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**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION**

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The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Ramful**)

*To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development –*

**Whether, in regard to the proposed development of the Mahebourg Waterfront, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Economic Development Board, information as to the proposals received therefor, if any, giving details thereof?**

**REPLY**

Madam Speaker,

I am informed by the Economic Development Board (EDB) that the land at the waterfront at Mahebourg of an extent of 4.77 hectares is State Land which falls under the purview of the Ministry of Housing and Lands.

I am further informed that the Ministry of Housing and Lands requested the EDB to invite Expressions of Interests for the development of the land at the waterfront.

Thus, on 23 October 2018, the EDB invited an Expression of Interest from property developers and investors to submit proposals for the lease of the said land for the development of a mixed-use commercial waterfront project. The closing date was 15 December 2018.

However, at the closing date for the submission of proposals, no offer was received.

Madam Speaker,

I am informed that the EDB is presently finalising an Expression of Interest to enlist the services of a consultant to work on a Master Plan for the Mahebourg Waterfront project and on the regeneration of the Mahebourg area under the National Regeneration Programme, introduced in June 2018, as an initiative to regenerate and revitalise the central areas of our city, towns and larger villages.