

B/322 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Mr Rughoobur)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Justice, Human Rights and Institutional Reforms –

Whether, in regard to civil and criminal cases, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Master and Registrar, information as to the number thereof pending over ten years before the Intermediate Court?

Madam Speaker,

I am informed by the Master and Registrar that the statistics requested are as follows:

Civil cases pending over 10 years before the Intermediate Court: **49**

Criminal cases pending over 10 years before the Intermediate Court: **1**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Number of posts at the Intermediate Court (funded, not funded and vacancies)

Year	No in posts		Funded position	Non funded position	No
of vacancies					
2009	14	16	0		2
2010	15	16	0		1
2011	13	16	0		3
2012	15	16	0		1
2013	16	16	0		0
2014	16	18	0		2
2015	12	18	0		6
2016	14	18	0		4
2017	15	18	0		3

At present the Intermediate Court (Criminal and Civil Divisions) are housed in the New Court House building and occupies the 2nd and 3rd floors respectively. It also houses the three divisions of the District Court of Port Louis and the Bail and Remand Court on the ground and first floors, the Industrial Court on the 4th floor and the Family Division of the Supreme Court on the 5th Floor. It is expected that when the new Supreme Court building will be ready for occupation the Family division will move there thus more Court rooms will be available at the New Court House. Due to infrastructural problems at the New Court House for the time being and due to limited accommodation facilities, all the funded posts could not be filled.