

**MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SECURITY, NATIONAL SOLIDARITY, AND
ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
(ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION)**
NOTICE UNDER THE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ACT

NOTICE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION OF DECISION ON EIA APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given under Section 28 (5) of the Environment Protection Act 2002 that the project mentioned below has been declared an **exempt undertaking** and that the **Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) has been approved**.

The undertaking concerns the **EIA for the proposed Setting Up of an Integrated Development Project for the National Coast Guard at Fort William**.

The proponent is the **Ministry of Defence and Rodrigues**.

The conditions attached to the approval of the EIA are as follows:

1. The development shall be undertaken as per the mitigating measures stated in the EIA report and the additional information submitted, unless as otherwise advised herein.
2. The Department of Environment shall be informed in writing of the date of commencement of works on site for monitoring purposes. A programme of works shall be submitted to the Department of Environment, the Ministry of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping, the Mauritius Ports Authority and the Road Development Authority prior to the start of works.
3. In accordance with section 18(2)(l) of the Environment Protection Act 2002, the proponent shall submit to the Director of Environment, an Environmental Monitoring Plan for approval. The proponent shall thereafter submit reports on implementation of the project accordingly.
4. The Department of Environment shall be informed in writing of the date of completion of all works on site, with copy of the as-built layout plan, prior to the start of operation for monitoring purposes.
5. The design of the jetties, diaphragm walls and wet basin shall be as specified in the EIA report.
6. All issues pertaining to the lease agreement shall be sorted out with the Mauritius Ports Authority, prior to start of works.
7. The proponent shall apply for an Interference Permit from the Ministry of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping, prior to start of any work on site and pay a sum of Rs 75,000 renewable on a yearly basis upon payment of Rs 7,000, as per the Fisheries and Marine Resources (Marine Protected Areas) Regulations 2001 and amended Regulations 2007 given that the proposed site of works falls within the Port Louis Fishing Reserve. In consultation with the Ministry of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping, a new Interference Permit shall be sought as and when required for future maintenance dredging works.

8. All other necessary permits/clearances from the relevant authorities shall be obtained and all the conditions attached therewith shall be scrupulously observed. A copy of all the permits/clearances obtained shall be submitted to the Director of Environment.
9. The proponent shall hold consultative meeting(s) and resolve any conflict that may arise with the fishers of the region prior to, during and also after implementation of the project to the satisfaction of the Ministry of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping.
10. A marine ecological survey shall be undertaken prior to start of works and any living benthic organisms found within the project site shall be carefully hand-picked and translocated to other areas not affected by the proposed works, in the presence of a Fisheries Officer of the Ministry of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping.
11. The dredging operations, execution of piling works and construction works shall not cause any nuisance to port operators, port users and the surrounding environment and shall not interfere with the movement of boats/ships.
12. Necessary measures shall be taken to ensure that the sand shoal located between the subject site and the Bulk Sugar Terminal is not impacted.
13. During dredging operations, execution of piling works and construction phase, all necessary measures shall be taken so that adjacent waters are effectively protected against sediment entrainment. Double-layered geotextile screens of appropriate mesh size shall be installed around the work areas to prevent sediment entrainment into adjacent waters. The geotextile screens shall be regularly maintained to prevent any clogging.
14. All dredged material shall be disposed on a site approved by the Mauritius Ports Authority.
15. For any future maintenance dredging works, a new detailed Environmental Monitoring Plan shall be submitted to the Department of Environment for approval prior to start of works.
16. No waste of any type shall have direct or indirect access to the sea.
17. After implementation of the project, all geotextile screens shall be removed and disposed of at an approved disposal site to the satisfaction of the Solid Waste Management Division.
18. The proponent shall seek the approval of the Road Development Authority for connection to the new access road at Fort William.
19. The proponent shall nominate a haulage route to be used by heavy vehicles accessing the site during construction in consultation with the Road Development Authority. In the event that any part of the existing main roads leading to the project site is damaged, the proponent shall restore same at its own cost to the satisfaction of the Road Development Authority.
20. The development shall comply with the provisions of the Forests and Reserves Act. An approval shall be sought from the Conservator of Forests prior to any felling of trees on site. The proponent shall also plant at least thrice the number of trees for each tree removed and a landscaping plan shall be submitted to the Forestry Service for monitoring purposes.
21. Necessary bunded walls and perimeter drains shall be provided around the storage of oil/fuel/petroleum-based products to cater for any accidental spillage and leakage.

22. Recyclable wastes generated from land-based facilities as well as maintenance wastes from ships shall be collected and sent to recyclers. Green wastes from green areas of the land-based facilities shall be composted. Non-hazardous non-recyclable wastes shall be disposed of to the satisfaction of the Local Authority and the Solid Waste Management Division.
23. Electrical and electronic wastes (e-wastes) shall be sent to registered e-waste recyclers and exporters. Used lead acid batteries shall be sent to registered exporters of batteries to the satisfaction of the Solid Waste Management Division.
24. Wastes oils shall be sent to registered waste oil recyclers for recycling. Oil filters shall be properly drained and an authorization for disposal shall be sought from the Solid Waste Management Division.
25. Paint wastes, spent degreasing and other cleaning solvents-based wastes as well as rags contaminated with chemicals are classified as hazardous wastes under the Environment Protection (Standard for Hazardous Wastes) Regulations 2001. These shall be managed in accordance with the regulations and disposed of at the Interim Hazardous Waste Storage Facility at La Chaumière against payment.
26. The Proponent shall make provision for an appropriate means of discharging stormwater through mud/silts traps and hydrocarbon separators prior to open discharge to the receiving environment to the satisfaction of the Municipal City Council of Port Louis.
27. All domestic wastewater from the proposed development shall be disposed of to the public sewer line. All kitchen wastewater shall discharge to a grease interceptor for the removal of fats, oil and grease before reaching the public sewer line. Sewers shall be designed by Civil Engineers registered with the Council of Registered Professional Engineers of Mauritius (CRPEM) and comply with the Standard BS EN 752.
28. The proponent shall liaise with the Wastewater Management Authority (WMA) to finalise the connection points prior to start of design of the sewerage network. The detailed design drawings and report, duly signed by the Civil Engineer, should be submitted for approval and shall include: materials specifications for the works; detailed design drawings showing dimensions and steel reinforcement of proposed manholes, inspection chambers, pumping stations and drain crossings, layout of proposed sewers, showing the position of inspection chambers, manholes, pumping stations, fittings and sewer alignment, longitudinal sections of the proposed sewers, drawings showing details of connection of the internal sewer to the public sewers, if applicable. The proponent shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the sewer system including pumping station and its rising main.
29. Effluent from the workshop shall be pre-treated and used for irrigation.
30. All necessary precautions shall be taken, especially during heavy rainfall, to prevent contamination of the reclaimed area and adjacent waters by petroleum-based products.
31. All plants and equipment to be used during construction and operation phases shall be regularly serviced and maintained in good condition to minimize risk of air and noise pollution as well as hydrocarbon spills.
32. All electric motors such as pumps, compressors, generators and other noise generating equipment shall be housed in noise attenuating structures so that noise generated therefrom

shall be within permissible limits as per Environment Protection (Environmental Standards for Noise) Regulations 1997.

33. Necessary measures shall be taken during all the phases of the project, including dredging operations, piling works, site preparation, construction and operation so as not to cause any nuisance by way of noise, vibration, dust, air pollution or otherwise to the public, Port users and surrounding environment. The site of works shall be properly fenced and maintained.
34. The proponent shall ensure that energy-saving devices and eco-friendly practices such as waste segregation and recycling, rain water harvesting, renewable energy use (solar energy and photovoltaic cells) and other similar facilities, are used.
35. The site shall be landscaped properly and ornamental plants and trees shall be planted to upgrade and enhance the aesthetics.
36. In case of any negative impact to the marine environment, the proponent shall, at his own cost, redress the harm caused to the complete satisfaction of this Ministry, the Ministry of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping and the Mauritius Ports Authority.
37. In case of any environmental pollution or nuisances arising from this development, this Ministry in consultation with other authorities concerned may impose additional conditions and will take necessary actions in accordance with the provisions of the Environment Protection Act 2002 (as amended). The additional conditions shall be strictly observed and implemented by the proponent.
38. Any proposed deviation shall be subject to an application to the Director of Environment. No deviation or part thereof shall be executed prior to the determination of the application by the Director.