MUNICIPALITY OF PORT LOUIS – PRE-PRIMARY SCHOOLS, KINDERGARDENS & NURSERIES (27/07/10)

(No. 1B/360) Mr C. Fakeemeeah (Third Member for Port Louis Maritime & Port Louis East) asked the Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands whether, in regard to pre-primary schools, kindergartens and nurseries run by the Municipal Council of Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain, from the Council, information, in each case, as to the number of children who can be accommodated thereat, indicating the criteria for admission thereto.

Reply: I am informed by the Municipal Council of Port Louis that the number of children who can be accommodated are as follows -

- (a) twenty in the sixteen pre-primary schools and kindergartens with one class and forty in schools with two classes, and
- (b) twenty five in the six nurseries.

With regard to criteria for admission in these pre-primary schools, kindergartens and nurseries, I am informed that they are as follows –

- (i) residents of Port Louis only;
- (ii) admission on a first-come, first-served basis, and
- (iii) preference to low income earning parents.