

Introduction

The Clean-up and Embellishment Campaign 2017 launched by the Prime Minister, The Honourable Pravind Kumar Jugnauth on 05 March, 2017 has triggered a collective stakeholders' engagement to keep our environment cleaner, greener and safer.

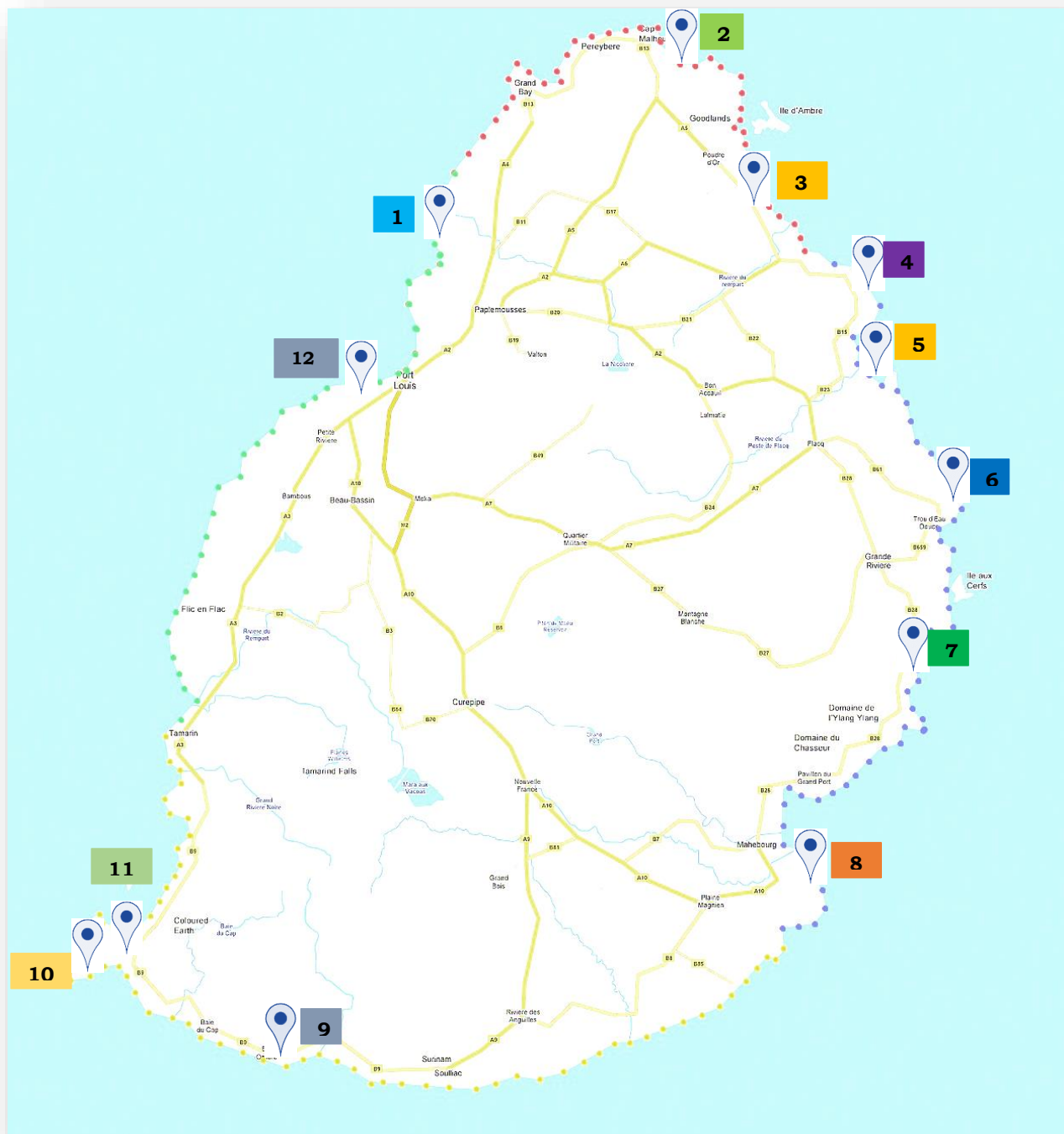
The Beach Authority with the support of several stakeholders including National Coast Guard, Ministries, Mauritius Police Force, NGOs and civilian population has left no stones unturned to carry out this laudable activity.

This document gives a brief description of the activities carried out during the month of August, 2017, including sensitisation campaign and embellishment of several beaches. It also marked an important event which was Assumption Day and the Beach Authority reinforced safety and security measures through a Beach Patrol and Lifesaving Programme.

In line with its mandate to conserve and protect the environment of all public beaches, the Beach Authority has maintained its standard to ensure environmental awareness and engage communities in long term environmental initiatives.

It goes without saying that these campaigns help to mitigate environmental degradation for the benefit of the public in general.

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



Northern Region

- 1 Pointe aux Piments
- 2 Bain Boeuf
- 3 Melville
- 4 Pointe des Lascars

Eastern Region

- 5 Poste Lafayette
- 6 Belle Mare
- 7 Petit Sable

Southern Region

- 8 Le Bouchon
- 9 Bel Ombre

Western Region

- 10 Pointe Cassis
- 11 PG Comptesse La Marque
- 12 Pointe aux Sables

Participants:

1. Beach Authority
2. Lifesaving NGO
3. National Coast Guard

Activities:

- i. Sensitisation campaign and Lifesaving Programme
- ii. Installation of bollards at Pointe des Lascars public beach
- iii. Provision of solar lighting system on public beaches
- iv. Infrastructural development at Bel Ombre public beach
- v. Painting and maintenance of pine poles at Bain Boeuf public beach
- vi. Construction of pathway and parking as well as embellishment works at Pointe Cassis public beach
- vii. Grass cutting on public beaches
- viii. Installation of informative panels on public beaches
- ix. Construction of new toilet blocks at Petit Sable public beach
- x. Construction of new toilet blocks at Melville public beach
- xi. Construction of new toilet blocks at Pointe aux Piments public beach
- xii. Provision of bins at Le Bouchon public beach
- xiii. Upgrading of Belle Mare public beach in collaboration with Mauritius Prison Service
- xiv. Removal of eyesore (concrete bench) at Poste Lafayette public beach

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Activities and embellishment works carried out in August 2017

1.0 Sensitisation campaign and Lifesaving Programme (Assumption Day)

A meeting was convened with relevant stakeholders on the 08th of August, 2017 at the seat of the Authority in the context of Assumption Day to be held on 15th August, 2017.



Meeting held at the seat of the Authority in the context of Assumption Day

Lifesaving & Beach Patrol Programme was implemented with a view to ensure safety and security to beach users on all public beaches around Mauritius Island.

The activities comprised of:

- Sensitisation campaign (distribution of flyers and bin bags to beach users)
- Lifesaving Programme (ensures safety and security of beach users)



Distribution of plastic bags and flyers at Wolmar public beach



Distribution of plastic bags and flyers at Belle Mare public beach



Distribution of plastic bags and flyers at Tamarin public beach



Distribution of plastic bags and flyers at La Preneuse public beach



Lifesaver indicating dangerous zone to beach users



Distribution of plastic bags and flyers at St Félix public beach



Distribution of plastic bags and flyers at Le Morne Dinarobin public beach



Distribution of plastic bags and flyers at
Mont Choisy public beach



Distribution of plastic bags and flyers at Anse La Raie public beach



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Distribution of plastic bags and flyers at Flic en Flac public beach

Beach Patrol by lifesavers at Flic en Flac public beach



2.0 Bollard enclosure at Pointe des Lascars Public Beach

A survey was carried out by officers of the Beach Authority on 19 July 2017 and works started on the 20th of July, 2017. Embellishment of the public beach where existing wall has been replaced by bollards.



Demolition of wall at Pointe des Lascars public beach





Before

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3.0 Provision of Solar Lighting System on Public Beaches

Enhancing safety and security on public beaches remain a priority of the Beach Authority. Accordingly, solar lighting systems are being provided on the following public beaches during the Financial Year 2017/18.

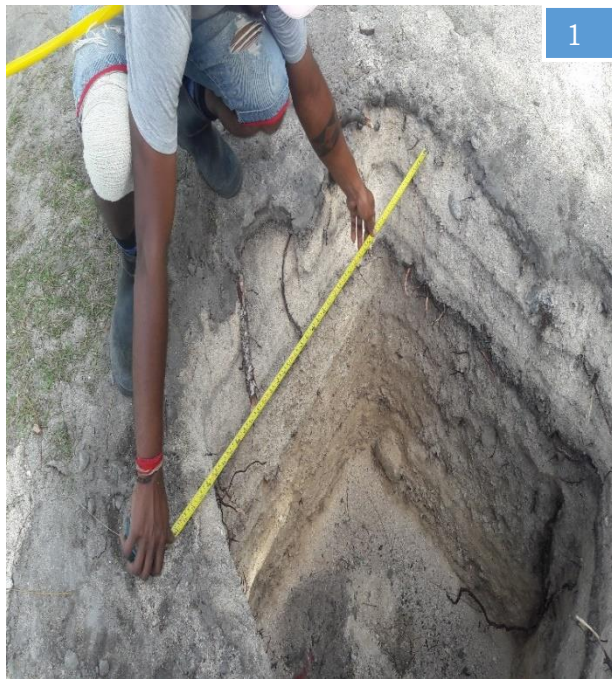
Contracts awarded and works already started.

Public Beach	No. of Units to be installed
Trou d'Eau Douce	5
Palmar (La Palmeraie)	4
Poste Lafayette	15
Poudre d'Or	7
P.G. Melville	4
Anse La Raie	4
Bel Ombre	11
Le Bouchon	12
Blue Bay	10

Solar lighting system is being implemented in line with the green development concept set up by the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Environment and Sustainable Development (Environment and Sustainable Development Division).

Installation of solar lighting poles is ongoing.

Stages in the installation of Solar Lighting System



Excavation of trenches



Casting of concrete column base



Enclosure of column base



Solar lighting pole

4.0 Infrastructural Development at Bel Ombre Public Beach

Infrastructural development at Bel Ombre public beach includes major constructions such as fireplace, kiosks, bins, parking facilities with bollards enclosure and kerbs.



Fireplace



Inox Bin



Parking with proper signage

Bollards enclosure





Parking area



Mini Kiosk

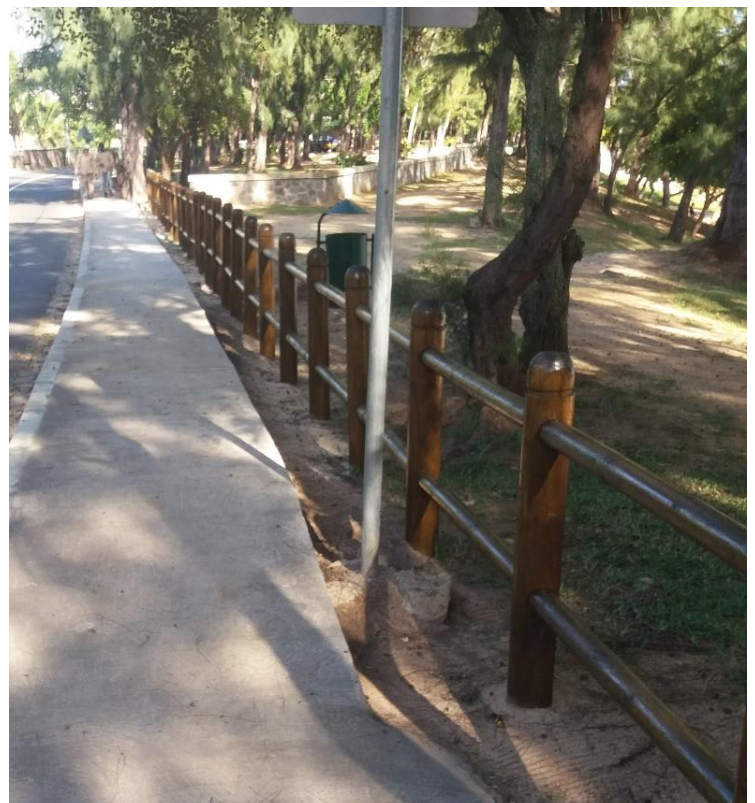


Infrastructural development at Bel Ombre public beach including kiosk, fireplace, bins and parking with bollards enclosure

5.0 Painting and maintenance of pine poles at Bain Boeuf Public Beach



Before



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6.0 Pathway, Parking and Embellishment works at Pointe Cassis Public Beach

The new pathway constructed at Pointe Cassis public beach is 50m long and 1.2m wide. Moreover, parkings have been created with proper signage, wooden poles, kerbs enclosure and plantation of endemic plant “veloutier d’argent” for embellishment of the beach.

Pathway



Parking



Plantation of endemic plant “veloutier d’argent”

7.0 Grass Cutting on Public Beaches

Grass Cutting at P.G Compresse La Marque public beach



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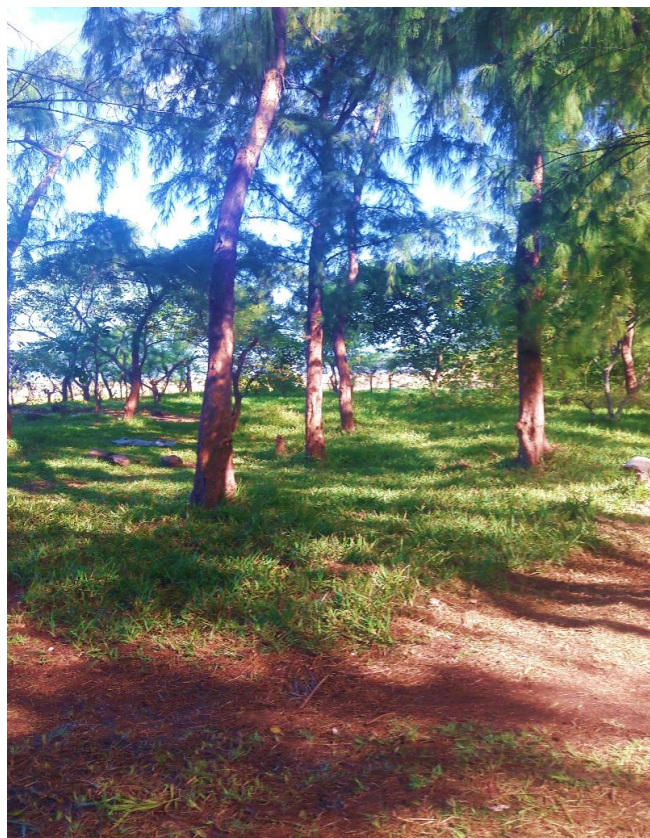


After



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Grass Cutting at Pointe Cassis public beach



Before



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Grass Cutting at Pointe aux Sables public beach



Before



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8.0 Installation of Informative Panels on Public Beaches

The purpose of informative panels is to apprise beach users of the **dos and don'ts** for a clean and green environment as well as for the safety and security of one and all. Forty new informative panels have been installed on several public beaches.



P.G Le Morne public beach



P.G L'Embrasure public beach

List of public beaches where informative panels have been installed

S/N	Name of public beaches	Quantity
1	Melville (Islet Matapan)	1
2	P.G Melville	1
3	Grand River South East	1
4	Riviere des Creoles	1
5	Albion	1
6	P.G Mon Plaisir	1
7	Ruisseau des Creoles (Baie du Cap)	1
8	La Preneuse	1
9	La Cambuse	1
10	Tamarin	1
11	P.G Vieux Grand Port	1
12	Old Vieux Grand Port	1
13	Grand Sable	1
14	Petit Sable	1
15	Bras d'Eau	2
16	Roches Noires	1
17	Vol Molke	1
18	Pointe aux Sables	1
19	Pointe aux Sables (nr Fishries Centre)	1
20	Pointe aux Sables (Martello)	1
21	Butte à l'Herbe	1
22	Le Morne (pte-sud-ouest)	1
23	Le Morne (nr Berjaya)	1
24	L'Embrasure	2
25	Le Morne Brabant	1

26	La Pointe Cassis	1
27	Le Morne (Dinarobin)	1
28	Telfair	1
29	Riviere des Galets	2
30	Quatre Soeurs	1
31	Bois des Amourettes	2
32	Poudre d'Or	2
33	Le Goulet	1
34	Sable Noir	1
35	Cap Malheureux	1
	Total	40



Bras d'Eau public beach

9.0 Petit Sable Public Beach

New toilet blocks, parking lots and a drainage system to evacuate rainwater are being constructed at Petit Sable public beach.



Site clearance



Casting of retaining wall base



Retaining wall

10.0 Melville Public Beach

Provision of new toilet blocks at Melville public beach is ongoing.



Preparation for casting of slabs

11.0 Pointe aux Piments Public Beach

Construction of new toilet blocks at Pointe aux Piments public beach is in progress.



Preparation for casting of slabs

12.0 Removal of eyesore (concrete bench) at Poste Lafayette Public Beach



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13.0 Provision of bins at Le Bouchon Public Beach

Dust bins play an important role in waste management. Several bins have been provided at Le Bouchon public beach to encourage the public to avoid littering and minimise conditions favouring bacteria proliferation.



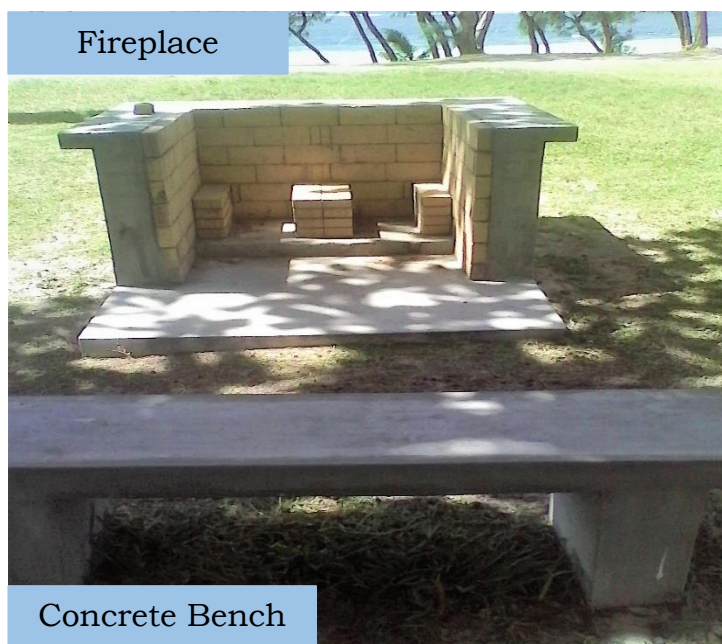
Provision of bins at Le Bouchon public beach



14.0 Upgrading of Belle Mare Public Beach in collaboration with Mauritius Prison Service

A Memorandum of Understanding for the upliftment of Belle Mare public beach was signed on 14 September 2016 between the Mauritius Prison Service and the Beach Authority.

The upliftment of Belle Mare public beach project has been developed under the scheme “Pay Back Mauritius” whereby detainees are given the opportunity to make reparation for the harm they have done through their offending. The aim is to utilise the resources of the prison system, detainee skills and labour towards a worthwhile community project, thus the upliftment of Belle Mare Public beach. The project also provides opportunities for detainees to develop necessary skills so that they may gain employment upon release, thus contributing to the economic well-being of the community.



Upgrading works carried out by detainees of Mauritius Prison Service

Way Forward

Regular awareness campaigns are recalling the participation of every citizen in maintaining a clean and safe environment. The concept of a sensitisation campaign on a regular basis is to arouse awareness for a more sustainable use of our beaches. Beach users are getting more conscious about the **dos and don'ts** and it is observed that we are having a positive response from the public in general.

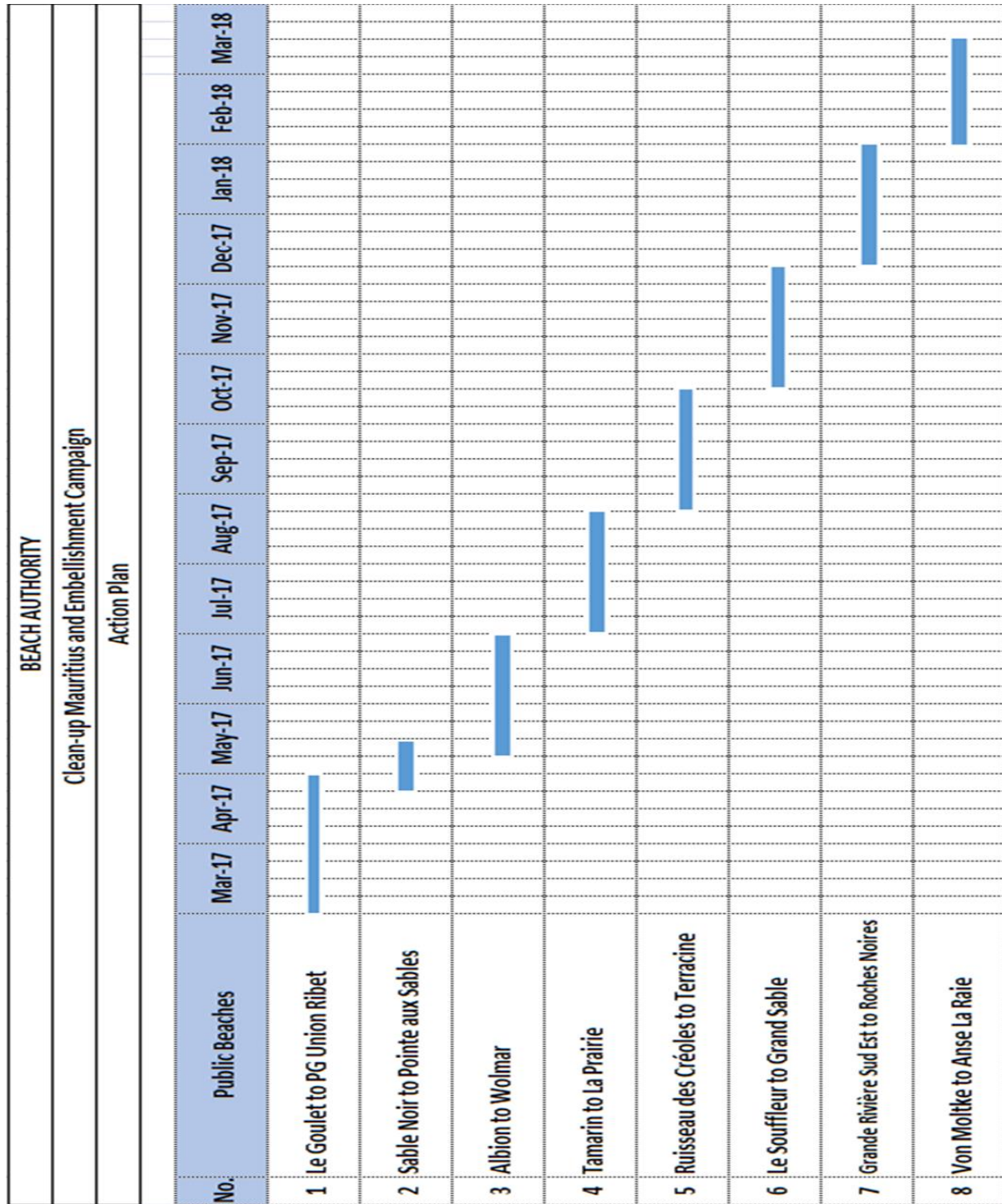
In order to keep pace with the growing demands of the public, the Beach Authority will be establishing 3 new sub-offices at Belle Mare, Flic en Flac and Blue Bay public beaches to provide a better service delivery.

With a view to enhance further waste management and keep the beaches cleaner, the Beach Authority will install several bins including two hundred (200) along the Western Coast of Mauritius.

The support of stakeholders is being sought to enable the Beach Authority to continue in its everlasting quest for clean-up and embellishment of all proclaimed public beaches thus ensuring a cleaner, greener and safer environment.

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

Action Plan



CORRIGENDUM

Report Vol.7 dated 01 August, 2017.

Para.1, line 2 of page 7, “Attorney at Law” to be read as “Attorney General” and line 3 of page 7, “Member of Parliament” to be read as “Government Deputy Whip”.