

**SECTION 11 - SOCIAL SECURITY**

**Table 11.1(a) - Social Benefits<sup>1</sup>, Republic of Mauritius, 2003/2004 - 2006/2007**

	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
<b>1. Social Aid</b>				
No. of cases	16,346	17,536	17,100	16,876
Total amount paid <sup>2</sup> (Million rupees)	295.26	317.33	348.96	394.60
<b>2. Indoor Relief</b>				
No. of persons in infirmaries	649	623	569	559
No. of persons in orphanages	177	139	117	102
Total capitation grant paid (Million rupees)	29.86	31.05	31.79	33.37
<b>3. Retirement pension and child's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	119,448	120,802 <sup>9</sup>	126,344	131,126
of which: severely handicapped	(16,366)	(16,596)	(17,112)	(17,397)
Contributory pension	36,100	37,895	39,472	41,827
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>3</sup>	3,156.93	3,486.24	4,128.98	4,459.11
Contributory pension	340.83	375.87	416.46	473.40
<b>4. Widow's pension and child's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	22,757	22,672	22,973	22,810
Contributory pension (All ages)	13,235	14,082	15,188	15,920
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>4</sup>	610.14	639.43	687.81	722.01
Contributory pension	78.09	91.52	103.98	124.21
<b>5. Orphan's pension and Guardian's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	529	457	434	377
Contributory pension	102	102	97	88
No. of guardians (basic pension)	437	392	363	314
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>5</sup>	14.40	14.11	14.55 <sup>10</sup>	14.86
Contributory pension	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.18
<b>6. Invalidity pension and child's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	25,035	25,646	27,638	27,603
of which: severely handicapped	(7,132)	(7,354)	(7,984)	(8,015)
Contributory pension	5,427	5,620	6,445	6,733
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>6</sup>	805.50	867.15	995.30	1,061.92
Contributory pension	21.66	22.73	26.91	29.15
<b>7. Inmates allowance<sup>7</sup></b>				
No. of beneficiaries :				
- in infirmaries & orphanages	575	548	480	486
- in Brown Sequard Hospital <sup>8</sup>	360	340	328	315
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	4.72	4.89	4.85	5.17
<b>8. Industrial injury benefit</b>				
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	26.20	27.19	28.99	29.60
<b>9. Lump sum payment to ex SIPF members</b>				
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	11.22	8.08	5.51	5.44
<b>10. Unemployment hardship relief</b>				
No. of beneficiaries	402	457	444	420
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	2.42	3.01	3.56	3.83

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**Table 11.1(b) - Social Benefits<sup>1</sup>, Island of Mauritius, 2003/2004 - 2006/2007**

	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
<b>1. Social Aid</b>				
No. of cases	14,558	15,708	15,259	15,265
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	220.70	245.98	269.70	335.93
<b>2. Indoor relief</b>				
No. of persons in infirmaries	649	623	569	559
No. of persons in orphanages	177	139	117	102
Total capitation grants paid (Million rupees)	29.86	31.05	31.79	33.37
<b>3. Retirement pension and child's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	116,047	117,319 <sup>9</sup>	122,723	127,420
of which: severely handicapped	(15,870)	(16,114)	(16,637)	(16,900)
Contributory pension	35,986	37,771	39,311	41,646
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>3</sup>	3,073.77	3,396.74	4,011.63	4,334.27
Contributory pension	340.42	375.45	415.37	472.14
<b>4. Widow's pension and child's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	22,399	22,306	22,589	22,412
Contributory pension (All ages)	13,198	14,043	15,139	15,868
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>4</sup>	602.66	632.02	675.93	709.30
Contributory pension	77.97	91.35	103.75	123.94
<b>5. Orphan's pension and Guardian's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	428	370	349	310
Contributory pension	101	101	96	88
No. of guardians (basic pension)	347	313	287	255
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>5</sup>	12.31	12.18	12.70	13.10
Contributory pension	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.18
<b>6. Invalidity pension and child's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	24,441	25,001	26,920	26,858
of which: severely handicapped	(6,927)	(7,077)	(7,655)	(7,661)
Contributory pension	5,416	5,609	6,429	6,710
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>6</sup>	787.49	845.60	968.54	1,032.04
Contributory pension	21.63	22.69	26.87	29.07
<b>7. Inmates allowance<sup>7</sup></b>				
No. of beneficiaries :				
- in infirmaries & orphanages	575	548	480	486
- in Brown Sequard Hospital <sup>8</sup>	360	340	328	315
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	4.72	4.89	4.85	5.17
<b>8. Industrial injury benefit</b>				
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	26.11	27.09	28.90	29.40
<b>9. Lump sum payment to ex SIPF members</b>				
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	11.22	8.08	5.51	5.44
<b>10. Unemployment hardship relief</b>				
No. of beneficiaries	164	197	173	163
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	0.90	1.16	1.19	1.13

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**Table 11.1(c) - Social Benefits<sup>1</sup>, Island of Rodrigues, 2003/2004 - 2006/2007**

	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
<b>1. Social Aid</b>				
No. of cases	1,788	1,828	1,841	1,611
Total amount paid <sup>2</sup> (Million rupees)	74.56	71.35	79.26	58.76
<b>2. Retirement pension and child's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	3,401	3,483 <sup>9</sup>	3,621	3,706
of which: severely handicapped	(496)	(482)	(475)	(497)
Contributory pension	114	124	161	181
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>3</sup>	83.16	89.50	117.35	124.84
Contributory pension	0.41	0.42	1.09	1.26
<b>3. Widow's pension and child's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	358	366	384	398
Contributory pension (All ages)	37	39	49	52
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>4</sup>	7.48	7.41	11.88	12.71
Contributory pension	0.12	0.17	0.23	0.27
<b>4. Orphan's pension and Guardian's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	101	87	85	67
Contributory pension	1	1	1	-
No. of guardians (basic pension)	90	79	76	59
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>5</sup>	2.09	1.93	1.85 <sup>10</sup>	1.76
Contributory pension	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
<b>5. Invalidity pension and child's allowance</b>				
No. of beneficiaries				
Basic pension	594	645	718	745
of which: severely handicapped	(205)	(277)	(329)	(354)
Contributory pension	11	11	16	23
Amount paid (Million rupees)				
Basic pension <sup>6</sup>	18.01	21.55	26.76	29.88
Contributory pension	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.08
<b>6. Industrial injury benefit</b>				
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.20
<b>7. Unemployment hardship relief</b>				
No. of beneficiaries	238	260	271	257
Total amount paid (Million rupees)	1.52	1.85	2.37	2.70

**Table 11.2 - Contribution to the National Pensions Fund, Republic of Mauritius 2003/2004 - 2006/2007**

	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
No. of employers contributing to the Fund <sup>11</sup>	16,300	16,500	16,800	17,000
Contribution from employers/employees (Million rupees)	1,256.1	1,312.9	1,446.5	1,571.9
Surcharge paid by employers (Million rupees)	9.8	1.0	0.9	1.1
Size of National Pensions Fund (Million rupees)	34,067.3	38,189.9	43,369.0 <sup>10</sup>	50,581.7

<sup>1</sup> The number relates to beneficiaries as at June and the amount to the indicated financial year.

<sup>2</sup> Including assistance given to the professional fishermen and food aid in Rodrigues.

<sup>3</sup> Including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension & Child's Allowance

<sup>4</sup> Including Child's Allowance.

<sup>5</sup> Including Guardian's Allowance and allowances to children of previous beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension.

<sup>6</sup> Including Carer's and Child's allowances

<sup>7</sup> An allowance paid to a person who is otherwise qualified to receive a basic pension but is disqualified to receive it, being an inmate of a charitable institution.

<sup>8</sup> Allowance is 1/4 of invalidity pension.

<sup>9</sup> Not paid on a universal basis from December 2004 to June 2005

<sup>10</sup> Revised

<sup>11</sup> Including self employed and those who have contributed at least once during the financial year.