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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTICE PAPER NO. 307

Member Asking: Mrs. Valerie Garrido-Lowe, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister in the Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development

QUESTIONS

MADHIA SCHOOL DORMITORIES

Whereas a safe, comfortable and healthful learning environment should be of utmost consideration for students living in dormitories;

And whereas the Madhia Dormitories need urgent attention.

Could the Hon. Minister state when will all the following concerns be addressed with a view to creating a safe, comfortable and healthful living and learning environment for the students presently living in the Madhia Dormitories:-

1. Almost all the double bunks presently in use, in both the boys' and girls' dormitories, are rocking and may collapse at any time - some of the boards are also falling out;
2. Thin plywood walls in both dormitories have huge holes;
3. A bedroom door is missing in the girls' dormitory and louvre panes are missing from both the girls' and boys' dormitories;

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4. In the girls' dormitory there are exposed electrical points and wires which the students have to join together in order to get light;
5. In the boys' dormitory there are exposed electrical points and wires and there is no electricity in the bathroom area;
6. The plumbing system is down and students fetch water from a distance to flush the toilets when the tanks are empty which is quite often and this lasts for more than a week at times;
7. The incinerator is not functioning so garbage is being disposed of by dumping on the ground (back yard) to be burnt later;
8. The television set is not functioning since last year.

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