

## *Major Accomplishments 2018*

### **1. Board Meeting**

*The ECCEA Board met 9 times under the Chairmanship of Mrs F. Toorawa during the year.*

### **2. Financial inputs**

#### ***I. Supply of cleaning materials to the Early Childhood Care and Education Authority:***

*An amount of Rs 1,529,443.00 have been disbursed in December 2018 to all public pre-primary schools in Mauritius: The project consists of the purchase and supply of cleaning materials in all our public pre-primary schools for the school resumption in January 2019.*

#### ***II. Payment of Per Capita Grant January 2018-December 2018***

*19,694 children aged 3-5 yrs old in Mauritius have benefitted from the Per Capita Grant measure. The ECCEA has disbursed Rs 47,265,600.00 from January to December 2018 for the payment of Per Capita Grant.*

#### ***III. Supply of Equipment to the Early Childhood Care and Education Authority:***

*The supply of equipment to all ECCEA pre-primary school for resumption January 2019. The project consists of the purchase and supply of equipment as follows to be distributed in government pre-primary schools:*

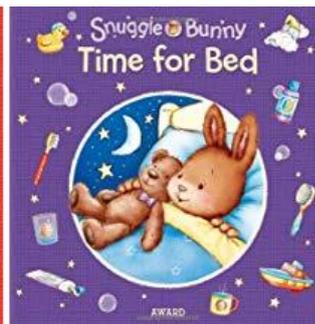
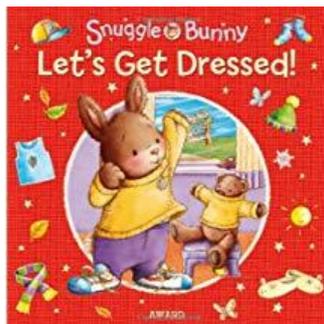
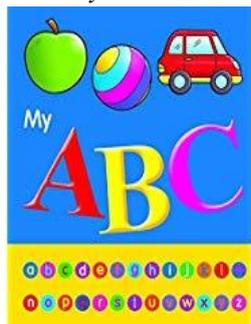
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*An amount of Rs 2,218,465.00 has been earmarked for January 2019.*

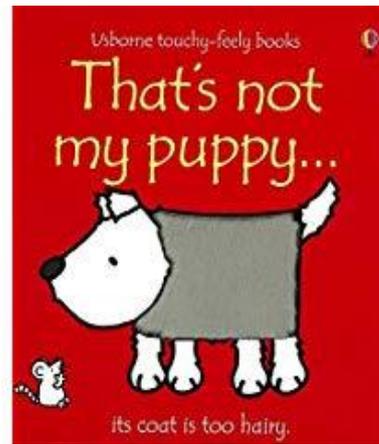
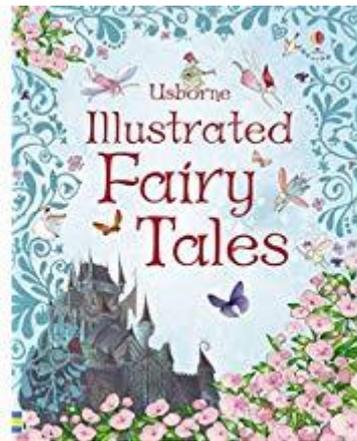
#### ***IV. Supply of Pedagogical Items to the Early Childhood Care and Education Authority***

*This project consists of the purchase and supply of Pedagogical Items as follows to be distributed in government pre-primary schools:-*

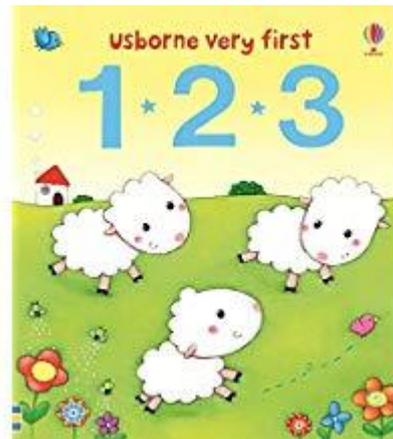
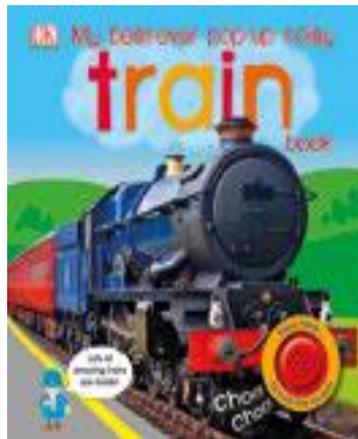
- 9550 Picture and Story Books



- 1910 Big Books



- 1910 Talking Books



An amount of Rs 2,125,533.95 will disburse in **January 2019** for this project.

**V. Financial Statement for year 2017-2018:**

The ECCEA has already submitted Financial Statement for year 2017-2018 to the National Audit Office and Audit Report for year 2017-2018 has already tabled to the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) and the the MOE& HR, TE, SR also.

**3. The Strategy Planning Committee was set up with representatives from the Ministry of Education and the Mauritius Institute of Education**

A draft document on Applied Pedagogy – “Building solid foundation for learning” has already been circulated and the document will soon be finalised and circulated.

**4. Access to Pre-primary Education**

4,948 children aged (3-5 yrs) are in attendance in our 191 pre-primary units. Access to pre-primary education is opened to both girls and boys.

Opening of 2 new ECCEA pre-primary units at Petit Verger and R. Gujadhur (Central Flacq).



*Classroom & outdoor activities*

### **5. Improve administration and management of pre-primary schools**

*To improve the administration and functioning of both public and private pre-primary schools for the period 2018, an audit on 250 pre-primary schools was carried out. Appropriate corrective measures to correct deficiencies identified were implemented in each of the pre-primary school.*

### **6. SEN Technical Committee**

*The SEN Technical Committee is constantly monitoring children with specific needs and the allocation of a Carer accordingly.*

### **7. One – off grant to private pre-primary schools**

*In the last budget the Minister of Finance made the provision of equipping 125 private pre-primary schools in disadvantaged regions, with the necessary pedagogical tools and materials to upgrade the quality of their teaching and learning environment. An amount of Rs 6,250,000 has been allocated. End June 2018 the 125 private pre-primary schools have been equipped with the tools and materials.*



### **8. Human Resource Development**

- *Regularizations of the conditions of work for 21 day to day cleaners*
- *10 Assistant Coordinators completed their Diploma in Educational Supervision & Inspection*

## 9. Capacity building

### Workshops/Seminar for Educators and Attendants



<i>Term</i>	<i>Target group</i>	<i>Theme</i>	<i>No of participants</i>	<i>Resource person</i>
<i>1<sup>st</sup> term</i>	<i>Educator</i>	<i>DLP &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> Term planning</i>	<i>367</i>	<i>Ag. Coordinators Assistant Coordinators</i>
	<i>Attendants</i>	<i>Health &amp; Safety</i>	<i>173</i>	<i>Fire Brigade Officers</i>
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> term</i>	<i>Educators &amp; Managers</i>	<i>1.Third Term Planning 2.Administrative Issues</i>	<i>290</i>	<i>Ag. Coordinators Assistant Coordinators</i>
	<i>Educators &amp; Managers</i>	<i>1. Writing Skills 2. Administrative matters</i>	<i>345</i>	<i>Ag. Coordinators Assistant Coordinators</i>
<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Term</i>	<i>Educators &amp; Attendants</i>	<i>Importance of hygiene &amp; sanitation in pre-primary schools</i>	<i>579</i>	<i>Mr K. Armoogum, Lecturer Ecole Hôtelière – Sir G. Duval</i>



## 10. Building and infrastructure

*So far, repairs and maintenance work has been carried out in some 55 ECCEA Pre-primary schools amounting to Rs 1,800,000.00.*



## 11. Collaborative Partnership

### ▪ Parent as partners

*Parental Empowerment Program for some 949 parents on Child Security, Parental involvement in the overall development of the child by resource persons of the Crime Prevention Unit and the Assistant Coordinators from ECCEA with the following objectives.*

- ✓ *To sensitize parent on the rights of the child's and issues pertaining to child security.*
- ✓ *To sensitize parents on the importance of Child Development and their role and responsibility as a parent at protecting the Rights of Children.*



- *Open days for parents with regards to Admission 2019 for some 104 pre-primary schools.*

## **Child Rights**

- *Participation of ECCEA PPU in the cultural programme for the launching of a short story on “L’amour de Nani Coco pour son pays” by Ombudsperson for children Office on 19 November 2018 from 09:45hrs to 12:00hrs.*

## **Pro – social values/Integrity**

- *Workshops in collaboration with ICAC on Roles and Responsibilities of pre-school Managers/Educators on 19 July 2018, 26 July 2018, 13 November 2018 and 16 November 2018 attended by some 186 participants.*

## **Corporate Governance/writing skills**

- *Workshop on the African Network on Corporate Governance of State-owned Enterprise, ECCEA was represented by Mr A. K. Hamun (Internal Auditor).*
- *Training of AFOO at Civil Service College of Mauritius for ‘Writing Effective Minutes of Meetings’ in July 2018.*

## **12. Review of the National Curriculum Framework (NCF) Pre-primary (3 – 5 years)**

*1<sup>st</sup> meeting was held on 28 November 2017 at 13:00 hrs for the review the National Curriculum Framework Pre-primary (3 – 5 years). Our participation for the review of the National Curriculum Framework Pre-primary (3 – 5 years) has ended in August 2018.*

## **13. Development Learner Profile (DLP)**

*ECCEA has ensured distribution of the DLP to all children attending private, public pre-primary schools including those run by Local Authorities in Mauritius, Rodrigues and Agalega. The Transit document highlights the competencies be acquired for admission to Grade 1.*

## **14. Integration of ICT**

- *10 Public pre-primary schools have been equipped with a computer in 2018.*

## **15. Kiddy Science Fair 2018 in collaboration with Rajiv Gandhi Science Centre**

*The 4<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Kiddy Science Faire was held from 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018 to the 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Some 2,200 persons visited this fair. Public & private pre-primary schools of the Zone1 participated in this edition and some 84 exhibits were on display. The Kiddy Science Fair 2018 was launched by H.E. Mr Paramasivum Pillay Vyapoory, G.O.S.K., acting President of the Republic of Mauritius.*





## 16. Big Book



In the context of the Universal Children's Day the ECCEA organised an exhibition on Big Books at the Mahebourg Creativity Centre which was launched on 20 November 2018. The exhibition was opened to the public as from 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018 to 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018. As at 20 November 2018, 70 big books from Zone 1 and 85 big books from Zone 2 have been displayed. This Big Books exhibition welcomed some 413 visitors.





*I would like to express my sincere thankfulness to Mrs F. Toorawa, Chairperson, all Board members, members of sub-committees and ECCEA staff for their valuable support and collaboration throughout the year.*

*I also seize this opportunity to wish you ALL a*

***Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year 2019***

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