

# Ministry of Land Transport and Light Rail

## Communiqué

### Bus Services in Red Zones

Following Government decision to declare the regions of Tyack, Riviere des Anguilles, St Aubin, Batimarais and Benares as red zones, the Ministry of Land Transport and Light Rail wishes to inform the public that no bus will operate within these localities. However, buses will be available in the red zones for the conveyance of students sitting for the SC and HSC examinations only.

2. Buses of the National Transport Corporation (NTC) bearing the sticker 'Examination Bus' will operate during the examination period in order for students residing in the red zones to attend their Examination Centres at Riviere des Anguilles SSS and St Aubin SSS. Invigilators, supervisors and staff involved for the SC and HSC examination purposes residing in the red zones will also be allowed to travel in those buses.

3. Bus transport will also be available for students residing in the green zone and who have now been redirected to the Sookdeo Bissoondoyal SSS, M. Sungeelee SSS, France Boyer de la Giroday SSS and Swami Vivekananda SSS Examination Centres.

4. The public is also informed that buses operating along Route 10 (Riviere des Galets to Mahebourg) and buses operated by the NTC on Routes 6 (Rivière des Galets to Curepipe), 6A (Chamouny to Curepipe), 7 (Riviere des Galets to Rose Belle), 61 (Chateau Benares to Curepipe), 61A (Camp Diable to Curepipe), 133 (Choisy to Curepipe) and 197 (Riviere des Galets to Port Louis), will be allowed to circulate through the red zone localities along their normal route. However, these buses will **not** be authorised to collect or alight passengers within regions found in the red zones. Thus, students residing outside the red zones will be able to travel by these buses on a non-stop approach. Therefore, all buses will operate between the Curepipe Bus Station and Riviere des Galets Bus Station.

5. The Ministry makes an appeal to senior citizens to avoid travelling in public transport vehicles during peak hours unless they need to avail medical treatment or in case they have to attend work. Likewise, persons under the age of 18 are advised not to use public transport during peak hours unless they are sitting for the SC/HSC examinations.

6. The Ministry relies on the usual collaboration of the public.