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Educational CD Rom on History and Geography for Standards IV and V

LAUNCHING CEREMONY

PROGRAMME

Venue: Mauritius Research Council

Date: 27th September 2007

Time: 10:00 hrs

EDUCATIONAL CD ROM ON HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY FOR STANDARDS IV AND V

An educational CD Rom on History and Geography for standards IV and V and User Manual for Teachers has been developed by the Virtual Centre for Innovative Learning Technologies (VCILT) of the University of Mauritius in collaboration with the Mauritius Examination Syndicate, Mauritius Institute of Education and Mauritius College of Air and the support of Ministry of Education and Human Resources. The project was coordinated and funded by the Mauritius Research Council (MRC).

The main objective of the project was to teach History and Geography through new teaching and learning strategies, while ensuring the current curriculum for standards IV and V. The project activities included conception and realization of the CD Rom on History and Geography, pilot testing with a group of students and teachers and training of teachers on making effective and appropriate use of the CD Rom in the classroom. The major outcome of the project was the development of an interactive multimedia enhanced pedagogical tool (CD Rom) on History and Geography for Standard IV and V.

The MRC set up a committee of all stakeholders to ensure that the project was in line with the History and Geography curriculum at the primary level and that the final product would be acceptable by the end users. The committee comprising of representatives of Ministry of Education and Human Resources (MoEHR), Mauritius Institute of Education (MIE), Mauritius Examination Syndicate (MES), Mauritius College of the Air (MCA) and Mauritius Research Council (MRC) acted as the monitoring body during the development of the CD Rom.

The CD Rom has been pre-tested by VCILT and evaluated by MRC in selected primary schools. The final product was sent to the Ministry of Education and Human Resources for validation before its eventual distribution in primary schools. It is envisaged that the CD Rom will be used as a complementary teaching aid for teaching and learning of History and Geography in standards IV and V in all the primary schools.

PROGRAMME

10:00 – 10:05	Welcome Address Dr A Suddhoo, Executive Director Mauritius Research Council
10:05 - 10:10	Address Prof S Jugessur, Chairman Mauritius Research Council
10:10 - 10:15	Demonstration of the Educational CD Rom on History & Geography by a Student
10:15 - 10:30	Address/ Launching of the Educational CD Rom Hon. Dharambeer Gokhool, Minister of Education and Human Resources
10:30 - 11:00	REFRESHMENT
11:00 - 11:20	Presentation of the Educational CD Rom on History and Geography for Standards IV and V Prof A Senteni, Director, Virtual Centre for Innovative Learning Technologies (VCILT)
11:20 - 11:40	Evaluation of the Educational CD Rom on History and Geography Mrs P V Ramjeawon, Research Officer Mauritius Research Council
11:40 - 12:00	Questions and Answers (Fielded by the Research Team)
12:00	Vote of Thanks