

## **COMMUNIQUE**

**Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change (Environment and Climate Change Division)**

### **Capacity Building to Enhance Oil Spill Preparedness and Management**

As part of this Ministry commitment for enhancing oil spill preparedness and management, the Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change is conducting a 3-day oil spill preparedness training exercise (IMO level 0) for responders on **09, 12 and 13 January 2026** at the Mauritius Maritime Training Academy at Pointe aux Sables.

During the field exercises, oil spill combat equipment such as booms, skimmer, sorbent mat and sorbent rolls will be deployed at sea from 11 00 hrs to 14 00 hrs on **12 January 2026** at the jetty behind the Fisheries Training and Extension Centre at Pointe aux Sables.

The deployment of oil spill combat equipment at the above location will be for **demonstration purposes** only.

The general public is being informed that deployment of the equipment forms part of the training exercises. There will be no restriction to the public beach areas except, for safety reasons, at the sites where field exercises will be undertaken.

**06 January 2026**