

Strategic Note

Mission Statement

To ensure that the rights, needs and interests of children are given full consideration by public bodies, private organisations, civil society and individuals.

Strategic Direction 2016-2019

- Promote compliance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child by proposing measures to ensure that the legal rights of children in care are protected.
- Sensitise and advocate to ensure that children, under the care of, or the supervision of a public body or other institutions, are treated fairly, properly and adequately and their rights are respected.
- Investigate cases relating to the situation of children in the family, in schools and in all other institutions, including private and public bodies, as well as cases of abandoned children or street children.

Main Achievements for FY 2015/16

- 2,974 adults (parents, teachers, NGO leaders) and 900 children sensitised on the rights of the child and related issues.
- In-depth investigation on the Situation of Children in Reform Institutions carried out and a report, thereupon, published.
- Assessment report submitted on the state of children on the islands of Agalega and Rodrigues.
- Investigation unit restructured and new guidelines published for new investigation procedures.
- “Young ambassadors of the Ombudsman for Children Office” set up to involve young people through advocacy for the protection of the rights of children.

Key Actions for FY 2016/17

Key Action	Key Performance Indicator	Target
Investigation of cases of violations of the child	Percentage of cases investigated and disposed of within 90 days	75%
Sensitisation campaigns for adults and children on the rights of the child	Number of adults and children sensitised	4,500
Publication of reports on in-depth investigations initiated by the Office	Number of reports published	≥ 2

Human Resource Allocation

The Office has 18 funded positions for FY 2016/17.

VOTE 1-15: Office of Ombudsperson for Children - continued

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE

Rs 000

Details	2015/16 Provisional Actual	2016/17 Estimates	2017/18 Planned	2018/19 Planned
VOTE 1-15 TOTAL EXPENDITURE	9,340	11,900	11,600	11,800
<i>of which</i>				
Recurrent	9,340	11,900	11,600	11,800
Capital	-	-	-	-

VOTE 1-15: OFFICE OF OMBUDSPERSON FOR CHILDREN

Rs 000

Item No.	Details	2015/16 Provisional Actual	2016/17 Estimates	2017/18 Planned	2018/19 Planned
Recurrent Expenditure		9,340	11,900	11,600	11,800
21	Compensation of Employees	7,161	8,805	9,005	9,205
21110	Personnel Emoluments	6,286	7,795	7,995	8,195
.001	Basic Salary	5,435	6,820	6,970	7,120
	Ombudsperson for Children	1,920	1,968	1,968	1,968
	Secretary, Ombudsperson for Children's Office	435	489	494	504
	Investigator	1,477	1,725	1,742	1,777
	Financial Officer/ Senior Financial Officer	353	480	485	495
	Office Management Executive	-	311	375	382
	Office Management Assistant	179	-	-	-
	Management Support Officer	442	668	689	730
	Confidential Secretary	369	384	388	396
	Word Processing Operator	-	265	267	275
	Receptionist/ Telephone Operator	120	179	181	184
	Driver	-	109	136	149
	Office Auxiliary/Senior Office Auxiliary	141	242	245	260
	Total	14	18		
.002	Salary Compensation	78	-	-	-
.004	Allowances	160	200	200	200
.006	Cash in lieu of Leave	123	200	225	250
.009	End-of-year Bonus	461	575	600	625
.010	Service to Mauritius Programme	29	-	-	-
21111	Other Staff Costs	822	920	920	920
.001	Wages	90	115	115	115
.002	Travelling and Transport	667	750	750	750
.100	Overtime	60	50	50	50
.200	Staff Welfare	5	5	5	5
21210	Social Contributions	52	90	90	90

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Rs 000

Item No.	Details	2015/16 Provisional Actual	2016/17 Estimates	2017/18 Planned	2018/19 Planned
22	Goods and Services	2,152	3,075	2,575	2,575
22010	Cost of Utilities	209	250	250	250
22020	Fuel and Oil	45	70	70	70
22030	Rent	716	1,015	1,015	1,015
22040	Office Equipment and Furniture	389	250	250	250
22050	Office Expenses	180	115	115	115
22060	Maintenance	188	175	175	175
22100	Publications and Stationery	299	465	465	465
22120	Fees	24	50	50	50
22170	Travelling within the Republic of Mauritius	-	60	60	60
22900	Other Goods and Services	101	625	125	125
26	Grants	27	20	20	20
26210	Contribution to International Organisation	27	20	20	20
TOTAL		9,340	11,900	11,600	11,800