

# COMMUNIQUÉ DE LA PEOPLE'S TURF PLC

Suite à une mise en demeure de la COIREC servie à la PTP (qu'on publie ci-dessous), cette dernière tient à informer le public, qu'en ce qui concerne le Champ de Mars, elle :

1. n'est plus responsable de l'aire de stationnement, donc forcément elle n'est pas responsable non plus des voitures qui y sont garées;
2. n'est plus responsable de l'éclairage le soir;
3. n'est plus responsable du nettoyage;
4. n'est plus responsable de l'entretien du Jet d'Eau et des bassins de poissons;
5. n'est plus responsable de la SÉCURITÉ du public;

La PTP tient à préciser que depuis le début de l'année, elle a abattu un travail colossal à l'intérieur comme à l'extérieur du Champ de Mars. Le public a, d'ailleurs, pu comparer le Champ de Mars sous la COIREC en 2022 et 2023 et le même endroit sous la PTP aujourd'hui.

Nous souhaitons bonne chance à la COIREC dans sa démarche de continuer le bon travail de la PTP. En espérant que son CEO ne transforme pas ce Champ de Mars propre et éclairé en un...dépotoir ! Le cas échéant, il sera alors décoré par l'opposition après les élections générales lorsque cette dernière aura scoré 12 "badias" à Port-Louis !

La PTP regrette aussi d'annoncer qu'elle ne mettra pas en vente, à partir de ce samedi 20 juillet, des boissons alcoolisées en raison d'une interdiction que nous publions ci-dessous, que la PTP juge illégale, imposée par la COIREC dans une lettre à la MRA ce jeudi 18 juillet, soit 24 heures après que la PTP ait payé sa "weekly licence". Depuis l'année dernière, la COIREC exige une somme de Rs 10 000 sur une base hebdomadaire à la PTP après la tenue de chaque réunion hippique sur la vente des boissons alcoolisées, mais nulle part cette clause ne figure dans le contrat liant la PTP et la COIREC. Si c'était le cas, la PTP se serait acquittée des Rs 10 000 réclamées par la COIREC, comme elle le fait d'ailleurs pour les Rs 250 000 qu'elle verse à cette même COIREC après chaque journée de courses.

La PTP considère cette démarche de la COIREC comme illégale et s'engage à la combattre en justice. Mais entretemps, elle informe le public que les boissons alcoolisées ne pourront être mises en vente dans son enceinte. Ceux qui s'amuse à assister aux courses avec une petite bière ou autres en main, sont priés de se diriger vers le Casino ou dans la "plaine".

La PTP s'excuse pour tout inconvénient provoqué par une décision arbitraire, illégale et inacceptable de la COIREC.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MAURITIUS

MAURITIUS  
RACECOURSE AND ENTERTAINMENT COMPLEX LTD  
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At the suit, instance and request of COTE D'OR INTERNATIONAL RACECOURSE AND ENTERTAINMENT COMPLEX LTD duly represented by its Chief Executive Officer with registered office situate at Level 6, One Cathedral Square, Jules Koenig Street Port Louis and with election of legal domicile in the office of the undersigned Attorney of third floor Astor Court Port Louis.

**TAKE NOTICE FOR THAT:**

- Whereas the State of Mauritius is the owner of the State Land known as the Champ de Mars and exercises its full ownership rights over the whole of the Champ de Mars, through the Ministry of Housing and Land Use Planning, free from any third party concession/leasehold rights or claim whatsoever.
- Whereas the above named party has been granted the control and maintenance of the State Land known as the Champ de Mars, free from any third party concession/leasehold rights or claim whatsoever, in particular all the existing race tracks and related structures, on an as is basis, by the Ministry of Housing and Land Use Planning to provide for horse racing activities.
- Whereas the above named party had sublet to you, on a non-exclusive basis, the racetracks of the Champ de Mars for horse racing activities and commercial exploitation as per a lease agreement dated 14 November 2024.
- Whereas prior to the written agreement of 14 November 2023, the above named party addressed to you a letter dated 11 October 2023 informing that the modalities and terms and conditions of the commercial exploitation shall be communicated to you afterwards.
- Whereas the above named party has informed you on several occasions that the terms and conditions of the commercial exploitation of the inside area of the Champ de Mars needed to be agreed upon, as per the said lease agreement, namely by way of electronic mails dated 30 January 2024, 02 February 2024 and 12 February 2024 and letter dated 05 April 2024.
- Whereas on 20 February 2024, at 12:30hrs a meeting of the Special Committee of the Board was held at the registered office of the above named party, which was

attended by one K. Ubheeram, in his capacity, as your Chief Executive Officer, whereby he stated that:

- (a) You the hereunder named party were not agreeable to share any revenue arising out of a commercial exploitation of the Champ de Mars and this is non-negotiable;
- (b) The above named party would need to accept that there would be no revenue sharing if the above named party wants the horse racing industry to survive in Mauritius.

7. NOW TAKE NOTICE THAT you the under named party that you are by the present "mise en demeure", formally called upon, required and summoned to:

- (a) cease any collection of revenue from any commercial exploitation of the inside area of the Champ de Mars, pending agreement on the terms and condition on the commercial exploitation of the Champ de Mars; and
- (b) cease the operation and/or exploitation and/or management of any of the two parking areas located in the Champ de Mars.

8. NOW TAKE NOTICE THAT you the under named party that you are by this present notice "mise en demeure" most formally called upon, required and summoned to confirm the above statements in writing made by your prepose at the meeting and this within 48 hours from date of service of this present notice upon you and payment of Rs 25,000 as costs of this notice (subject to taxation).

9. WARNING YOU THAT should you fail to comply with the exigencies and requirements of this notice within the above mentioned time, the above named party shall institute such legal action against you as it may be advised.

Under all legal reservations  
Dated at Port-Louis this 12 July 2024  
Me *[Signature]*  
Of 09/Floor, Astor Court, Port-Louis  
Attorney for above named party  
To People's Turf PLC Ltd service to be effected at its registered office situated at Ground Floor 50 Avenue des Mouettes, Sodnac, Quatre Bornes.

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OUR REF : COIREC/CDM/COR/PTP V3 Date: 15 May 2024

To:  
Mr Khulwant Kumar Ubheeram  
Chief Executive Officer  
People's Turf PLC  
50, Avenue des Mouettes  
Sodnac, Quatre Bornes

Attention: Mr L. Bhageerutti, Deputy CEO, People's Turf PLC

Dear Sir,

Request for Occasional License (Liquor and Alcoholic) at Champ de Mars

Please refer to your request on the above subject dated 3 May 2024.

- I am directed to inform you that the Board of Cote D'Or International Racecourse and Entertainment Complex Ltd has examined your request and has raised no objection, in principle, for People's Turf PLC (PTP) to be issued an occasional license for race days at Champ de Mars, strictly on a weekly basis, and subject to PTP obtaining all the necessary permits and clearances from the relevant authorities for operation.
- Furthermore, the Board of the COIREC has approved that People's Turf PLC (PTP) pays a fee of Rs10,000, plus VAT, per race day, to operate its stand on the basis of an occasional license (liquor & alcoholic products). This fee is due and payable on each subsequent Mondays after the race days are held and is payable by bank transfer.
- COIREC also reserves the right to revoke this authorisation at any time following the approval of the Board, in case of non-compliance with this letter or any other conditions related to the granting of the occasional license.
- Moreover, as a condition to this authorisation, you are also required to pay the outstanding fees for the occasional license for season 2023, amounting to Rs 437,000/- (Rs 380,000 plus VAT) for 38 race meetings.

Yours faithfully,  
*[Signature]*  
ANIL K. KOKIL  
Chief Executive Officer

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