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Message From the Chairperson

Mr. Yasuo Suzuki
Chairperson,
MOL Charitable Trust

It is with great pride that I present the MOL Charitable Trust Yearly Report 2023–2024, highlighting the results of our third Call for Proposals (CFP3).

During this period, our Trust continued to uphold its mission of empowering communities and protecting the unique environment of Mauritius. Building on the foundations laid in our first two calls for proposals, CFP3 marked another step forward in our journey toward sustainable impact.

Through CFP3, 16 projects were selected and supported, covering a wide range of social, educational, and environmental initiatives. From women's empowerment programs in the south and west to community-driven coral and mangrove restoration efforts, these projects reflect our commitment to creating meaningful change on the ground. Together with our NGO partners and the I61 Foundation, we have reached hundreds of beneficiaries, enhanced local capacities, and contributed to the preservation of Mauritius' biodiversity.

This report reflects not only the dedication of our partner NGOs but also the trust and support of the Mauritian communities who welcome and engage with our initiatives. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our local enforcers, volunteers, and partners for their tireless efforts, and to my predecessor, Mr. Kazuhiko Sugano, for his leadership and commitment to this mission.

As we look forward, MOL Charitable Trust remains committed to supporting projects that empower people, protect the environment, and create sustainable impact. Together, we continue to walk toward a brighter future for Mauritius.

Yasuo Suzuki
Chairperson
MOL Charitable Trust



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Presentation of the **MOL Charitable Trust**

The MOL Charitable Trust (MCT) was officially established in June 2021 as part of Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, Ltd. (MOL)'s long-term commitment to support the people and environment of Mauritius.

Following the Wakashio incident in 2020, MOL committed 800 million yen (approximately MUR 300 million) to support social and environmental initiatives in Mauritius. This commitment took shape through two complementary mechanisms:

MOL Charitable Trust (MCT) – a locally managed trust in Mauritius, focusing on short-term, community-based projects that have immediate social or environmental impact.

MOL Mauritius International Fund (MMIF) – a Japan-based foundation, created in November 2021, supporting larger-scale projects and research initiatives over longer periods, often in partnership with international experts and local NGOs.

The MOL Charitable Trust operates with annual funding of approximately 50 million yen, equivalent to MUR 20 million, and provides grants of up to MUR 1 million per project.



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Objectives of the Trust and Alignment with **UN SDGs**

Mission and Governance

The mission of the Trust is to empower local communities, preserve biodiversity, and promote sustainable development, in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

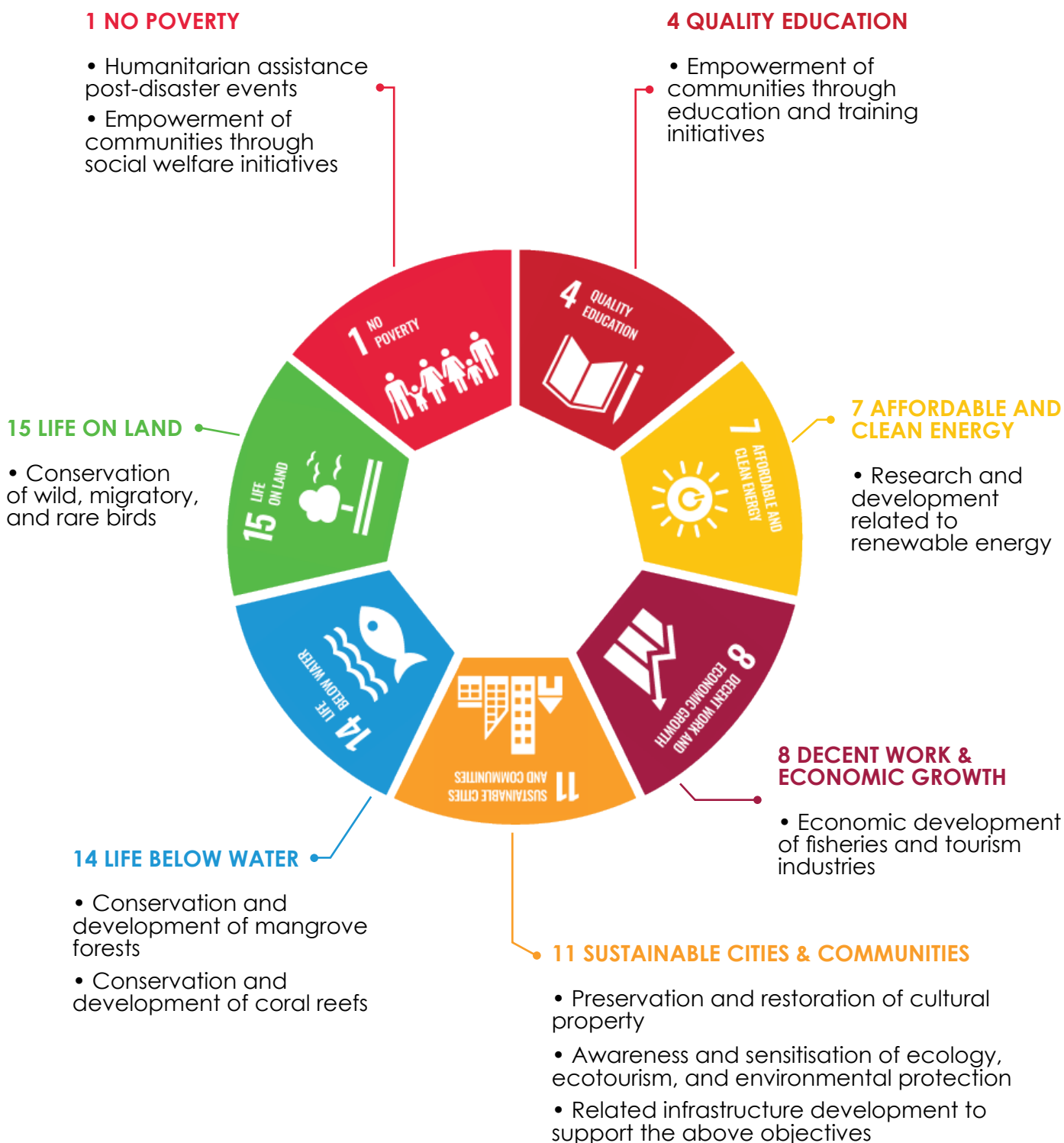
To ensure transparency and efficiency, the Trust is managed by a Committee of enforcers, composed of seven members, including three Mauritians and four Japanese representatives. This governance framework ensures that projects are carefully selected, monitored, and evaluated, with support from the I61 Foundation, our key partner for monitoring, capacity building, and field engagement.

Over the past three years, MCT has:

- Supported more than 40 projects across social, educational, and environmental domains.
- Reached hundreds of beneficiaries through empowerment and training programs.
- Contributed to environmental restoration efforts, including coral and mangrove conservation, seagrass mapping, and marine biodiversity education.

Alignment with UN SDGs

The Trust's objectives are structured around 10 priority goals; each linked to one or more UN Sustainable Development Goals. These objectives guide the selection and implementation of all funded projects:





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Call for Proposal 3 Overview

(i) Call for Proposal 3 (CFP3) – Overview

Following two successful cycles of support to Mauritian NGOs in 2021–2022 (CFP1) and 2022–2023 (CFP2), the third Call for Proposals (CFP3) of the MOL Charitable Trust was launched in September 2023. Continuing our mission to empower local communities and preserve the unique environment of Mauritius, the Trust entered its third year of operations with a focus on:

- Strengthening social resilience through education, skills training, and community development.
- Protecting and restoring the environment, including marine biodiversity, coastal ecosystems, and sustainable resource management.

(ii) Selection Process and Project Approval

The CFP3 selection process followed the established model of transparency and rigour, in close collaboration with the I61 Foundation:

- a)** Call launched (September 2023): NGOs and associations were invited to submit project proposals aligned with the 10 objectives of the Trust and UN SDGs.
- b)** Evaluation and site visits: Proposals were reviewed based on impact, feasibility, governance capacity, and sustainability. Shortlisted NGOs underwent field verification and interviews to assess their readiness to implement.
- c)** Final selection: 16 projects were selected, and Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) were signed in early 2024, marking the start of implementation.

Key Figures of CFP3



*Including direct community members, children in educational programs, women in empowerment initiatives, and environmental beneficiaries (training participants, communities, and schools reached).

Focus Areas

CFP3 projects were divided into two main categories, reflecting the dual mission of the Trust:



Social Projects:

- o Women and family empowerment programs
- o Early childhood and inclusive education
- o Vocational training and youth employability
- o Community arts and post-disaster resilience



Environmental Projects:

- o Coral and mangrove restoration initiatives
- o Marine and coastal biodiversity education
- o Seagrass mapping and blue carbon research
- o Rainwater and sustainable resource management

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CFP3 Timeline

September 2023



Launch of CFP3

- Official announcement of the third Call for Proposals.
- Applications invited from eligible Mauritian NGOs and associations.
- Priority communicated for projects aligned with the Trust's 10 objectives and UN SDGs, with a focus on the south-east region while remaining open to all regions.

October –
November 2023



Evaluation & Site Visits

- I61 Foundation conducted the first round of screening and project scoring.
- Shortlisted NGOs were visited on-site to evaluate feasibility, governance, and beneficiary engagement.
- Final recommendations were submitted to the MCT Enforcers Committee.

January 2024



Selection and MoU Signing

- 16 projects were officially selected under CFP3.
- Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) were signed with the NGOs at a dedicated ceremony in Mahébourg, reaffirming the Trust's commitment to transparency and collaboration.
- First disbursement of funds was made, allowing projects to begin implementation.

February –
December 2024



Project Implementation & Monitoring

- Projects across social and environmental categories began operations, including:
 - Vocational and empowerment programs for women and youth
 - Marine and coastal conservation efforts (mangroves, corals, sea turtles)
 - Educational and early childhood initiatives in vulnerable communities
- Regular site visits and progress reporting were conducted by the I61 Foundation, ensuring accountability and support for NGOs.

Throughout 2024



Collaborative Workshops and Events

- Women empowerment networking sessions, educational forums, and environmental awareness events were held.
- Engagement with local communities, schools, and universities strengthened the long-term impact of the projects.

April 2025



Final Reporting and Evaluation

- Completion of project implementation for most initiatives.
- I61 Foundation compiled the final CFP3 report, including:
 - Achievements and beneficiary reach
 - Challenges and lessons learned
 - Recommendations for future calls (CFP4 and beyond)



Social Projects

Section A

1. ENL Foundation – “We Matter”

Category: Social / Community Development

Area of Focus: Women's Empowerment, Skills Development, and Social Inclusion



Quick Facts



Beneficiaries: 15 direct, ~60 indirect (family members)



Duration: 12 months



Funding: MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)



Location: Le Bouchon, Grand Port

Project Summary

The “We Matter” project, led by ENL Foundation, focuses on empowering unskilled and unemployed women in the community of Le Bouchon, in the south-east of Mauritius. Through a comprehensive program of psychosocial support, technical training, and seed capital for micro-businesses, the project aims to foster social inclusion, economic resilience, and self-confidence among its participants. The initiative directly supports the Trust's objective of empowering local communities through education and social welfare, while also contributing to gender equality and poverty alleviation.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 15 women from vulnerable households enrolled in the program.
- (ii) Training sessions conducted on:
 - o Life skills and financial literacy
 - o Small business management and entrepreneurship
 - o Technical skills adapted to local opportunities
- (iii) Psychosocial support and mentoring offered to all participants.
- (iv) Seed capital provided to initiate small-scale income-generating activities.
- (v) Improved confidence and self-reliance observed among participants, as reported during mid-year monitoring visits.
- (vi) Families of beneficiaries indirectly benefited through better household management and income generation.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Local trainers and community facilitators coordinated with ENL Foundation.



2. Kolektif Rivier Nwar – “Skippers & Rescue at Sea Training”



Category: Social / Community Development

Area of Focus: Youth Employability, Vocational Training, and Social Inclusion



Quick Facts



Beneficiaries: 40 direct (youth and unemployed adults)



Duration: 12 months



Funding: MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)



Location: Grande Rivière Noire,
Black River district

Project Summary

The “Skippers & Rescue at Sea Training” project, implemented by Kolektif Rivier Nwar, addresses the high unemployment rate and social vulnerability in the coastal community of Grande Rivière Noire. The project provides vocational training in maritime skills, including skipper licensing, safety procedures, and sea rescue techniques, offering participants a pathway to formal employment and economic independence. Beyond technical skills, the project also aims to reduce social risks linked to unemployment, such as youth idleness, exposure to drugs, and social exclusion, while strengthening the local economy through sustainable maritime activity.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 40 participants successfully enrolled in the vocational training program.
- (ii) Technical training modules delivered on:
 - o Skipper licensing and safe navigation
 - o Sea rescue and emergency response
 - o Basic boat maintenance and maritime regulations
- (iii) Awareness sessions conducted on social issues, including drug and alcohol prevention.
- (iv) Several trainees received job offers in the local maritime and tourism sector.
- (v) Enhanced employability and social reintegration, reducing vulnerability in the local community.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Supported by local maritime trainers and boat operators for hands-on practice.



3. Mission Verte – “Circular Economy & Recycling Awareness”



Category: Social / Community Development

Area of Focus: Environmental Awareness, Circular Economy, and Youth Engagement



Quick Facts



Beneficiaries: 40 direct (youth, students, and local residents)



Duration: 12 months



Funding: MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)



Location: South-East
(focus on Mahébourg and surrounding villages)

Project Summary

The “Circular Economy & Recycling Awareness” project, led by Mission Verte, promotes waste reduction and recycling practices among youth and local communities. It aims to develop environmental responsibility and green job awareness by highlighting the potential of the circular economy in creating sustainable livelihoods and cleaner communities. The initiative combines awareness sessions, practical demonstrations, and community engagement activities, inspiring participants to adopt eco-friendly practices and explore small-scale recycling initiatives.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 40 participants engaged in awareness and practical recycling workshops.
- (ii) Training sessions delivered on:
 - o Waste sorting and reduction techniques
 - o Reuse and upcycling methods
 - o The concept of a circular economy for sustainable development
- (iii) Community outreach initiatives conducted in schools and villages to encourage local participation.
- (iv) Recycled products distributed to demonstrate the value of waste transformation.
- (v) Youth sensitised to green employment opportunities, fostering environmental entrepreneurship.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Partnered with local schools and environmental associations for awareness campaigns.



4. Mo'zar Espace Artistic – “Fly Me to the Moon Junior Project”




Category: Social / Community Development

Area of Focus: Arts, Music Education, Youth Empowerment, and Social Inclusion




Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 40 direct (children and youth from vulnerable communities)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Location:** Roche Bois, Port Louis

Project Summary

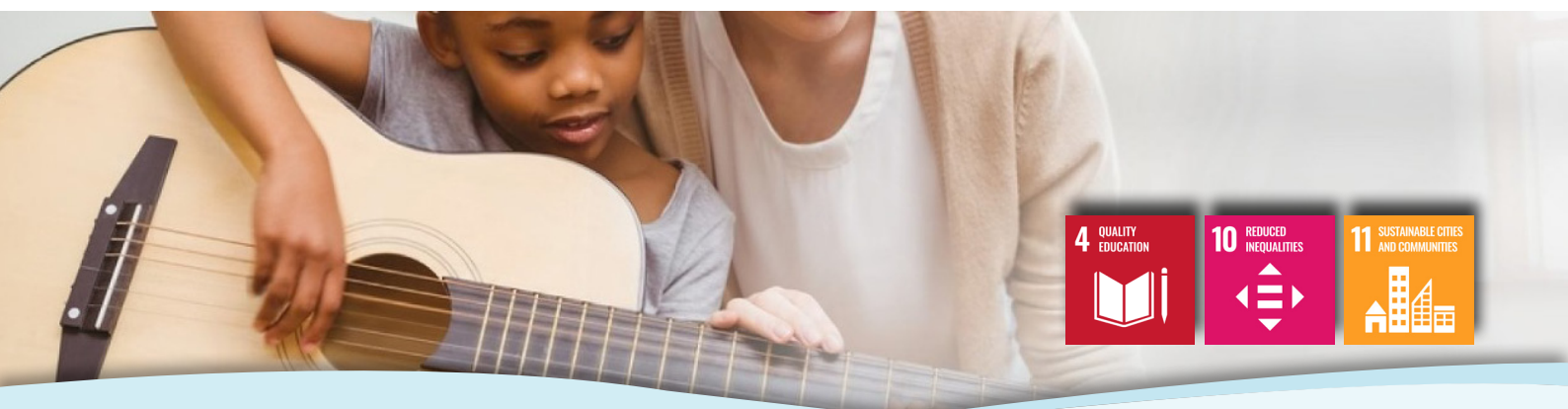
The “Fly Me to the Moon Junior Project”, led by Mo'zar Espace Artistic, aims to empower children and youth from disadvantaged communities through music education and cultural inclusion. By introducing participants to jazz and contemporary music, the project offers structured artistic training as an alternative to idleness, social exclusion, and risk behaviours. Beyond music education, the project also enhances self-confidence, discipline, and teamwork skills, helping participants integrate socially and academically, and nurturing creative talent within vulnerable communities.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 40 children and youth enrolled in the music training program.
- (ii) Regular music classes and workshops conducted in jazz and modern instruments.
- (iii) Formation of junior music groups for practice and small public performances.
- (iv) Educational support and mentoring integrated to improve discipline and school attendance.
- (v) Participants showcased their talent in local events, fostering community pride and visibility.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Collaborated with local schools and community centres for participant selection and venue hosting.



5. Revey Twa – “Revey Twa Fam”




Category: Social / Community Development

Area of Focus: Women's Empowerment, Family Support, and Poverty Alleviation




Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 30 direct (women) and ~90 indirect (family members)

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Location:** Mahébourg and surrounding villages, Grand Port district

Project Summary

The “Revey Twa Fam” project, implemented by Revey Twa, focuses on empowering vulnerable women facing unemployment, food insecurity, and social exclusion in the south-east region of Mauritius. The project provides comprehensive family and women support, combining:

- Life skills training and vocational workshops
- Job placement assistance in partnership with local businesses and hotels
- Psychosocial support and family counselling

By enhancing both personal confidence and economic self-sufficiency, the project helps break cycles of poverty and strengthen family resilience.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 30 women successfully enrolled in the empowerment program.
- (ii) Life skills and vocational training delivered on:
 - o Household management and budgeting
 - o Basic hospitality and service training
 - o Personal development and self-confidence
- (iii) Psychosocial support sessions provided to address stress, trauma, and family challenges.
- (iv) Several participants secured employment with local employers in the hospitality sector.
- (v) Improved family well-being and economic stability, as reported in follow-up visits.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Collaborated with Caritas and Eco-Sud for complementary support services.




6. Social Circus of Cité La Chaux – “Cirque Social de Cité La Chaux”



Category: Social / Community Development


Area of Focus: Arts for Social Inclusion, Youth Empowerment, and Post-Disaster Resilience

Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 40 direct (children and women), with broader community reach

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Location:** Cité La Chaux and Mahébourg, Grand Port district

Project Summary

The “Cirque Social de Cité La Chaux” project, led by the Social Circus of Cité La Chaux, leverages performing arts and community activities to empower children and women in a socially vulnerable area of Mahébourg. The project creates safe spaces for artistic expression and life skills development, helping participants build self-confidence, resilience, and community solidarity, particularly in a region frequently affected by social and post-disaster challenges. By combining circus training, after-school activities, and women's engagement programs, the initiative provides both creative learning opportunities and psychosocial support, reinforcing the social fabric of the community.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 40 beneficiaries directly engaged in circus and community activities.
- (ii) After-school programs and holiday workshops organized for local children to encourage positive engagement and reduce exposure to street risks.
- (iii) Women's empowerment initiatives implemented, including:
 - o Personal development and confidence-building sessions
 - o Participation in community activities and decision-making
- (iv) Community shows and events held, fostering local pride and unity.
- (v) Improved psychosocial well-being of participants, reported by the NGO during monitoring visits.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Collaborated with TIPA NGO for coaching and team development.



7. Ti Rayons Soleil – “Nursery & Early Childhood Education”




Category: Social / Community Development

Area of Focus: Early Childhood Education, Social Inclusion, and Community Development




Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 40 direct (young children), with indirect benefit to families

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Location:** Mahébourg and surrounding areas, Grand Port district

Project Summary

The “Nursery & Early Childhood Education” project, led by Ti Rayons Soleil, focuses on providing high-quality early childhood education and holistic support to children from vulnerable families in Mahébourg. The initiative creates a safe and nurturing learning environment through a Montessori-based approach, combined with nutritional support, psychosocial care, and parental engagement. This project not only prepares young children for primary education but also strengthens family engagement, helping break the cycle of poverty and social exclusion in the community.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 40 children enrolled in the Les Ti Serins Nursery School, launched under CFP3 support.
- (ii) Montessori-based curriculum implemented with qualified educators and support staff.
- (iii) Holistic team support added for the first time, including:
 - o Nurse
 - o Psychologist and assistant psychologist
 - o Speech therapist
- (iv) Nutritional meals provided daily to support healthy growth and learning.
- (v) Parental workshops and engagement activities conducted to encourage family participation in education.
- (vi) Improved school readiness observed among children, with early detection and support for those with special needs.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Partnered with local health and education professionals for early childhood interventions.



8. Youth with Disabilities Empowerment Platform – “Skills Training Project”



Category: Social / Community Development

Area of Focus: Disability Inclusion, Vocational Training, and Youth Empowerment




Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 20 direct (youths with disabilities)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Location:** Mahébourg, Grand Port district

Project Summary

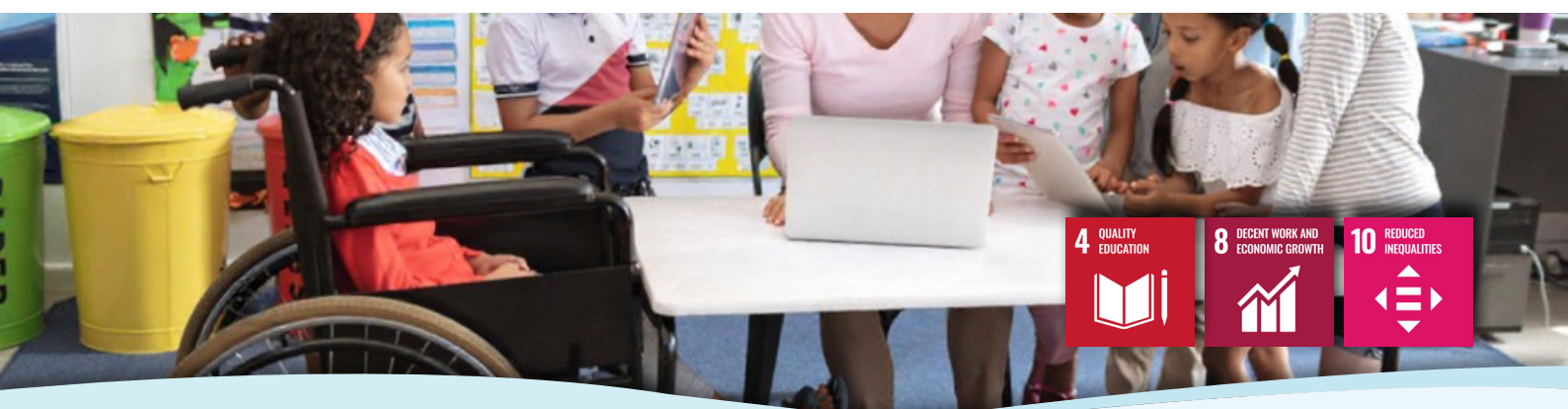
The “Skills Training Project”, implemented by the Youth with Disabilities Empowerment Platform (YWDEP), aims to empower young people with disabilities by providing practical skills training and pathways to income-generating activities. Participants are trained in vocational and creative skills such as cooking, pastry-making, mosaic art, and eco-brick construction, enabling them to build confidence, independence, and employability. The project directly contributes to the social inclusion of persons with disabilities, reduces dependency, and encourages entrepreneurship within this vulnerable group.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 20 young beneficiaries with disabilities participated in the training program.
- (ii) Skills developed in:
 - o Cooking and pastry-making
 - o Mosaic and handicrafts
 - o Cleaning techniques and eco-brick production
- (iii) Improved self-reliance and confidence, as reported in follow-up assessments.
- (iv) Preparation for small-scale income-generating initiatives, with guidance from the NGO and local mentors.
- (v) Enhanced social inclusion and visibility for youth with disabilities within the local community.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Partnered with local artisans and community trainers for specialized workshops.





Environmental Projects

Section B

9. Association for Environment Protection – “Rainwater Collection System at Notre Dame de la Salette”



Category: Environmental / Resource Management

Area of Focus: Sustainable Water Management, Community Resilience, and Environmental Conservation



Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 40 direct (community and forest maintenance team)

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Location:** Grand Baie, Northern Mauritius

Project Summary

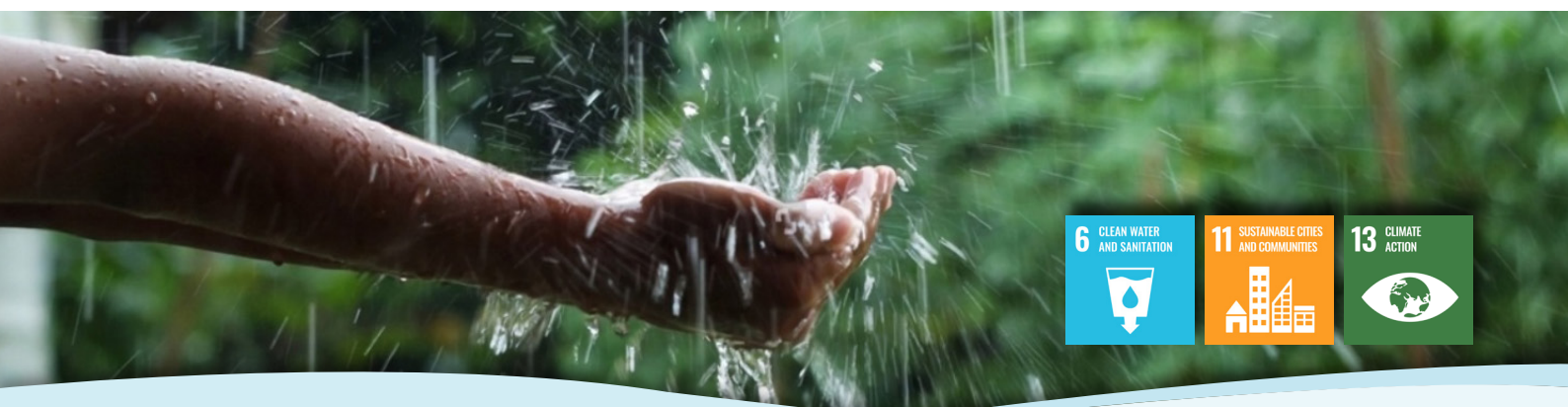
The “Rainwater Collection System” project, led by the Association for Environment Protection, addresses water scarcity and sustainable resource management in the Notre Dame de la Salette area. The initiative establishes rainwater collection and grey water treatment systems, enabling efficient irrigation of permaculture gardens and the maintenance of a tiny forest. This project supports environmental sustainability and community resilience, while raising awareness on eco-friendly water management practices.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) Installation of 4 x 9,000-litre water tanks to collect and store rainwater.
- (ii) Grey water treatment system with UV sanitization implemented for safe use.
- (iii) Irrigation system developed for local permaculture gardens and forest area.
- (iv) 40 community members and volunteers engaged in training on water management practices.
- (v) Contribution to climate resilience by promoting water reuse and reducing stress on local water resources.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Partnered with local community groups for system maintenance and training.




10. Association pour le Développement Durable – “Mangrove Mapping for Better Conservation & Restoration”

Category: Environmental / Biodiversity Conservation

Area of Focus: Mangrove Preservation, Coastal Protection, and Community Engagement




Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 40 direct (community members and trainees)

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Location:** South-East coast of Mauritius (from Mahébourg to Bambous Virieux)

Project Summary

The “Mangrove Mapping for Better Conservation & Restoration” project, led by the Association pour le Développement Durable (ADD), focuses on the protection and restoration of mangrove ecosystems in the south-east of Mauritius. Mangroves are crucial for coastal protection, biodiversity preservation, and carbon sequestration, yet they face habitat loss, coastal erosion, and limited community awareness. Through this initiative, mangrove areas are mapped, community members are trained, and educational activities are conducted to strengthen local stewardship and support long-term restoration efforts.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) Mangrove mapping completed for priority sites along the south-east coastline.
- (ii) Habitat restoration and coastal erosion monitoring initiated in collaboration with local authorities.
- (iii) Educational programs conducted with local communities and schools on the importance of mangroves.
- (iv) 40 direct beneficiaries trained in mangrove ecology, monitoring, and sustainable practices.
- (v) Data-driven conservation strategy prepared to guide future interventions and community participation.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Engaged with Reef Conservation and local schools for awareness activities.




11. Coral Garden Conservation – “CoralCommUNITY: Community-based Coral Fragment Revival”



Category: Environmental / Marine Conservation


Area of Focus: Coral Reef Restoration, Community Engagement, and Sustainable Fisheries

Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 40 direct (local fishermen and community volunteers)

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Location:** Southern lagoon areas, including Saint Felix and surrounding coastal villages



Project Summary

The “CoralCommUNITY” project, led by Coral Garden Conservation, promotes coral reef restoration and community-driven marine conservation. The initiative targets degraded coral reefs impacted by climate change, fishing practices, and unregulated tourism activities, aiming to revive corals and enhance local stewardship. The project combines scientific techniques for coral fragment transplantation with active community participation, integrating local fishermen as key stakeholders in reef monitoring and protection.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) Community-based coral nurseries established for the propagation of healthy coral fragments.
- (ii) Direct transplantation of “corals of opportunity” to degraded reef zones initiated.
- (iii) 40 local fishermen and volunteers trained in reef monitoring, conservation practices, and marine ecosystem protection.
- (iv) Awareness campaigns conducted on the importance of coral reefs for fisheries and coastal protection.
- (v) Contribution to adaptive reef management strategies for sustainable marine resource use.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

- Collaboration with Southern Handicapped Association for inclusive community participation.
- Technical support from Eco Marine Consultants Ltd for marine science and monitoring protocols.




12. EcoMode Society – “Coral Reef Evaluation & Restoration in Trou-aux-Biches”

Category: Environmental / Marine Conservation

Area of Focus: Coral Reef Restoration, Marine Ecosystem Monitoring, and Community Awareness



Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 40 direct (local community members and volunteers)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Location:** Trou-aux-Biches, Northern Mauritius

Project Summary

The “Coral Reef Evaluation & Restoration” project, implemented by EcoMode Society, focuses on restoring degraded coral reefs and raising awareness on marine ecosystem preservation in the Trou-aux-Biches lagoon. Coral reefs in this area have been severely impacted by coral bleaching, pollution, and human activity, threatening both marine biodiversity and coastal livelihoods. Through scientific evaluation, coral transplantation, and active community participation, the project contributes to long-term reef rehabilitation and local capacity building in marine conservation.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) Comprehensive reef evaluation conducted to identify priority restoration sites.
- (ii) Coral nurseries established and healthy coral fragments transplanted to degraded reef areas.
- (iii) 40 community members and volunteers trained in coral monitoring and reef-friendly practices.
- (iv) Awareness campaigns organized to promote marine conservation and responsible tourism.
- (v) Improved local engagement in reef stewardship, contributing to sustainable fisheries and eco-tourism.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Collaboration with Aqua Soleil and local dive professionals for reef monitoring and restoration activities.



13. Green Attitude Foundation – “Sea Turtle Preservation through Community Engagement”

Category: Environmental / Marine Conservation

Area of Focus: Marine Biodiversity Protection, Community Awareness, and Capacity Building




Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 40 direct (local volunteers and community members)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Location:** Northern and South-Eastern coastal regions of Mauritius

Project Summary

The “Sea Turtle Preservation through Community Engagement” project, led by the Green Attitude Foundation, focuses on the conservation of marine turtles in Mauritius by involving local communities and volunteers in monitoring, education, and awareness initiatives. Sea turtles face multiple threats, including habitat loss, poaching, and marine pollution, making community engagement essential to their long-term protection. The project promotes local stewardship by combining scientific monitoring, environmental education, and volunteer-driven conservation actions, reinforcing the link between marine biodiversity and community livelihoods.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 40 local volunteers and community members trained in sea turtle monitoring techniques.
- (ii) Community surveys conducted to identify nesting sites and key conservation areas.
- (iii) Awareness campaigns launched, including:
 - o Workshops in schools and villages
 - o Public events on marine biodiversity protection
- (iv) Volunteer network established to continue monitoring activities after the project period.
- (v) Strengthened local capacity for turtle conservation, fostering sustainable eco-tourism opportunities.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Engaged with local schools, fishermen, and community groups to support awareness activities.



14. Marine Megafauna Conservation Organisation – “EDUC Project: Explore, Discover, Understand, Conserve”



Category: Environmental / Marine Conservation

Area of Focus: Marine Ecosystem Awareness, Education for Children, and Biodiversity Protection



Quick Facts



Beneficiaries: 1,000+ direct (schoolchildren and teachers)



Duration: 12 months



Funding: MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)



Location: Various primary schools across Mauritius

Project Summary

The “EDUC Project”, led by the Marine Megafauna Conservation Organisation (MMCO), focuses on raising awareness and educating the next generation about the importance of marine ecosystems and biodiversity. Mauritius’ lagoons and marine life face critical threats from overfishing, habitat degradation, and climate change, making early education and community sensitisation essential for long-term conservation. The project engages primary schoolchildren and teachers through interactive lessons, comic books, and presentations on marine species, coral reefs, and conservation practices, aiming to foster environmental stewardship from a young age.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) Over 1,000 primary schoolchildren directly benefited from interactive learning sessions.
- (ii) Educational comic books on marine ecosystems designed, printed, and distributed in schools.
- (iii) School presentations and workshops conducted to raise awareness of:
 - o Endangered marine species
 - o Coral reef and lagoon protection
 - o Responsible use of marine resources
- (iv) Teachers equipped with educational materials to sustain environmental learning.
- (v) Increased environmental awareness among children, contributing to long-term behaviour change in local communities.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Partnered with local schools and education authorities for program delivery.




15. Mauritian Wildlife Foundation – “Learning with Nature”



Category: Environmental / Education & Biodiversity Conservation


Area of Focus: Environmental Education, Local Biodiversity Protection, and Community Engagement

Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 1,000+ (schoolchildren, teachers, and local community members)

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)

 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Location:** Île aux Aigrettes and associated outreach sites, South-East Mauritius

Project Summary

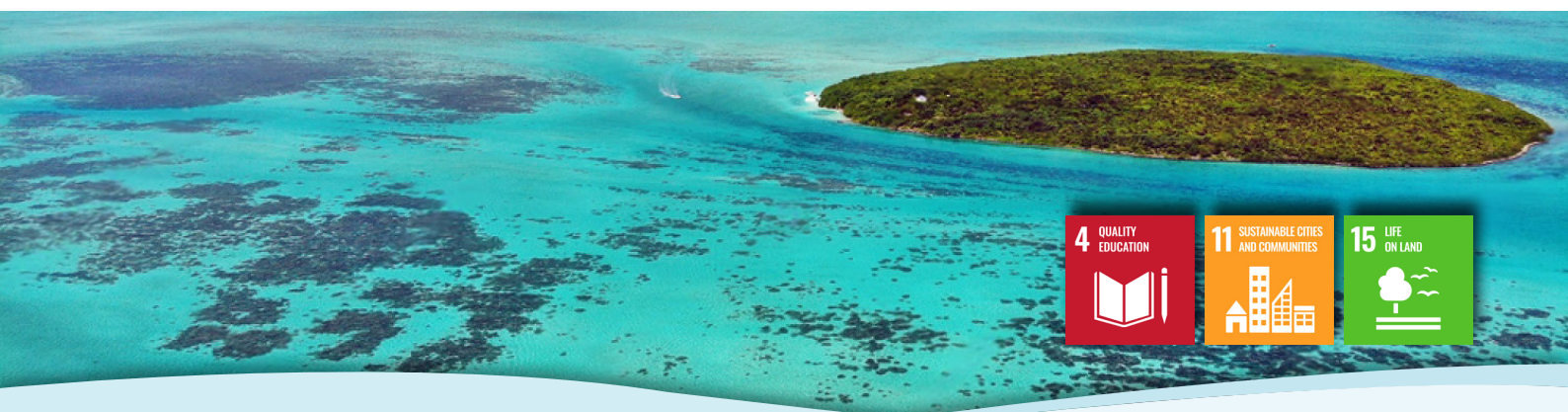
The “Learning with Nature” project, led by the Mauritian Wildlife Foundation (MWF), focuses on immersive environmental education to promote biodiversity conservation and community awareness. Mauritius is home to unique and endangered species, and this initiative allows students, teachers, and local community members to experience nature directly while learning about species protection and habitat preservation. Through educational visits to Île aux Aigrettes, interactive workshops, and the distribution of learning materials, the project aims to inspire environmental stewardship and encourage practical conservation actions in everyday life.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) 1,000+ participants (schoolchildren, teachers, and community members) engaged in educational activities.
- (ii) Field visits to Île aux Aigrettes conducted, providing hands-on learning about endemic flora and fauna.
- (iii) Educational materials and guides developed and distributed to schools and participants.
- (iv) Community awareness campaigns strengthened local engagement in biodiversity protection.
- (v) Enhanced appreciation of natural heritage, fostering long-term conservation behaviours.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Collaborated with local schools and environmental authorities for outreach.




16. Université des Mascareignes – “Seagrass Blue Carbon Mapping & Climate Vulnerability”

Category: Environmental / Research & Climate Action

Area of Focus: Seagrass Ecosystem Mapping, Blue Carbon Assessment, and Climate Change Impact Analysis

Quick Facts

 **Beneficiaries:** 40 direct (researchers, students, and local stakeholders)

 **Funding:** MUR 1,000,000 (approx.)



 **Duration:** 12 months

 **Location:** Coastal lagoons across Mauritius

Project Summary

The “Seagrass Blue Carbon Mapping & Climate Vulnerability” project, led by the Université des Mascareignes, focuses on scientific research and awareness for seagrass ecosystem conservation in Mauritius. Seagrass meadows play a critical role in carbon sequestration (“blue carbon”), marine biodiversity, and coastal protection, yet remain understudied and vulnerable to climate change impacts. The project combines mapping, carbon assessment, and climate vulnerability analysis with awareness seminars, providing scientific data and community knowledge to support future conservation and policy efforts.

Project Outcomes / Achievements

- (i) Seagrass mapping surveys conducted across key coastal lagoons in Mauritius.
- (ii) Carbon storage potential (blue carbon) evaluated to highlight the ecological value of seagrass meadows.
- (iii) Climate vulnerability assessment prepared to inform long-term conservation strategies.
- (iv) Awareness seminars and presentations delivered to local stakeholders, NGOs, and students.
- (v) Baseline scientific data generated, contributing to national and academic knowledge on marine ecosystems.

Collaboration with Other NGOs / Partners

Collaborated with local marine authorities and NGOs for fieldwork access and awareness activities.





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CORAL REEFS



WILD BIRDS



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December 19, 2024

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January 28, 2025

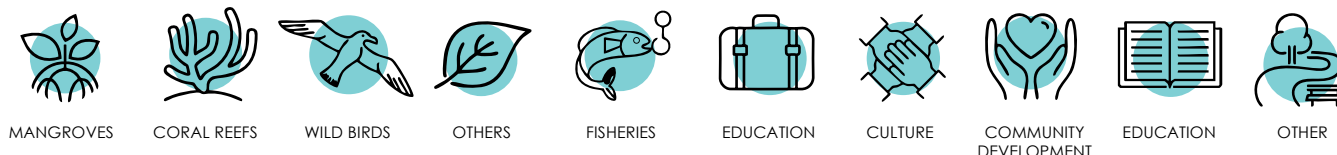
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June 5-19, 2025

As part of the Blue Frontier Project, MOL Charitable Trust welcomed Professor Naoki Tojo of Hokkaido University in June 2025. His workshop in Mahébourg gathered local fishers and stakeholders, advancing sustainable practices and reinforcing Japan-Mauritius cooperation.



OVERALL HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAM

Over its two-year of pilot and implementation phase, 3A GREENT achieved encouraging results. The following figures highlight the number of students impacted, the level of educator engagement, and the institutions that contributed to the program's rollout:



June 18, 2025

MOL Mauritius International Fund for Natural Environment Recovery and Sustainability holds the 3rd Year Project Outcome Reporting Session 2025

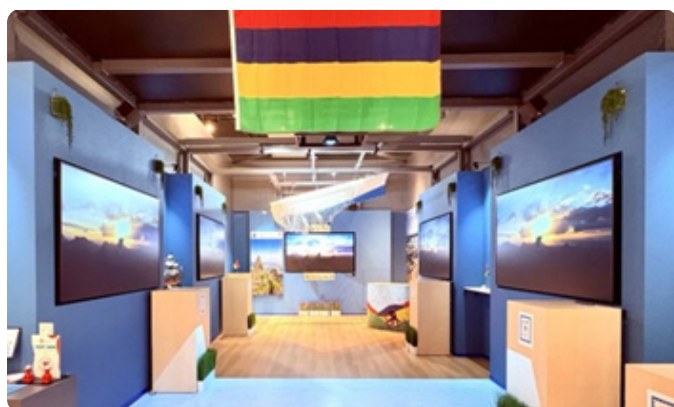
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