vandalism. The Beach Authority has embarked on a sustainable project to replace all the traditional electrical lighting on all proclaimed public beaches by Solar lighting. For the month of September, 2018, Solar lightings have been installed at Pointe Cassis public beach. As at date, more than 200 Solar Lighting poles have already been installed on thirty-eight (38) proclaimed public beaches around the Island and more will be installed in the near future.

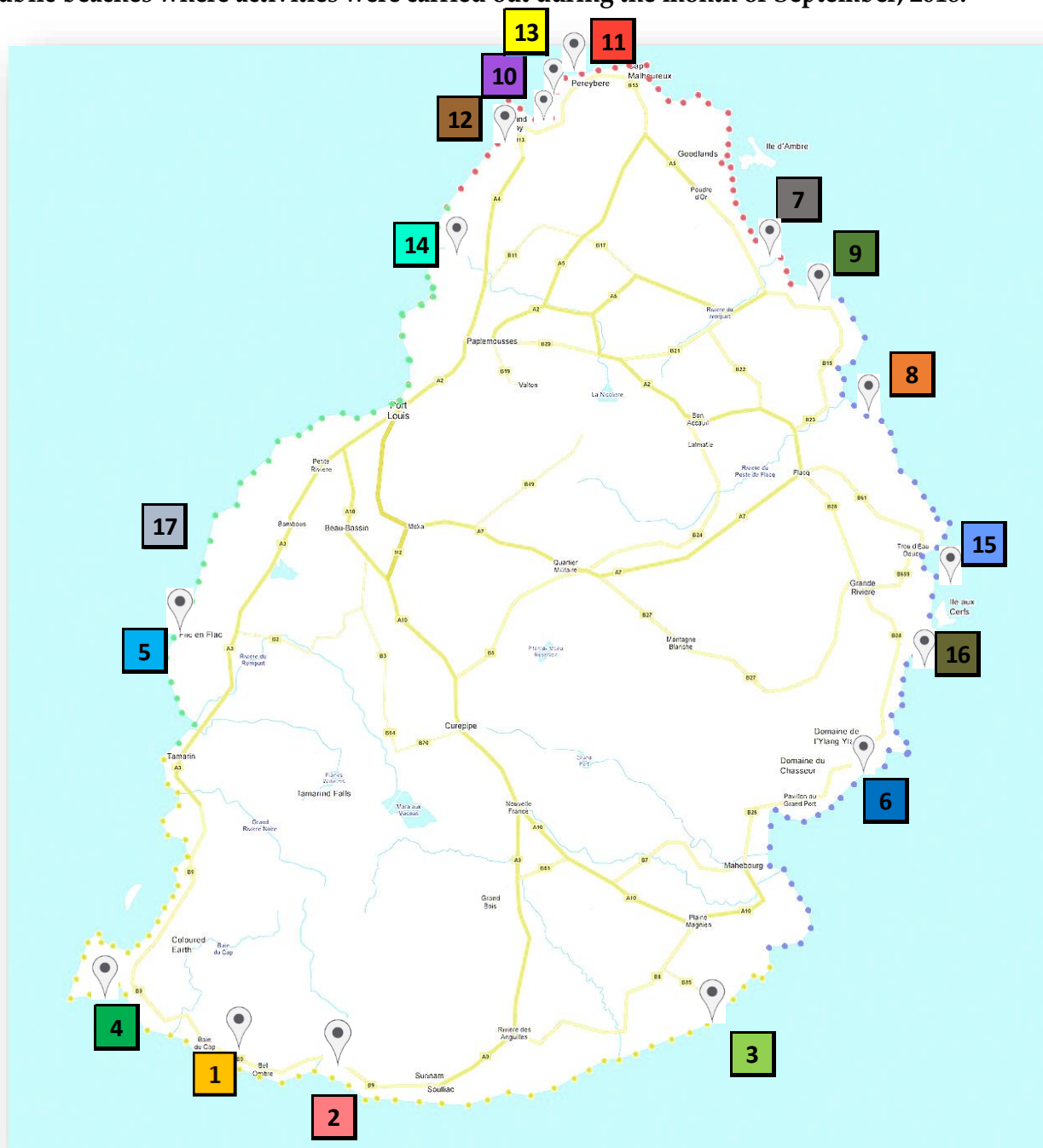
The month of September was also marked by the celebration of the Ganesh Chaturthi festival which is celebrated by all the Hindus of the Republic of Mauritius. In order to reinforce safety and security on our public beaches during immersion of Lord Ganesha, the Beach Authority had ensured beach patrol and lifesaving programme on that day.

Other activities including upgrading and embellishment of several public beaches carried out during the month of September, 2018 have been briefly described and illustrated in this document.

PARTICIPANTS

1. Beach Authority
2. Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity & Environment & Sustainable Development
(Solid Waste Management Division)
3. National Coast Guard
4. District Council of Savanne
5. Laurelton Diamonds Ltd
6. Scavenging Contractors

Public beaches where activities were carried out during the month of September, 2018:



1	Ruisseau des Creoles public beach
2	Pomponette public beach
3	Le Bouchon public beach
4	La Pointe Cassis Public beach
5	Flic en Flac public beach
6	Grand Riviere Sud Est public beach
7	Pointe des Lascars public beach
8	Bras d'Eau public beach
9	Von Moltke public beach

10	Grand Bay public beach
11	Pereybere public beach
12	Mont Choisy public beach
13	La Cuvette public beach
14	Pointe aux Piments public beach
15	Belle-Mare public beach
16	Palmar public beach

Activities:

- i. Construction of a beach Petanque Court at Ruisseau des Creoles public beach
- ii. Funding under CSR project for the upgrading of Pomponette public beach
- iii. Celebration of the Ganesh Chaturthi festival
- iv. Clean-Up the World Campaign 2018
- v. Upgrading works at La Pointe Cassis Le Morne Village public beach
- vi. Construction of picnic tables on public beaches
- vii. Upgrading works at Flic en Flac public beach
- viii. Upgrading works at Grand Riviere Sud Est public beach
- ix. Construction of toilet block at Pointe des Lascars public beach
- x. Removal of unused lamp posts at Bras d'Eau public beach
- xi. Upgrading of amenities at Von Moltke public beach
- xii. Upgrading works at Grand Bay public beach
- xiii. Upgrading works at Pereybere public beach
- xiv. Upgrading works at Mont Choisy public beach
- xv. Upgrading of toilet block at La Cuvette public beach
- xvi. Upgrading works at Pointe aux Piments public beach
- xvii. Pressure cleaning of toilets on public beaches
- xviii. Upgrading of kiosk at Le Bouchon public beach

Dr. Dhuneeroy Bissessur

General Manager

Beach Authority

September 2018

1.0 CONSTRUCTION OF A BEACH PETANQUE COURT AT RUISSEAU DES CREOLES PUBLIC BEACH

In order to allow the inhabitants of the locality and the beach users to benefit fully of their spare time in playing Petanque, the Beach Authority has constructed a beach Petanque court that meets the international standard size of 15 m long x 5 m wide. The photographs below illustrate the works carried out.

Before



After



2.0 HANDING OVER OF CHEQUE UNDER CSR PROJECT

A cheque of Rs 500,000 has been handed over to the Beach Authority under the CSR Project by Laurelton Diamonds Ltd, on 04 September 2018, for the upgrading of the recently proclaimed Pomponette public beach with basic amenities, such as picnic tables, mini-kiosks and litter bins. The proposed amenities, in particular, picnic tables and litter bins will be of composite recycle plastic materials.

2.1 Funding under CSR project for Pomponette public beach



From left to right: Dr D. Bissessur, General Manager of the Beach Authority, Mr S. Rengasamy, Plant Director & Mrs V. Malié, HR Manager of Laurelton Diamonds Ltd

2.2 Proposed amenities



Mini kiosk



Litter Bin

3.0 CELEBRATION OF GANESH CHATURTHI FESTIVAL

Every year, the Beach Authority mobilises its staff on several public beaches around the island to ensure safety and security of devotees, in particular, during the immersion ceremony. A meeting was held on 31 August, 2018 in the Board room of the Authority with relevant stakeholders namely Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity & Environment & Sustainable Development (Solid Waste Management Division) and Scavenging Contractors, with a view to ensure smooth running of the Ganesh Chaturthi festival on public beaches.



Consultative meeting held with the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity & Environment & Sustainable Development (Solid Waste Management Division) and relevant Scavenging Contractors under the Chairmanship of Dr D. Bissessur, General Manager of the Beach Authority

OUR BEACHES:

A PLACE OF PEACEFUL RELAXATION AND SERENITY



Beach Authority Banner placed at Le Bouchon public beach



Beach Authority Banner placed at Flic en FLac public beach

4.0 CLEAN-UP THE WORLD CAMPAIGN 2018

In the Context of the Clean-Up the World Campaign 2018 launched on 22 September, 2018, at Bel Ombre public beach, the Beach Authority has carried out several activities thereat.

4.1 Launching of the Clean-Up the World Campaign 2018



Speech by the Honourable Etienne Sinatambo, Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity & Environment & Sustainable Development (Solid Waste Management Division) for the launching the Clean-Up the World Campaign 2018

4.2 Painting of concrete sitting arrangement

Before



After



Sitting arrangement at Bel ombre public beach uplifted

4.3 Upgrading of parking area

Bel Ombre public beach

Before



After

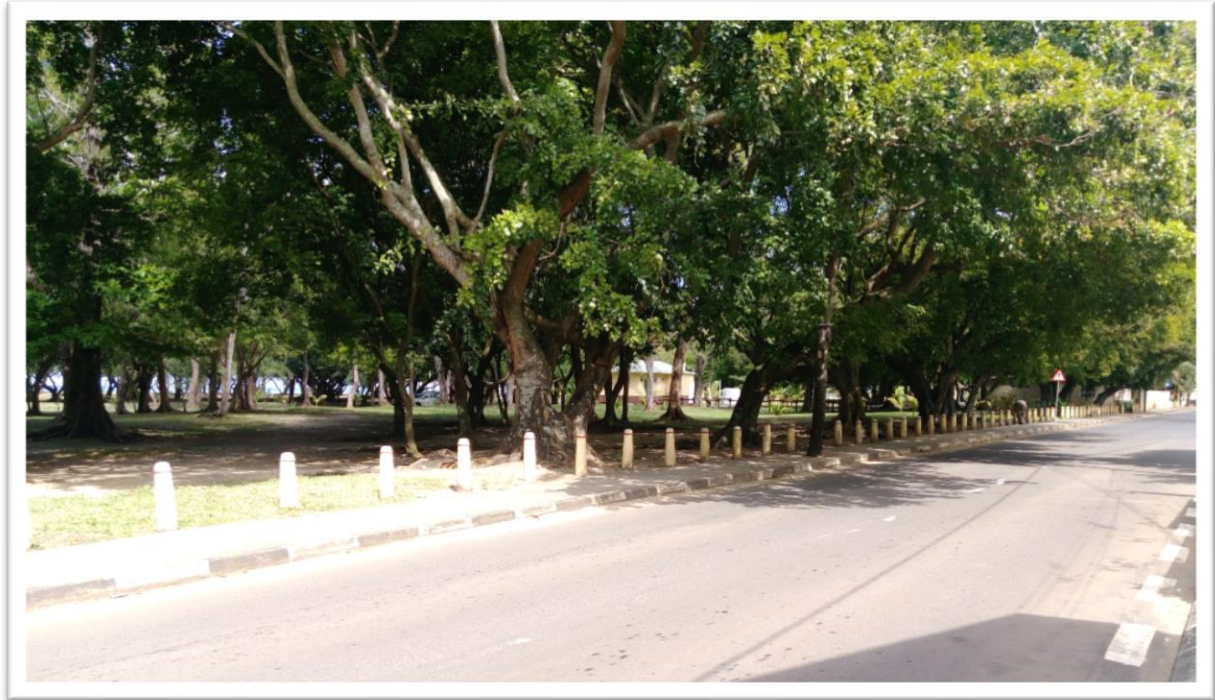


4.4 Painting of Bollards

The purpose of the bollards is mainly to restrict vehicular access to public beaches, hence mitigating the impact of beach erosion. The bollards at Bel Ombre public beach were repainted in the context of the launching ceremony for the Clean-Up the World Campaign, 2018.

Bel Ombre public beach

Before



After



4.5 Painting of Mini-kiosk

Bel Ombre public beach

Before



After



4.6 Painting of Toilet block

Bel Ombre public beach

Before



After



4.7 Upgrading of Open Shower

Bel Ombre public beach

Before



After



4.8 Painting of concrete base of solar lighting poles

Bel Ombre public beach

Before



After



4.9 Landscaping works



Ground levelled with sand & Duranta Gold planted

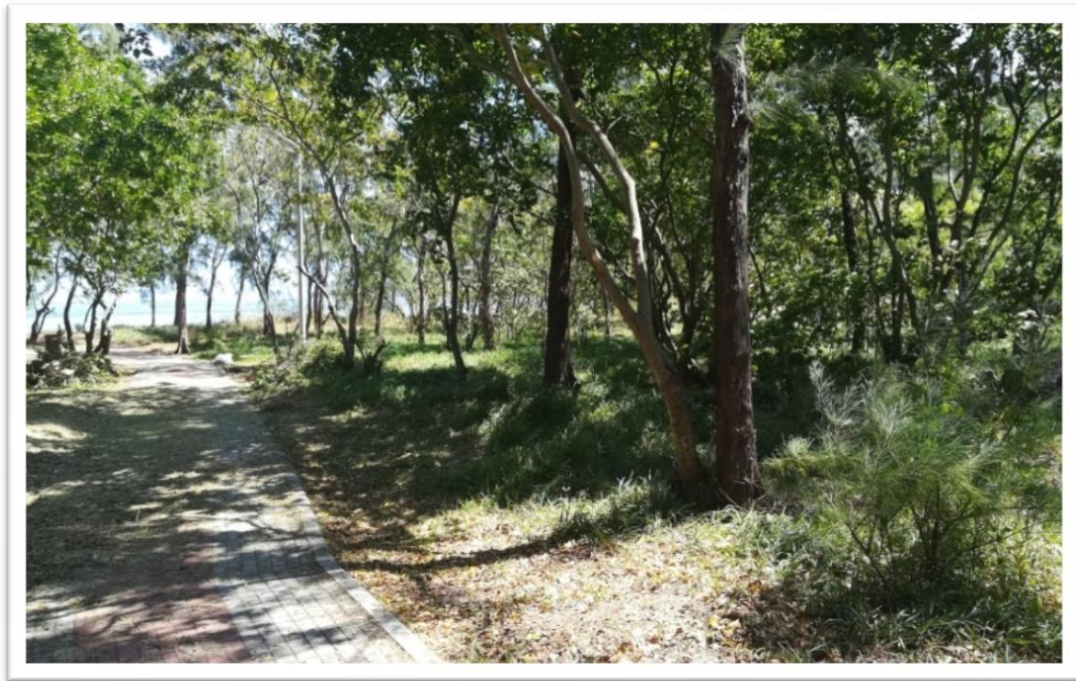
5.0 UPGRADING OF LA POINTE CASSIS LE MORNE VILLAGE PUBLIC BEACH

In the same context of the Clean-Up the World Campaign, the following upgrading works have also been carried out at Pointe Cassis Le Morne Village public beach:

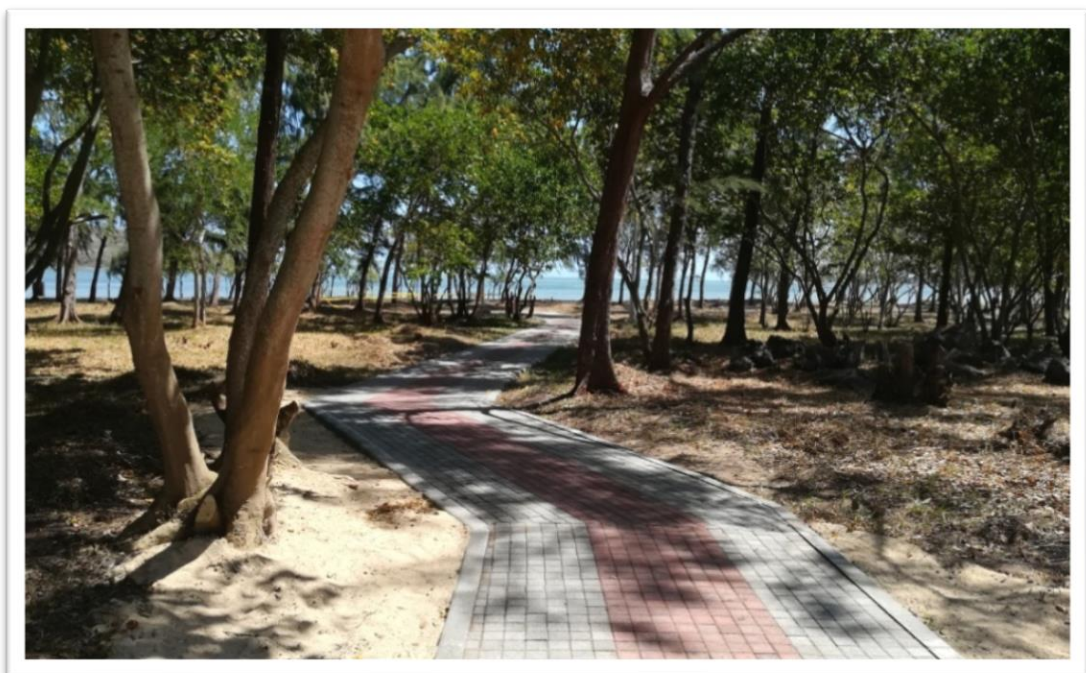
5.1 Cleaning of public beach and pathway

The pathway at La Pointe Cassis Le Morne Village public beach is 50 m long and 1.2 m wide and was constructed to allow beach users to have a proper access to the beach.

Before



After



5.2 Levelling of ground at base of solar lighting pole

La Pointe Cassis Le Morne Village public beach

Before



After



Levelling of ground at base of solar lighting pole

5.3 Levelling of parking area

La Pointe Cassis Le Morne Village public beach

Before



After



5.4 Grass cutting and cleaning of public beach

La Pointe Cassis Le Morne Village public beach

Before



After



6.0 CONSTRUCTION OF PICNIC TABLES ON PUBLIC BEACHES



Le Morne (Nr Dina Robin) public beach



P.G L'Embrazure public beach

7.0 UPGRADING WORKS AT FLIC EN FLAC PUBLIC BEACH

7.1 Levelling of parking area



7.2 Construction of base for placing of Container beside Sub-Office



Excavation for casting of concrete base

8.0 UPGRADING WORKS AT GRSE PUBLIC BEACH

8.1 Painting of Bins

Before



After



8.2 Painting of benches

Before



After



9.0 CONSTRUCTION OF TOILET BLOCK AT POINTE DES LASCARS PUBLIC BEACH

At the request of the local inhabitants and the beach users, the Beach Authority has already undertaken the construction of a toilet block at Pointe des Lascars public beach. Works are still on-going and are expected to be completed by end of October, 2018.



10.0 REMOVAL OF UNUSED LAMP POSTS AT BRAS D'EAU PUBLIC BEACH

Before



Unused Lamp post

After



Concrete base of unused lamppost will be removed shortly

11.0 UPGRADING OF AMENITIES AT VON MOLTKE PUBLIC BEACH

11.1 Painting of kiosk

Before



After



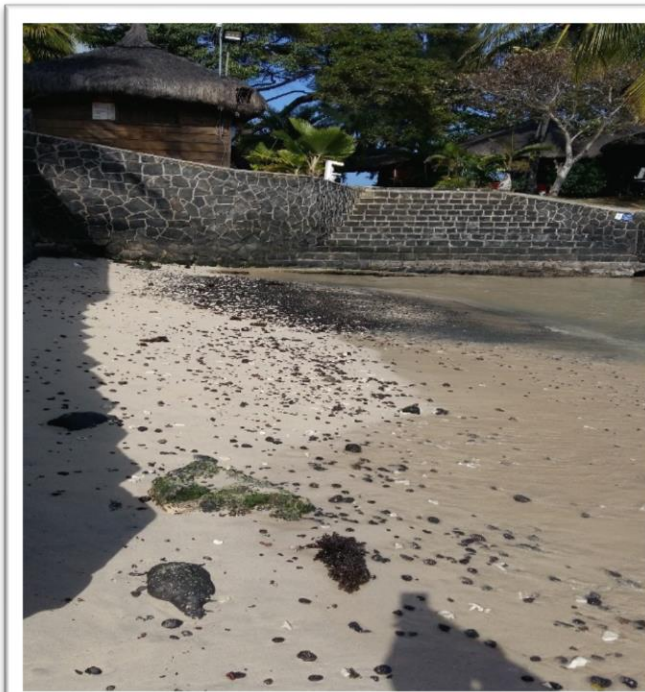
12.0 UPGRADING OF GRAND BAY PUBLIC BEACH

12.1 Fixing of picnic table

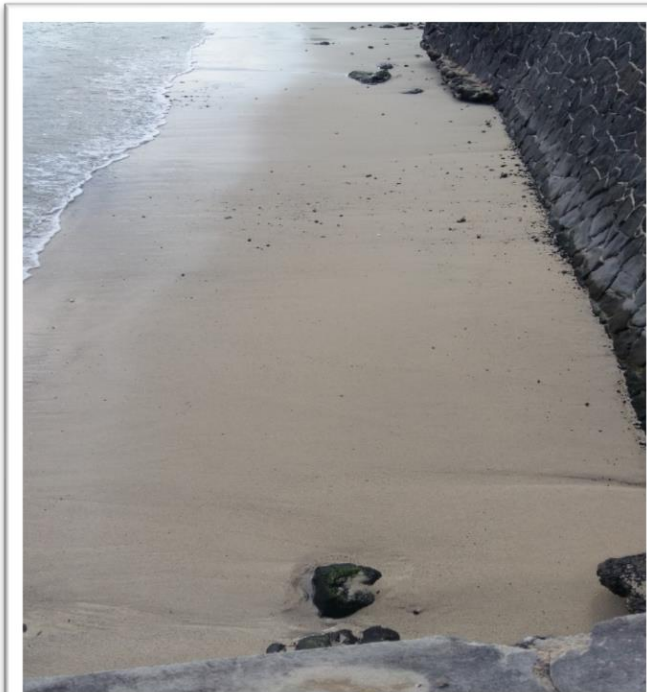


12.2 Cleaning of debris in front of Coral Azure at Grand Bay

Before



After



13.0 UPGRADING OF PEREYBERE PUBLIC BEACH

In the context of Re-engineering of the Beach Authority, three (3) Sub-Offices have been established around the island. Additional works carried out to upgrade further the Sub-Offices are as follows:

13.1 Construction of block wall and fixing of beta fencing around the Sub-Office



13.2 Construction of pathway

Pereybere public beach

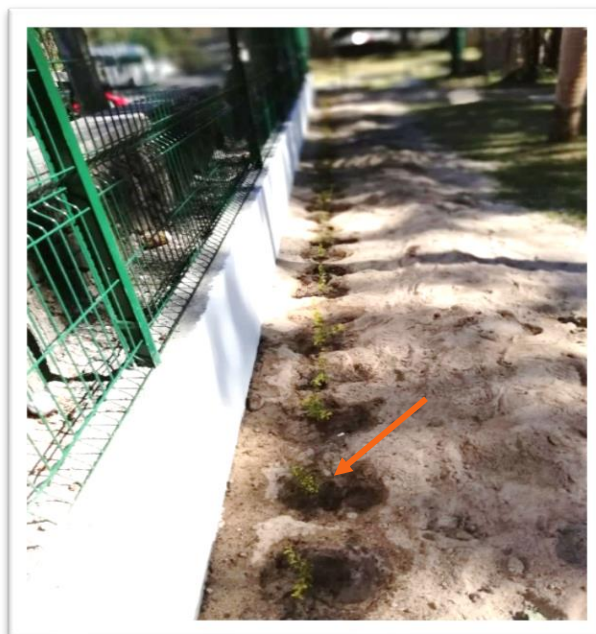
Before



After



13.3 Landscaping works around Sub-Office



Planting of Duranta Gold along boundary wall of Sub-Office

14.0 UPGRADING OF MONT CHOISY PUBLIC BEACH

14.1 Repair of Emergency Access Lever-Arm

The Beach Authority took the initiative to install level-arms at Emergency accesses on public beaches for ease of access to ambulance and also to restrict access to unauthorized vehicles. However, the lever-arms are very often damaged by vandals and the photograph below shows one damaged lever-arm at Mont Choisy public beach that was repaired.

Before



Lever- arm damaged by vandals

After



Lever-arm repaired by the Beach Authority

15.0 UPGRADING OF TOILET BLOCK AT LA CUVETTE PUBLIC BEACH

15.1 Repair of Toilet door

Before

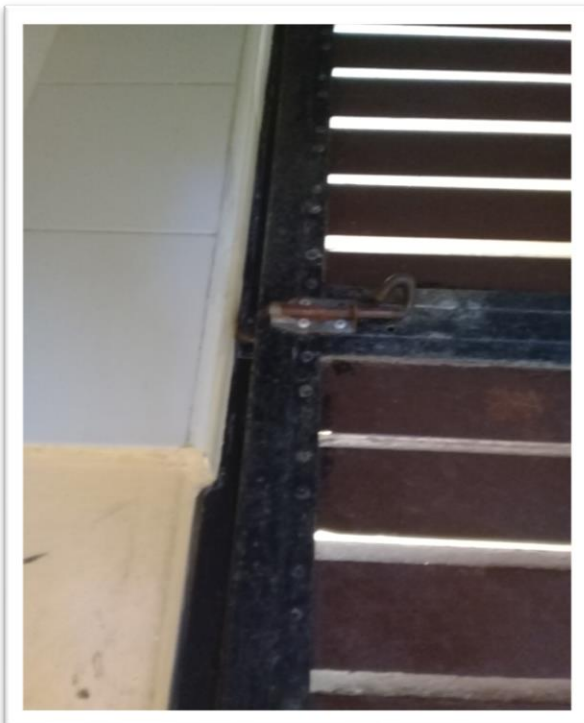


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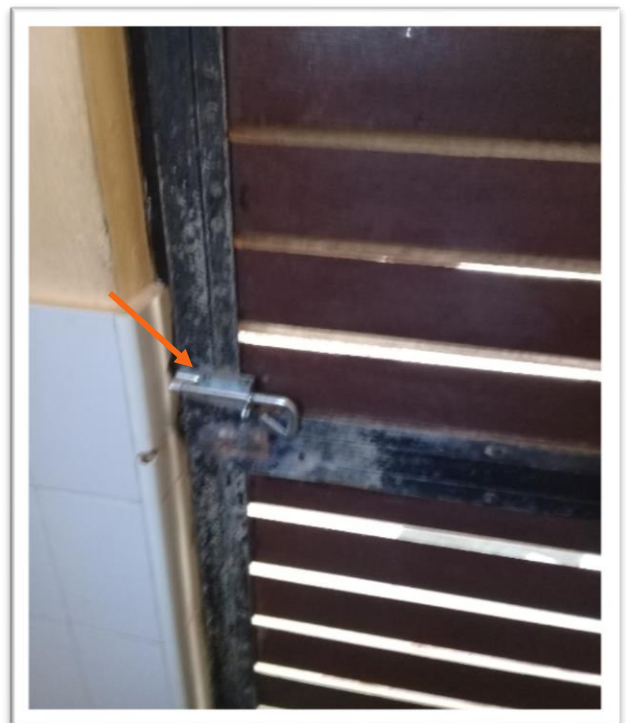


15.2 Repair of toilet door lock

Before



After



15.3 Cleaning of roof of Toilet block and repair of wall cracks

La Cuvette public beach

Before



After



Roof of toilet block has been cleaned and wall cracks repaired. Same will be repainted soon

15.4 Unclogging of absorption pit

La Cuvette public beach

Before



Clogged absorption pit at La Cuvette public beach

After



Unclogged absorption pit at La Cuvette public beach

16.0 UPGRADING OF POINTE AUX PIMENTS PUBLIC BEACH

The Beach Authority has recently completed the construction of a new toilet block at Pointe aux Piments public beach and same will be operational soon.



17.0 PRESSURE CLEANING OF TOILET

The Authority insists that pressure cleaning of toilets should be carried out regularly in order to maintain the level of hygiene.



*Pressure cleaning in toilet at
Belle-Mare public beach*



*Pressure cleaning in toilet at
Palmar public beach*

18.0 UPGRADING OF KIOSK AT LE BOUCHON PUBLIC BEACH

Before



After



WAY FORWARD

The activities related to the Clean-Up Mauritius and Embellishment Campaign is on-going and the Beach Authority is fully involved in this laudable initiative. The concept of a sensitization campaign on a regular basis is to arouse awareness of beach users on the importance to keep our beaches cleaner, greener and safer.

It has been observed that since the Beach Authority has embarked on this Clean-Up and Embellishment Campaign, the beach users are being more conscious about the Dos and Don'ts and we are having a positive feedback from the public in general.

The support of the stakeholders is important to enable the Beach Authority to continue in its everlasting quest for Clean-Up and Embellishment of all proclaimed public beaches around the island.

In order to enhance further the control and management of the public beaches and give a better service delivery to all beach users, the Beach Authority will be establishing a fourth Sub-Office at St Felix public beach.



St Felix public beach