



# ANNUAL REPORT 2019-2020

MINISTRY OF YOUTH EMPOWERMENT, SPORTS AND RECREATION



## ABOUT THIS REPORT

*As required by the Finance and Audit Act, this annual report gives an overview of the performance of the Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation for the period 01 July 2019 to 30 June 2020.*

*The objective of this report is to share our key achievements, challenges and major strategic decisions with our stakeholders. In order to foster accountability at all levels every attempt has been made to cover the functions, accomplishments, activities as well as the constraints of various units and functional areas of the Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation during the financial year 01 July 2019 to 30 June 2020.*

*This report can also be used as an informative document to our customers, whether internal or external in line with good governance principles.*

*According to the guidelines of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, the report is structured into four parts as mentioned below:*

*Part I – About the Ministry*

*Part II – The Ministry’s Achievements and Challenges*

*Part III – Financial Performance*

*Part IV – The proposed Way Forward*



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## FOREWORD

### Message from the Hon. Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation

*Cette année-là ...2019....*

It was indeed a historical year with the holding of the 10th Indian Ocean Islands Games (IOIG) in Mauritius from 19 to 28 July 2019, which brought along its myriad of challenges, emotions and sense of patriotism, coupled with pride. As Minister in charge of youth and sports matters as well as the Chairperson of the Comité d'Organisation des Jeux des Iles, I am extremely proud to have been directly associated with the organization of these Games. The tremendous potential



of our sportspersons and youth need to be once again highlighted. The mighty harvest of medals reaped had enabled our country to finish first in the medal ranking for the first time in the history of the Games.

The impetus and feel good factor generated by these Games had given our athletes and youth an impulse to aim higher and to dream ambitiously.

The setting up of the Liverpool Football Club International Academy in Mauritius was yet another milestone to be recorded during the financial year 2019 - 2020.

I would like to seize this opportunity to thank heartily all the stakeholders that have up to now assisted selflessly my Ministry in this passionate journey and I look forward to an even more fruitful collaboration in the years to come.

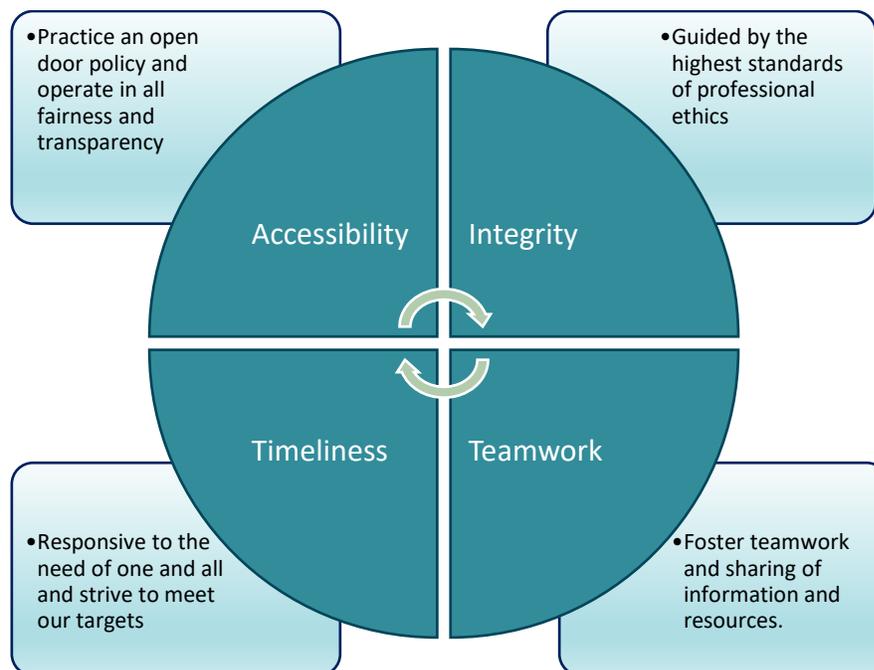
***Honourable Stephan TOUSSAINT***  
***Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation***  
***October 2021***



## 1.0 VISION AND MISSION OF THE MINISTRY



### 1.1 Core Values





## 2.0 YOUTH SECTION

The Youth Section of the Ministry aims at promoting the development of young people, aged 14 to 35 years, to empower them to face upcoming life challenges in a highly dynamic social landscape.

The main objectives are to provide opportunities, including personal and social skills, to enable the youth to become more empowered and resilient and able to take up leadership roles. In this respect, youth policies and programmes are geared towards helping youth to take up meaningful and challenging roles in the socio-economic development of the country.

In line with the National Youth Policy formulated in 2016, the following strategic policy areas are being pursued to develop needs-based programmes for the youth:

1. Wellness and Attitude;
2. Employment and Employability;
3. Youth Entrepreneurship;
4. Informal Education; and
5. Recreational activities.

Each of the above-mentioned areas has been translated into a number of programmes and activities for implementation both at national and regional levels through the 26 Youth Centres and the four residential/outdoor centres operational across the country.

The Youth Section is headed by a Director of Youth Affairs, supported by an Assistant Director of Youth Affairs, responsible for the overall management of the Youth Section. Since 2018, the Section has been reorganised using a cluster-based approach. Three Principal Youth Officers were assigned responsibility of one of the following clusters:



- Cluster 1: Policy, Planning and Youth Administration
- Cluster 2: Recreational Activities, Wellness and Attitude
- Cluster 3: Informal Education, Training and Capacity Building,  
Entrepreneurship and Employability

The remaining seven Principal Youth Officers are responsible for the design and implementation of youth programmes and activities in their respective regions and Youth Centres where they are assisted by Senior Youth Officers and Youth Officers.

### **3.0 SPORTS SECTION**

The Sports Section is headed by the Director of Sports assisted by an Assistant Director of Sports, six Senior Sports Officers and eight Sports Officers.

The main objectives of the Sports Section are:

- (a) to promote sports through the organisation of major sporting events;
- (b) to set up national sports infrastructure and facilities;
- (c) to provide the opportunity to all our citizens to practise a sport of their choice whether for competition or leisure;
- (d) to offer financial support and assistance to National Sports Federations for the development and promotion of their respective disciplines;
- (e) to provide incentives to high-level athletes to achieve excellence in their performance at regional, continental and world levels; and
- (f) to ensure a balanced development of sports throughout the country.

Since July 2017, the Sports Section has been reorganised into six sub-directorates as follows:

- Sub-Directorate 1: Policy and Strategic Planning
- Sub-Directorate 2: Elite Sport and Excellence



- Sub-Directorate 3: Talent Identification and Development
- Sub-Directorate 4: Sport for All
- Sub-Directorate 5: Training and Capacity Building
- Sub-Directorate 6: Infrastructure Management

Each Sub-Directorate is headed by a Senior Sports Officer. The restructuring aims at meeting the modern requirements of development in the sports field and ensuring a coordinated and sustained approach.

## **4.0 KEY LEGISLATIONS**

There are two main legislations under the direct responsibility of the Ministry:

1. The National Youth Council Act 1998; and
2. The Sports Act 2016, as amended by the Sports (Amendment) Act 2018.

In December 2018, the Sports Act was amended to bring it in line with the World Anti-Doping Code of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). The Sports (Amendment) Act was proclaimed on 31 January 2019.



## 5.0 GENDER STATEMENT

The Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation is fully committed to gender mainstreaming as a means of promoting gender equality. In this respect, a Gender Policy was developed for the Ministry in 2014. The goals of the Gender Policy are:

- (a) to achieve equality between men and women in participation and treatment within sports;
- (b) to harness the potential of sports for social empowerment and well-being of women and girls and in promoting an anti-sexist culture; and
- (c) to empower boys and young men, girls and young women to be free from sexist attitudes and behaviour and be able to claim their human rights.

The Ministry is also guided in all its activities by the comprehensive vision of the National Gender Policy Framework and is particularly responsible for creating '*an enabling environment in which girls and boys, men and women are able to achieve their full potential, in full enjoyment of their human rights*'.

Data from all major surveys have indicated that women are substantially less active than men in Mauritius as far as physical activities are concerned. Social and cultural norms and lack of opportunities are among the main reasons for the gender gap. In order to address this issue, the Ministry has adopted a rights-based approach to sports.

A key principle of the National Sport and Physical Activity Policy 2018-2028 is to provide equal opportunities to all regardless of race, gender, age, background, sexuality or other factors. The Policy aims at fostering diversity and inclusion in sport and physical activity. The Ministry is committed to creating a sports landscape which equally represents and fosters participation of people irrespective of gender, race, disability, age and faith.



Moreover, every effort is made towards ensuring that the gender component is taken into consideration while mounting and carrying out youth empowerment activities of the Ministry.

However, the Ministry recognizes that there is still need to sensitise its employees and stakeholders on gender related issues to address negative gender stereotypes and raise awareness about substantive discrimination and inequality.

The Ministry also endeavours to keep sex-disaggregated statistics for all its activities in order to provide gender indicators for the design of better policies and more effective youth and sports development programmes.

## **6.0 ABOUT OUR PEOPLE**

The Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation is the political head of the Ministry and determines the policy direction and priorities of the Ministry.

The Permanent Secretary is the Administrative Head and the Accounting Officer. He is responsible for the administration and management of the Ministry and ensures the implementation of Government policies and programmes. He also advises the Minister on current business of the Government.

The Minister and the Permanent Secretary are assisted in their functions and duties by two Deputy Permanent Secretaries, three Assistant Permanent Secretaries and officers of the technical side comprising the Youth Cadre and the Sports Cadre. Ancillary support is provided by officers in human resource management, financial operations, procurement and supply, general services, etc.



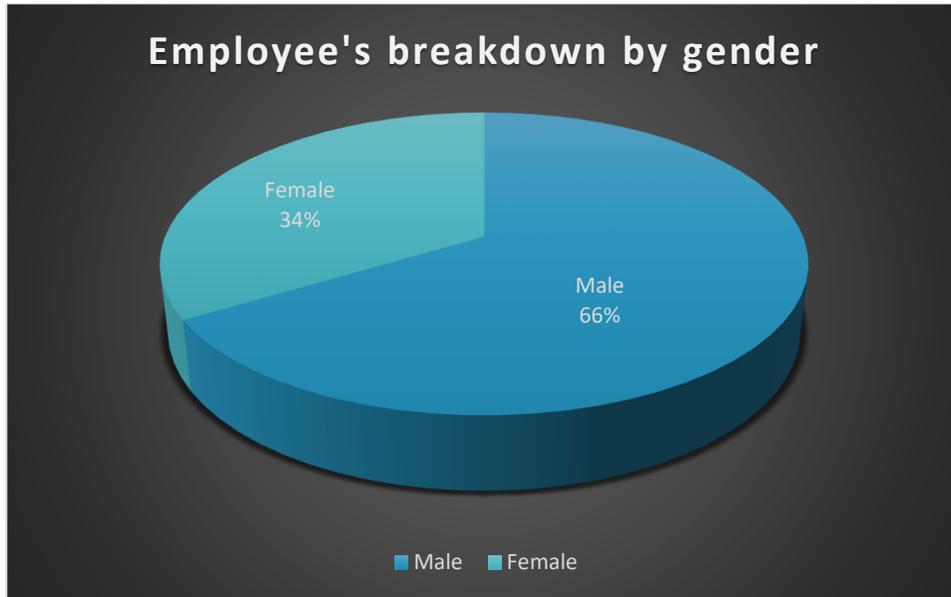
## 6.1 Human Resource Status

As at 30 June 2020, the Ministry had a workforce of **407** officers as follows:

| <b>Employees</b>                                      | <b>Male</b> | <b>Female</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|---|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Administrative Cadre                                  | 3           | 2             | 5            |
| Financial Operations Cadre                            | 1           | 6             | 7            |
| Human Resources Cadre                                 | 1           | 3             | 4            |
| Procurement and Supply Cadre                          | 4           | 2             | 6            |
| Youth Cadre   | 31          | 31            | 62           |
| Sports Cadre  | 13          | 2             | 15           |
| Ombudsman for Sports                                  | 1           | 0             | 1            |
| Coach/Senior Coach                                    | 24          | 5             | 29           |
| Technician (Youth and Sports)                         | 4           | 0             | 4            |
| Sports Nursing Officer                                | 2           | 0             | 2            |
| Internal Control Cadre                                | 1           | 2             | 3            |
| General Services Staff                                | 6           | 46            | 52           |
| Assistant Systems Analyst/Computer Support Officer    | 0           | 2             | 2            |
| Workmen's Class                                       | 155         | 32            | 187          |
| Advisers on contract                                  | 3           | 1             | 4            |
| Adviser Coach (local) on contract                     | 16          | 1             | 17           |
| National Technical Directors on contract (foreigners) | 5           | 0             | 5            |
| Trainees under the Youth Employment Programme         | 0           | 2             | 2            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>270</b>  | <b>137</b>    | <b>407</b>   |



The employees' breakdown by gender is shown below:





## **7.0 MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS/ACTIVITIES**

### **7.1 INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS GAMES 2019**

The 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the Indian Ocean Islands Games was held in Mauritius from 19 to 28 July 2019. This edition regrouped more than 3000 athletes and officials from the following countries: Comoros, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Mayotte, Reunion and Seychelles.

Rs. 610 millions were invested by the Government of Mauritius to upgrade 18 sites for holding of the competitions and training for the Games. Moreover, the Côte d'Or National Sports Complex hosted Judo and Swimming competitions for the first time.

Over Rs. 400 millions was allocated for the organisation of the Games to cater for expenses related to transport, board and lodging, catering, technical equipment, amongst others.

Mauritius participated in the Games with a delegation of more than 400 athletes and officials. Mauritius won a total number of 224 medals including 92 gold, 79 silver and 53 bronze medals. This is so far the best performance recorded by Mauritius at the Games in terms of gold medals as well as in terms of total number of medals obtained. Mauritius won 41.2% of gold medals in play and finished first in the medal ranking for the first time in the history of the games.



The final results in terms of medals obtained are illustrated in the table below.

| RANK | NATION   | GOLD | SILVER | BRONZE | TOTAL |
|------|--|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1    |  Mauritius (MRI)* | 92   | 79     | 53     | 224   |
| 2    |  Madagascar (MAD) | 49   | 47     | 31     | 127   |
| 3    |  Réunion (REU)    | 46   | 58     | 74     | 178   |
| 4    |  Seychelles (SEY) | 28   | 32     | 51     | 111   |
| 5    |  Maldives (MDV)   | 4    | 4      | 7      | 15    |
| 6    |  Mayotte (MYT)    | 3    | 2      | 10     | 15    |
| 7    |  Comoros (COM)    | 1    | 3      | 11     | 15    |



Medals won in terms of disciplines are depicted in the table below.

| SN           | SPORTS         | MEDALS |    |        |    |        |   |                  |                            |                            | TOTAL      |
|--------------|----------------|--------|----|--------|----|--------|---|------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------|
|              |                | GOLD   |    | SILVER |    | BRONZE |   | TOTAL            |                            |                            |            |
|              |                | M      | W  | M      | W  | M      | W | G<br>O<br>L<br>D | S<br>I<br>L<br>V<br>E<br>R | B<br>R<br>O<br>N<br>Z<br>E |            |
| 1.           | Athletics      | 12     | 6  | 11     | 11 | 4      | 5 | 18               | 22                         | 9                          | 49         |
| 2.           | Para Athletics | 7      | 7  | -      | 1  | -      | - | 14               | 1                          | 0                          | 15         |
| 3.           | Badminton      | 4      |    | 3      |    | 5      |   | 4                | 3                          | 5                          | 12         |
| 4.           | Basketball     | -      | -  | -      | -  | -      | 1 | 0                | 0                          | 1                          | 1          |
| 5.           | Beach Volley   | -      | -  | 1      | 2  | 1      | - | 0                | 3                          | 1                          | 4          |
| 6.           | Boxing         | 7      | -  | 2      | -  | -      | - | 7                | 2                          | 0                          | 9          |
| 7.           | Cycling        | 2      | -  | 2      | -  | 2      | - | 2                | 2                          | 2                          | 6          |
| 8.           | Football       | -      | -  | 1      | -  | -      | - | 0                | 1                          | 0                          | 1          |
| 9.           | Judo           | 2      | 4  | 4      | 3  | 1      | 1 | 6                | 7                          | 2                          | 15         |
| 10.          | Rugby sevens   | -      | -  | -      | -  | 3      | - | 0                | 0                          | 1                          | 1          |
| 11.          | Swimming       | 4      | 5  | 10     | 7  | 5      | 5 | 9                | 17                         | 10                         | 36         |
| 12.          | Para Swimming  | 2      | 1  | 1      | 1  | -      | - | 3                | 2                          | 0                          | 5          |
| 13.          | Table Tennis   | 1      |    | 2      |    | 3      |   | 1                | 2                          | 3                          | 6          |
| 14.          | Volleyball     | 1      | -  | -      | -  | -      | 1 | 1                | 0                          | 1                          | 2          |
| 15.          | Weightlifting  | 10     | 12 | 8      | 7  | 9      | 7 | 22               | 15                         | 16                         | 53         |
| 16.          | Yachting       | 4      | 1  | 2      | -  | 1      | 1 | 5                | 2                          | 2                          | 9          |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |                |        |    |        |    |        |   | <b>92</b>        | <b>79</b>                  | <b>53</b>                  | <b>224</b> |



## 7.2 OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF OUR ATHLETES IN MAJOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

(a) **12<sup>th</sup> African Games** held in Rabat, Morocco from 19<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 - **24** medals won:

| SN  | SPORTS        | MEDALS   |          |           | TOTAL     |
|-----|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
|     |               | Gold     | Silver   | Bronze    |           |
| 1.  | Archery       | -        | -        | -         | 0         |
| 2.  | Athletics     | -        | -        | 1         | 1         |
| 3.  | Badminton     | 1        | 1        | 1         | 3         |
| 4.  | Beach Volley  | -        | -        | -         | 0         |
| 5.  | Boxing        | 1        | 1        | -         | 2         |
| 6.  | Chess         | -        | -        | -         | 0         |
| 7.  | Cycling - MTB | 1        | 3        | 1         | 5         |
|     | - Road        | -        | 1        | -         | 1         |
| 8.  | Fencing       | -        | -        | 1         | 1         |
| 9.  | Judo          | -        | -        | 2         | 2         |
| 10. | Karate        | -        | -        | -         | 0         |
| 11. | Swimming      | -        | -        | -         | 0         |
| 12. | Table Tennis  | -        | -        | -         | 0         |
| 13. | Taekwondo     | -        | -        | -         | 0         |
| 14. | Triathlon     | -        | -        | -         | 0         |
| 15. | Weightlifting | 3        | -        | 6         | 9         |
| 16. | Wrestling     | -        | -        | -         | 0         |
|     | <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>6</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>24</b> |



(b) Performances of athletes in other major international competitions (senior category):

| SN           | COMPETITIONS   | GOLD      | SILVER    | BRONZE    | TOTAL     |
|--------------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1.           | <b>JU JITSU</b><br>World Martial Arts Mastership<br>(30 August to 02 September 2019), Korea                                    | 1         | 0         | 0         | 1         |
| 2.           | <b>BOXE FRANCAISE SAVATE</b><br>World Martial Arts Mastership<br>(30 August to 02 September 2019), Korea                       | 0         | 2         | 0         | 2         |
| 3.           | <b>JU JITSU</b><br>2019 Balkan Open World Cup<br>(13 - 18 September 2019), Bucharest   | 0         | 3         | 3         | 6         |
| 4.           | <b>DEAF ATHLETICS</b><br>1st Deaf Athletics Competition<br>(16 - 22 September 2019), Nairobi, Kenya                            | 1         | 2         | 1         | 4         |
| 5.           | <b>BOXE FRANCAISE SAVATE</b><br>Championnats D'Afrique Assaut<br>(26 - 28 Septembre 2019), Ile Maurice                         | 7         | 4         | 0         | 11        |
| 6.           | <b>KICKBOXING</b><br>WAKO World Senior <b>Low Kick</b> Championships<br>(19 - 27 October 2019), Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina | 0         | 2         | 1         | 3         |
| 7.           | <b>BADMINTON</b><br>Algeria International<br>(24 - 27 October 2019), Alger, Algeria  | 0         | 0         | 1         | 1         |
| 8.           | <b>BADMINTON</b><br>Pakistan International<br>(07 - 10 November 2019), Pakistan  | 0         | 1         | 0         | 1         |
| 9.           | <b>KICKBOXING</b><br>WAKO World Senior <b>Full Contact</b> Championships<br>(23 November - 01 December 2019), Antalya, Turkey  | 0         | 0         | 2         | 2         |
| 10.          | <b>BADMINTON</b><br>South Africa International<br>(5 - 8 December 2019), Pretoria, South Africa                                | 1         | 0         | 2         | 3         |
| 11.          | <b>BADMINTON</b><br>2020 African Badminton Championships<br>(14 - 16 February 2020), Cairo, Egypt                              | 2         | 2         | 2         | 6         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |  | <b>12</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>40</b> |



(c) Performances of athletes in other major international competitions (junior category)

| SN           | COMPETITIONS  | GOLD      | SILVER    | BRONZE   | TOTAL     |
|--------------|---|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| 1.           | <b>BADMINTON</b><br>All Africa U15 Championships<br>(8 - 14 July 2019), Abidjan, Ivory Coast                        | 3         | 2         | 1        | 6         |
| 2.           | <b>PARA ATHLETICS</b><br>IPC Para Athletics World Junior Championships (1 - 4<br>August 2019), Nottwil, Switzerland | 2         | 1         | 1        | 4         |
| 3.           | <b>WEIGHTLIFTING</b><br>Youth African Championships<br>(6 - 12 September 2019), Kampala, Uganda                     | 15        | 7         | 2        | 24        |
| 4.           | <b>TENNIS</b><br>ITF U18 Circuit<br>(14 - 19 October 2019), Casablanca, Morocco                                     | 0         | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| 5.           | <b>TENNIS</b><br>ITF U18 Circuit<br>(21 - 26 October 2019), Rabat, Morocco  | 1         | 0         | 0        | 1         |
| 6.           | <b>TENNIS</b><br>ITF U18 Circuit<br>(18 - 23 November 2019), Oujda, Morocco   | 1         | 0         | 0        | 1         |
| 7.           | <b>TENNIS</b><br>ITF U18 Circuit<br>(25 - 30 November 2019), Meknes, Morocco  | 1         | 0         | 0        | 1         |
| 8.           | <b>TABLE TENNIS</b><br>ITTF World Junior Circuit<br>(04 - 08 March 2020), Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of<br>Congo | 2         | 1         | 0        | 3         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |   | <b>25</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>41</b> |

(d) Indian Ocean Islands Games 2019 – “*Parcours de la Flamme*”

Prior to the holding of the Indian Ocean Islands Games, the torch relay (“*Parcours de La Flamme des jeux*”) took place from 06 July to 19 July 2019 across the country to sensitise the population about the importance of the Games. It symbolizes the Olympic message of peace, friendship, solidarity, and unity.

The activity started on 06 July 2019 at Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport (SSR) and ended on 19 July 2019 for the grand opening of the IOIG at Anjalay Coopen Stadium. Around 5700 athletes, and ex-athletes, including volunteers were mobilized to carry out the flame throughout 342 localities by walking, jogging or running. The public including eminent personalities also joined the relay enlivened by musical shows and flash mobs. Each torchbearer covered 100 metres.

There were more than 500 torch bearers daily and in total, above 7000 persons were involved in the relay across the island. The torch was used to light the cauldron at the holding of the Games at Anjalay Coopen Stadium until the closing ceremony on Sunday 28 July 2019.





## 7.2 Organisation of National Youth Activities

The Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation in collaboration with other institutions organises a series of activities and events for the Mauritian population. Some activities held during the period 01 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 are listed below.

### **(a) Programme de Promotion de l' Entrepreneuriat des Jeunes (PPEJ)**

In line with the policy of the Government to inculcate and vulgarize an entrepreneurship culture among the youth, this Ministry organised a training course in entrepreneurship for the benefits of young potential entrepreneurs. The Youth Entrepreneurship Training Programme is a tailor-made programme to equip young people, aged between 18 to 35 years, with skills and knowledge so that they can start and sustain a small business enterprise. The Ministry also provided the necessary support for young potential entrepreneurs to prepare business plans. The Programme was carried out in the close collaboration and support of the 'Conferences des Ministres de la Jeunesse et des Sports de la Francophonie' (CONFESJES). The best Business Plans are sent every year to the CONFESJES for funding.

Following the outbreak of COVID 19 pandemic and in order to adhere to the sanitary protocols, this Ministry organized the Entrepreneurship Training course online via Zoom for the period July 2019 to June 2020. There were 270 young people who completed the training course.

Also, the programme was run simultaneously in Rodrigues where some 70 young people completed same.



### **(b) Duke of Edinburgh's International Award**

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Programme is a global framework for non-formal education that equips young people for life. The programme was firstly introduced in 1966 and it creates opportunities for youngsters, aged between 14 and 24 years, to develop skills, get physically active, give service and experience adventure.

The following activities were organized during the financial year 2019-2020:

- **Award Activities**

- 60 activities were organised during the year involving 2065 participants in Bronze, Silver and Gold Level Adventurous Journeys and Gold Residential Projects.

- **Award Ceremonies**

- 25 Award Ceremonies were held for 977 participants for Bronze, Silver and Gold Level.
- Among which one Gold Level comprising 77 participants at the State House, Le Réduit.



- **Award Training**
  - 4 New Award Leaders Trainings were held for 152 adult volunteers.
  - 1 ‘Supervisors and Assessors’ Training was held for 33 adult volunteers.
  
- **Number of Award Participants: 9000**

### **(c) Family Virtual Quiz 2020**

The Family Virtual Quiz Competition was organised by this Ministry and it was for a duration of 10 weeks from June to September 2020. The objectives of this contest are as follows:

- (a) to involve the family in a common activity;
- (b) to strengthen family ties; and
- (c) to get them to do research works together.

The activity started on 20 June 2020 which comprised 300 family teams and each team consisted of 3 members. Details of the activity are as follows:

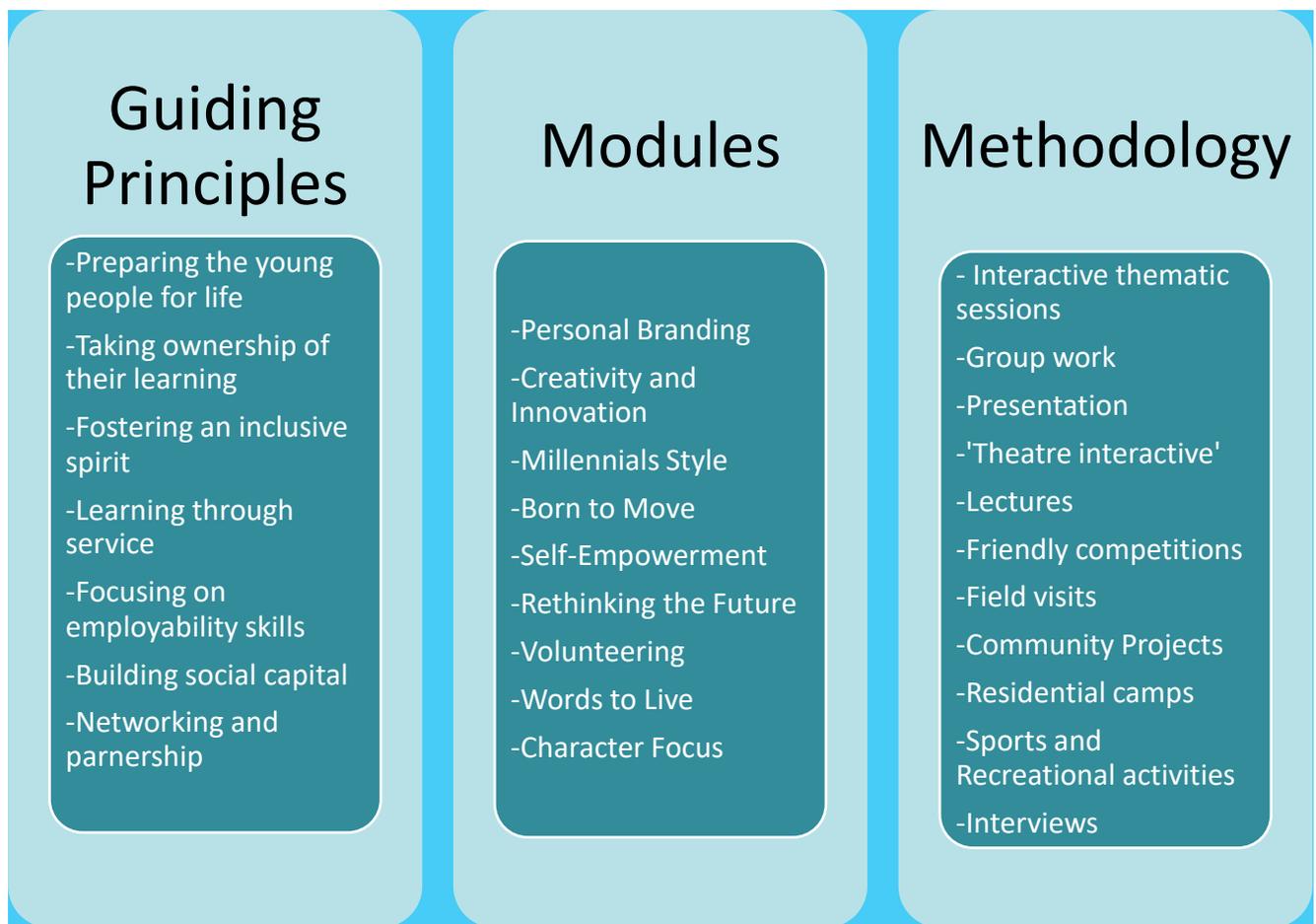
- A questionnaire consisting of 10 questions were sent to them by the Responsible Officers of Youth Centres through Whatsapp and E-mail. The questions were also available on the Ministry’s website and Facebook account. The topics concerned for the questions were sports, science, cinema, flora and fauna, history of Mauritius, geography, world major events, music, riddles and general knowledge;
- Participants had to send their answers to the Responsible Officers through WhatsApp or mobile messages;
- Officers liaised with the participating teams regarding collection of answers, verification and recording of same; and
- At the end, 10 best family teams were selected to compete face to face in the finals.



**(d) National Youth Civic Service (NYCS)**

The NYCS is a highly dynamic and creative initiative which aim at empowering young people aged 17 to 25 years so as to develop a confident, intelligent, active and resilient and daring youth community, while further promoting a spirit of citizenship, and social entity.

The Guiding Principles, Modules and Methodology used for the NYCS programme are depicted below:



For period July 2019 to June 2020, some 194 young people benefitted from the training.

The feedbacks obtained in respect of the NYCS programme from the participants and the community are as follows:

- It helped a lot to bridge the gap between academic training of young people and their eventual integration in the world of work;
- The activity based approach helped a lot to sustain the interests of the participants throughout the programme;
- The modules covered a myriad of areas which are vital for overall development of a youth;
- The methodology used and activities done were much appreciated by the participants; and
- The participants are more equipped and therefore, more confident to face the exigencies and challenges of the world of work.





**(e) Street Dance Battle**

Street Dance is a dancing style originated from New York and it is practiced in an open space. The Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation has organised the Street Dance Battle for Mauritians aged 12 - 35 years where the participants had to perform at regional and national level and in four categories, namely, Breakdance, Hip Hop, Afro Dance and Choreography Dance.

The second edition of the Street Dance Battle was organised in December 2019 and there were three types of Dance Competitions, namely:

- (a) Break Dance (B-Boy) 1 v/s 1;
- (b) Hip Hop all styles 1 v/s 1; and
- (c) Afro dance 1 v/s 1.

Below are the particulars of the six regional competitions which were organized by the Ministry.

| SN           | Region     | Date       | Venue                           | No. of participants |
|--------------|------------|------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1            | South      | 07.12.2019 | Rose Belle Youth Centre         | 34                  |
| 2            | North      | 08.12.2019 | Riviere du Rempart Youth Centre | 31                  |
| 3            | East       | 04.12.2019 | Flacq Coeur de Ville            | 31                  |
| 4            | Central    | 05.12.2019 | Lakepoint, Curepipe             | 34                  |
| 5            | West       | 21.12.2019 | Bambous Youth Centre            | 23                  |
| 6            | Port Louis | 22.12.2019 | Port Louis Waterfront           | 32                  |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |            |            |                                 | <b>185</b>          |





The final of the dance competition was held at Mahebourg Waterfront on 28 December 2019. There were 18 finalists who performed on that day and the winners of each category were as follows: -

| SN | Name of Winner                 | Category                       | Rank                              | Cash Prize |
|----|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| 1  | Condoleezza Topize             | Afro Dance                     | 1 <sup>st</sup>                   | Rs 25,000  |
| 2  | Clair Bernaud                  | Afro Dance + Hip Hop All Style | 2 <sup>nd</sup> + 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Rs 30,000  |
| 3  | Momus Marie Darielle Jovanella | Afro Dance                     | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                   | Rs 10,000  |
| 4  | Buruth David                   | Break Dance                    | 1 <sup>st</sup>                   | Rs 25,000  |
| 5  | Marquet Daniel Louis Michel    | Break Dance                    | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                   | Rs 15,000  |
| 6  | Vert Louis Donovan Dordan      | Break Dance                    | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                   | Rs 10,000  |
| 7  | Manoovaloo Cedric Faudel       | Hip Hop All Style              | 1 <sup>st</sup>                   | Rs 25,000  |
| 8  | Armand Jean Kevin              | Hip Hop All Style              | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                   | Rs 10,000  |



### **(f) Life Skills Training Programme**

Life Skills Training Programme is a tailor-made training that is meant to equip young people with relevant skills that would help them face the challenges of daily life. These challenges can range from the individual's growth and development to family/societal encounters.

For the period 2019-2020, training courses were held with in-school and out-of-school youth, targeting around 500 participants.



### **(g) Peer Education Course**

Where young people face difficulties in life, they tend to turn to other young people for support and advice instead of adults. However, these youngsters towards whom they turn to do not always have the answer to their problem or they are not well informed to give appropriate guidance.

Hence, the Peer Education course provided a special training to the youth on a number of topics like adolescence, teenage pregnancy, healthy life choices amongst others, so that in turn they can help their peer who are in need.

For the period 2019-2020, twenty Peer Educators were trained





### **(h) Peer Counselling Training**

Peer Counselling is based on the well documented fact that young people most often seek out other young people for help when they experience frustration, concerns, worry or any emotional problem.

Peer Counselling training, therefore, equips the young people with specialised skills that would enable him to better listen and provide appropriate guidance to his peer so as to allow him to take appropriate decisions.

For period 2019-2020, about 75 Peer Educators were trained.





**(i) Special Youth Outreach Programme**

Special Youth Outreach Programme is specially designed to address problems of young people living in risky areas where they are regularly exposed to harmful influences. Trained Animateurs conducted regular visits at the places where the youth are usually present during the day and worked with them for positive behaviour change.

For the period 2019-2020, around 180 young people had received close monitoring, guidance and support.





## 7.3 Sports Activities

### A. Major Events

#### (a) African Badminton Championships 2020

The African Badminton Championship took place in Cairo, Egypt from 14 to 16 February 2020. Mauritius won 2 Gold medals, 2 Silver medals and 2 Bronze medals as shown in the table below.

| EVENT           | GOLD   | SILVER  | BRONZE   |
|-----------------|--|---|--|
| Men's singles   |  G. Paul                      |  A. Juwon Opeyori        |  G. Olofua  A. Hatem Elgamal |
| Women's singles |  K. Foo Kune                  |  D. Ajoke Adesokan       |  H. Hosny  D. Hany           |
| Men's doubles   |  K. Mammeri & Y. Sabri Medel |  A. Lubah & G. Paul     |  G. Olofua & A. Juwon Opeyori   |
|                 |  |   |  E. Abah & I. Minaphee  |
|                 |  |   |  A. Ackerman & M. Butler-Emmett   |
| Mixed doubles   |  A. Hatem Elgamal & D. Hany |  K. Mammeri & L. Mazri |  T. Pultoo & K. Dookhee   |
|                 |  |   |  A. Salah & H. Hosny  |





**(b) African Boxing Olympic Qualification Tournament**

The 2020 African Boxing Olympic Qualification Tournament for the Tokyo Olympic Games, was held in Diarnniadio, Senegal from 20 to 29 February 2020. In the -63 Kg category, Richarno Colin won Silver medal and became the first sports person to qualify for Tokyo 2020.

| EVENT  | GOLD   | SILVER   | BRONZE   |
|--------|--|--|--|
| -63 kg |  Jonas Junias Jonas |  Richarno Colin |  Abdelhaq Nadir |



**(c) Triathlon African Cup**

The Shandrani ATU Triathlon African Cup was held on 15 March 2020 at Blue Bay, Mauritius. The Mauritian Jean Gael Laurent L'Enteté, represented Mauritius and ranked 11<sup>th</sup> in elite mens' category.



**(d) Liverpool Football Club – International Academy (LFCIA) Mauritius**

LFC International Academy Mauritius was launched by the Prime Minister, Hon Pravind Kumar Jugnauth, in August 2019. 3000 potential talents were detected among which 273 are provided regular training including 18 girls. The academy is based at Côte d’Or National Multisports Sports Complex, under the responsibility of Neil Murphy, Head Coach of LFCIA Mauritius at Liverpool Football Club.



**(e) Horizon Paris 2024**

A Committee known as Horizon Paris 2024 was set up under the Trust Fund for Excellence in Sports to provide assistance to athletes preparing for the Olympic Games 2024. As at 30 June 2020, 10 potential and promising elite athletes have



been identified by the Committee for support in training, competitions, training camps, equipment, medical/paramedical facilities etc.



**(f) Trust Fund for Excellence in Sports**

The Trust Fund for Excellence in Sports provides support to more than 100 athletes/students at Secondary, Vocational and Tertiary level education and to 116 retired athletes through the State Recognition Allowance Scheme for Retired Athletes.



**(g) Universiade Games**

The 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the Universiade Games was held from 27 September to 11 October 2019 at the University of Mauritius where 800 students from 12 tertiary institutions participated in 6 sports disciplines.





### (a) International Competitions

The cash prizes awarded for the period July 2019 to June 2020 amounted to Rs. 5,029,225 for high level athletes.

| SN  | COMPETITIONS  | RS        |
|-----|---|-----------|
|     | <b>KICKBOXING</b>   |           |
| 1.  | WAKO World Senior Low Kick Championships (19-27 October 2019), Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina | 1,192,500 |
| 2.  | WAKO World Senior Full Contact Championships (23 November-01 December 2019), Antalya, Turkey  | 483,750   |
|     | <b>TENNIS</b>   |           |
| 3.  | ITF 18 & Under Circuit J4 (14-19 October 2019), Casablanca, Morocco                           | 12,600    |
| 4.  | ITF 18 & Under Circuit J4 (21-26 October 2019), Rabat, Morocco                                | 16,800    |
| 5.  | ITF 18 & Under Circuit J5 (18-23 November 2019), Oujda, Morocco                               | 16,800    |
| 6.  | ITF 18 & Under Circuit J5 (25-30 November 2019), Meknes, Morocco                              | 16,800    |
|     | <b>WEIGHTLIFTING</b>  |           |
| 7.  | Youth African Championships (06-12 September 2019), Kampala, Uganda                           | 179,400   |
|     | <b>BADMINTON</b>  |           |
| 8.  | All Africa U15 Championships, Abidjan, Ivory Coast (08-14 July 2019)                          | 524,000   |
| 9.  | Algeria International (24-27 October 2019), Alger, Algeria                                    | 14,000    |
| 10. | Pakistan International (07-10 November 2019), Pakistan  | 14,000    |
| 11. | South Africa International (05-08 December 2019), Pretoria, South Africa                      | 47,000    |
| 12. | All Africa Mixed Team Championships (09-13 February 2020), Cairo, Egypt                       | 192,000   |
| 13. | All Africa Individual Championships (14-16 February 2020), Cairo, Egypt                       | 216,000   |
|     | <b>AURALLY HANDICAPPED – DEAF ATHLETICS</b>   |           |
| 14. | 1 <sup>st</sup> Deaf Athletics Competition (16-22 September 2019), Nairobi, Kenya             | 291,000   |
|     | <b>VOLLEYBALL</b>   |           |
| 15. | 26 <sup>th</sup> CAVB Zone 7 (15-22 February 2020), Madagascar                                | 82,000    |
|     | <b>JU JITSU</b>   |           |
| 16. | World Martial Arts Masterships (30 August-02 September 2019), Korea                           | 140,000   |
| 17. | 2019 Balkan Open World Cup (13-18 September 2019), Bucharest                                  | 41,550    |
|     | <b>BRAZILLIAN JIU JITSU</b>   |           |



|     |  |                  |
|-----|--|------------------|
| 18. | World Martial Arts Games (24-27 October 2019), London, United Kingdom                | 25,000           |
|     | <b>SWIMMING</b>  |                  |
| 19. | CANA Zone IV Swimming Championships (20-23 February 2020), Gaborone, Botswana        | 66,525           |
|     | <b>TABLE TENNIS</b>  |                  |
| 20. | ITTF World Junior Circuit (04-08 March 2020), Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo | 84,000           |
|     | <b>PARA ATHLETICS</b>  |                  |
| 21. | IPC Para-Athletics World Junior Championships (01-04 August 2019)                    | 1,282,500        |
|     | <b>BOXE FRANCAISE SAVATE</b>   |                  |
| 22. | World Martial Arts Masterships (30 August-02 September 2019), Korea                  | 91,000           |
|     | <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>5,029,225</b> |

### (b) IOIG 2019

The cash prizes awarded for IOIG 2019 amounted to Rs. 13,753,000, representing funds disbursed to 236 Athletes, 8 DTNs, 49 National Coaches and 15 Assistant Coaches. The cash prize ceremony was held on Friday 16 August 2019 at Ravenala Hotel, Balaclava.

Cash prizes as per Sport Discipline are as follows:

| SN  | DISCIPLINES    | AMOUNT (RS) |
|-----|----------------|-------------|
| 1.  | Athletics      | 2,335,000   |
| 2.  | Para-Athletics | 900,000     |
| 3.  | Badminton      | 1,025,000   |
| 4.  | Basketball     | 265,000     |
| 5.  | Beach Volley   | 350,000     |
| 6.  | Boxing         | 535,000     |
| 7.  | Cycling        | 445,000     |
| 8.  | Football       | 635,000     |
| 9.  | Judo           | 1,120,000   |
| 10. | Rugby          | 265,000     |
| 11. | Swimming       | 1,780,000   |



|              |               |                   |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 12.          | Para-Swimming | 280,000           |
| 13.          | Table Tennis  | 565,000           |
| 14.          | Volleyball    | 918,000           |
| 15.          | Weightlifting | 1,950,000         |
| 16.          | Yachting      | 385,000           |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |               | <b>13,753,000</b> |

### (c) **Special Cash Prize**

Government decided, in a bid to further support Mauritian athletes, to allocate an additional sum of Rs 50 000, Rs 40 000 and Rs 30 000 respectively to gold, silver and bronze medallists of the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the Indian Ocean Island Games (IOIG).

In addition, all athletes who participated in the recent Games but did not win any medal received the sum of Rs 20 000.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Mr Pravind Kumar Jugnauth, made this statement, on Saturday 10 August 2019, during a reception hosted at the Clarisse House, in Vacoas, to honour the success of Mauritian athletes who participated in IOIG 2019. Several Ministers, members of parliament, and other personalities were present at the function.



## **B. Training**

### **(a) Training Centres**

Some 18,000 young potential athletes were training in 121 technical youth structures across the island as mentioned below:

- i. Athletics: 7 regional centres (2 in Rodrigues) and 21 schools;
- ii. Badminton: 4 regional centres;
- iii. Basketball: 4 regional centres and 9 schools (1 in Rodrigues);
- iv. Football: 1 national centre, 12 regional centres and 41 schools;
- v. Around 8,000 young boys and girls participated in the National Grassroots Football competition at primary level (233 primary schools) for a total of 1210 matches for the year 2019-2020;
- vi. An Inter-Regional football competition among the football training structures were organised in 2019 for different categories, namely, Under 8, Under 10, Under 12, Under 13, Under 15 and Under 17 reaching a participation of 9000 youngsters;
- vii. Handball: 7 schools (1 in Rodrigues);
- viii. Judo: 4 regional centres;
- ix. Volleyball: 6 schools; and
- x. Wrestling: 5 schools





### **(b) Training & Capacity Building**

The course which was held under this programme is 'Diploma in Sports Training, Coaching and Exercise – in collaboration with University of Technology, Mauritius & MYESR'

The Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation in collaboration with the CJSOI, organised a 5-day workshop on physical preparation from 02 to 06 December 2019 with the participation of 35 Coaches from 5 countries, namely, Reunion, Mayotte, Seychelles, Mauritius and Rodrigues.



### **C. National Sports Federations (NSFs)**

A sum of Rs. 60 million was earmarked in favour of National Sports Federations for the year 2019 - 2020 to enable them to achieve their objectives in various sectors (Elite Sports, Youth Development, Training of cadres and Administration).

### **D. High Level Athletes**

More than 120 elite athletes were provided financial assistance through the High-Level Sports Unit.

Athletes received their monthly financial assistance even during the lockdown period and the main criteria considered was individual training at home.



Coaches were encouraged to use available technology and their own creativity to guide athletes to pursue individual training through online coaching.

Coaches were also granted their monthly coaching allowance from the Ministry through their respective NSFs.

## **E. Infrastructure**

### **Sports Infrastructure**

The following sports infrastructure are managed by the Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation in collaboration with the Mauritius Sports Council.

| <b>SN</b> | <b>INFRASTRUCTURE</b>            | <b>ADDRESS</b>                         |
|-----------|----------------------------------|--|
| 1.        | Serge Alfred Swimming Pool       | F. Herchenroder Street, Beau Bassin    |
| 2.        | Souvenir Swimming Pool           | Route A2, Calebasses                   |
| 3.        | Rivière du Rempart Swimming Pool | Route A6, Rivière du Rempart           |
| 4.        | Le Pavillon Swimming Pool        | Leconte De Lisle Avenue, Quatre Bornes |
| 5.        | Mare D'Albert Swimming Pool      | Royal Road A10, Mare D'Albert          |
| 6.        | Pandit Sahadeo Gymnasium         | Stevenson Road, Vacoas                 |
| 7.        | Weightlifting Gymnasium          | Stevenson Road, Vacoas                 |
| 8.        | Boxing Gymnasium                 | Willoughby Street, Vacoas              |
| 9.        | Wrestling Gymnasium              | Stevenson Road, Vacoas                 |
| 10.       | Basketball/Handball Gymnasium    | Closel Road, Phoenix                   |
| 11.       | Glen Park Multi Sports Complex   | Caverne Road, Glen Park, Vacoas        |
| 12.       | Badminton Centre                 | Duncan Taylor Street, Rose-Hill        |
| 13.       | Judo/Table Tennis Centre         | F. Herchenroder Street, Beau Bassin    |
| 14.       | Rose Hill Sports Complex         | Julius Nyerere Avenue, Rose Hill       |
| 15.       | Dojo Centre                      | Delta Lane, Grand River North West     |
| 16.       | Bon Accueil Sports Complex       | Mission Cross Road, Bon Accueil        |
| 17.       | Daniel Imbert Sports Complex     | La Source, Palma, Quatre Bornes        |
| 18.       | Anjalay Stadium                  | Royal Road, Belle Vue Maurel           |
| 19.       | Auguste Volaire Stadium          | Royal Road, Central Flacq              |
| 20.       | Quartier Militaire Stadium       | Royal Road, Quartier Militaire         |
| 21.       | Harry Latour Stadium             | Rue de La Chaux, Mahebourg             |
| 22.       | Germain Commarmond Stadium       | Route Royale, Bambous                  |



|     |                                       |  |
|-----|---------------------------------------|--|
| 23. | New George V Stadium                  | Louis Pasteur Street, Curepipe             |
| 24. | Rose Belle Stadium                    | Gourea Lane, Rose Belle                    |
| 25. | Maryse Justin Stadium                 | State House Avenue, Reduit                 |
| 26. | Sir R. Ghurburrun Stadium             | Dispensary Road, Triolet                   |
| 27. | St François Xavier Stadium            | Borneo Street, Port Louis                  |
| 28. | Belmont Football Ground               | Estate Road, Goodlands                     |
| 29. | Petit Raffray Football Ground         | Royal Road, Petit Raffray                  |
| 30. | Grand Bay Football Ground             | Grand Bay Road, Grand Bay                  |
| 31. | CNFF Football Ground                  | State House Avenue, Reduit                 |
| 32. | Plaine des Papayes Football Ground    | Reservoir Road, Plaine des Papayes         |
| 33. | Malherbes Football Ground             | Malherbes Street, Curepipe                 |
| 34. | Morcellement St Andre Football Ground | Royal Road, Morcellement St Andre          |
| 35. | Baie du Tombeau Football Ground       | School Lane, Baie du Tombeau               |
| 36. | Canot Football Ground                 | Simonet Road, Canot, Bambous               |
| 37. | Sports Medical Unit                   | Stevenson Road, New Sports Complex, Vacoas |
| 38. | Grand Bay Sailing Centre              | Royal Road, Grand Bay                      |

### Youth Infrastructure

The youth infrastructure as listed below is managed by the Ministry.

| SN  | INFRASTRUCTURE                  | ADDRESS  |
|-----|---------------------------------|--|
| 1.  | Helvetia Youth Centre           | Helvetia, St-Pierre  |
| 2.  | Mahebourg Youth Centre          | Colony Street, Mahebourg                                     |
| 3.  | Montagne Blanche Youth Centre   | Beedassy Lane, Montagne Blanche                              |
| 4.  | Pamplemousses Youth Centre      | Royal Road, Opposite Parking Botanical Garden, Pamplemousses |
| 5.  | Rivière du Rempart Youth Centre | Royal Road, Rivière du Rempart                               |
| 6.  | Rose Belle Youth Centre         | Nehru Link Road, Rose Belle                                  |
| 7.  | Souillac Youth Centre           | Autard Street, Stelfair, Souillac                            |
| 8.  | Tamarin Youth Centre            | Morcellement Carlos Road, Tamarin                            |
| 9.  | Bambous Youth Centre            | Royal Road, Cite La Ferme, Bambous                           |
| 10. | Goodlands Youth Centre          | Mapou Leclezio, Goodlands                                    |
| 11. | Roche Bois Youth Centre         | Allée Tamarin, Roche Bois                                    |
| 12. | Floreal Youth Centre            | Cite Mangalkhan, Floreal                                     |



|                                     |   |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| 13.                                 | Trèfles Youth Centre                      | Jeenah Street, Trèfles, Rose Hill                     |
| 14.                                 | Cité Kennedy Youth Centre                 | Avenue des L'Unions, Residence Kennedy, Quatre-Bornes |
| 15.                                 | Triolet Youth Centre                      | Royal Road, 9eme mille, Triolet                       |
| 16.                                 | Plaine Verte Youth Centre                 | Corner Maharatta & Goa Street, Plaine Verte           |
| 17.                                 | Florida Youth Centre                      | Cité Florida, Baie du Tombeau                         |
| 18.                                 | Brisée Verdière Youth Centre              | Pascal Road, B.Verdière                               |
| 19.                                 | Chemin Grenier Youth Centre               | Camp Lila Road, Chemin Grenier                        |
| 20.                                 | Docker's Village Sub Youth Centre         | Dockers Village, Baie du Tombeau                      |
| 21.                                 | Bois Cheri Youth Centre                   | Building State Road, Bois Chéri                       |
| 22.                                 | Flacq Youth Centre                        | François Mitterand Street, Flacq                      |
| 23.                                 | Malherbes Youth Centre                    | Cité Malherbes, Curepipe                              |
| 24.                                 | Barkly Youth Centre                       | Cité Barkly, Beau Bassin                              |
| 25.                                 | Black River Youth Centre                  | Royal Road, Black River                               |
| 26.                                 | Cite la Cure Youth Centre                 | Rev. Schneppe Ave, Cite la Cure, Port Louis           |
| <b>Residential Training Centres</b> |   |   |
| 27.                                 | Anse La Raie Residential Training Centre  | Coastal Road, Anse La Raie                            |
| 28.                                 | Flic en Flac Outdoor Centre               | Coastal Road, Flic en Flac                            |
| 29.                                 | Belle Mare Outdoor Centre                 | Royal Road, Belle Mare                                |
| 30.                                 | Pointe Jerome Residential Training Centre | Coastal Road, Pointe D'Esny                           |
| 31.                                 | Bel Ombre Outdoor Centre                  | Coastal Road, Bel Ombre                               |



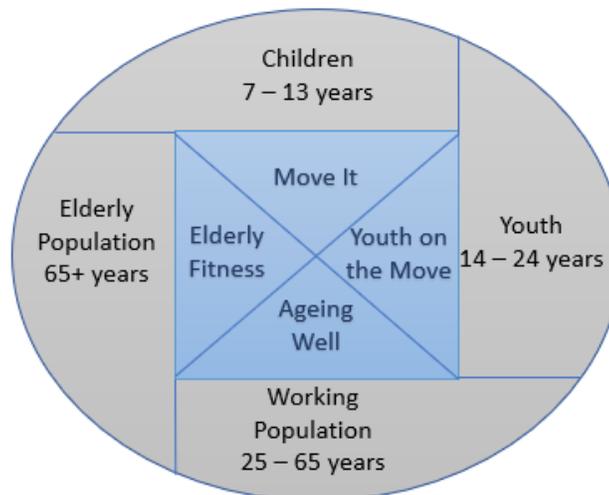
**F. Sport for All**

On 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019, the Mauritius Sports Council (MSC) launched its brand ‘Active Mauritius’ in line with the National Sport and Physical Activity Policy.



Several programmes have been devised to serve the population and encourage Mauritians to practise one or several physical activities. The aim is to reach 35% of the population physically active as per WHO recommendation by 2028.

The programmes involving different age groups are depicted in the diagram below:





Activities held under the above concepts are listed below:

**(a) Move It**

| SN    | Activity  |   |
|-------|---|---|
| (i)   | After school sports and fitness program (Primary)           |    |
| (ii)  | After school sports and fitness program (ASSFP) (Secondary) |    |
| (iii) | Natation scolaire   |    |
| (iv)  | Summer holiday sports camp                                  |   |
| (v)   | Nager C'est Vital   |  |
| (vi)  | Anou naze Rodrigues   |  |
| (vii) | A la decouverte de nos Athletes                             |  |



**(b) Youth on the Move**

| SN    | Activity                 |   |
|-------|--------------------------|---|
| (vii) | Vulnerable youth program |  |

**(c) Ageing Well Program**

| SN     | Activity          |  |
|--------|-------------------|--|
| (viii) | Exercise to music |   |
| (ix)   | Walking club      |  |

**(d) Elderly Fitness**

| SN  | Activity          |   |
|-----|-------------------|---|
| (x) | Elderly Home Care |  |



## 7.4 Financial Assistance

### (a) Financial Assistance to National Sports Federations and Sports Organisations

Financial Assistance was provided to **36** National Sports Federations and **5** Sports Organisations during the financial year for the organisation of competitions, participation in regional and international competitions, transport, purchase of equipment and medical items, etc.

Total Budget Earmarked: **Rs 67,000,000**

Total Budget Allocated to NSFs for FY 2019/2020: **Rs 51,415,120**

| SN  | NAME OF FEDERATION   | AMOUNT DISBURSED (Rs) |
|-----|--|-----------------------|
|     | <b>National Sports Federation</b>                              |                       |
| 1.  | All Mauritius Karaté Federation                                | 36,400                |
| 2.  | Association de Petanque de l'Ile Maurice                       | 638,600               |
| 3.  | Aurally Handicapped Persons Sports Federation                  | 1,084,574             |
| 4.  | Fédération Mauricienne de Kickboxing et Disciplines Assimilées | 2,492,273             |
| 5.  | Fédération Mauricienne de Boxe Française                       | 25,000                |
| 6.  | Fédération Mauricienne de Cyclisme                             | 2,390,075             |
| 7.  | Fédération Mauricienne de Natation                             | 1,331,496             |
| 8.  | Fédération Mauricienne de Tir à l'Arc                          | 91,000                |
| 9.  | Fédération Mauricienne de Triathlon                            | 684,791               |
| 10. | Fédération Mauricienne des Sports Corporatifs                  | 155,000               |
| 11. | Mauritius Boxing Association                                   | 3,261,199             |
| 12. | Mauritius Amateur Weightlifters and Powerlifters Association   | 1,976,435             |
| 13. | Mauritius Athletics Association                                | 3,285,410             |
| 14. | Mauritius Badminton Association                                | 4,349,300             |
| 15. | Mauritius Basketball Federation                                | 2,776,535             |
| 16. | Mauritius Billiards & Snooker Federation                       | 447,925               |



|     |   |                   |
|-----|---|-------------------|
| 17. | Mauritius Chess Federation                                |                   |
| 18. | Mauritius Equestrian Sports Association                   | 605,369           |
| 19. | Mauritius Football Association                            | 8,050,730         |
| 20. | Mauritius Golf Federation                                 | 100,000           |
| 21. | Mauritius Handball Association                            | 1,052,970         |
| 22. | Mauritius Ju-Jitsu Federation                             | 477,000           |
| 23. | Mauritius Judo Federation                                 | 1,658,117         |
| 24. | Mauritius National Wrestling and Allied Games Association | 185,030           |
| 25. | Mauritius Secondary School Sports Association             | 303,600           |
| 26. | Mauritius Table Tennis Association                        | 2,370,665         |
| 27. | Mauritius Tae Kwon Do Federation                          | 209,856           |
| 28. | Mauritius Tennis Federation                               | 2,027,205         |
| 29. | Mauritius Volleyball Association                          | 2,691,506         |
| 30. | Mauritius Wushu Federation                                | 258,687           |
| 31. | Mauritius Yachting Association                            | 957,728           |
| 32. | Mentally Handicapped Persons Sports Federation            | 1,223,300         |
| 33. | Physically Handicapped Persons Sports Federation          | 603,303           |
| 34. | Rugby Union Mauritius                                     | 2,394,900         |
| 35. | The Fencing Federation of Mauritius                       | 59,374            |
| 36. | Visually Handicapped Persons Sports Federation            | 173,940           |
|     | <b>Sports Organisations</b>                               |                   |
| 37. | Kyokushinkai Martial Arts Federation                      | 153,086           |
| 38. | Mauritius Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Federation                  | 181,000           |
| 39. | Muay Thai   | 100,000           |
| 40. | Ringball Federation of Mauritius                          | 12,200            |
| 41. | CNSF  | 539,541           |
|     | <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>51,415,120</b> |



### (b) Financial Assistance to Team Sports Clubs

- Rs 20.1 m were budgeted for football clubs and Regional Football Committees.

| Category                            | Number of Clubs | Amount Allocated per Club (Rs) | Total Amount (Rs)    |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Super League</b>                 | 10              | 1,200,000.00                   | 12,000,000.00        |
| <b>First Division</b>               | 8               | 500,000.00                     | 4,000,000.00         |
| <b>Second Division</b>              | 8               | 400,000.00                     | 3,200,000.00         |
| <b>Regional Football Committees</b> | 9               | 100,000.00                     | 900,000.00           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                        |                 |                                | <b>20,100,000.00</b> |

- Rs 3.1 M allocated to other team sports clubs forming part of the Premier League

| Sports            | Number of Clubs |       |       | Amount Allocated per club (Rs) | Total Amount (Rs)   |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
|                   | Men             | Women | Total |                                |                     |
| <b>Basketball</b> | 3               | -     | 3     | 100,000.00                     | 300,000.00          |
| <b>Handball</b>   | 3               | 2     | 5     | 100,000.00                     | 500,000.00          |
| <b>Volleyball</b> | 7               | 10    | 17    | 100,000.00                     | 1,700,000.00        |
| <b>Rugby</b>      | 3               | 3     | 6     | 100,000.00                     | 600,000.00          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>      |                 |       |       |                                | <b>3,100,000.00</b> |



(a) **Financial Assistance to Athletes**

The Ministry of Youth, Empowerment, Sports and Recreation provided several financial assistance schemes to athletes in order for them to excel in their disciplines.

(b) **Assistance to High Level Athletes**

Financial assistance is granted to high level athletes who have recorded an outstanding performance in an international competition. It is a result-oriented scheme. The high-level athlete should have the required potential to improve and reach higher level of performance in line with the target set within a given period of time.

- Amount Budgeted 2019-2020 for FY 2019/2020: **Rs 17,830,000.**
- Number of Beneficiaries: **147** as detailed in the table below:

| SN           | Level of Performance    | Monthly Financial Allowance | Number of Athletes Rewarded |           |            |
|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|
|              |                         |                             | Male                        | Female    | Total      |
| 1.           | World Level             | Rs 29,000 – Rs35,000        | 5                           | 5         | 10         |
| 2.           | Intercontinental Level  | Rs 16,000 – Rs 23,000       | 11                          | 5         | 16         |
| 3.           | Continental Level       | Rs 9,500 – Rs 14,000        | 22                          | 11        | 33         |
| 4.           | Regional Level          | Rs 6,500 – Rs 8,500         | 43                          | 31        | 74         |
| 5.           | Sparring Partner/ Guide | Rs 5,000                    | 11 + 3 guides               | 0         | 14         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |                         |                             | <b>95</b>                   | <b>52</b> | <b>147</b> |



Additional Rs1,200,000 has been granted to clubs participating at the CCOI/AROI as follows:

| <b>SPORT</b> | <b>AMOUNT/CLUB</b>                  | <b>TOTAL/Rs</b>     |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Handball     | Curepipe Starlight SC               | 200,000.00          |
|              | Association Sportive Vacoas Phoenix | 200,000.00          |
| Rugby        | Highland Blues CSSC                 | 200,000.00          |
| Volleyball   | Quatre Bornes Volleyball Club       | 200,000.00          |
|              | Trou aux Biches Volleyball Club     | 200,000.00          |
| Basketball   | TBC                                 | 200,000.00          |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |                                     | <b>1,200,000.00</b> |

(c) **Cash Prize Scheme**

The Cash Prize Scheme provides for financial rewards to athletes who have obtained a medal in major competitions at World, Intercontinental, Continental and Regional levels. These sporting events are classified in order of importance into six groups as illustrated in the diagram below.





During period 01 July 2019 to 30 June 2020, 'Cash Prize Remittance Ceremonies/Amount credited directly to bank account due to COVID-19' were done as follows:

| <b>Date</b>                                   | <b>Number of Beneficiaries</b> | <b>Amount Disbursed</b> |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 16 August 2019                                | 308                            | 13,753,000.00           |
| 27 September 2019                             | 173                            | 4,993,960.00            |
| 17 October 2019<br>(Credited-Bank<br>Account) | 8                              | 116,000.00              |
| 21 May 2020<br>(Credited-Bank<br>Account)     | 71                             | 3,002,450.00            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                  | <b>560</b>                     | <b>21,865,410.00</b>    |



(d) **State Recognition Allowance Scheme for Retired Athletes**

The objective of the scheme is to acknowledge the contribution of athletes who have represented the country and won medals at international or continental levels.

These athletes are provided with a monthly allowance after their retirement from high-level competitions. The quantum ranges from Rs 3,500 to Rs 10,000 monthly depending on the level of the competition and medal obtained.

Amount Disbursed: Rs 6,903,518.00

Number of Beneficiaries: **116** retired athletes as detailed in the table below.

| SN  | Sports                        | Olympic/<br>Paralympic<br>Games | World<br>Championships | Commonwealth<br>Games &<br>Francophone<br>Games | African<br>Games or<br>Champion-<br>ships | Total      |
|-----|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|---|---|------------|
| 1.  | Athletics                     |                                 |                        | 14  | 11  | 25         |
| 2.  | Badminton                     |                                 |                        |   | 17  | 17         |
| 3.  | Beach Volley                  |                                 |                        |   | 2   | 2          |
| 4.  | Boxing                        | 1                               |                        | 6   | 1   | 8          |
| 5.  | Cycling                       |                                 |                        |   | 2   | 2          |
| 6.  | Judo                          |                                 |                        | 5   | 13  | 18         |
| 7.  | Swimming                      |                                 |                        |   | 3   | 3          |
| 8.  | Table Tennis                  |                                 |                        |   | 8   | 8          |
| 9.  | Volleyball                    |                                 |                        |   | 13  | 13         |
| 10. | Weightlifting                 |                                 |                        |   | 8   | 8          |
| 11. | Wrestling                     |                                 |                        |   | 5   | 5          |
|     | <i>Non-Olympic<br/>Sports</i> |                                 |                        |   |   |            |
| 12. | Boxe<br>Française -<br>Savate |                                 | 4                      |   |   | 4          |
| 13. | Jujitsu                       |                                 |                        |   | 1   | 1          |
| 14. | Karate                        |                                 | 1                      |   |   | 1          |
| 15. | Kick Boxing                   |                                 | 1                      |   |   | 1          |
|     | <b>TOTAL</b>                  | <b>1</b>                        | <b>6</b>               | <b>25</b>                                       | <b>84</b>                                 | <b>116</b> |



## 8.0 STATUS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF BUDGET MEASURES

In the Budget Speech 2019-2020, Youth and Sports were identified as pathways to pursue our journey for an inclusive High-Income Country. The measures announced and the status of their implementation are detailed in the table below.

| SN | BUDGET MEASURE  | STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION   |
|----|---|--|
| 1. | Creation of Active Mauritius for Sports for All. MSC budget under the Lotto Fund increased to 40 million so as to encourage the population to become active. Development of Team Mauritius for our elite sports and setting up of Coaching Mauritius so as develop our workforce, as well as, establishment of sports facilities Mauritius in order to optimize the use of sports infrastructure. | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ongoing</b></p> Active Mauritius was launched on 03 July 2019. Team Mauritius, Coaching Mauritius and Sports Facilities Mauritius would be established under the new Sports Law – Sports and Physical Activity 2020. |
| 2. | Review the Sports Act 2016 with a new Sports and Physical Activity Bill which will introduce provisions related to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a Code of Sports Governance</li> <li>- a Coaches Code of Ethics</li> <li>- a Safeguarding and Safe Sports Policy</li> <li>- the Rules of the Mauritian Anti-Doping Agency</li> </ul>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ongoing</b></p> Cabinet agreed to the drafting of the Sports and Physical Activity Bill by Attorney General’s Office on 13 March 2020.   |
| 3. | Agreement between Mauritius Multi-Sports Infrastructure Ltd and Liverpool Football Club and Athletics Grounds Ltd from the UK which will allow the setting of an International Football Academy Soccer School at Cote D’Or.   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Implemented</b></p> The agreement was signed on 03 July 2019. Out of 2,600 applicants, 256 players have been enrolled in the Liverpool Football Academy.   |



|    |  |   |
|----|--|---|
| 4. | Establishment of the Sports Economic Commission by the EDB in order to develop a sports cluster. | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Implemented</b></p> <p>The EDB Act was amended through the Finance Act 2019 to provide for the Establishment of a Sports Economic Commission. A sportstech incubator workshop was held on 11 December 2019.</p>   |
| 5. | Indian Ocean Islands Games 2019  | <p>Mauritius hosted the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the Indian Ocean Islands Games from 19 to 28 July 2019. More than 3,000 athletes and officials from Comoros, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Mayotte, Reunion and Seychelles participated in the event. Over Rs 400 million was invested in the organization of the Games to cater for transport, board/lodging, catering, technical equipment, etc.</p> <p>The Mauritian delegation consisted of more than 400 athletes and officials. Mauritius topped the medal table with a total number of 224 medals comprising 92 gold, 79 silver and 53 bronze medals. This is to date the best performance recorded by Mauritius in the Games.</p> |



## 9.0 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN – DIRECTOR OF AUDIT COMMENTS

The table below highlights the shortcomings reported by the Director of Audit and the actions/measures being undertaken by the Ministry to address those shortcomings.

| <b>Issues<br/>(Report<br/>Ref.)</b>  | <b>Comments of the<br/>Director of Audit</b>   | <b>Proposed<br/>Measures</b>   | <b>Units/Agencies<br/>Responsible</b> | <b>Status of<br/>Actions<br/>taken<br/>and<br/>Impleme-<br/>ntation<br/>Date</b> |
|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>18.1<br/>Grants<br/>(MMIL,<br/>MSC<br/>and<br/>Sport<br/>for All<br/>Project)</b> | <p>The Ministry should exercise effective monitoring of grants/other funding and for accountability thereof.</p> <p>Shortcomings highlighted included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• unsigned documents;</li> <li>• non-submission of Financial Statements and Annual Performance Report; and</li> <li>• no progress reports or delayed progress reports</li> </ul> | <p>The institutions were instructed to ensure that all documents are duly signed by Senior Officers.</p> <p>The Ministry will follow up for the timely submission of the Financial Statement and Annual Performance Report and other documents</p> <p>The Ministry will also ensure compliance</p> | Finance Section /Administration       | Taken note   |



| Issues<br>(Report<br>Ref.)  | Comments of the<br>Director of Audit   | Proposed<br>Measures   | Units/Agencies<br>Responsible             | Status of<br>Actions<br>taken<br>and<br>Impleme-<br>ntation<br>Date |
|---|--|--|---|---|
|   |  | with the terms and conditions of Funding Agreements.   |   |   |
| <b>18.2<br/>Cash<br/>Book<br/>(Disbursement<br/>25.4<br/>million)</b> | The Ministry should ensure accountability and control over disbursements as authorized signatures were missing in operating the bank accounts, also unused balance was not reported to be included in the Treasury's account at the end of the financial year. | The Ministry will request the Internal Control Unit to do more frequent checks regarding the cash flow.                    | Finance Section                           | Taken note  |
| <b>18.3<br/>Security<br/>Services</b>                                 | The Ministry should ensure adequate planning in procurement procedures in order to avoid delays in award of contract. Also, monitor the services and ensure compliance of the Service Provider.  | The Ministry will ensure that more formal Performance Monitoring meetings will be held, in addition to the quarterly ones. | Administration                            | Taken note  |
| <b>18.4<br/>Renting<br/>of</b>  | The Ministry should ensure optimum use of office space so as   | The Ministry is presently working out a  | Administration/P<br>rocurement<br>Section | Ongoing   |



| <b>Issues<br/>(Report<br/>Ref.)</b>                                     | <b>Comments of the<br/>Director of Audit</b>  | <b>Proposed<br/>Measures</b>  | <b>Units/Agencies<br/>Responsible</b> | <b>Status of<br/>Actions<br/>taken<br/>and<br/>Impleme-<br/>ntation<br/>Date</b> |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Office<br/>Space<br/>in<br/>excess</b>                               | to reduce cost in respect of same and other related expenses.   | detailed needs requirements and specifications in respect of launching of bids for the rental of office space.  |                                       |  |
| <b>18.5<br/>Non-<br/>Complia<br/>nce<br/>with<br/>Legislat<br/>ions</b> | As per Finance and Audit Act and Statutory Bodies (Accounts and Audit) Act, the Ministry should ensure that its Annual Report and those of the statutory bodies falling under its aegis be submitted to the National Assembly in a timely manner. | The Ministry will ensure that representatives on the boards fulfill their statutory responsibilities regarding the preparation of financial statements and submission of same to be tabled the National Assembly. | Administration                        | Taken<br>Note  |



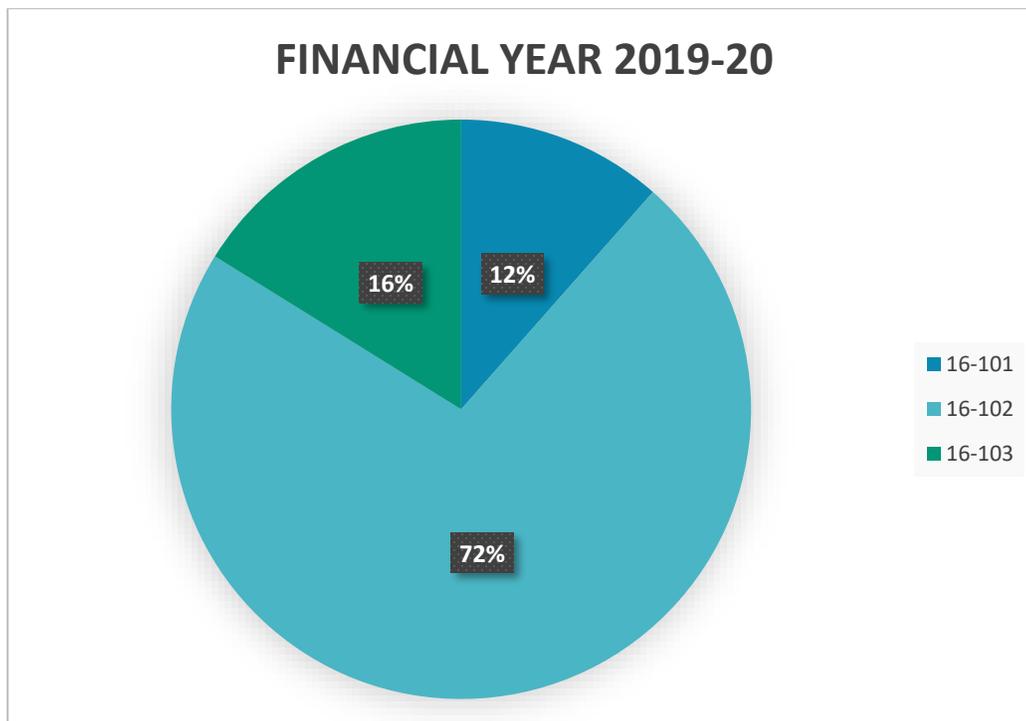
## 10.0 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

In Budget 2019/2020 the Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation is classified under Vote 16-1 and a total amount of Rs 750 million was earmarked for the expenditure of the Ministry, as follows:

- Capital Budget: Rs 177 million
- Recurrent Budget: Rs 573 million

The following three Expenditure Sub-Heads fall under its control of the Ministry:

| FINANCIAL YEAR 2019/2020 |                                     |                    |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| SUB-HEADS                | DESCRIPTION                         | AMOUNT (Rs)        |
| 16-101                   | General                             | 86,300,000         |
| 16-102                   | Promotion and Development of Sports | 542,600,000        |
| 16-103                   | Youth Services                      | 121,100,000        |
| <b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b>      |                                     | <b>750,000,000</b> |





## 10.1 Overall Expenditure by Sub-Heads

The total amount spent for the financial year is Rs 597,585,641 as shown detailed in the table below.

| Sub-Heads        | Amount Budgeted<br>(Rs) | Amount Spent<br>(Rs) | Percentage Spent |
|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 16-101 (General) | 86,300,000              | 79,751,761           | 92.4%            |
| 16-102 (Sports)  | 542,600,000             | 440,505,512          | 81.2%            |
| 16-103 (Youth)   | 121,100,000             | 77,328,368           | 63.9%            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>     | <b>750,000,000</b>      | <b>597,585,641</b>   | <b>79.7%</b>     |

## 10.2 STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE

The table below details the expenditure of the Ministry by economic categories.

| Financial Year 2019/2020<br>(Rs) '000 |               |               |                |                |                |               |                    |                 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|
|                                       | 16-101        |               | 16-102         |                | 16-103         |               | Total<br>Estimates | Total<br>Actual |
|                                       | Estimates     | Actual        | Estimates      | Actual         | Estimates      | Actual        |                    |                 |
| Allowance                             | 2,400         | 2,400         | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0             | 2,400              | 2,400           |
| Compensation of Employees             | 61,491        | 56,487        | 89,213         | 76,249         | 51,132         | 45,905        | 201,836            | 178,641         |
| Goods and Services                    | 22,409        | 20,865        | 104,920        | 108,001        | 51,080         | 23,316        | 178,409            | 152,182         |
| Grants                                | 0             | 0             | 82,867         | 171,943        | 3,200          | 2,997         | 86,067             | 174,940         |
| Other Expenses                        | 0             | 0             | 103,900        | 73,567         | 388            | 237           | 104,288            | 73,804          |
| Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets   | 0             | 0             | 161,700        | 10,745         | 15,300         | 4,872         | 177,000            | 15,617          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>86,300</b> | <b>79,752</b> | <b>542,600</b> | <b>440,505</b> | <b>121,100</b> | <b>77,328</b> | <b>750,000</b>     | <b>597,585</b>  |



### 10.3 EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION

**Allowance** caters for the monthly salary of the Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation. This item was introduced in Budget 2019/2020.

**Compensation of Employees** is made up of Basic Salary, Salary Compensation, Allowances, Extra Assistance, Cash in lieu of leave, End of year Bonus, Wages, Travelling and Transport and Overtime of employees, Staff Welfare and Social Contributions.

**Goods and Services** are mainly recurrent expenses incurred and include Cost of Utilities, Fuel and Oil, Rent, Office Equipment and Furniture, Office Expenses, Maintenance of buildings, plant and equipment, vehicles and IT equipment, Cleaning Services, Publications and Stationery, Fees and other Goods and Services, such as Uniforms and Miscellaneous Expenses.

**Grants** refer to funds provided to the Mauritius Sports Council (MSC), Mauritius Multisports Infrastructure Ltd (MMIL), Trust Fund for Excellence in Sports (TFES) and Contribution to International Organisations.

**Other Expenses** pertain to transfer to non-profit institutions such as Football Clubs and Sports Federations.

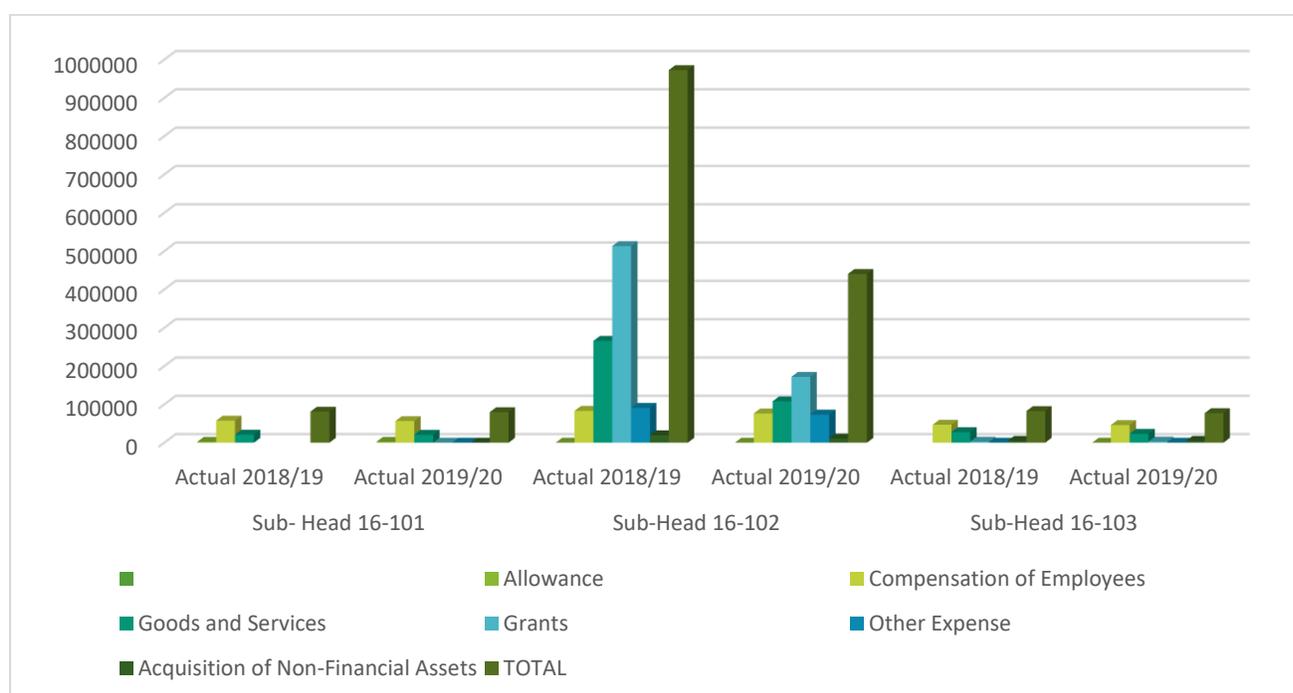
**Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets** represent expenses made for Upgrading of Sports Infrastructure and Youth Centres, Construction of Sports Infrastructure and Acquisition of Other Machinery and Equipment.



## 10.4 Analysis of Major Changes

The table and charts below show the actual expenditure by category and Sub-Heads for financial years 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 and the variances.

| (Rs) '000                           |                  |                |               |                 |                |                 |                 |                |               |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Category                            | Sub- Head 16-101 |                |               | Sub-Head 16-102 |                |                 | Sub-Head 16-103 |                |               |
|                                     | Actual 2018/19   | Actual 2019/20 | Variance      | Actual 2018/19  | Actual 2019/20 | Variance        | Actual 2018/19  | Actual 2019/20 | Variance      |
| Allowance                           | 2,400            | 2,400          | 0             |                 | 0              | 0               |                 | 0              | 0             |
| Compensation of Employees           | 57,697           | 56,487         | -1,210        | 83,296          | 76,249         | -7,047          | 46,846          | 45,905         | -941          |
| Goods and Services                  | 21,054           | 20,865         | -189          | 265,766         | 108,001        | -157,765        | 27,737          | 23,316         | -4421         |
| Grants                              |                  | 0              | 0             | 513,069         | 171,943        | -341,126        | 2,757           | 2,997          | 240           |
| Other Expenses                      |                  | 0              | 0             | 91,111          | 73,567         | -17,544         | 288             | 237            | -51           |
| Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets |                  | 0              | 0             | 19,406          | 10,745         | -8,661          | 4,924           | 4,872          | -52           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                        | <b>81,151</b>    | <b>79,752</b>  | <b>-1,399</b> | <b>972,648</b>  | <b>440,505</b> | <b>-532,143</b> | <b>82,552</b>   | <b>77,328</b>  | <b>-5,226</b> |





An analysis of the actual expenditure for financial year 2019/2020 compared to the preceding financial year clearly indicates minor decreases under Sub-Heads 16-101 and 16-103 and a major increase under Sub-Head 16-102.

Some variances which are worth to be noted under Sub-Head 16-102 (Promotion of Sports Development) and Sub-Head 16-103 (Youth Services) are listed below:

- (a) There is a substantial decrease of Rs 157.76M as compared to the previous year under item “Goods and Services”. Funds to the tune of Rs174.0M were provided during financial year 2018-19 under item “IOIG” for the organisation of the Indian Ocean Islands Games. During financial year 2019-20 the provision has decreased substantially to Rs23.0M.
- (b) It is worth to note that there is a considerable decrease of Rs 341.12M in “Capital Grant” under Sub-Head 16-102. Funds were provided to the Association for the Upgrading of IOIG Infrastructure for the upgrading 13 sports complexes to be used for the Indian Ocean Islands Games 2019 and the projects have been completed and no further funds were provided under this item.
- (c) Another significant decrease of Rs 8.67M for Item ‘Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets’. This decrease is due to the fact that most of the capital works funded under Item ‘Construction and Upgrading of Sports Infrastructure’ were delayed as a result of lockdown.
- (d) A net decrease of Rs4.44M is also noted under item “Goods and Services” Sub-Head 16-103 (Youth Services) as activities funded from ‘Smart Youth Programme’ was cancelled from March 2020- June 2020 due to the outbreak of COVID-19.

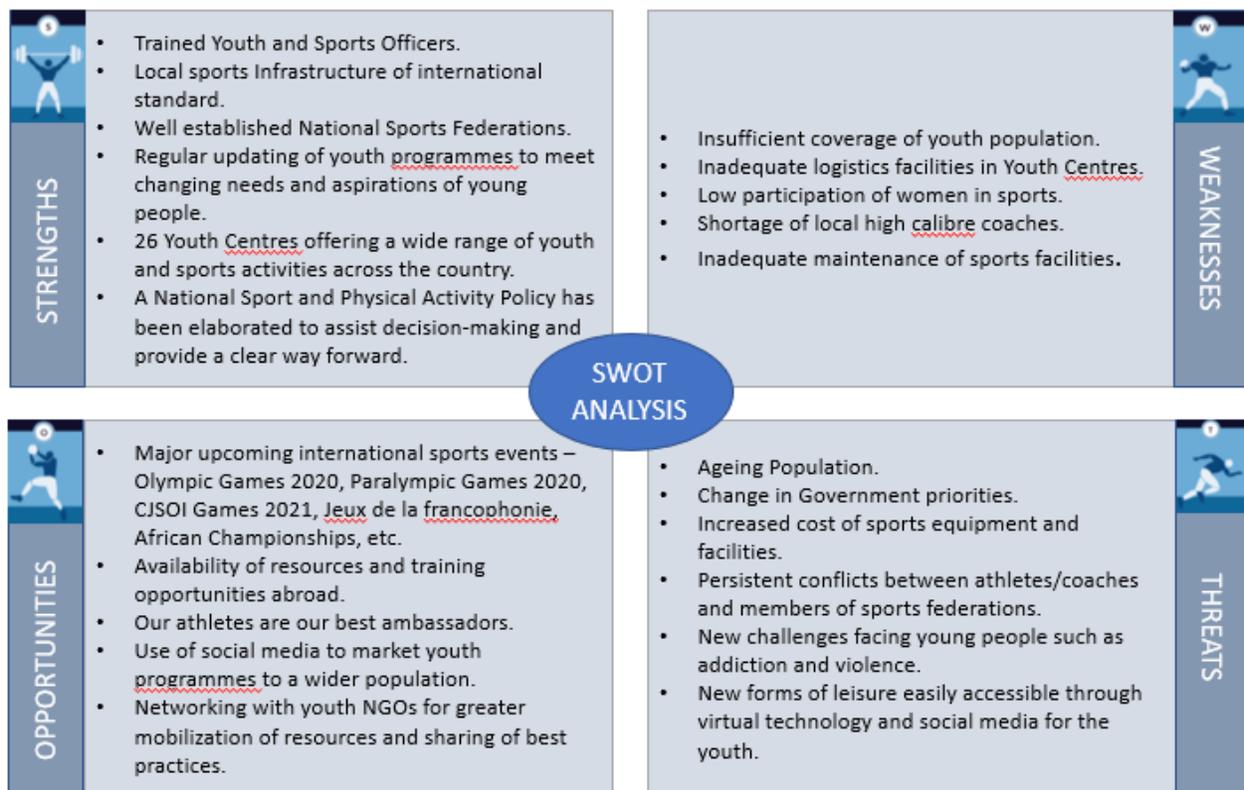


## 10.5 Statements of Revenue and Expenditure

The Ministry of Youth and Sports did collect revenue from any source. It collects only a token fee for the rental of youth and sports complexes to meet costs of overtime of employees posted thereat.

## 11.0 TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

A SWOT Analysis has been carried out to identify the core strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats which influence the functioning of the Ministry and its environment. Based on the results of the Analysis, the Ministry will be able to develop a realistic course of action to better satisfy the needs of its customers and stakeholders.





## 12.0 STRATEGIC DIRECTION

- **Enhance sports practice for a healthier nation**

Expand Sports for All activities to provide physical, mental, emotional and social experiences across all ages.

- **Implementing the National Sports and Physical Activity Policy**

The National Sports and Physical Activity Policy has identified the following three transformational themes:

- Foster a culture of community sport and physical activity;
- Create an amateur to elite sport environment;
- Develop a vibrant and growing sport economy; and
- Coming with a new sports legislation to facilitate the implementation of the National Sports and Physical Activity Policy.

- **Promoting excellence in Sport**

- Assistance to elite athletes will be strengthened for performance improvement and enhancement on the international arena;
- The employability of elite sportsmen and sportswomen will be promoted to ensure a decent livelihood;
- Improve performance of elite sportspersons through a structured programme of work;
- Improve the standards of coaches and tutors;
- Recognise the contribution of elite sportsmen and sportswomen; and
- Assistance to elite athletes to prepare for Olympic Games Paris 2024.

- **Qualifying the maximum number of athletes for the Olympic & Paralympic Games 2020**

Number of qualified athletes: 15



- **Formulation of a National Youth Empowerment Strategy**
  - Conduct a nationwide comprehensive consultation process with all stakeholders, including a National Youth Platform;
  - Develop the strategy with milestones, KPIs and M&E tools.
  - Integrate a quality focus in programmes and operational processes.
  - Review the functioning of the National Youth Council to promote further youth engagement and advocacy on youth matters.
- **Empower the youth to face upcoming challenges in their social environment**
  - Implement the National Youth Civic Service and Volunteer Mauritius programmes to, *inter alia*, provide training in leadership skills, youth entrepreneurship, employability and recreational activities; and
  - Optimise the use of Youth Centres and other facilities for greater youth participation in life skills and sports activities.
- **Modernising sports infrastructure**
  - Existing sports infrastructure across the country will be upgraded;
  - New infrastructure will be constructed, in accordance with international standards;
  - An Infrastructure Maintenance Plan will be designed for proper management and maintenance of the sports facilities;
  - Increase accessibility and maximise utilisation of sports infrastructure; and
  - Setting up of Facilities Mauritius.