16.12 SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE

16.12.1 At present, officers proceeding on short official visits from Mauritius to Rodrigues and vice versa, are paid Subsistence Allowance of Rs 1155 per night when Board and Lodging are not provided and Rs 525 per night where Lodging is provided but the officers have to make their own arrangements for meals.

16.12.2 The payment of the Subsistence Allowance is also applicable to officers proceeding on short official visits to Agalega and St. Brandon from Mauritius. Rodriguan Officers who attend short training in Mauritius and are not provided with Board and Lodging are also paid Subsistence Allowance at the rate of Rs 1155.

16.12.3 However, currently, there is no provision to cater for officers on short official visits, who are provided with Lodging on Half-Board and have to make their own arrangements for at least one meal.

16.12.4 While revising the quantum of the allowance, the Bureau is extending the payment of same to officers who are provided with Lodging on Half-Board.

Recommendation 1

16.12.5 We recommend that officers who proceed on:

(a) short training from Rodrigues to Mauritius;

OR

(b) short official visits from Mauritius to Rodrigues and the Outer Islands and vice versa, in their normal course of duties/ assignments, to attend training/workshop/seminars, court cases or be on attachment;

should be paid a Subsistence Allowance as hereunder:

(i) Rs 1250 per night when Board and Lodging are not provided;

(ii) Rs 575 per night if Lodging is provided and officers make their own arrangements for meals; and

(iii) Rs 300 per night if Lodging is provided on Half-Board and officers have to make arrangements for at least one meal.