

National Corporate Social Responsibility Foundation

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The Council of the National CSR Foundation met for the first time on Wednesday 08 February 2016 after a courtesy call on the Hon. Alain Wong, Minister for Social Integration and Economic Empowerment.

The Council, chaired by Medavy Pillay (Menon) Munien, includes a representative of the PMO (Mrs. Sarah Rawat Currimjee), a representative of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development (Mr. Janab Mowlah), a representative of the Ministry of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment (Mrs. Lan Hing Po), a representative of the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Environment and Sustainable Development (Mr. T. Bhojroo), two representatives of the private sector (Mr. R. Makoond and Mrs. A d'Hotman de Villiers) and two representatives of the Civil Society (Mr. G. Bucktowosing and Mr. A. Caunhye). Two representatives of the academia will be appointed shortly.

The Council took note of the Charter of the National CSR Foundation. The main mandate of the Foundation is to undertake programmes and projects for the benefit of individuals and families registered under the Social Register of Mauritius (SRM) and of vulnerable groups in the following priority areas:

- (i) Socio-economic development as a means for poverty alleviation
- (ii) Educational support and training
- (iii) Social housing
- (iv) Supporting people with disabilities
- (v) Dealing with health problems
- (vi) Family protection including gender-based violence
- (vii) Leisure and sports
- (viii) Environment and sustainable development
- (ix) Peace and nation-building
- (x) Road safety and Security

The National CSR Foundation is now embarking on a capacity building process to deliver on its mandate. As such, the Council has decided to set up an HR sub-Committee to define staffing requirements and recommend relevant procedures; a Finance and Audit sub-Committee to define the procedures for collection and disbursement of funds; and a Project Management sub-Committee to define procedures to establish and update a register of NGOs, request and examine call for proposals and monitor and evaluate CSR programmes.

The National CSR Foundation will also serve as a platform for coordination and communication among all stakeholders.

The next meeting of the Council is scheduled for 23 February 2017.

Menon Munien
Chairperson
National CSR Foundation