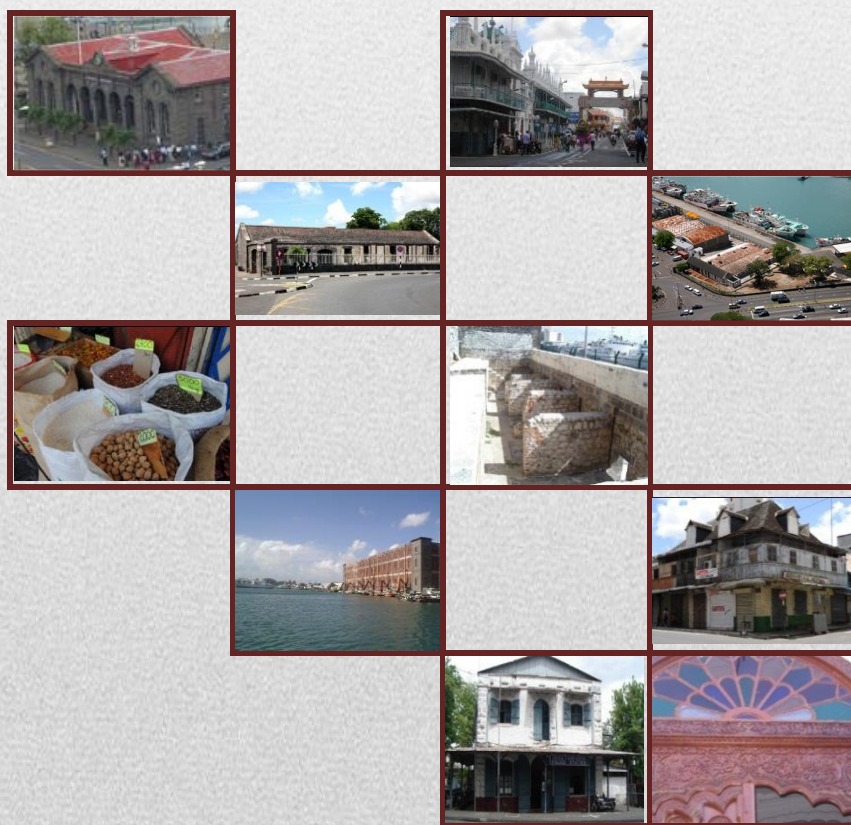


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ACRONYMS

AGTF	Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund
AG WHS	Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site
AG WHP	Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property
BRIC	Beekrumsing Ramlallah Interpretation Centre
BZ	Buffer Zone
CM	Conservation Manual
DP	Development Plan
STAC	Scientific Technical and Advisory Committee
VMP	Visitor Management Plan



VISION AND MISSION

The mandate and the actions of the Trust Fund are guided by the following framework:

In 2001, the Mauritian Government set up a dedicated institution, the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund (AGTF), to document, manage and promote the Aapravasi Ghat as a national and international site. The AGTF is a parastatal body that operates under the aegis of the Ministry of Arts and Culture.

The Trust Fund was mandated to:

- Establish, administer, manage, promote and maintain the Aapravasi Ghat as a national, regional and international heritage site;
- Preserve, restore and manage the Aapravasi Ghat and the sites specified in schedule 2 of the Act;
- Set up a museum at Aapravasi Ghat and create public awareness of the history of indentured labour;
- Promote social and cultural aspects of the sites specified in schedules 1 and 2 of the Act;
- Encourage and support projects and publications related to the Indentured Labour;
- Establish links with appropriate national, regional and international organizations in line with the objects of the Act;
- Identify and acquire sites, buildings and structures associated with indentured labour; and
- Encourage and support interdisciplinary scientific research related to indentured labour and to the sites specified in schedules 1 and 2.

The Trust's guiding principles include:

- Support of activities related to indentured Labour immigration;
- Support projects that benefit all Mauritians and in which Mauritians from all walks of life can participate. This includes the conceptualization, planning and execution of projects;
- To restore the links with past and our origins that have been broken as a result of rapid modernization and to restore pride into our indentured Heritage;
- To carry out projects in a democratic spirit, in a historically accurate way and in full respect of the multi-cultural society in which we live;
- To promote excellence rather than be satisfied with basic minimum or the cheapest alternative.

AAPRAVASI GHAT WORLD HERITAGE SITE



The Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund AGTF is a body corporate under the aegis of the Ministry of Arts and Culture. It was created in 2001 by the Government of the Republic of Mauritius through Act of Parliament to manage and promote the Aapravasi Ghat Site.

The site was declared National Monument under the National Monuments Act in 1987(GN31/87) and subsequently proclaimed National Heritage in 2003 under the National Heritage Act 2003.

The Aapravasi Ghat Site was inscribed on the World Heritage List under criteria (VI) in 2006 (Decision 30 COM 8 B.33). The concept of World Heritage was developed by UNESCO to define cultural and natural heritage that are irreplaceable, unique and authentic, not only for the nation to which they belong, but also for humanity as a whole. It is considered that the loss of this heritage through deterioration or disappearance would generate an impoverishment of the heritage of all the peoples of the world. As such, their significance is of Outstanding Universal Value¹ (OUV).

The Aapravasi Ghat was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2006. The World Heritage Status is defined by the *Convention concerning the protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage* (1972) of UNESCO and by the *operational Guidelines for the implementation of the World Heritage Convention* (2008).

The inscription of the Aapravasi Ghat recognizes the Outstanding Universal Value of the Site as a symbol of the Great Experiment initiated in 1834 by the British colonial Government to evaluate the viability of *indenture* as a system to recruit “free” labour after the abolition of slavery in the British Colonies in 1833.

“The first site chosen by the British Government in 1834 for the great experiment in the use of indentured rather than slave Labor, is strongly associated with memories of almost half a million indentured labourers moving from India to Mauritius to work on sugarcane plantations or to be transshipped to other parts of the World.”

¹ A definition is provided in the glossary.

A Buffer Zone² (BZ) was delimited for Aapravasi Ghat (AG) World Heritage Site (WHS) to allow the full expression of the outstanding significance of the World Heritage Site as per UNESCO *Convention concerning the protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage*. In its Convention, UNESCO explains that the Buffer Zone is important as it represents the context in which the World Heritage Site has evolved through time. As such, it is a fundamental element supporting its cultural significance at national and international level. This is the reason why appropriate measures are enforced in the Buffer Zone to protect, preserve, enhance and promote the Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) of the World Heritage Site. The ultimate objective is to create a suitable environment supporting the retention of the heritage in the BZ, and also, its sustainable development.

When the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2006, the Buffer Zone had no legal protection. The Buffer Zone was proclaimed a legal entity in June 2011 with the legal protection provided by:

1. The Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund Act (amended 2006 and 2011) defining the boundaries of the Buffer Zones;
2. The Local Government Act 2003 (amended 2011) making provision for the creation of a system to monitor development in the Buffer Zones; and
3. The Planning Policy Guidance 6 - Urban heritage area: Buffer Zone of Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property (PPG 6) provides with a set of planning guidance in the Buffer Zone to orientate development towards the valorisation and revitalization of the area which holds attributes associated to the outstanding universal value of the property.

The actions of the Trust Fund are therefore guided by this legal framework and also by key documents required by UNESCO.

The framework for the management, preservation and promotion of the World Heritage Property is described in the Management Plan. The **Management Plan** is the overarching document presenting the overall strategy for the conservation, management and the promotion of the World Heritage Property and its surroundings.

To address further specific issues that may affect the World Heritage Property, the Management Plan is complemented by supporting documents addressing:

- visitor management;
- risk management;
- management mechanisms for the Buffer Zone;
- urban planning for the conservation of heritage and its revitalisation in the Buffer Zone;
- actions for the implementation of the vision for development;
- measures for conservation management and enhancement.

² The concept of buffer zone is explained in the annex.



❖ CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund is a statutory body set up under the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund Act No 31 of 2001 operating under aegis of Ministry of Arts and Culture.

❖ DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Fund's Directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Accounting Standards issued by Financial Reporting Council in compliance with the requirements of prevailing statutes.

❖ RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The fundamental statutory responsibilities of the Board of Directors are to lay down the overall policies regulating the various business/ activities of the Fund; it oversees the Fund's strategic direction and its organizational structure. The Board discharges the above responsibilities either or through Board Committees for more in-depth analysis and review of various issues while retaining its responsibility for all policy matters.

The Chairman of each Committee periodically places reports of its proceedings before the Board for approval/information, as may be relevant. The Board promotes openness, integrity and accountability to improve corporate behavior, strengthens control systems over business and reviews management performance on a regular basis. In addition the Board is committed to ensure as far as reasonably possible, and in accordance with legislation in force, the safety and health of its staff. To fulfill their responsibilities, Board members have unhindered access to accurate, relevant and timely information.

❖ INTERNAL CONTROL

Directors' responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Such systems should ensure that all transactions are authorized and recorded and that any material irregularities are detected and rectified within a reasonable time frame.

.....
Chairman

.....
Board Member

❖ THE OBJECTIVES OF THE FUND

The main objectives of the Fund is to establish and promote Aapravasi Ghat as a national, regional and international site, set up a museum at Aapravasi Ghat, create public awareness in the history of the site and depict the arrival, settlement and evolution of indenture in Mauritius. It also has to identify and acquire sites, buildings and structures linked with the history of the arrival of immigrants and promote the social and cultural aspects of Aapravasi Ghat.

❖ ADMINISTRATION

The Fund is administered by a Board comprising of a Chairperson, a Vice Chairperson and 13 members all appointed by the Minister of Arts and Culture under whose aegis the Fund operates.

❖ SOURCES OF INCOME

The main source of income of the Fund is derived from the Government. Hence the Fund has to depend entirely on government grant which are used for different projects and administrative purposes.

❖ THE MAIN DIVISIONS

For the execution of the policy of the AGTF Board and for the control and management of its day to day business, the Fund has the following main divisions:

- (a). The Administrative Section; and
- (b). The Technical and Research Section.

❖ TOP MANAGEMENT

In accordance with section No 21 of the AGTF ACT 2001 and subsequently amended in 2011.

- the Director shall be responsible for the execution of the policy of the Board for the control and management of the day to day business of the Fund.
- every member of the staff shall be render the administrative control of the Director

❖ ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

The Administrative Secretary is directly responsible for the general administration including the Personnel Division and acts inter-alia as Secretary to the Board. The Administrative Section is staffed by incumbents in the grades of Administrative Secretary, Accounting Technician, Financial Operations Officer Clerk/Word Processing Operator, Accounts Clerk, Confidential Secretary and Office Attendant/Driver.

❖ **TECHNICAL AND RESEARCH SECTION**

This unit is responsible for the implementation of projects and activities defined by the Management Plan of the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property as well as the projects defined in the strategic plan to meet the objects of the Fund.

The Technical and Research Section is composed of 30 members in the posts of WHS Manager (1), Researcher (3), Research Assistant (5), Field Guide (1), Heritage Guide/Public Outreach Officer (4), Site Conservation Worker (7), Watchman (4), Gateman (1) and General Worker (3). The unit is managed by the Head Technical Unit (1).

❖ **RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY**

Risk Management Policy has been disclosed at note 12 of the Financial Statement.

❖ **HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY**

With the coming into force of the Occupational Health and safety Act 2005, this organization recognizes the fundamental importance of Health and safety of its staff members and other persons who may be directly affected by its activities. This organization complies with all relevant Health and Safety legislation. Protective clothing and equipment are supplied to staff working on different sites. Firefighting equipment, first aid boxes are fixed in places to ensure rapid and easy use.

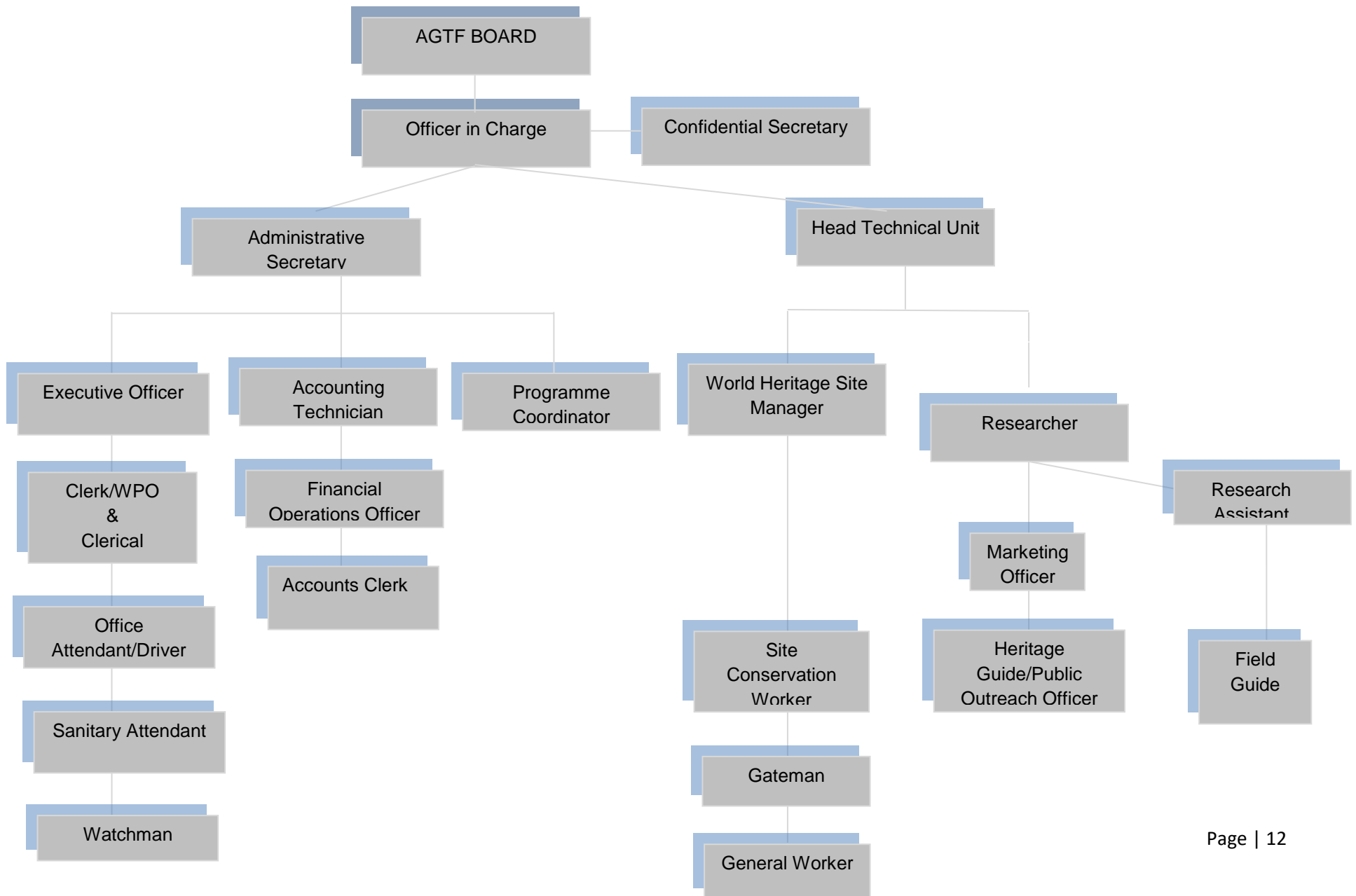
❖ **REGISTERED OFFICE**

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Ex-DWC Building
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❖ **AUDITORS**

Director of Audit
National Audit Office
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❖ ORGANISATION CHART OF THE AGTF



1. COMPOSITION OF THE AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND BOARD

The Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund is responsible for the day-to-day management of the World Heritage Property. The Board of the Trust Fund is composed of 15 members as follows including the Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson:

- One representative of the Prime Minister's Office;
- One representative of the Ministry of Finance;
- One representative of the Ministry of Arts and Culture;
- One representative of the Ministry of Education;
- One representative of the Ministry of Tourism and Leisure;
- One representative of the High Commission of India;
- One representative of the Mahatma Gandhi Institute;
- One representative of the National Heritage Fund;
- 5 Members from the local community.

Name	Position
Mr. M. Utchanah (as from 21 Nov 2012) Dr. P. Boodhun (April to October 2012) Dr. V Teelock (January to March 2012)	Chairperson
Mr A Hutchamah	Vice Chairman
Mrs C Ramah Dr P S Boodhun	Rep from Ministry of Arts and Culture
Mr O P Seebaluck	Rep from Prime Minister's Office
Mr D Paligadu Mr A Ramdhany	Rep Min of Finance and Economic Development
Mrs S Dowlutrao	Rep. from National Heritage Fund
Mr P Ramhota	Rep from Mahatma Gandhi Institute
Mrs M Jhugroo	Rep. from Ministry of Education & Human Resources
Mr P B Dwarka	Rep from Ministry of Tourism & Leisure
Mr Mimansak	Rep from High Com of India
Mr M Jhummun	Member
Mrs S Ramlallah	Member
Mr B P Dinand	Member
Mr R Thodda	Member
A S Rusmaully	Member
Mr D Ramloll	Member

2. PROFILE OF BOARD MEMBERS

- Dr Vijaya Teelock, G O S K
Chairperson of AGTF
Presently working at University of Mauritius as Associate Professor in the Faculty of Social Studies and Humanities.
- Dr Pushpawant Boodhun
Principal Assistant Secretary works at the Ministry of Arts and Culture and representative of the Parent Ministry on AGTF Board.
- Mr Mahyendra Utchanah
Chairperson of AGTF
Chairperson Gopio International and former Member of Parliament and Minister from 1982-1995
- Mr Adinarain Hutchamah is the Vice Chairman of the AGTF Board and also the president of Telegu Cultural Centre Trust and Advisor to the Minister of Education and Human Resources.
- Mr O P Seebaluck works at the Prime Minister's Office and represents the said Ministry on AGTF Board.
- Mr Bisham Dwarka is the Principal Tourism Planner at the Ministry of Tourism and Leisure and represents the said Ministry on AGTF Board.
- Mr P Ramhota is a senior Lecturer at the Mahatma Gandhi Institute (MGI) and representative of the said institution on AGTF Board.
- Mrs Ramah is the Assistant Secretary at the Ministry of Arts and Culture and is the representative of the Parent Ministry.
- Dr Paligadu is a lead analyst at the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development and represents the said Ministry on AGTF Board.
- Mr A Ramdhany is a analyst at the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development and represents the said Ministry on AGTF Board.
- Mrs M Jhugroo is the Assistant Secretary at the Ministry of Education and Human Resources and represents the said Ministry on AGTF Board.
- Mr S Dowlutrao is the Director at the National Heritage Fund and represent the Fund on AGTF Board
- Mr Mimansak is the Second Secretary of Indian High Commission and represents the High Commission on the AGTF Board.

- Mr Ahmed Suffick Rusmaully is a nominated member and is presently working at the State Bank of India(SBI).
- Mr Mukesh Jhummun is a nominated member and presently he is working as Education Officer in a Private School.
- Ms Sadhna Ramlallah is a nominated member and is working at the Edition Ocean Indien.
- Mr Bhuruth Prasad Dinand is a nominated member and is working as Education Officer in Secondary School.
- Mr Dravindranath Ramloll is a nominated member and presently he is working at the Central Water Authority.
- Mr Rajendra Thodda is a nominated member and presently he is working as Barrister at Law.

3. SENIOR MANAGEMENT PROFILE

- | | |
|----------------------|---|
| 1. Mr J. Mohit | Officer in Charge
Graduate in Maths /Statistics/Economics with Socio-Politico-Cultural background. |
| 2. Mr V. Ramoutar | Administrative Secretary
Post Graduate in Public Sector Management |
| 3. Ms C. Forest | Head Technical Unit
Post-Graduate in Museology and Anthropology |
| 4. Mrs D. Chuckowree | Accounting Technician
Graduate in Public Sector Financial Management |
| 5. Mr L. Andiapen | World Heritage Site Manager-
Post Graduate in Heritage Management |

4. CONSTITUTION OF SUB-COMMITTEES IN 2012

A. Finance Committee

Finance Committee	
Dr D. Paligadu Mr A. Ramdhany	Rep. Min of Finance and Economic Development (Chair)
Mrs C. Ramah	Rep. from Ministry of Arts and Culture
Mr P. B. Dwarka	Rep. from Ministry of Tourism & Leisure
Mr A. S. Rusmaully	Member
Mr M. Jhummun	Member

(B). Staff Committee

Staff Committee	
Mrs C. Ramah	Rep. from Ministry of Arts and Culture (Chair)
Mrs R. Ruchchan	Rep. from Ministry of Arts and Culture
Dr D. Paligadu Mr A. Ramdhany	Rep. Min of Finance and Economic Development
Mr Dowlutrao	Rep. from National Heritage Fund
Mr D. Ramloll	Member
Mr B. P. Dinand	Member

(C). Technical Committee

Technical Committee	
Ms C.Forest	Head Technical Unit (Chair)
Mr. R. Andiapen	WHS Manager
Mr. V. Mugon	Researcher
Mr. S. Peerthum	Researcher

(D). Scientific Technical and Advisory Committee on the Buffer Zone

STAC BZ Committee	
Mr P. Ramhota	Rep. from Mahatma Gandhi Institute
Mrs C. Ramah	Rep. from Ministry of Arts and Culture
Mr B. P. Dinand	Member
Mr M. Jhummun	Member
Dr. D. Paligadu	Rep. of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development
Ms C.Forest	Head Technical Unit

(E). Steering Committee for Beekrumsing Ramlallah Interpretation Centre project

BRIC steering Committee	
Mrs (Dr) V.Teelock	Chairperson
Mrs C. Ramah	Rep. of the Ministry of Arts and Culture
Ms S. Ramlallah	Board Member
Dr Paligadu	Rep. of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development
Mr J. Mohit	Officer in Charge
Mr D.Bunjun	Project Manager
Ms C.Forest	Head Technical Unit

(F) Sub Committee ICW Procedural Agreement

Sub-Committee ICW Procedural Agreement	
Mrs R Ruchchan	Rep from Ministry of Arts and Culture (Chair)
Mr P B Dwarka	Rep from Ministry of Tourism & Leisure
Mr Dowlutrao	Rep from National Heritage Fund
Mr S D Puchooa	Rep from Ministry of Labour, Industrial Relations & Employment
Mr B P Dinand	Member

(G). Editorial Committee 3 Volume publication

Editorial Committee 3 Volume publication (<i>Angage</i>)	
Dr V. Teelock	Chairperson
Dr. A. Janoo	Member
Dr S. Riviere	Member
Mrs Gayan	Member

(H) Editorial Committee Newsletter

Editorial Committee Newsletter	
Mrs C. Ramah	Rep. of the Ministry of Arts and Culture (Chair)
Mr B P Dinand	Member
Mrs S. Ramlallah	Member
Ms. C. Forest	Head Technical Unit
Mr S. Peerthum	Researcher
Ms C. Miao Foh	Research Assistant

THE DEPARTMENTAL INJURY COMMITTEE

Recommended by the Personal Management Manual, the departmental injury Board (Committee) is set up to enquire and report on case/s of injury sustained by an employee while on duty.

Injury Leave

Mr Seechurn	3 days	1/10/2012
Mr Gowressoo	1 week	4/24/2012
Mr Ramyeard	4 weeks	8/15/2010
Mr Ramkissoon	2 weeks	10/26/2012

Four cases of injury were reported in year 2012. Both cases were handled by the Committee and appropriate recommendations were made.

LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

Maurina Runghen, Researcher, from 1/4/12 to 1/4/13.

NUMBER OF MEETINGS

- **HOLDINGS OF MEETINGS**

For the period under review, the main Board meeting of AGTF held 15 meetings and the holding of sub-committees meetings were as follows:

Staff Sub Committee	2 times
Finance Committee	4 times
Technical Committee	5 times
STAC Buffer Zone Committee	5 times
Steering Committee	4 times
Sub Committee ICW Procedural Agreement	2 times
Editorial Committee 3 Volumes	7 times
Editorial Committee Newsletter	4 times

REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS OF BOARD

The Chairperson is entitled to a monthly allowance of Rs 21,000.

All other Board members receive an allowance of Rs 625 as per Board meeting and an allowance of Rs 575 per sub-committee.

The Chairperson of the following sub-committees receives an allowance of Rs 860 per sitting:

- Staff Committee;
- Finance Committee;
- Sub-Committee ICW Procedural Agreement;
- Editorial Committee for the newsletter.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR YEAR 2012

For the financial year 2012 government has allocated:

❖ RECURRENT GRANT

The government grant for recurrent expenditure was MUR 12 Million for the financial year 2012.

❖ CAPITAL GRANT

In total, the AGTF received a capital grant of MUR 45.5 Million:

- Beekrumsing Ramlallah Interpretation Centre Project : MUR 39.5 Million
- Grant from the lottery fund for Trianon Conservation project: MUR 3 Million
- Capital grant for projects: MUR 6 Million

Organisation: Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund

Statement of Estimated Expenditure and Revenue for the Year 2012

		Approved
		Jan.-Dec.12
		Rs
	EXPENDITURE	
	Recurrent	
	Personal Emoluments	8,821,280
	Other Charges	5,961,000
		14,782,280
	Capital	35,000
		14,817,280
	Projects/Activities	48,500,000
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	63,317,280
	FINANCED BY	
	Own	1,766,062
	Revenue Generated	
		1,766,062
	Government of Mauritius:	
	Grants:	0
	Recurrent	12,000,000
	Capital	48,500,000
	Loan	
	Other Sources	914,575
	Net Deficit/(Surplus)	136,643
	TOTAL REVENUE	63,317,280

ATTENDANCE RECORDS & REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS OF MEMBERS

In total, 15 Board Meetings, 1 Special Board Meetings, 2 Staff Committee meetings and 4 Finance Committee meetings were held during the year 2012.

Name	Board	Special Board	Staff	Finance
	15	1	2	4
Dr V. Teelock	2	3	1	
Mr M Utchanah	1			
Mr A. Hutchamah	2		-	
Dr P. S. Boodhun	10	1		1
Mrs C. Ramah	7	1	2	3
Mrs J Rogbeer	5	-	-	
Mr O. P. Seebaluck	8			4
Mr D. Paligadu	1		1	
Mr Dowlutrao	13	1	2	
Mr P Ramhota	9		-	
Mrs M. Jhugroo	5		-	
Mr Ramjuttun	1	-	-	
Mr P. B. Dwarka	9			2
Mr A Ramdhany	8	1	1	4
Mr Mimansak	6			
Mr M. Jhummun	12	1	-	3
Mrs S Ramlallah	11	1	-	
Mr B P Dinand	13	1	2	
Mr R Thodda	6	1	-	
A S Rusmaully	14	1	-	4
Name	Board	Special Board	Staff	Finance
Mrs R Ruchchan			1	

Mr D Ramloll	11	1	2	
Ms C .Pothunnah Aubeeluck	1			
Mr Junglee	1			

Training And Capacity Building For AGTF

Name	Position	Dates	Subject	Organizers
Mrs Ramkissoon	Heritage Guide / Public Outreach Officer	9 Mar. 2012 – 19 Jul. 2012	Sales & Marketing Techniques	Knowledge of Art Ltd
Mrs Chuckowree	Accounting Technician	9/10 May 2012	Lean Management through Kaizen	NPCC
Mrs Beejadhur & Mrs Jha	Heritage Guide / Public Outreach Officer (PPO)	16 – 29 Aug.	Sales & Marketing Techniques	Knowledge of Art Ltd
Mrs I. Gyaram	Programme Coordinator	21 Jul. – 27 Oct.	Training course on Research Methodology	Mauritius Research Council
Mrs V.Poteah	Heritage Guide / PPO			
Mrs Jankee	Research Assistant			
Mrs Ramcharitar	Research Assistant			
Mr. R. Teerbhoochan	Attendant/Driver			
Mrs Jankee	Research Assistant	24 – 29 Sep.	Greenstone	Agence universitaire française (AUF) & institute of Health Mauritius (MIH)
Mrs N. Ramcharitar	Research Assistant	31st May – 1st Jun. 2012	Workshop preservation, conservation & digital archiving	UTM in collaboration with ICTA

PARTICIPATION IN WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

Name	Position	Dates	Subject	Organizers
Mr Mohit	Officer in Charge	30 Apr.– 5 May	Workshop in Seychelles to assess and enhance capacities for heritage site management & sustainable development of local communities	UNDP African SIDS
Ms Forest	Head Technical Unit	26 – 29 Sep.	Paper presentation in Conference on Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site at the conference “Living with World Heritage in Africa”, Johannesburg, South Africa	African World Heritage Fund
Mr Peerthum	Researcher	2 Oct.	Research week: Immigrant women They came to Mauritius – the life stories of indentured immigrants	UoM
		27 Oct.	Presentation of a paper on indenture	Mini PBD, Ministry of Arts and Culture
		5 Sep.	Talk: Gauging of the pulse of freedom the exp. of liberated African associated with AGTF	
		3 – 6 Apr.	Seminar Comparative colonial society Mtius & Zanzibar: slavery & indenture	
		9 – 13 Jan.	Workshop: On comparative colonial society	

VISITS OF CONSULTANTS

The AGTF enlisted the services of consultants to work in collaboration with the Trust Fund on specific projects.

SN	Name	Post	Country	Dates	Project assigned
1.	Mr Devendra Singh Sood	Conservation Engineer	India	5 - 15 Apr.	Conservation Projects: (i) Prepare a planning of works and operations to be implemented by AGTF team for the reassembling of the inclined wall at World Heritage Site. (ii) Advise and make recommendations for the dismantlement and rassembling of the inclined wall at World Heritage Site. (iii) Advise and make recommendations to AGTF team in the course of the implementation of work operations for the inclined wall at WHS. (iv) Advise on the conservation of the Barracks at Trianon.
2.	Munish Pandit	Conservation Architect	New Delhi, India	8-14 Apr.	(i) Conservation projects at Trianon and for Inclined Wall in AGWHS.
3.	Renaud Bernadet	Restorer	Bologna, Italy	14 Apr.- 2 May	Conservation Projects at AGWHS: (i) To undertake the restoration of 45 ceramics found during archaeological excavations. (ii) To produce documentation in line with the restoration work undertaken as per international standards. (iii) To provide a basic training on restoration for students and professionals from MMC. (iv) To provide advice and recommendations as required.
4.	Dr. Diego Calaon	Archaeologist, University Ca'Foscari	Venice, Italy	16 Apr.- 18 May	(i) To undertake and supervise the conservation of the archaeological features at warehouse. (ii) To produce advice and recommendations to allow the completion of the conservation of the features. (iii) To work in collaboration with the consultants forming part of BRIC team and AGTF team. (iv) Prepare a final report on conservation of the archaeological features.
5.	Dr K.Seetah	Archaeologist, University of Cambridge, U.K and Lecturer at University of Central lancashire	England	15 Jul.- 15 Aug.	(i) Archaeological excavation at Bois Marchand

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2012

1. AAPRAVASI GHAT WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTY CONSERVATION AND MAINTENANCE

The concept of world heritage was developed by UNESCO to define cultural and natural heritage that are irreplaceable, unique and authentic, not only for the nation to which they belong, but also for humanity as a whole. It is considered that the loss of this heritage through deterioration or disappearance would generate an impoverishment of the heritage of all the peoples of the world. As such, their significance is of Outstanding Universal Value (OUV). Because the Aapravasi Ghat is of Outstanding Universal Value, it was inscribed on the world heritage list in 2006. Following UNESCO'S World Heritage Convention, The Outstanding Universal Value of Aapravasi Ghat (AG) World Heritage Property (WHP) need to be conserve and promoted. The Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund was entrusted to conserve, manage and promote the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site and has developed projects to achieve these aims.

RECONSTRUCTION BY ANASTYLOSIS OF WALL C

The conservation of wall in sector P was initiated as it was inclining due to the pressure exercised by "Bois Noir" tree roots on its foundations. A regular monitoring of the inclining wall was performed since 2007. Since 2009, the inclination of the wall was monitored with a tilt meter measuring its progression. With time, the inclination increased and had a negative impact on its stability. Ultimately, this pressure would have caused the collapse of the wall. The wall therefore represented a danger for the increasing number of visitors and for the Privies Area which form part of the original structures of the World



Heritage Site.

After examination of the measurements stating the critical progression of the inclination, the steering committee for the Beekrumsing Ramlallah Interpretation Centre recommended on 22 November 2011 that the wall be dismantled and reconstructed by anastylosis. Before presenting the recommendation to the Board, Mr Pandit, Conservation Architect was consulted and confirmed that the roots should be removed to stop pressuring the wall. On 30 November 2011, the Board approved that the wall be dismantled and reconstructed by anastylosis. The inclined wall was dismantled in April 2012 under the supervision of Mr Devendra Singh Sood, Conservation Engineer from the Archaeological Survey of India, and Mr Pandit, Conservation Architect.

Following the recommendations of our consultants all the stones of the inclined wall was documented and marked. A photo documentation was carried out before, during and after every interventions carried out on the wall. Additionally as per the instruction of Mr. Sood, a scale of X and Y axis was also marked on the stones to facilitate the restoration of the wall. The stones fixed in the wall was removed carefully layer by layer and stacked inside the compound of Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site. All the stones were arranged on the side according to given documentation numbers. The roots affecting the wall were removed and the wall was restored to its original state.

REVIEW THE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE AAPRAVASI GHAT WORLD HERITAGE SITE

The commitments taken by the Government of Mauritius with UNESCO are consigned in the Management Plan. The Management Plan states a number of projects aiming at preserving and promoting the World Heritage Site. The changes brought by the establishment of legal boundaries for the Buffer Zone led to review the Management Plan adopted in 2006. The Management Plan is



required by UNESCO World Heritage Convention to ensure the preservation and sustainability of the Outstanding Universal Value of the World Heritage Property. The Management Plan describes the World Heritage Property, its outstanding Universal Value and related significances, and analyses the issues affecting the conservation and management of the World Heritage Property.

The review of the Management Plan 2006 was essential to integrate developments that occurred in the last six years and consolidate the existing management system for the World Heritage Property. The Management Plan has an essential role: it is a key document that guides all the stakeholders involved in the conservation, management and promotion of the World Heritage Property. It is elaborated upon a vision for the World Heritage Property in the future and addresses key principles and objectives that will guide the implementation of this vision.

The Management Plan was reviewed by the technical team of the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund who optimized collaboration with stakeholders by addressing key issues in workshops (ref. table hereunder). The objective of this strategy was to better identify the needs of each partner/stakeholder. This allowed the elaboration of objectives and actions that privilege an effective and adaptive management of the World Heritage Property. The first draft of the Management Plan submitted on 1st October 2012 was submitted to a Consultant in heritage for review.

Meeting Stakeholders	Date	In attendance	Objective
STAC on Tourism Strategy	8 July 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Mauritius Ports Authority ◦ Ministry of Tourism and Leisure ◦ National Heritage Fund ◦ SPDC 	<p>Presentation of the purpose of the STAC for the preparation of a Tourism Strategy for AG WHS</p> <p>Defining proposed actions for inclusion in the Management Plan</p>
STAC on Tourism Strategy	23 November 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ministry of Tourism and Leisure ◦ City Council of Port Louis ◦ National Heritage Fund ◦ Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund ◦ SPDC 	<p>Presentation of tourism activities at WHS to collect views and support of stakeholders and possibly develop other activities in collaboration.</p> <p>Discussion on proposed organisation for long term action to be included in the Management Plan</p>
Technical Committee of BZ	01 June 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development ◦ Ministry of Arts and Culture ◦ City Council of Port Louis ◦ National Heritage Fund ◦ Mauritius Ports Authority ◦ Ministry of Housing and Lands 	<p>Presentation of the development plan submitted by Francois Odendaal and working session to collect views for the Management Plan.</p> <p>Discussion on actions to be included in the Management Plan for the implementation of the Development Plan.</p>
Workshop on Management Plan	14 June 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ministry of Arts and Culture ◦ Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund ◦ National Heritage Fund ◦ State Property Development Co Ltd ◦ Mauritius Ports Authority ◦ Ministry of Education and Human Resource (National Commission of UNESCO) ◦ Road Development Authority ◦ Ministry of Finance and Economic Development ◦ Mauritius Museum Council ◦ Prime Minister's Office ◦ Ministry of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping ◦ University of Mauritius ◦ Attorney General Office ◦ Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development ◦ Pamplemousses/R. du Rempart District Council ◦ Mauritius Tourism Promotion Authority 	<p>Presentation of the Management Plan (executive summary) and of the development plan to all stakeholders</p>

Meeting Stakeholders	Date	In attendance	Objective
Workshop on managerial system of the Buffer Zone	22 June 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ City Council of Port Louis ◦ National Heritage Fund ◦ Mauritius Ports Authority ◦ Ministry of Tourism and Leisure ◦ Ministry of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping 	To discuss and consolidate the system in place
	25 June 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ City Council of Port Louis ◦ National Heritage Fund ◦ Mauritius Ports Authority ◦ Ministry of Housing and Land ◦ Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development Ministry of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping 	
Workshop on Research Objectives	28 June 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ University of Mauritius ◦ National Heritage Fund ◦ Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund ◦ Mauritius National Archives ◦ Mauritius Museum Council ◦ Mahatma Gandhi Institute 	<p>Discuss the research objectives of AGTF to evaluate potential collaboration</p> <p>Discuss the creation of working groups and monitoring of research</p> <p>Collect views for inclusion of proposed actions in the Management Plan</p>
Technical Committee of AGTF	18 and 24 July 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ National Heritage Fund ◦ Dr Seetah and Dr Calaon, Archaeologists 	<p>Discuss the research plans for archaeology (with Archaeologists Dr. K. Seetah and Dr. Calaon) and history concurrently and relevance of research for Trianon and Flat Island</p> <p>Definition of research objectives and proposed actions for the Management Plan</p>

Meeting Stakeholders	Date	In attendance	Objective
Workshop on Tourism Strategy	27 July 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ City Council of Port Louis ◦ National Heritage Fund ◦ Ministry of Tourism and Leisure ◦ Mauritius Ports Authority 	<p>Presenting the issues and Objectives</p> <p>Discussed the potential activities in common to define the elements that would be included in the plan of actions (concept plan for heritage trails) of the Management Plan</p>

Table 1: Consultations held with stakeholders during the preparation of the Management Plan

2. REACTIVE MONITORING MISSION OF UNESCO/ICOMOS TO AAPRAVASI GHAT WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTY

Following the Decisions adopted at the World Heritage Committee at its 35th session, a reactive monitoring mission to the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property took place from Monday 19 to Thursday 22 March 2012 “to assess the effectiveness of the implementation of the Planning Policy Guidance in sustaining the Outstanding Universal Value of the property” as stipulated in the TOR of ICOMOS expert.



Dr Muhammad Juma was invited to Mauritius as ICOMOS expert. Besides his activities for ICOMOS and UNESCO, Mr Juma is Director of the Department of Urban and Rural Planning in Zanzibar.

Main outcomes

1. The administrative process for development applications should be simplified:
 - Simplification of the CHIS form;
 - Production of a user friendly guide for the public.
2. The need to define in details the scope of work of the Technical Committee;
3. Capacity in heritage management and conservation should be reinforced at the National Heritage Fund and at the City Council of Port Louis;
4. The need to promote the vision for development in the buffer zone of the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property;
5. There is a need to finalize the review of the Management Plan for the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property.

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANNING POLICY GUIDANCE (PPG) AND MONITORING OF WORLD HERITAGE SITE BUFFER ZONE (WHS BZ)



Following UNESCO'S World Heritage Convention, a Buffer Zone (BZ) was delimited around Aapravasi Ghat (AG) World Heritage Property (WHP) to allow the full expression of its outstanding significance. UNESCO explains that the buffer zone is important as it represents the context in which the World Heritage Property has evolved through time. As such, it supports the outstanding cultural significance at national and international level. This is the reason why appropriate measures are enforced in the buffer zone to protect, preserve, enhance and promote the Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) of the World Heritage Property. The ultimate objective is to create a suitable environment supporting the retention of the heritage in the BZ and its sustainable development.

When the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2006, the Buffer Zone had no legal protection. The Buffer Zone was proclaimed a legal entity in June 2011 with the legal protection provided by:

1. The Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund Act (amended 2006 and 2011) defining the boundaries of the Buffer Zones;
2. The Local Government Act 2003 (amended 2011) making provision for the creation of a system to monitor development in the Buffer Zones including the creation of a Technical Committee; and
3. The Planning Policy Guidance 6 - Urban heritage area: Buffer Zone of Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property (PPG 6) provides with a set of planning guidance in the Buffer Zone to orientate development towards the valorisation and revitalization of the area which holds attributes associated to the outstanding universal value of the property.

This framework was established to encourage the retention and the enhancement of heritage in the area. In this undertaking, three institutions are involved: the City Council of Port Louis (CCPL), the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund (AGTF) and the National Heritage Fund (NHF). The AGTF and NHF are monitoring the heritage component in the Buffer Zone while the CCPL has the legal responsibility to implement the Planning Policy Guidance 6 for the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property Buffer Zone.

The City Council of Port Louis chairs the Technical Committee created under the Local Government Act (2011). The role of the Technical Committee is to ensure the implementation of the Planning Policy Guidance for the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property Buffer Zone. This task is achieved through the assessment of all applications for Building and Lands Use Permits in the Buffer Zone.

MONITORING OF DEVELOPMENT

The technical Committee of the City Council of Port Louis met on a regular basis to assess development in the buffer zone as presented in the table hereunder:

Applications		Type of Development			Approved/ Rejected	Technical Committee (TC)
		Demolition	Renovation	Change in Use		
1	International Cultural Hub Project (1, Quay St)		✓		Rejected	No TC was held for the application
2	ABC Autotech Ltd (Harbour Area)			✓	Approved	Friday 16 March 2012
3	Integrity Metal Works Ltd (Harbour Area)			✓	Approved	Thursday 10 May 2012
4	Amusement Simulator Ltd (1, Emmanuel Aquetil St)			✓	Approved	
5	Monomo Services Ltd (Harbour Area)			✓	Approved	
6	Sumag International Ltd(Quay St)			✓	Approved	
7	Amusement Simulator Ltd(4, Dr J. Rivière St)			✓	Approved	Tuesday 25 June 2012
8	Kid's Entertainment Ltd Tuesday 25 June 2012(4, Dr Joseph Rivière St)			✓	Approved	
9	Ah-Fock & Co Ltd (Cnr Royal & Emmanuel Anquetil St)	✓			Rejected	
10	Island Life Assurance Co Ltd (34, Royal St)		✓		Approved	Tuesday 14 August 2012
11	Mr & Mrs Abdool R. Jhurry/ Mr & Mrs Mamode A. Yearoo (Farquhar St)	✓			Rejected	

Applications		Type of Development			Approved /Rejected	Technical Committee (TC)
		Demolition	Renovation	Change in Use		
12	Kinoo & Sons Ltd (1, Dr Joseph Rivière St)	✓			Rejected	Tuesday 11 September 2012
13	Bank One Ltd (Cnr Royal & Sir W. Newton st)		✓		Approved	Tuesday 09 October 2012
14	Carrim A. Currimjee (Royal St)		✓		Approved	
15	K-One Fitness Centre Ltd (12, Quay St)			✓	Approved	Tuesday 27 November 2012
16	Chak Le Company Ltd (4, Dr Joseph Rivière St)			✓	Pending	Pending
17	United Docks Ltd (Harbour Area)	✓			Pending	Pending
Total		4	4	9	Approved = 11 Rejected = 4	7

Table 2: Building and Land Use Permit (BLP) applications in the AGWHP BZ in 2012

❖ ROLE AND SCOPE OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

On 22 and 25 June 2012, a workshop was held with the members of the Technical Committee to discuss the following elements:

1. Functioning of the Technical Committee (TOR);
2. Monitoring system of the heritage component in the buffer zone; and
3. Presentation of CHIS form reviewed by AGTF.

The AGTF prepared Terms of Reference for the Technical Committee and same was discussed and approved.

❖ MONITORING OF HERITAGE IN THE BUFFER ZONE

The role of the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund is to monitor the heritage component in the buffer zone. The institution carries out weekly monitoring of heritage in the buffer zone and reports to the Technical Committee in case of non-compliance with the PPG 6.

Regular monitoring in the buffer zone took place to assess and monitor the changes affecting the heritage component. Regular reports were submitted. The following table gives an overview of changes and alterations that affected the heritage component in the buffer zone during the year 2012:

Date	Building Name & ID	Building Grade	Street Name	Type of Development	Changes recorded	Authorisation of Development
04 May 2012	VK Court 25/N1	No Grade	Dr Sun Yat Sen St (Arsenal)	Addition of floors	Addition of 3 floors to the existing building. Construction still underway	A BLP was issued to the proponent on 31 July 2007 for parking, commercial, office and apartment purposes.
04 May 2012	Jummah Mosque 32	Grade 1	Cnr Jummah Mosque & Royal St	Conservation	Conservation work underway by the Authorities of the mosque. Sandblasting, repainting and cement work in process.	Not applicable
11 May 2012	Newton Pharmacy 27/W1	No Grade	Queen St	Conversion from restaurant and computer showroom to restaurant only	Major renovation works in the interior to accommodate Debonairs restaurant. Concrete partitions were added.	The MCPL was informed and a Stop Order was issued to the Company as no application for BLP was submitted.

Date	Building Name & ID	Building Grade	Street Name	Type of Development	Changes recorded	Authorisation of Development
14 May 2012	L'Amicale 33/NE	Grade 3	55, Cnr Royal and Emmanuel Anquetil St	Demolition	Building was demolished on 12 May 2012	No application was made by the promoter to the MCPL for a demolition permit. A stop order was issued to the promoter and was asked to go through established procedures to obtain a demolition permit.
15 June 2012	WAQFT Building 21/SW	Grade 1	Cnr Farquhar & Corderie St	Alteration	Minor renovation work carried out both interior and exterior. Painting redone.	Not applicable
29 June 2012	United Store 41/W1	No Grade	Royal St	Addition	Iron sheet roofing placed on top of building with a connecting pipeline from top to bottom in order to avoid accumulation of rain water on the roof.	Not applicable

Date	Building Name & ID	Building Grade	Street Name	Type of Development	Changes recorded	Authorisation of Development
19 Oct. 2012	Beenessreesingh Building	Grade 3	Cnr Queen & Farquhar St	Change in use	Use of building was changed from CD shop to snack.	The Chair of the TC was informed about the development. Application has still not been discussed in the TC.
23 Nov.r 2012	Dragon D'Or 25/W1	Grade 2	Farquhar St	Renovation	Major renovation work carried out inside building to be used as warehouse. Wooden structures were removed and replaced by cement.	Authorization was granted by the CCPL in 2011.
27 Nov. 2012	IBL Building	Grade 1	Cnr Queen & Duke of Edinburgh St	Renovation	Renovation carried out since 2008. The roof shape was changed during the renovation. The original architecture was modified.	The Chair of the Technical Committee was informed regarding this issue. Response from the CCPL is awaited.
07 Dec. 2012	Immigration Square Bus Station	No Grade	Farquhar St	Construction	Parking spaces allocated for lorries were vacated to accommodate hawkers. Infrastructural changes are underway.	Government decision

Table 3: Monitoring of heritage in the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property Buffer Zone

DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE BUFFER ZONE



Regarding the Buffer Zone of the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site, a new managerial system took shape with the issue of the Planning Policy Guidance for the area in June 2011.

Following the establishment of a new framework, the AGTF undertook the preparation of a Development Plan for the Buffer Zone in order to identify factors that would encourage its revitalization.

This plan aims at proposing a framework to foster potential successful development through adaptive reuse of heritage buildings.

Dr François Odendaal, CEO of EcoAfrica Ltd, South Africa, undertook the preparation of the Development Plan in collaboration with the Technical and Research Unit. Several consultative meetings took place in 2011 and 2012. The plan was submitted in April 2012.

CONSERVATION MANUAL



PPG6 promotes the conservation of historic structures in the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property Buffer Zone. To assist private owners and promoters in development projects, the AGTF completed a draft Conservation Manual for the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property Buffer Zone in December 2012. To prepare the manual, the services of an architect were retained to elaborate the drawings and sketches.

The conservation manual aims at providing guidelines for the conservation and rehabilitation of historic buildings to owners and developers in the Buffer Zone.

4. BEEKRUMSING RAMLALLAH INTERPRETATION CENTRE PROJECT

AIM: set up a high standard and interactive interpretation centre at World Heritage Site

The project was defined as an object of the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund Act 2001 defining the setting up of an interpretation centre under section 4 (c).



The project forms part of implementation policies undertaken by AGTF to fulfill the requirements stated in the UNESCO World Heritage Convention which stresses the need to promote World Heritage and its Outstanding Universal Value while allowing access to the public.

This project was also identified as the objective 16 of the AG WHS Management Plan. This project was defined as a major priority to improve visitor management and to mitigate the impact of tourism at site. It will also be revenue generative to support expenses at WHS.

BRIC 1 consists in the conversion of an existing building into an interpretation centre and landscaping works at World Heritage Site. The interpretation centre is composed of a permanent exhibition area, an office for staff, visitor facilities, a shop and a store.

The creation of the interpretation centre requires various competences to conceptualize, design and implement this project. The first step was initiated in July 2010 with the constitution of a professional team to work in collaboration with AGTF Museologists. It included an Architect, a Mechanical and Electrical Engineer, an Interior Designer and a Quantity Surveyor. In January 2011, the AGTF enlisted the services of a Landscape Architect, a Graphic Designer, Archaeologists and an Artist/Sculptor.

The progress of the project is monitored by a Steering Committee. As at 31st December 2012, the project was completed at 22%.

REHABILITATION OF THE BUILDING'S ROOF



The rehabilitation of the roof started on 24 October 2011 after the contract was awarded to Power Contractor Ltd for the total sum of MUR 10,235,000. The roofing was completed in June 2012.

INTERIOR AND LANDSCAPING WORKS

The team of professionals met every week from January to April 2012 to finalise all the designs and detailed plans for the interior and landscaping works. The objective was to produce all the final plans for inclusion in the tender document.

The detailed plans concerned the interior works to be carried out in the building housing the permanent exhibition area, the office for staff, visitor facilities, the shop and the store. It also concerned the details of work for the landscaping of the World Heritage Site in line with conservation requirements.

The detailed plans were completed by the BRIC team and included in the tender document prepared concurrently. The tender document was completed by Consultants on 27 April 2012 and was submitted to the Central Procurement Board on 24 May 2012.

The tender was launched on Friday 20 July 2012. The closing date was 28 August at 13.30hrs. The evaluation took place at the Central Procurement Board from 6 September to 16 October 2012. The Central Procurement Board approved the award of contract to Ramlohl Bhooshan Renovation and Building Ltd for the corrected sum of MUR 54,249,480.15 inclusive of VAT.

CONSERVATION OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL FEATURES

Preventive archaeological excavations took place from 22 November 2010 to 14 January 2011. Part of the sections excavated will be covered as the scientific investigation is completed. The other part will be integrated in the display of BRIC.



Dr Diego Calaon, Archaeologist, undertook the phase 1 of the conservation of the archaeological features in collaboration with AGTF team. He was in Mauritius from 16 April to 18 May 2012 and completed the following tasks:

1. Uncovering and deep cleaning of the features;
2. Establishment of the delimitation of the surface to be exhibited;
3. Further documentation of the archaeological soil located under the concrete bedding;
4. Reinstatement of part of the stone walls;
5. Working sessions with BRIC team;
6. Finalisation of drawings with the Civil and Structural Engineer for the conservation of the features;
7. Final selection of the artefacts to be displayed;
8. Preparation of part of the labels;
9. Assessment of the metal artefacts regarding restoration.

The phase 3 and 4 of conservation will take place in 2013.

CONSERVATION OF STONE WALL IN THE BUILDING

Lime pointing of the southern wall of the building started in December 2012 and is still under progress.

DISPLAY



The Interpretation Centre Project will present the following elements in the display:

1. Artefacts found during the archaeological excavations;
2. Objects and reconstitution;
3. Graphic designs and texts on walls;
4. Information in the form of DvD ROMs (multimedia) for children and adults;
5. Short films shown on TV screens;
6. A model of the Aapravasi Ghat in 1866.

MULTIMEDIA

Multimedia are in the process of elaboration: multimedia will be part of the display and presented on touch screens in the permanent exhibition area. The objective is to provide an interactive display with more information to visitors.

The multimedia comprise of:

1. Three DvD Roms for children presenting the information displayed in each section to the young audience;
2. Four DvD Roms "If you want to know more...": these DvD Roms provide in four sections more detailed information to visitors.
3. Two DvD Roms present information on the archaeological features together with virtual reconstitutions;
4. One interactive game for children on archaeology;
5. One multimedia on the Intangible Cultural Heritage related to indenture.

A second tender was launched to allocate the elaboration of DvD ROMs for children. The contract will be allocated in 2013.

GRAPHIC DESIGNS

The graphic designs are the visuals and texts that will be presented in the permanent exhibition area. As at date, 90% were completed at date. The graphic designs for the permanent exhibition of BRIC were completed, presented and approved by the Board on 26 June 2012.

RESTORATION OF ARTEFACTS

The artefacts found during archaeological excavations needed to be restored so that visitors could better appreciate their original form. The AGTF retained the services of a professional Restorer who came to Mauritius from 16 April to 2 May 2012, to undertake the restoration of 50 artefacts including ceramics and glass. The objects are now restored and they will be presented in showcases. The AGTF also invited the Mauritius Museums Council and the University of Mauritius to take part in practical sessions on artifact restoration.



Few artefacts restored in 2012

MODEL OF AAPRAVASI GHAT IN 1866

The AGTF launched a tender for the creation of a model of Aapravasi Ghat former immigration depot in 1866. The tender closed on 11 October 2012 and was examined. It presented financial proposals higher than the estimated value. Considering this, the Board decided not to allocate the contract.

5. RESTORATION AND CONSERVATION TRIANON HERITAGE SITE



As per AGTF Act 2001, our institution was entrusted “to identify and acquire sites, buildings and structures linked with the history of the arrival of immigrants in Mauritius” and “to preserve, restore and manage the sites specified in the Schedule”. The AGTF has undertaken actions to preserve, conserve and promote the Old Labourers’ Quarters at Trianon, both National Heritage Sites.

Trianon heritage site located at Trianon was the former accommodation of indentured labourers working on Trianon sugar estate established in 1803. The barracks are one of the rare remaining structures constructed in stone where indentured immigrants were housed. It was listed as a National Monument in 1974.

Since 2003, the site was vested in AGTF. The restoration and conservation of the Trianon Barracks started in August 2011. The objective is to restore the indentured labourers’ barracks and consolidate its structure to preserve it for future generations.

On completion of the restoration of Trianon barracks, a comprehensive development plan will be prepared. Its implementation in the years to come will provide visitor facilities and activities while retaining and promoting the heritage structure as one of the major component of Mauritian Heritage.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2012

1. The conservation plan for the Trianon Barracks was approved in the beginning of 2012;
2. Water and electricity supply were installed at the Trianon Barracks before the start of the conservation works;
3. Mobilization was carried out in January 2012;
4. Work started in February 2012 with the cleaning of the site and its surroundings;
5. Removal of roots on the interior of the building, dismantling of cement concrete as well as lime pointing of eastern side of the Barracks were carried out from January to June 2012;
6. Training was provided by Consultants to AGTF to site staff on the different procedures for the repair of the 15 semi-vaulted roof concrete at the Trianon barracks.

As from July 2012, labour force was shifted to AGWHS for restoration of an inclined wall. However, regular cleaning and maintenance is being carried out and works are expected to resume in January 2013.

RESTORATION OF LIME KILN AT PETIT VERGER

Expertise was provided to Petit Verger Prison with regards to the upgrading and the restoration of a lime kiln situated in their compound. Research was also carried out on lime kilns in Mauritius as a brief on the functioning of lime kilns was requested by officials of Petit Verger Prison.

6. RESEARCH PROGRAMME

AIM: To promote and encourage research on Aapravasi Ghat WHP, other indenture sites, locally and globally, as well as the history of indentured labour and their legacy as a whole.

Research is an ongoing process and was defined as an object of the Trust Fund in AGTF ACT and was also a recommendation made by UNESCO at the time of the inscription of the site on the World Heritage List in 2006:



“Undertake research on indentured labour to consider the extent, scope and impact of the indentured labour Diaspora around the world”.(Decision WHC 30 COM 8B. 33)

It also responds to objectives 21, 23 of the AG WHS Management Plan 2006.

RESEARCH UNDERTAKEN BETWEEN JANUARY AND SEPTEMBER 2012

In the context of the three volumes on indentured labour, the BRIC Project, the 2nd November commemoration, the Memory of the World Register Nomination Dossier, and the AGTF newsletter, AGTF research staff undertook research on:

- the early indentured Indian labourers;
- female immigrants;
- vagrants;
- non-Indian indentured immigrants such as the Chinese, African and the Malagasy indentured labourers;
- Research on Indian Immigration between the years 1832 and 1842 in local newspapers of the 19th century;
- Research undertaken at the MGI archives on non – Indian immigrants /indentured labourers in Specific Regions: Comoros Islands / East Africa: Name of Immigrant, Country of Origin, Ship Name, Registration No., Date of Arrival and No. of Immigrants on Board;
- Research on Grand Bassin – history, description and illustration / photo;
- ship voyages;
- Liberated Africans;
- indentured Christian immigrants;
- genealogy of Mauritian citizens and VVIPs;
- Trianon Sugar Estate;
- the portrayal of Indian immigrants in the mid-19th century Mauritian press;
- free Chinese immigrants and Chinatown.

Research was undertaken at the MGI Indian Immigration Archives, the Mauritius National Archives, the National Library, the Civil Status Office, the Registrar General’s Office, the records of the Diocese of Port Louis, Carnegie Library and the Quatre Bornes Municipal Library.

RESEARCH ON CHRISTIAN INDENTURED LABOURERS

The migration of Indo-Christian Indentured labourers have fairly been explored in Mauritian historiography. In this context, research undertaken at the Mahatma Gandhi Indian Immigration Archives aimed at better documenting the presence of Christian Indentured labourers. A database was compiled with regards to the Indian of catholic faith who came to Mauritius as Indentured labourers during the early years of immigration. Furthermore research was also carried out at the Diocese of Port Louis to better document the marriage pattern of Indo-Catholics Indentured labourers. Marriage certificates and baptism certificates between the time periods 1858 to 1870 were consulted and information concerning individuals who came from India and married at the Parish of St Louis, Port Louis was compiled.

RESEARCH ON TRIANON HERITAGE SITE

The Trianon Sugar Estate is one of the first Sugar Estate that has made use of indentured labourers. Research was carried out at the Mauritius National Archives (MNA) to better document the Trianon Barracks from a historical perspective so to understand its full implication and relation to the Indenture system in Mauritius thus responding to the mission of the AGTF. Primary sources like Annual reports of Protector of immigrants, Report of Inspector Jenner on estates inspected were consulted to retrieve data in regards to the Trianon barracks. Research work is ongoing at MNA with regards to the history of Trianon to better document the history of the site from the perspective of primary sources.

RESEARCH ON ANCESTRY (IN CONTEXT OF 2ND NOVEMBER 2012 COMMEMORATION)

Research was undertaken on the ancestors of four VVIPs namely the Hon. Dr. Ramgoolam, the Hon. Dr. Beebeejaun, the Hon. Baichoo and the Hon. Choonee. Their bio-datas and pictures were obtained and a duplicate ancestor immigrant ticket was designed and printed. Genealogy on the around a dozen Mauritian families are also underway with their written permission.

RESEARCH UNDERTAKEN AT THE MGI IMMIGRATION ARCHIVES (JUNE/OCTOBER 2011):

In February 2012, AGTF obtained a copy of all the 175,000 indentured immigrants photos of the PG series

of the MGI Indian Immigration Archives and a modified version of MGI Indenture Database with the bio data of more than 220,000 indentured immigrants from the Truth and Justice Commission. This information was used by AGTF and a first triage of the best photos from the 65 volumes from the PG series was undertaken with a selection of more than 2,000 immigrant group photos.

To complement this data, photos taken of thousands of archival documents and immigrant mainly at the MGI Indian Immigration Archives and the Mauritius National Archives from the different archival series collection. These pictures were analyzed and catalogued and cover various aspects of the history of indentured labour and indentured workers in Mauritius.

In total, more than 300 archival volumes were consulted and some of them partially digitalized. A copy of these pictures as well as the genealogies of some of the Indo-Mauritian families were reconstructed partially through information from the MGI Archives and oral interviews and were deposited at AGTF.

Part of this research data has already been used for the 3 volumes on indentured labour, the International Scientific Conference and the BRIC Project.

INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE PROJECT

The Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund has currently catalogued 60 elements of intangible heritage related to indenture and conducts further research to complement their documentation. In total, the AGTF has conducted 125 interviews as part of this inventory project.

In collaboration with the National Heritage Fund and the University of Mauritius, the AGTF has taken part in the preparation of a nomination form to inscribe *Geet Gawai* as an element of intangible cultural heritage on the Representative List of UNESCO.

BEEKRUMSING RAMLALLAH INTERPRETATION CENTRE PROJECT

As part of the setting up of an interpretation centre at World Heritage Site, research is an important process. Research focused on the life at the depot and on the voyage experience as well as on the experience of indenture.



It also included the selection of objects collected during the Oral History Project. A selection of interviews and chosen extracts were identified to be presented in the Interpretation Centre as part of the experience of descendants of indentured labourers.



ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH

In July 2012, Dr Seetah, Assistant Professor at the University of Stanford, USA, and his team conducted archaeological research at Bois Marchand Cemetery. This project was first initiated by the Truth and Justice Commission. The research project at Bois Marchand, now in its second year, has investigated the indentured diaspora through the lens of archaeology. Last season, six graves were opened and eight skeletons were studied, all of which are currently under analysis.



Excavations retrieved human skeletal remains and funerary materials that allow the study of diet, lifestyle and origins of the buried individuals. This scientific study adds an important dimension to the study of indenture.

INSCRIPTION OF THE INDENTURE IMMIGRATION RECORDS ON THE MEMORY OF THE WORLD REGISTER (JANUARY-AUGUST 2011)

In the context of the preparation of the nomination dossier for the inscription of the Indenture Immigration Records of the Republic of Mauritius, between January and March 2012, six meetings were held at the Ministry of Arts and Culture and six working sessions at the Mauritius National Archives. AGTF worked in collaboration with the Ministry of Arts and Culture, Mauritius National Archives, the National Library and the MGI Indian Immigration Archives to prepare a 30-page nomination dossier.

AGTF provided archival references from the Mauritius National Archives/National Library dealing with indentured labour, photo of documents and information for the dossier, its annexes, DVDs and other items which were prepared. It also participated in the drafting and editing of the nomination dossier. In March 2012, the dossier was finalized by the National Committee which was then approved by the Ministry of Arts and Culture and Cabinet of Ministers. On 22nd March 2012, the Ministry of Arts and Culture sent the dossier and its annexes to Ms. Joie Springer, Memory of the World Programme at the Information Society Division in UNESCO, Paris.

THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE AND THE INTERNATIONAL AND THE INDENTURED LABOUR GLOBAL DATABASE INITIATIVE (JANUARY-APRIL 2012)

During the month of January and February 2012, a total of 41 draft conference papers and 12 rapporteur's reports of the indentured labour conference were collected and organized according to the session where they were presented. Between January and April of this year, 23 conference papers in their final version were also submitted by contributors.

The four-day conference on indentured labour was also recorded in a high resolution audio-visual format. The recorded conference proceedings were transferred onto 7 DVDs which amounts to a total record time of more than 16 hours with a proper menu and the image quality was reworked.

ANGAGE: EXPLORATIONS IN THE HISTORY AND CULTURE OF INDENTURED IMMIGRANTS IN MAURITIUS IN 3 VOLUMES (JANUARY-DECEMBER 2012)

It was the first time that AGTF embarked on such a large scale and multi-disciplinary publication with '*Angage: Explorations in the History and Culture of Indentured Immigrants in Mauritius*' also referred to as the 3 volume publication.

An editorial committee composed of Dr. Rivière, Dr. Janoo and Mrs. Gayan and, Dr. Teelock, as Chief Editor was set up in July 2011. They were assisted by the Head Technical Unit, one Researcher and three research assistants.

Between January and October 2012, six meetings were organized where a work plan, time frame and responsibilities were allocated and reviewed at each meeting between the editors and the concerned AGTF staff. Dr. Rivière and Mrs. Gayan acted as copy editors.

Between May and September 2012, the final drafts of the 36 chapters and sub-chapters were received and edited from contributors who were non-AGTF and AGTF staff. Between November and December 2012, the final editing of the 3 volumes was completed and submitted for design and layout. The final design and layout of the publication was submitted to Cathay Printers Limited for publication to be delivered to AGTF by early 2013.

The AGTF staff contributed to the publication as follows:

Name	Position	Titles of article
Corinne Forest	Head Technical Unit	"Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site: A Change in the Perception of Heritage in Mauritius"
		"Management and Conservation of Heritage: Challenges and Opportunities for the Future"
Satyendra Peerthum	Researcher	<i>Hamara Itihaas'. The Origins and Experiences of the Pioneer Bihari Indentured Labourers in Mauritius, 1830-1890"</i>
		A Cheap Reservoir of Mankind for Labour': The Genesis of the Indenture Labour System in Mauritius, 1826-1843"
Ashveen Nemchand	Research Assistant	The Recruitment and Voyage of Indentured Labourers from India
Babita Bahadoor	Research Assistant	"Indian Immigration and the Press, 1832-1842"
Christelle Miao Foh	Research Assistant	"Indian Immigration and the Press, 1832-1842"
	Research Assistant	"Chinatown, Legacy of Free and Indentured Chinese Immigrants"
Kiran Jankee	Research Assistant	"Indenture System seen through the eyes of descendants and testimonies of immigrants
Indira Gyaram Amirchandsingh Teerbhoohan	Programme Coordinator Driver	"Life at the Immigration Depot"

THE AGTF NEWSLETTER OF 2012 (AUGUST-OCTOBER 2012)

For the first time in eight years that the Newsletter has been published, AGTF produced a 44-page newsletter which contained several important and innovative articles by local and foreign contributors, scholars and researchers. They covered such important themes as the history of indentured labour and indentured workers, AGTF projects and heritage management, intangible cultural heritage and AGTF's outreach programme and events for 2012.

The articles and contents of the AGTF Newsletter were multi-disciplinary, have a popular appeal and fulfill the mission statement of AGTF. In terms of contents of the articles and design of the newsletter, the presentation and style were a clear departure and different from previous newsletters and it was well received by members of the Mauritian public. A total of 3,500 newsletters were printed and more than 3,000 have so far been distributed.

The contributions of the staff were as follows:

Name	Position	Title of article
Corinne Forest	Head Technical Unit	AGTF projects in 2013
		The Recommendations of the Reactive Monitoring mission of ICOMOS Expert to Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property
		Reviewing the Management Plan for the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property: Towards an Integrated Management for Sustainability –
Satyendra Peerthum	Researcher	“An Untold Story”: The Arrival of Indian Indentured Labourers in Mauritius between 1826 and 1834
		Long and Productive Lives”: The Experiences of the Pioneer Muslim Indentured Labourers between 1837 and 1882 -
Babita Bahadoor	Research Assistant	International Scientific Conference on ‘New Perspectives on Indentured Labour (1825 – 1925)’
Ashvin Nemchand	Research Assistant	Mgr. Amedée Nagapen. A Scholar of the Church
Christelle Miao Foh	Research Assistant	Récréation d’Antan
Natasha Kheddoo-Ramcharitar	Research Assistant	Development Vision for the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property Buffer Zone
Kiran Chuttoo-Jankee	Research Assistant	Promoting and Safeguarding the Living Heritage associated with Indenture
Aartee Pydatalli	Field Guide	A Recipe from our Ancestors, Kassar
Urmila Devi Ramkissoon	Heritage Guide / PPO	The Outreach Unit of Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund -
Soonanda Nankoo	Heritage Guide / PPO	The ‘International Day for Monuments and Sites’ at the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property
Indira Devi Gyaram	Programme Coordinator	Visit of Dr Farooq Abdullah, the Minister of New and Renewable Energy of the Republic of India
		Life at the Immigration Depot

MINI-PRAVASI BHARATYA DIVAS 2012, MAURITIUS

Researcher and Research Assistants took part in the Mini-Pravasi Bharatya Divas organized from 27 to 29 October 2012 in Mauritius. The Staff presented papers at the academic conference and also acts as Rapporteurs for plenary sessions.

Satyendra Peerthum, Researcher, presented his research on the life-stories of female Indian immigrants in the context of Research Week 2012 during the first week of October 2012 at the University of Mauritius and at the Academic Session of Mini-PBD at the MGI during the last week of October 2012.

7.PROMOTION AND OUTREACH PROGRAMME AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VISITOR MANAGEMENT PLAN (VMP)

AIM: To deliver creative, stimulating and innovative awareness-creating programs in about the Aapravasi Ghat WHP

The Outreach programme is part of the objectives of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention and defined as objectives in the AG WHS Management Plan. It includes the implementation of the Visitor Management Plan (VMP). The VMP comprises of several sub-projects aiming at enhancing visitor experience and implement visitor strategy.

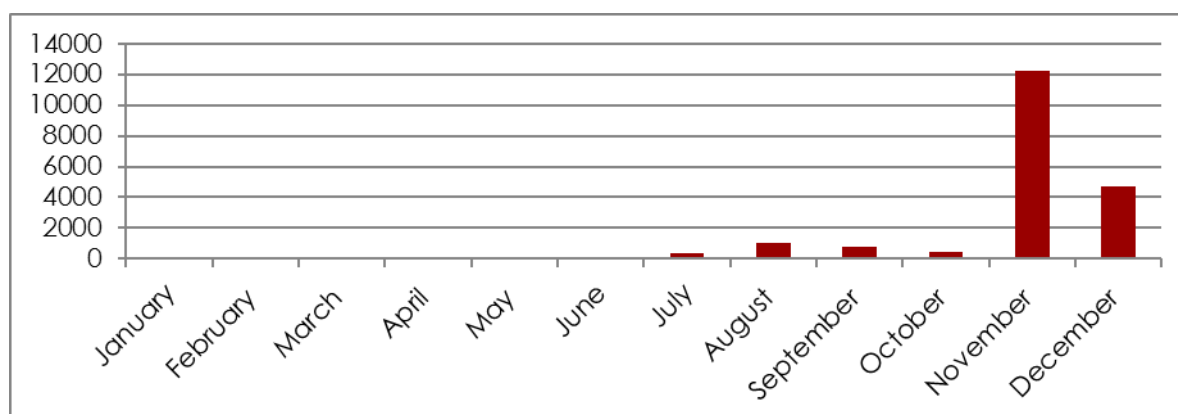


GUIDED VISITS AT WORLD HERITAGE SITE

The World Heritage Property was closed to the public from 14 November 2011 until July 2012 considering that rehabilitation works took place in the future Beekrumsing Ramlallah Interpretation Centre.

A total number of 19,882 visitors visited the Aapravasi Ghat Site in 2012. The monthly visitation is indicated in the table below:

In total, the four Heritage Guides conducted **3,232 guided visits** of the World Heritage Site during the year 2012.



VISITS OF VIP IN 2012



- Hons Farooq Abdullah – Minister of New & Renewable Energy, Government of India (18th Jan 2012)
- Mrs Salma S.Abdullah - Tanzania, Zanzibar (19th Jan 2012)
- Mr Hassan Haruna - Tanzania, Zanzibar (19th Jan 2012)
- Mr Ali M.Barouk Haji - Tanzania, Zanzibar (19th Jan 2012)
- Dr Muhammad Habib Juma - Tanzania, Zanzibar (19th Jan 2012)
- Zhaney Yiliang – Chinese Embassy (11th Feb 2012)
- Dr Suresh K Goel – Director General ICCR, India (31st Mar 2012)
- Mr Iqbal Irani – Director, India (1 Apr 2012)
- Mr Parvez Dewan – Secretary, Ministry of overseas Indian affairs, New Delhi (7th Aug 2012)
- Giocomo Afost – Acteur d’Italie (15th Aug 2012)
- Mr Kamal Patel – Johannesburg, South Africa (27th Aug 2012)
- Mrs Mariam Y.Ilakagum –Permanent Secretary of Nigeria, UNESCO (31st Aug 2012)
- Mr Brig SJ Gracia – National Defence College, New Delhi (11th Sept 2012)
- AP Singh - National Defence College, New Delhi (11th Sept 2012)
- Col F.Ko Muberg - National Defence College, New Delhi (11th Sept 2012)
- Dr Vikram Paraikh - Mumbai, India(29th Sept 2012)
- Dr Shukla – Gurgaon, India(29th Sept 2012)
- Valayar Ravi – Ministry of overseas, Indian Affair, New Delhi (27th October 2012)

Other VIPs:

- Prof Chandersen Choenni (30th Jul 2012)

- Bina Makhan MBA (30th Jul 2012)
- Mr Gireesh Kumar Sanghi – Hyderabad, India (15th Aug 2012)
- D. Purandeswart - New Delhi (31st Aug 2012)
- Mr Rajendra A. Leka – Goa, India (8th Sept 2012)
- Ramsamy Giacone Celine – La Réunion (2nd Dec 2012)

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

In 2012, the AGTF outreach team conducted 50 outreach activities in educational institutions, Day Care Centres, Senior Citizen Associations, and Socio Religious Institutions, which represents a total of 5,401 participants. (N.B. Site was closed from Jan to July 2012).

The outreach activities consist of a power-point presenting Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site and indenture and storytelling when the outreach activity targets pre-primary school children.

AUDIENCE SURVEYS

The outreach unit proceeded to satisfaction surveys in every school that received the team. The objective is to assess the performance of staff and the efficiency of the outreach programme.

EVENTS

FLANBO LALIBERTÉ

In the context of the abolition of slavery, the Nelson Mandela Centre for African Culture in collaboration with the Prime Minister's Office, organised a Cultural and Historical Rally on the 31st January 2012.

The rally made a significant halt at the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property situated at Trou Fanfaron. This was the landing point for the French East India Company, which took possession of Mauritius in 1721 and begun the construction of Port Louis in 1732, using labour from India, Africa and Madagascar.

Between January 1856 and October 1869, some 2,365 Liberated Africans were landed in Port Louis harbour. At the Aapravasi Ghat, they were processed and allocated to various private employers by the Protector of Immigrants. During their brief sojourn at the Aapravasi Ghat, most of these Liberated Africans walked up the site's famous steps and passed through its main entrance as they began their new life in Mauritius.

INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION ON 12 MARCH 2012

The team took part in an Exhibition on Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site at Caudan Waterfront in Port Louis.

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR MONUMENTS AND SITES (18TH APRIL 2012)

The International Day for Monuments and Sites was established as a yearly event by the International Council of Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS), also advisory body to UNESCO. In this context, several activities were organized on Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 April 2012 at World Heritage Site.

The objective was to work in collaboration with other institutions to open access to other historical places during these two days. The activities proposed were:

Guided visits of Aapravasi Ghat and of heritage buildings in its surroundings;

- - Educational activities for children including storytelling and group puzzle making;
- - Educational activities focusing on the traditional techniques of construction and archaeological excavations;
- Film projections;
- Heritage Trails :
 - Trail 1. At the Vagrant Depot & its surroundings;
 - Trail 2. From the Folk Museum of the Mahatma Gandhi Institute to Trianon former Sugar Estate, Vagrant Depot & Aapravasi Ghat; and
 - Trail 3. In Le Morne Cultural Landscape with the staff of Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund.

A total number of 300 visitors took part in this event.

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION OF UNESCO

In this context, an exhibition on World Heritage Sites was also held at Quatre Bornes from 18th to 29th of April 2012. The objective was to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the World Heritage Convention of UNESCO.

16TH JULY 2012 -6TH ANNIVERSARY OF INSCRIPTION OF THE AAPRAVASI GHAT SITE ON WORLD HERITAGE LIST

An official function was organized in the context of the 6th Anniversary of the inscription of the Aapravasi Ghat on the World Heritage List of UNESCO.

A cultural programme took place followed by the Speech of the Honourable Minister Choonee. A power-point presentation also gave an overview on the progress of work on projects conducted by AGTF.

In this context, a national drawing and painting competition for students of Higher School Certificate was also organized. Students were asked to express their artistic talents on the theme of Intangible cultural Heritage pertaining to the legacy of the indenture system in Mauritius. Miss Shivrane Khadoo of the Mahatma Gandhi State Secondary school of Flacq won the first prize consisting of a cash price of Rs. 12 000. The second and third prizes consisting of cash prizes of Rs. 8000 and Rs. 5000 were won by Miss Dhristee Hurruck from France Boyer Giroday State Secondary School and Ridheema Gangarum from Universal College respectively. A special prize was awarded by the Jury to Akshay Deenarain from Mahatma Gandhi State Secondary School, Flacq.



2ND NOVEMBER 2012-COMMEMORATION OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST INDENTURED LABOURERS

In the context of the commemoration of the 178th Anniversary of the arrival of the Indentured Immigrants to Mauritius the Ministry of Arts and Culture in collaboration with the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund organized exhibitions at the Aapravasi Ghat World Property and in its surroundings.



EXHIBITIONS

Life size figurines were placed on the site and five other exhibitions were proposed in the building and the yard of the STC building.

These exhibitions were as follow.

1. **Cultural Village:** Live performances of folkloric songs and sale of traditional food and other items by various cultural centres;

2. **Indenture Village**- facets of lives of the indentured labourers on the sugar camps were presented through the use of life size models and figurines,



3. **Journey of *Girmitya***- An archival exhibition of documents donated by the Government of India to Mauritius;

4. **History of the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage site**- An exhibition of panels and objects pertaining to the legacy of indenture in Mauritius;

5. **Lazaret: Gateway to a New World** – An exhibition on Loan from Reunion island describing the system of indenture in Reunion island;

6. **Exhibition of Contemporary Art**- from the 21st December to 31st December 2012, an exhibition was set up to showcase the talent of local artists. These were mostly students or ex-students of MGI.

The exhibitions were opened from 2nd November to 31st December 2012 every day except on public holidays on 13 November 2012 and 25 December 2012.

The total number of visitors is 16,950 visitors for the months of November and December 2012.

Furthermore for the heritage night organized on 21 December 2012, 75 visitors were received at site between 16 00 hrs and 21 00 hrs.

Moreover as illustrated by the chart below the peak number of visitors was received during weekends:

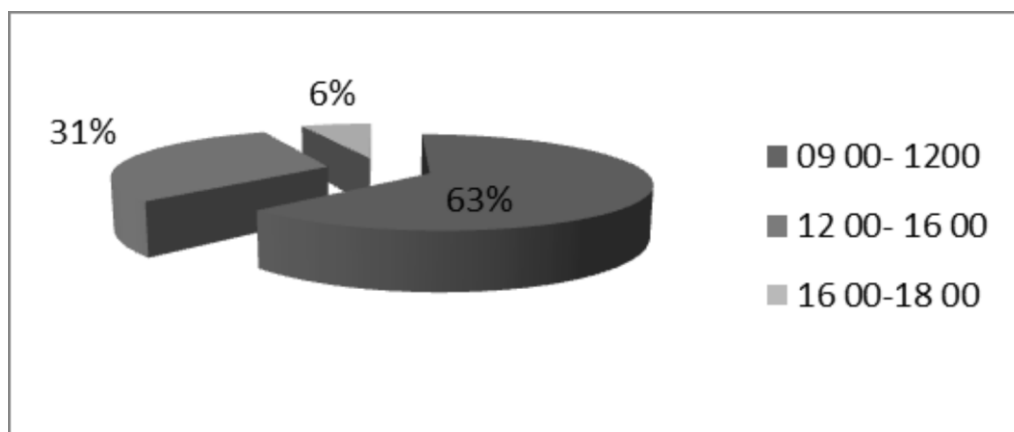
EXTENDED OPENING HOURS

During the tenure of these exhibitions the AGTF proposed extended visiting hours. Thus the site and exhibition closed at 18 00 hours daily including weekends.



Furthermore in the context of the Heritage Night organized on 21 December 2012 a contemporary art exhibition was also organized in collaboration with MGI and various other artists. The site and exhibitions on that day closed at 21.00 hrs.

Between 16.00 hrs. and 18.00 hrs., visitation amounted to 6% of the total percentage of visitation.



BOOK LAUNCH AND CULTURAL SHOW AT GOKOOLA

On 20 December 2012, AGTF organized a book launch and cultural programme at the village of Gokoola. The book entitled 'Gokoola: Family, Temple and Village: By the Banian Tree We Stand', written by V. Govinden of MGI and Dr. M. Carter of UK, was launched by Hon M. Choonee, Minister of Arts and Culture.

This publication was funded by AGTF and it was the first time that it published a work that focused on the life-story and achievements of a pioneer ex-indentured immigrant named Gokoola. The ceremony was attended by Minister Virasawhmy, other parliamentarians, other personalities, the descendants of Gokoola and residents of the locality.

CONCLUSION

The year 2012 was fruitful in progress and development. This year, we note the following major achievements:

1. The restoration of the wall C at World Heritage Site;
2. Positive recommendations for the Reactive Monitoring Mission of UNESCO;
3. The submission of a final draft of the Management Plan for the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property;
4. The completion of the Development Plan for the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property Buffer Zone;
5. The completion of a final draft of the conservation manual to provide design guidance to anyone planning development in the buffer zone;
6. The completion of the tender process for interior and landscaping works as part of the BRIC project;
7. The completion of the restoration of artefacts to be displayed;
8. Major research accomplishment on indenture;
9. Participation in workshops and conferences;
10. The completion of a second archaeological campaign at Bois Marchand;
11. Publication of our 10th newsletter;
12. Regular and intensive outreach activities in schools;
13. Several exhibitions including a reconstitution of a camp of indentured labourers;
14. Several visits of VVIPs.

For the year 2013, the AGTF team will continue its efforts and show equal dedication to achieve quality in its undertakings.

Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund

The Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund AGTF is a body corporate under the aegis of the Ministry of Arts and Culture. It was created in 2001 by the Government of the Republic of Mauritius through Act of Parliament to manage and promote the Aapravasi Ghat Site. The site was declared National Monument under the National Monuments Act in 1987(GN31/87) and subsequently proclaimed National Heritage in 2003 under the National Heritage Act 2003. The Aapravasi Ghat Site was inscribed on the World Heritage List under criteria (VI) in 2006 (Decision 30 COM 8 B.33). It thus recognized the outstanding universal value of the Aapravasi Ghat as:

“The first site chosen by the British Government in 1834 for the great experiment in the use of indentured rather than slave Labor, is strongly associated with memories of almost half a million indentured labourers moving from India to Mauritius to work on sugarcane plantations or to be transshipped to other parts of the World.”

The AGTF has been entrusted to:

1. Establish and promote the Aapravasi Ghat as a national, regional and international memorial site;
2. Preserve and restore the aesthetic and architectural aspects of the Aapravasi Ghat;
3. Set up a museum at Aapravasi Ghat and create public awareness of the history of the site;
4. Promote social and cultural aspects of the Aapravasi Ghat;
5. Encourage and support projects and publications related to the Indentured Labour system ;
6. Establish links with appropriate national, regional and international organizations; and
7. Identify and acquire sites, buildings and structures linked with the history of the arrival of immigrants in Mauritius.

The Trust's guiding principles include:

- To support activities related to Indentured Labour immigration.
- To support projects that benefit all Mauritians and in which Mauritians from all walks of life can participate. This includes the conceptualization, planning and execution of projects.
- To restore the links with the past and our origins those have been broken as a result of rapid modernization and to restore pride for our Indenture Heritage.
- To carry our projects in a democratic spirit, in a historically accurate way and in full respect of the multi-cultural society in which we live.
- To promote excellence rather than be satisfied with the basic minimum or the cheapest alternative.

AAPRAVASI GHAT WORLD HERITAGE SITE

AIM: Conservation and maintenance of the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site.

The Conservation works were completed in May 2010. After this date, the maintenance plan was initiated to preserve the World Heritage Site as per best international standards.

- 1.1. The commitments taken by the Government of Mauritius with UNESCO are consigned in the Management Plan stating a number of projects aiming at preserving and promoting the World Heritage Site. The Management Plan was submitted to UNESCO in 2006 and made provision to be reviewed in five years. This provision aimed at reviewing the projects in the light of their progress and new development and at proposing further actions and projects to retain and promote the world Heritage site. This process estimated at 6 months will involve stakeholders and parent Ministry.
- 1.2. The periodic reporting exercise for Africa took place in 2010. The 34th and 35th sessions of the World Heritage Committee held in 2010 and 2011 reviewed the state of conservation report of Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site and submitted recommendations. Financial provision is made to respond favourably to these recommendations by initiating the measures that the World Heritage Committee required.
- 1.3. The Risk Preparedness Plan (RPP) was identified as objective 10 of the Aapravasi Ghat Management Plan. The objective of the plan is to set up measures to identify the risks that could affect the World Heritage Site and anticipate and mitigate negative factors. This is a major requirement to retain the World Heritage Site in the long term. The RPP was produced in house and is almost completed. The plan will require to be evaluated by an expert before being implemented.
- 1.4. The implementation of the RPP will involve the acquisition of security equipment such as CCTV, fire extinguishers, alarm system etc. and equipment to monitor the state of conservation of the world heritage site including thermo-hygrometer etc.

Objectives 2012

1. Implementation of maintenance plan for WHS;
2. Review the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site Management Plan (estimated duration: 6 months);
3. Development and implementation of a Tourism Strategy for the AGWHS;
4. Implementation of the measures recommended in the AGWHS Management Plan;
5. Implementation measures stated in Risk Preparedness Plan (RPP) and training of staff;
6. Evaluation of visitor impact on WHS following opening of BRIC 1 and proposal of measures accordingly.

Objectives 2013

1. Implementation of maintenance plan for WHS;
2. Implementation of the measures recommended in the AGWHS Management Plan;
3. Implementation measures stated in Risk Preparedness Plan;
4. Review of the Visitor Management Plan (VMP);
5. Corrective measures regarding visitor impact on WHS.

Objectives 2014

Implementation of the measures recommended in the AGWHS Management Plan;
Review and approval of the VMP;
Implementation of maintenance plan for WHS.

AIM: To undertake an integrated Development of the Vagrant Depot Heritage Site

The Vagrant Depot Conservation Project was initiated in January 2010 to restore a former place of incarceration of vagrants. As part of the conservation project, the conservation of the Gateway listed as a National Monument was completed in April 2011.

The phase 1 of the Conservation Project consisted in the restoration of the Entrance Gateway and the consolidation of the other historical features. Since the conservation is completed, a maintenance plan will be prepared in order to safeguard the Heritage Site and to provide basic preventive conservation measures to maintain the building in the best possible manner. This will be conducted under the guidance of a Conservation Architect.

Phase Two will consist of the preparation and implementation of a development Plan of the Vagrant Depot Heritage Site. This will include the development of visitor infrastructure, visitor management, landscaping and the setting up of an interpretation space.

Objectives in 2012

(implementation depending on budget and Heritage site is not yet vested to AGTF)

1. Preparation of a comprehensive development plan for Vagrant Depot Heritage Site;

The objective of the development plan will be to propose a strategy for the overall management of the heritage site. This would include proposals for:

- possible reuse of the heritage site;
- general management of the heritage site;
- visitor management at heritage site;
- possible conservation of other areas;
- landscaping of the site.

Conservation of other areas if approved.

Objectives in 2013 (objectives reviewed considering budget constraints and heritage site is not vested in AGTF)

1. Maintenance of Vagrant Depot Heritage Site;
2. Implementation of development plan if approved;
3. Preparation of Visitor management Plan and Site promotion strategy.

Objectives in 2014 (idem)

1. Maintenance of Vagrant Depot Heritage Site;
2. Landscaping of the area;
3. Setting up of an Interpretation Area;
4. Setting up of Visitor Facilities.

AIM: To undertake an integrated Development of the Trianon Heritage Site

Trianon heritage site located at Trianon was the former accommodation of indentured labourers working on Trianon sugar estate established in 1803. The barracks are one of the rare remaining structures constructed in stone where indentured immigrants were housed. For this reason, it was listed as a National Monument in 1974.

Since March 2005, the site was vested to the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund which undertook historical research on the site. The site was in a state of dereliction and urgent cleaning was required. AGTF team undertook urgent cleaning and preventive conservation measures to maintain the site before initiating the conservation project. The conservation project was initiated in May 2011 and is scheduled to be completed by December 2013.

On completion of the conservation project, it is proposed to initiate projects to allow access of the public and promote the site in line with the national cultural tourism policy. The development of Trianon Heritage Site is divided into two phases:

1. Phase one is consisting in the restoration and conservation of Trianon Heritage Site taking place this FY. Funds from the lottery funds were received to undertake this phase of work scheduled to be completed by December 2013. The objective is to restore the indentured labourers' barracks and consolidate its structure to preserve it for future generations. Phase one also includes the conservation of archaeological features and the conservation and analysis of finds.
2. Phase Two is expected to start in 2014 and be completed within 5 years. It will consist in the preparation and implementation of a comprehensive development plan in line with the promotion of heritage in the surrounding areas. The aim is to propose activities for the public and retain and promote the heritage structure as one of the major component of Mauritian Heritage. This will include the setting-up of visitor infrastructure, signage, an open-air museum and promotion for Cultural Tourism. It will also include an Oral History Project aiming at documenting the site further and include the research results in display. In 2003, oral history was initiated at Trianon to collect the testimonies of former staff working on the sugar estate. Considering the data collected from archaeological and historical research, it would be highly important to develop an oral history programme to document the site and analyze data thanks to a multidisciplinary approach.

The land was vested in AGTF in 2005. AGTF plans to set up its headquarters in Trianon while a site office would remain in Port Louis. The design of the headquarters by an Architect is planned for FY 2015, the first phase of its implementation in 2016 and the final phase including an open-air museum in 2019.

Objective 2012

1. Maintenance of Trianon Heritage Site;
2. Implementation of the Conservation Project.

Objective 2013

3. Maintenance of Trianon Heritage Site;
4. Implementation of the Conservation Project.

Objective 2014

5. Maintenance of Trianon Heritage Site;
6. Preparation of a comprehensive Development Plan for Trianon Heritage Site;
7. Develop an Oral History programme to document Trianon Heritage Site;
8. Preparation of a plan for Archaeological research.

AIM To enable the protection and monitoring of the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property (AGWHP) Buffer Zone (BZ)

As per objective 3 of the AG WHS Management Plan, the Planning Policy Guidance (PPG) was devised to give a legal status to the AG WHS BZ as required by UNESCO. The final version of PPG was submitted on 25 June 2010 to the Ministry of Housing and Lands to initiate the proclamation process. Before issuing the PPG, it was necessary to amend the AGTF ACT and the Local Government Act to set an appropriate legal framework for the implementation of the PPG. The proposed amendments were passed in the National Assembly on 24 May 2011. Their proclamation is expected between 06 and 10 June 2011. Following this, the Ministry of Housing and Lands will issue the PPG.

The implementation of PPG and monitoring of the BZ are important since the World Heritage Centre inquired about continuing demolitions and the monitoring of heritage in the buffer zone. This is a main concern since the historic surroundings of the World Heritage Site should be retained to conserve the cultural values of the World Heritage Site. Failing to do so could lead the World Heritage Site to be inscribed on the list of endangered sites established by UNESCO.

The Government set up a Technical Committee to examine the applications for development in the zone and thus help in the monitoring of the heritage component to be retained. In this undertaking, the AGTF will require the expertise of a Conservation Architect to assist in the assessment of projects proposed for the buffer zone.

Heritage is a scarce area of expertise in Mauritius. With the setting up of the technical committee, more expertise will be required in this field to allow the assessment and also the preparation of Cultural Heritage Impact Statement (CHIS), Heritage Impact Statement (HIA) and Visual Impact Assessment (VIA). This will involve capacity building in heritage for various institutions involved in the management and monitoring of the Buffer Zone. Therefore, various training sessions will be organized to facilitate implementation and reduce dependency on the services of foreign consultants.

To allow the monitoring of the buffer zone, a framework was established through the Planning Policy Guidance setting up measures aiming at directing development towards the enhancement and revitalization of the area surrounding the World Heritage Site. These measures encourage the development of a historic centre in Port Louis and tourism activities. In order to guide implementation of the PPG, a number of documents are currently prepared, namely, the Conservation Manual, Heritage Management Plan, and Development Plan. More plans/strategies such as a Tourism strategy will also be prepared in collaboration with various institutions.

As part of the vision of the Planning Policy Guidance, the objective is to revitalize the buffer zone by directing investments towards cultural tourism. The lead could be taken by the Government of Mauritius to undertake a project to enhance and revitalize buffer zone 1 which includes the immediate surroundings of the World Heritage Site. A development plan for the revitalization of will be ready by July 2012. This plan will be submitted to Government to provide a framework for potential successful example of what can be achieved through adaptive reuse of heritage buildings. Funds are earmarked to allow the part of the implementation of the development

plan. As stated in the Management Plan (objective 9), it seems essential to take the lead in undertaking such project to show how a heritage building could be rehabilitated and reuse in contemporary Port Louis.

Objective 2012

1. Preparation of a GIS database to monitor the heritage component in the buffer zone (this project was postponed from 2011 due to unavailability of funds);
2. finalisation of Development Plan for AG WHS BZ 1;
3. Strengthening knowledge in heritage management in the buffer zone through training;
4. Identification and preparation of proposals with the collaboration of Ministry of Finance and Municipal Council of Port Louis to provide incentives to the private owners in the buffer zone;
5. Prepare a proposal to provide technical assistance for private owners/promoters in the buffer zone on the restoration/ conservation/ renovation of historical buildings;
6. Continue public participation in the development of projects for the buffer zone.

Objective 2013

1. Identification and preparation of proposals with the collaboration of various bodies for the implementation of the development plan in the buffer zone 2 ;
2. Strengthen knowledge in heritage management in the buffer zone through training;
3. Identification and preparation of sub-projects with the collaboration of Ministry of Tourism and Leisure and Municipal Council of Port Louis to implement the Tourism Strategy;
4. Provide technical assistance for private owners/promoters in the buffer zone on the restoration/ conservation/ renovation of historical buildings;
5. Continue public participation in the development of projects for the buffer zone.

Objective 2014

1. Implementation of Development Plan for AG WHS BZ ;
2. Strengthen knowledge in heritage management in the buffer zone through training;
3. Provide technical assistance for private owners/promoters in the buffer zone on the restoration/ conservation/ renovation of historical buildings;
4. Continue public participation in the development of projects for the buffer zone.

BEEKRUMSING RAMLALLAH INTERPRETATION CENTRE

As per AGTF ACT and objective 16 of the AG WHS Management Plan, Beeckrumsingh Ramlallah Interpretation Centre project is a prerequisite for the promotion of the Outstanding Universal Value of the WHS recommended in the World Heritage Convention. This project was defined as a major priority to improve visitor management and to mitigate the impact of tourism at site. It will also be revenue generative to support expenses at WHS.

The project was reviewed in the light of the archaeological discovery made in 2009 in the warehouse where the Interpretation Centre will be housed. After the discovery, the project was divided in two phases: the first phase (BRIC 1) includes the opening of a display area that would incorporate the archaeological remains. The phase 2 supposes the acquisition of the neighbouring warehouse to develop an interpretation centre on indentured immigration.

The phase 2 supposes the acquisition of the neighbouring warehouse to develop an interpretation centre on indentured immigration. The phase 2 will start with feasibility study of the project followed by approvals to start the project within the broad financial estimates. The design phase could start in 2012 if funds are approved for the project. If the acquisition of the building is approved, the conservation could be initiated to allow the construction phase 1 in 2014. The Interpretation Centre (BRIC 2) could be completed within 5 years.

The team of Consultants including a Project Manager, a Conservation Architect, a Local Architect, an Engineer, a Landscape Architect, an Interior Architect, a Quantity Surveyor, a Mechanical and Electrical Engineer, a Graphic Design etc. would have to be recruited for the creation of the Interpretation Centre (phase 2).

As part of the display for BRIC 2, it is essential to work upon a multimedia and display programme that will be developed to provide content for the permanent exhibition. The development of multimedia and of audio-visual displays requires time and professional services to develop of CD Rom, short films, audio documents, graphic designing etc. that will be incorporated in the display. This will allow an interactive and dynamic display for the interpretation centre and will speak to the need to provide documentation on the history of indenture.

Promotion of BRIC 1 and BRIC 2 will also be essential to attract visitors at World Heritage Site and provide appropriate promotional tools to the tourism industry. A marketing officer will be essential in leading the promotion policy of the interpretation centre. The officer will work in collaboration with AGTF team to devise appropriate marketing strategy.

The landscaping of the World Heritage Site was initiated in 2005 but was not completed. The landscaping of the WHS is considered to be a major component that should be conducted concurrently with the setting up of the Interpretation Centre. Provision is made to complete the landscaping works at WHS to improve the overall visitor infrastructures at World Heritage Site and provide high standard visitor experience at WHS.

Objective 2012

1. Opening of Interpretation Centre (BRIC 1)
2. Implementation of marketing and promotion plan for BRIC 1;

3. Enhance community involvement programme;
4. Set up objectives for the year 2012 at BRIC 1 in terms of visitor programme and training of staff;
5. Evaluation of exhibits and level of visitor satisfaction and understanding through visitor studies;
6. Preparation of a feasibility study for BRIC 2;
7. Initiate action for acquisition of neighboring building for BRIC 2.

Objective 2013

1. Evaluation of activities at BRIC 1 to propose further activities for the year 2013;
2. Implementation of marketing and promotion plan for BRIC 1 and BRIC 2;
3. Development and evaluation of pedagogical programmes in line with visitor expectations;
4. Devise and evaluate the permanent and temporary exhibition programmes for BRIC 2;
5. Design phase for BRIC 2;
6. Conservation of BRIC 2 building and construction phase 1.

Objective 2014

1. Construction phase and landscaping works for BRIC 2 (18 months);
2. Implementation of the permanent and temporary exhibition programme;
3. Implementation of marketing and promotion plan for BRIC 1 and BRIC 2.

PUBLIC AND OUTREACH PROGRAMME

AIM: To deliver creative, stimulating and innovative awareness-creating programs in about the Aapravasi Ghat WHP, other indenture sites and the global phenomenon of indenture through the exploration and understanding of history and other sciences as well technological means.

The Outreach programme is part of the objectives of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention and defined as objectives in the AG WHS Management Plan. It includes the implementation of the Visitor Management Plan (VMP). The VMP comprises of several sub-projects aiming at enhancing visitor experience and implement visitor strategy. The Visitor Management Plan defines orientation and strategies for visitors at WHS with a view to offering appropriate experience to them and also to mitigate the impact of tourism on site (measures required by UNESCO World Heritage Center).

At present, the permanent public programme includes guided visits of the World Heritage Site, educational activities for children comprising of archaeological excavations and technical of construction for children. On several occasions, AGTF organized guided visits of the buffer zone and also, during the International Day for Monuments and Sites, a heritage trail between Le Morne and Aapravasi Ghat. This is part of the Visitor Management Plan stating the need to set up a permanent public programme to offer activities to all type of audiences. This also responds to the recommendations of UNESCO to develop educational programmes at World Heritage Site.

AGTF will also organize a number of outreach activities to promote the World Heritage Site such as the International Day for Monuments and Sites held every year on 18 April. To implement the outreach programme, the services of Heritage Guides are required to provide services to an increasing number of visitors each year (19 163 in 2010). The Heritage Guides will also be conducting guided visits of the Interpretation Centre.

Furthermore, in light of the setting up of the Interpretation Centre and other amenities the Visitor Management Plan shall be evaluated and reviewed and remedial measures taken. Continuous efforts shall be made to diversify the nature of activities as well as the profiles of targeted audiences.

As from 2012, the budget for the promotion and outreach programme will be part of the budget of BRIC 1 (promotion of BRIC). The outreach programme will thus include only activities related to the promotion of other projects of the Trust Fund. However, the list of objectives sets out the objectives for outreach for both BRIC and the Trust Fund. The cost estimate presents funds required for AGTF outreach activities only.

Objective 2012

1. To organize annual activities / programmes namely:
 - a. the commemorative ceremony on 2nd November,
 - b. The international day for monuments and sites
 - c. The anniversary commemorating the anniversary of the inscription of the site on the World Heritage List
 - d. The Varshik Parampara function celebrating the intangible cultural Heritage of indentured immigrants

2. Development and front end evaluation of new pedagogical activities for the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site;
3. Development of heritage trails in partnerships with relevant bodies;
4. Implementation and evaluation of the new VMP ;
5. Recruitment and training of support staff for the implementation of new VMP ;
6. Production of revised school kits distributed in schools in light of evaluation of existing school kit;
7. Expand the size and diversity of the Community audience in light of findings of market research;
8. Evaluation of the new VMP through visitor studies ;
9. Optimum integration of the AGTF website in the promotion of the site
10. Development of local and regional partnership;
11. Development and implementation of interpretive plans for Vagrant Depot

Objective 2013

1. Improve on the quality of the usual annual programmes namely :
 - a. the commemorative ceremony on 2nd November,
 - b. The international day for monuments and sites
 - c. The anniversary commemorating the anniversary of the inscription of the site on the World Heritage List
 - d. The Varshik Parampara function celebrating the intangible cultural Heritage of indentured immigrants
2. Implementation of remedial solutions to VMP if required
3. Expand the size and diversity of the Community audience in light of the market mix and marketing environment
4. Publication of updated informative materials regarding the AGWHP based upon ongoing research
5. Offer innovative, high quality exhibitions drawn from internal as well external resources
6. Development and front end evaluation of pedagogical activities for other indenture sites.
7. Development and evaluation of interpretive plans for Vagrant Depot

Objective 2014

1. Improve on the quality of the usual annual programmes namely :
 - a. the commemorative ceremony on 2nd November,
 - b. The international day for monuments and sites
 - c. The anniversary commemorating the anniversary of the inscription of the site on the World Heritage List
 - d. The Varshik Parampara function celebrating the intangible cultural Heritage of indentured immigrants
2. Assess the level of service and visitor satisfaction at the site through audience surveys and visitor studies
3. Publication of updated informative materials regarding the AGWHP based upon ongoing

research

4. Offer innovative, high quality exhibitions drawn from internal as well external resources
5. Expand the size and diversity of the outreached audience
6. Implementation of interpretative plans and new pedagogical activities for Trianon (these shall be budgeted under the Item Trianon)

AIM: To promote and encourage research on Aapravasi Ghat WHP, other indenture sites, locally and globally, as well as the history of indentured labour and their legacy as a whole.

Research is an ongoing process and was defined as an object of the Trust Fund in AGTF ACT and was also a recommendation made by UNESCO at the time of the inscription of the site on the World Heritage List. It also responds to obj. 21, 23 of the AG WHS Management Plan.

Conducting research is a prerequisite at WHS as per the *convention for the safeguarding of World Cultural and Natural Heritage Sites*. Our institution is focusing on responding to the recommendation of UNESCO to continue research.

Objective 2012

Intangible Cultural Heritage

1. To prepare a database on the inventory of intangible cultural heritage;
2. Publications on results of Oral history project and Intangible Heritage related to indenture in Mauritius;
3. Research on the Intangible Cultural Heritage associated with the legacy of indenture.

Buffer Zone and AG WHP

1. Multi-disciplinary integrated research plan for the Buffer Zone and the Aapravasi Ghat WHP (including archaeological mapping);
2. Publication of a book on the history of the World Heritage Site.

Research and publication on the extend and scope of indenture

1. The publication of the 3 volumes on indentured labour in Mauritius in February 2012 along with the publication of the Report on the Proposed International Indentured Labour Route Project;
2. The publication of the papers from the International Scientific Conference by 2nd November 2012;
3. Development of a website on the history of indenture: access to Vagrants' database, its upgrading and putting it on line, access to bibliographical references, access to digitalized archival documents (2013), access to some accounts of Oral history interviews with authorization from interviewees;

Other indenture heritage sites

1. Continue with research on the Vagrant Depot, the vagrants and other indenture sites in Mauritius. A proposed publication on a profile of the "incorrigible vagrants" or those deported from the colony by the local authorities;
2. Elaboration of a Research Plan for other indenture sites.

Inscription of the Aapravasi Ghat Archives on the Memory of the World Register

1. The finalization of the nomination dossier of the inscription of the Indentured Immigration Archives on UNESCO's Memory of the World Register;

Objective 2013

Intangible Cultural Heritage

1. Further research on the Intangible Cultural Heritage associated with the legacy of indenture;
2. Online database on the inventory of intangible cultural heritage;

Buffer Zone and AG WHP

1. Multi-disciplinary integrated research plan for the Buffer Zone and the Aapravasi Ghat WHP (including archaeological mapping);

Research and publication on the extend and scope of indenture

1. Publication of an AGTF Academic Journal;
2. Elaboration and implementation of sub-projects related to Indenture Labour Route project;
3. To initiate a series of research sub-projects which will focus on non-Indian indentured workers, Indian women and children under indenture and the experience of the Liberated Africans;

Other indenture heritage sites

1. Implementation of a Research Plan for other indenture sites;
2. The Vagrant Database Project-Phase 2;

Objective 2014

Intangible Cultural Heritage

1. Research on the Intangible Cultural Heritage associated with the legacy of indenture

Buffer Zone and AG WHP

1. Multi-disciplinary integrated research plan for the Buffer Zone and the Aapravasi Ghat WHP;

Research and publication on the extend and scope of indenture

1. On-going research on indentured labour, indentured labourers, and vagrants in Mauritius and other parts and countries in the world where indentured labour existed;
2. Elaboration and implementation of sub-projects related to Indenture Labour Route project;
3. Research for the publication of a 2-volume select documents on indentured labour in Mauritius to be launched in November 2014

4. To initiate a series of research sub-projects which will focus on non-Indian indentured workers, Indian women and children under indenture and the experience of the Liberated Africans during the indenture era;
5. Publication of an AGTF Academic Journal;

Other indenture heritage sites

1. On-going research on Vagrant Depot and other indenture sites in Mauritius
2. Research for the publication of a detailed work on the other indenture sites such as Flat and Gabriel Islands, Point aux Cannoniers, Trianon, Forbach, Antoinette and Union Vale.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund
Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2012

AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2012

	Notes	2012 Rs.	2011 Rs.
Non-current assets			
Plant and equipment	6	67,432,162	52,714,632
Employee benefits	7	1,443,502	1,080,652
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		68,875,664	53,795,284
Current assets			
Inventories	8	302,580	302,580
Trade and other receivables		275,917	-
Cash and cash equivalents		5,176,810	4,796,497
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		5,755,307	5,099,077
TOTAL ASSETS		<hr/>	<hr/>
		74,630,971	58,894,361
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Capital and reserves			
Accumulated Fund	10	4,953,140	3,379,660
Revaluation Reserve	14	300,000	
Donation	13	288,209	-
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TOTAL CAPITAL		5,541,350	3,379,660
Non-Current liabilities			
Deferred Income	11	60,489,382	48,701,339
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Trade and other payables	9	558,831	953,409
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		61,048,213	49,654,748
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables		2,041,408	459,953
Deferred Income		6,000,000	5,400,000
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		8,041,408	5,859,953
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<hr/>	<hr/>
		69,089,621	55,514,701
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TOTAL CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES		<hr/>	<hr/>
		74,630,971	58,894,361
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Approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on

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Chairman

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Officer in Charge

The notes on pages 6 to 19 form part of the financial statements.

AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

	Notes	2012	2011
		Rs.	Rs.
Revenue	4	16,749,211	12,971,542
Release from Capital Grant		6,357,665	4,392,456
Finance Income	4	94,890	29,805
		23,201,766	17,393,803
EXPENDITURE			
Administrative Expenses	5	15,366,692	12,238,037
Buffer Zone project	5	380,814	1,194,053
Trianon Restoration project	5	561,161	55,901
Promotion and Outreach Programme	5	590,710	387,803
BRIC Project	5	522,753	37,335
Research programmes	5	1,651,795	2,248,132
Aapravasi Ghat Restoration expenses	5	2,017,887	190,768
Vagrant Depot	5	3,000	2,115
Depreciation	6	629,545	421,723
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		21,724,357	16,775,867
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		1,477,409	617,936

AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS/EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

	Accumulated Fund	Revaluation Reserve	Total
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
At 1 January 2011	2,034,425	-	2,034,425
Net Surplus for the year	617,936	-	617,936
Government grant	-	-	-
Transfer from Pension Asset	727,300	-	727,300
At 31 December 2011	3,379,661	-	3,379,661
At 1 January 2012	3,379,661	-	3,379,661
Net Surplus for the year	1,477,409	-	1,477,409
Transfer from Donation	96,070	-	96,070
Revaluation of Motor Vehicle		300,000	300,000
At 31 December 2012	4,953,140	300,000	5,253,140

AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

	2012 Rs	2011 Rs
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net Surplus	1,477,409	617,936
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation	629,545	421,723
Release from Capital Grant	(6,357,665)	(4,537,830)
Other non cash movement		
Employee Benefits	(362,850)	(353,352)
Interest income	(94,890)	(29,805)
Operating profit before working capital	(4,708,450)	(3,881,328)
Decrease / (increase) in inventories	-	-
Decrease / (increase) in trade and other receivables	(275,917)	-
(Decrease) / increase in trade and other payables	1,186,877	266,423
Cash generated from operations	(3,797,491)	(3,614,905)
Interest received	94,890	29,805
Net cash generated from operating activities	(3,702,601)	(3,585,100)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Acquisition of plant and equipment	(14,662,796)	(10,750,417)
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities	(14,662,796)	(10,750,417)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Government grant	18,745,709	13,608,277
Net cash used in financing activities	18,745,709	13,608,277
Net (decrease)/ increase in cash and cash equivalents	380,313	(727,240)
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2011	4,796,497	5,523,736
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2012	5,176,810	4,796,497

AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

1 GENERAL INFORMATION

Apravasi Ghat is a trust fund established under the AGTF ACT No.31 of 21st December 2001. and domiciled in Mauritius. The address of its registered office is Ex-DWC Building, 1 Quay Street, Port Louis, Mauritius. The principal activities of the trust fund are:

- (a) To establish and promote Apravasi Ghat as a National and International Memorial Site;
- (b) To preserve and restore the aesthetic and architectural aspects of Apravasi Ghat;
- © To set a museum at Apravasi Ghat and create a public awareness in the history of the site and to depict the arrival, settlement and evolution of the immigrants in Mauritius;
- (d) To promote the social and cultural aspects of Apravasi Ghat;
- (e) To encourage and support projects and publications related to indentured Labour System;
- (f) To establish links with appropriate national, regional and International Organisations in line with the objects of the ACT and;
- (g) To identify and acquire sites, buildings and structures linked with history of the arrival of immigrants in Mauritius.

2 REPORTING PERIOD

Comparative information has been re-stated or re-classified, as necessary, to conform to the current year's presentation

3 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements are prepared in accordance and in compliance with Financial Reporting Standards for SMEs issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting framework for SMEs requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments carried on the statement of financial position include trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents and trade and other payables, excluding prepayments. The particular recognition methods adopted are disclosed in the individual policy statements associated with each item.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the trust fund's statement of financial position when the trust fund has become a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments.

Other receivables

Other receivables are stated at original invoice less an estimate of doubtful receivables based on a review of all outstanding amounts at year end.

AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

Other payables

Accounts payable are stated at fair value

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash comprises of cash at bank and in hand. Cash equivalents are short term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, these financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The trust fund derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled or expired.

Related parties

For the purpose of these financial statements, parties are considered to be related to the Trust Fund if they have the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the trust fund or exercise significant influence over the trust fund in making financial and operating decisions, or vice versa, or where the trust fund is subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties may be individuals or other entities.

Provisions

A provision is recognised in the statement of financial position when the Trust Fund has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation.

Revenue recognition

Income received from Government to meet recurrent expenditure is treated as revenue grant. Revenue from sale of books is recognized in the statement of financial performance when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer.

Deferred income

Grants received from Government for capital expenditure are treated as deferred income. An amount equal to the depreciation charge for the year is transferred to other income in the statement of financial performance and the amount of deferred income to be amortised in the next 12 months is recognized as a current liability.

Expense recognition

All expenses are accounted for in the statement of Financial Performance on an accrual basis

Going Concern

The trust fund's management has made an assessment of the trust fund's ability to continue as a going concern and is satisfied that the trust fund has the resources to continue in business for the foreseeable future. Furthermore, the management is not aware of any material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt upon the trust fund's ability to continue as a going concern. Therefore, the financial statements continue to be prepared on the going concern basis.

AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

Employee benefits

The trust fund subscribes to a defined benefit plan, the assets are administered by Sicom Ltd. The pension costs assessed using the projected unit credit method. The cost of providing the benefit is determined in accordance with actuarial review. The pension obligation is measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows using a discounted rate by reference to the current interest rates and the yields on bonds and treasury bills. Actuarial gains and losses are recognized over the average remaining service lives of employees.

The trust fund's net obligation in respect of defined benefit pension plan is calculated by estimating the amount of future benefit that its employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods, that benefit is discounted to determine the present value. Any unrecognized past service costs and the fair value of any plan assets are deducted. The discount rate is the yield at balance sheet date. The calculation is performed by a qualified actuary using the projected unit credit method every year.

When the benefits of a plan are improved, the portion of the increased benefit relating to past service by employees is recognised as an expense in the statement of Financial Performance on a straight - line basis over the average *period until the benefits become vested*. *To the extent that the benefits vest immediately, the expense is* recognised immediately in the statement of Financial Performance.

Where the calculation results in a benefit to the trust fund, the recognised asset is limited to the net total of any unrecognised actuarial losses and past service costs and the present value of any future refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions to the plan.

Employee Passage Benefit Entitlement

Employee entitlements to passage benefit allowance are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability up to the balance sheet date.

AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)
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Non-Current Assets

- I. Property, Plant & Equipment are valued in the statement of financial position at cost less accumulated depreciation. The Aapravasi Ghat Site at Trou Fanfaron is being restored and is now a World Heritage Site and Historical Site. Costs associated with the restoration of the site are being capitalised as work in progress under fixed assets.

II. Depreciation

Depreciation is being calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:

	Rate per annum
Furniture & Fittings	10%
Office Equipment	20%
Motor vehicles	20%
ICT	25%

The policy is to charge full depreciation in the year of acquisition and no depreciation to be charged in the year of disposal. No depreciation has been provided on restoration works in progress.

Fully depreciated Assets still in use are revalued and depreciated over remaining estimated useful life. The increase in valuation is accounted as revaluation reserve.

Inventories

Inventories are valued at the cost. Cost is determined on a first-in, first- out (FIFO) basis and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring the inventories and bringing them to their existing location and condition. Where necessary, a write off is made for obsolete and slow moving inventories.

Government Grants

Asset-related grants are treated as deferred income, whereas income-related grants are recognized in the period they become receivable.

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4. REVENUE

	Rs
Income recurrent	16,600,000
Income other	149,211
Cash Income received during the year	<u>16,749,211</u>

5. SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR

Surplus for the year has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	2012 Rs
Staff costs	9,880,303
Operational Costs	5,486,389
Recurrent Expenditure on projects	5,728,120
Depreciation	<u>629,545</u>

Recurrent expenditure on projects for the amount of Rs 5,728,120 has been financed by capital grant.

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6. PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Aappravsi Ghat Rs	Office equipment Rs	Furniture and Fittings Rs	Motor Van Rs	ICT Rs	Total Rs
COST at 31 December 2011	51,475,046	1,941,121	91,455	519,225	881,220	54,908,066
Additions	14,106,960	544,118	-	-	395,998	15,047,075
Fair Value Adjustment		-	-	300,000	-	300,000
Disposal	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 Dec 2012	65,582,006	2,485,239	91,455	819,225	1,277,218	70,225,142

DEPRECIATION

At 31 December 2011	-	1,300,291	15,070	519,225	358,849	2,193,434
Charge for the year	-	301,096	9,146	-	319,304	629,545
Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposal	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 Dec 2012	-	1,601,386	24,215	519,225	678,154	2,822,980

CARRYING AMOUNT

NBV as at 31 December 2012	65,582,006	883,852	67,240	300,000	599,064	67,432,162
NBV as at 31 December 2011	51,475,046	640,830	76,386	-	522,371	52,714,632

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7. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The trust fund participates in a pension plan administered by and invested with State Insurance Company of Mauritius Ltd (SICOM).

The following employee benefits information is based on the report of SICOM dated 31 December 2012.

	Year ending December 2012	Year ending December 2011
Amounts recognised in balance sheet at end of year:	Rs	Rs
Present value of funded obligation	(2,579,884)	(1,889,788)
(Fair value of plan assets)	3,683,284	2,803,921
	1,103,400	914,133
Present value of unfunded obligation	-	-
Unrecognised actuarial gain/(loss)	340,102	166,519
Unrecognised transition amount	-	-
Asset recognised in balance sheet at end of year	1,443,502	1,080,652
Amounts recognised in income statement:		
Current service cost	(407,622)	(350,616)
(Employees contributions)	264,438	245,378
Fund expenses	(13,222)	(12,137)
Interest cost	(188,979)	(149,477)
(Expected return on plan assets)	311,551	258,475
Actuarial loss/(gain) recognised	-	-
Settlement	-	-
Past service cost recognised	-	-
Transition effect of adopting IAS 19	-	-
Total, included in staff costs	(33,834)	(8,377)
Movements in liability recognised in balance sheet:		
At start of year	1,080,652	727,300
Total staff cost as above	(33,834)	(8,377)
(Contributions paid by employer)	396,684	361,729
At end of year	1,443,502	1,080,652
Actual return on plan assets:	256,183	60,597
Main actuarial assumption at end of year:		
Discount rate	10.00%	10.50%
Expected rate of return on plan assets	10.00%	10.50%
Future salary increases	7.00%	7.50%
Future pension increases	5.00%	5.50%

The assets of the plan are invested in funds managed by State Insurance Company of Mauritius Ltd.

The discount rate is determined by reference to market yields on bonds.

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7. **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS(CONT'D)**

	Year ending December 2012	Year ending December 2011
	Rs	Rs
<i>Reconciliation of the present value of defined benefit obligation</i>		
Present Value of obligation at start of period	(1,889,788)	(1,423,589)
Current service cost	(407,622)	(350,616)
Interest Cost	(188,979)	(149,477)
(Benefits paid)	24,720	31,649
Liability (gain)/loss	(118,215)	2,245
Present value of obligation at end of period	(2,579,884)	(1,889,788)
<i>Reconciliation of fair value of plan assets</i>		
Fair value of plan assets at start of period	(2,803,921)	(2,180,003)
Expected return on plan assets	(311,551)	(258,475)
Employer contributions	(396,684)	(361,729)
Employee contributions	(264,438)	(245,378)
Actuarial Reserves transferred in	-	-
(Benefits paid + other outgo)	37,942	43,786
Asset gain/(loss)	55,368	197,878
Fair value of plan assets at end of period	(3,683,284)	(2,803,921)
<i>Distribution of plan assets at end of period</i>		
<i>Percentage of assets at end of year</i>	2012	2011
Government securities and cash	58.8%	50.6%
Loans	6.6%	7.8%
Local Equities	21.0%	23.2%
Overseas bonds and equities	12.8%	17.5%
Property	0.8%	0.9%
Total	100%	100%
<i>Additional disclosure on assets issued or used by the reporting entity</i>		
<i>Percentage of assets at end of year</i>	2012	2011
	(%)	(%)
Assets held in the Entity's own financial instruments	-	-
Property occupied by the entity	-	-
Other assets used by the entity	-	-
<i>History of Obligations, assets and experience adjustments</i>		
Year	2012	2011
Currency	Rs	Rs
Fair value of plan assets	(3,683,284)	(2,803,921)
(Present value of defined benefit obligation)	2,579,884	1,889,788
Surplus/(deficit)	(1,103,400)	(914,133)
Asset experience gain/(loss) during the period	55,368	197,878
Liability experience gain/(loss) during the period	118,215	(2,245)
<i>Year</i>	2013	
Expected employer contributions	(509,947)	

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8. INVENTORIES (AT COST)

	2012 Rs	2011 Rs
Spare parts-Wood	302,580	302,580
	<u>302,580</u>	<u>302,580</u>

9. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2012 Rs	2011 Rs
Accruals	1,837,565	223,667
Passage Benefits	334,563	441,093
Sick Leave	428,111	347,554
Other Payables	-	401,048
	<u>2,600,239</u>	<u>1,413,362</u>

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10. **Accumulated Fund**

	Accumulated Fund 2012 Rs
Balance as at 1 st January 2012	3,379,661
Movement during the year	1,477,409
Transfer from Donation	<u>96,070</u>
Balance as at 31 December 2012	<u><u>4,953,140</u></u>

	Deferred Income 2012 Rs
Balance as at 1 st January 2012	48,701,338
Grant Received during the year	18,745,710
Transfer to Other Income	<u>(6,357,665)</u>
	61,089,382
Amount to be amortised within 1 Year recognised as current liabilities	<u>(600,000)</u>
Balance as at 31 December 2012	<u><u>60,489,382</u></u>

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12. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

In its ordinary operations, the trust fund is exposed to various risks such as, foreign currency risk.

The trust fund is not exposed to the risk that the exchange rate of the Mauritian rupee relative to the currencies may change in a manner which has a material effect on the reported values of its assets and liabilities.

Liquidity risk management

The trust fund manage liquidity risk by maintaining adequate reserves and banking facilities, by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows and matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities.

The maturity profile of the financial assets and liabilities is summarized as follows:

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2012

	Less than 1 months	1-3 months	3 months to 1 year	More than 1 year	Total
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Bank	5,176,810	-	-	-	5,176,810
Trade & other receivables	-	-	275,917		275,917
Trade & other payables	(196,800)	(48,441)	(1,796,167)	(558,831)	(2,600,239)
	<u>4,980,010</u>	<u>(48,441)</u>	<u>(1,520,250)</u>	<u>(558,831)</u>	<u>2,852,488</u>

2011

	Less than 1 months	1-3 months	3 months to 1 year	More than 1 year	Total
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Bank	4,796,497	-	-	-	4,796,497
Trade & other payables	(223,667)	-	(236,286)	(953,409)	(1,413,362)
	<u>4,572,830</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(236,286)</u>	<u>(953,409)</u>	<u>3,383,135</u>

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13. DONATION

	2012
	Rs
Donation from ICTA – IT Equipment	384,279
Amortisation	<u>96,070</u>
Closing Balance	<u><u>288,209</u></u>

4.

ICTA made a donation of 6 personal computers, 6 printers and 4 laptops to AGTF amounting to Rs384, 279 in year 2012.

14. REVALUATION RESERVE

The Motor van (vehicle no. 4665 OC 04 make Toyota) purchased in October 2004, has been fully depreciated but is still in use in 2012. The vehicle was revalued as per Sicom LTD report based on the insured amount. This represents the recoverable amount in case of total loss of use of the vehicle.

The accounting principle used in the revaluation of the motor van has been based on IAS 16 Property, Plant & Equipment and the accounting treatment for revaluation of tangible non-current asset.

The motor van has been accounted in the books at a revalued amount provided by the fair value amount measured in insurance report of Sicom Ltd at Rs300,000.

Revaluations of the motor van will be made on regular basis so as to ensure that the carrying value does not differ materially from that which would be determined using fair value at end of the reporting period and asset value. As the motor van has been used since 2004, the vehicle will be revalued every year based on recoverable amount from insurance report of Sicom Ltd.

5. **APPENDIX I**

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ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	2012	2011
	Rs.	Rs.
Staff cost and Allowances	9,880,303	8,677,215
Utilities	506,157	544,345
Printing and Stationary	609,350	317,245
Other expenses	156,052	961,046
Expenses i.c.w 2 nd November & Indenture Village	2,891,403	-
Events	76,150	-
Postage	31,618	31,448
Professional Charges	(10,000)	100,000
Maintenance of Vehicles	26,784	133,885
Maintenance of Equipment and Buildings	91,254	219,784
Maintenance on Site	45,102	-
Fuel & Oil	85,779	-
Staff Welfare	-	24,962
Training	39,000	131,820
Office Expenses & Incidentals	67,443	177,106
Sundry Capital Expenditure	-	38,231
Newspaper/Documentation	11,742	34,937
Insurance	2,055	9,509
Telephone & Fax	190,714	239,458
Cleaning Expenses	33,251	16,397
Bank Charges	4,139	-
Board Fees	356,598	410,361
Uniform	71,640	43,750
Publication/Advertisement	59,254	126,539
Membership Fee	7,426	-
Mission Overseas	133,478	-
	<u>15,366,692</u>	<u>12,238,037</u>