

## Public Officers' Welfare Council

Promoting the welfare of Public Officers and their families
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From:

Organising Secretary, Public Officers' Welfare Council

To:

Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments

## <u>Plucking of 'Goyaves de Chine' at Black River Gorges National Park – Hiking Trail at Alexandra Falls & Cascades 500 Pieds</u>

"In every walk with nature, one receives far more than he seeks" - John Mulr

The Public Officers' Welfare Council (POWC) is organising a plucking of 'Goyaves de Chine' at Black River Gorges and hiking at Alexandra Falls and Cascades 500 Pieds, including planting of trees and cleaning on **Sunday**, **05 April 2020** for the benefit of public officers and their families.

- 2. The park harbours most of our plants, birds and geckos which are native to Mauritius. Part of the Black River Gorges National Park has been designated as a Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO. This National Park reveals all the natural splendour of the wildlife, panoramic views, unique landscapes and scenery in Mauritius.
- 3. Programme of the day:

09:00	Arrival at Pétrin Visitors' Centre
10:00	Departure for Black River Gorges
10:30-12:30	Plucking of 'Goyaves de Chine ' &
	planting of trees and cleaning
12:30	Departure for Alexandra Falls
12:45-13:30	Lunch at Alexandra Falls
13:30–15:30	Trekking to Cascade 500 Pieds (for physically fit persons only)

- 4. It is mandatory that participants be physically fit for the hiking trail. The activity is not recommended for children under 05 years. The Council has taken all safety measures for the excursion. However, participants will have to bear responsibility of any mishap caused by themselves or accompanying members of their family during the excursion.
- 5. A nominal fee of **Rs.** 350 will be charged per participant, which is inclusive of lunch, one bottle of water (1 litre) and one soft drink.
- 6. Departure from pick-up points will be as follows:

(a)	Curepipe (near Municipality of Curepipe & SBM)	08:15
(b)	Trianon (near ex Shoprite)	08:00
(c)	Réduit, University of Mauritius (bus parking)	07:45
(d)	Port Louis (Government Centre – near Queen Victoria Statue)	07:40
	Pamplemousses (parking – SSR Botanical Garden)	07:30

7. Please note that the buses will leave their respective pick-up points exactly at the time indicated above and will leave Alexandra Falls at 15:30 hours. Participants not availing of transport facilities provided by the Council and latecomers will have to make their own transport arrangements.

- 8. Public officers interested to join the excursion are requested to fill in the enclosed form at Annex 1 and submit same together with the exact amount to the POWC on the scheduled payment date. Applicants should produce a photocopy of recent pay slip/top part of pay slip indicating the name, pay site code and NIC number or any written evidence/ document attesting that the applicant is a serving public officer.
- 9. Payment will be received on a <u>"first come first served basis"</u> as from Monday 09 March 2020 as from 09:30 to 14:00 at the seat of the Public Officers' Welfare Council, 6th Floor, ATOM House, 16, Royal Street, Port Louis.

Payment can be effected by bank card, cash or cheque to the order of "Public Officers' Welfare Council".

- 10. No refund will be considered in case of cancellation of participation.
- 11. The POWC reserves the right to cancel the excursion in case of bad weather or any other unforeseen circumstances. Participants will be refunded accordingly.
- 12. It would be appreciated if the contents of this letter could be brought to the attention of all the staff of your Ministry/Department. A copy of this circular letter is also reproduced on the Council's Website: http://powc.govmu.org.

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**Organising Secretary** 

Copy to: Presidents of Staff Welfare Associations

## Plucking of 'Goyaves de Chine' at Black River Gorges National Park - Hiking Trail at Alexandra Falls & Cascades 500 Pieds APPLICATION FORM

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