

## REPORTING INSTRUMENT

### 1. Origin of the report [Help](#)

(a) Name of Contracting Party <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	Republic of Mauritius
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(e) Period reported <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	27 February 2005- 27 February 2007
(f) Date the report was submitted <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	23 February 2007

## 2. Demographics [Help](#)

(a) Age and sex:  [Help](#)

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Year (latest available)	Age groups	Percentage of <i>male</i> population	Percentage of <i>female</i> population	Percentage of <i>total</i> population
2005	10-14	9.9	10.1	10.0
2005	15-19	10.8	10.1	10.4
2005	20-24	11.5	11.8	11.6
2005	25-29	8.3	8.2	8.2
2005	20-74	56.4	57.0	56.7

(b) Ethnicity (optional):  [Help](#)

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Name of ethnic group	Percentage of total population

## 3. Tobacco use

i. Prevalence (ref. [Article 19.2\(a\)](#), [Article 20.2](#) and [Article 20.3\(a\)](#))  [Help](#)

(a) Smoking tobacco:  [Help](#)

	Age groups <sup>1</sup> (adults) 20-24	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence (%)
<b>Males</b>				
Daily smokers <sup>2</sup>				
Occasional smokers <sup>2</sup>				

<sup>1</sup> Preferably by 10-year categories; e.g. 25-34, 35-44, etc.

<sup>2</sup> Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

<b>Females</b>				
Daily smokers <sup>2</sup>				
Occasional smokers <sup>2</sup>				
<b>Total (males and females)</b>				
Daily smokers <sup>2</sup>				
Occasional smokers <sup>2</sup>				

	Age group (Adult) 25-29	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence (%)
<b>Males</b>				
Daily smokers <sup>3</sup>				
Occasional smokers <sup>2</sup>				
<b>Females</b>				
Daily smokers <sup>2</sup>				
Occasional smokers <sup>2</sup>				
<b>Total (males and females)</b>				
Daily smokers <sup>2</sup>				
Occasional smokers <sup>2</sup>				

	Age group (Adult) 20-74	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence (%)
<b>Males</b>				
Daily smokers <sup>4</sup>		cigarettes	2004	35.90
Occasional smokers <sup>2</sup>		cigarettes	2004	2.20
<b>Females</b>				
Daily smokers <sup>2</sup>		cigarettes	2004	5.10
Occasional smokers <sup>2</sup>		cigarettes	2004	0.20
<b>Total (males and females)</b>				
Daily smokers <sup>2</sup>		cigarettes	2004	18.00
Occasional smokers <sup>2</sup>		cigarettes	2004	1.00

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<sup>3</sup> Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

<sup>4</sup> Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

If available, please provide the average number of cigarettes smoked per day by the smoking population:

	Age groups <sup>5</sup> (adults) 20-24	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Average number of cigarettes smoked per day
<b>Male smokers<sup>6</sup></b>				
<b>Female smokers<sup>2</sup></b>				
<b>Total smokers<sup>2</sup></b>				

	Age group (Adult) 25-29	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Average number of cigarettes smoked per day
<b>Male smokers<sup>7</sup></b>				
<b>Female smokers<sup>2</sup></b>				
<b>Total smokers<sup>2</sup></b>				

	Age group (Adult) 20-74	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Average number of cigarettes smoked per day
<b>Male smokers<sup>8</sup></b>		cigarettes	2004	9.10
<b>Female smokers<sup>2</sup></b>		cigarettes	2004	6.30
<b>Total smokers<sup>2</sup></b>		cigarettes	2004	8.6

(b) Smokeless tobacco, including snuff and chewing tobacco (optional):  [Help](#)

	Age group 20-24	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence (%)
<b>Male</b>				

<sup>5</sup> Preferably by 10-year categories, e.g. 25-34, 35-44, etc.

<sup>6</sup> Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

<sup>7</sup> Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

<sup>8</sup> Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				
<b>Female</b>				
Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				
<b>Total</b>				
Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				

	Age group (Adult) 25-29	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence (%)
<b>Male</b>				
Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				
<b>Female</b>				
Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				
<b>Total</b>				
Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				

	Age group (Adult) 20-74	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence (%)
<b>Male</b>				
Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				
<b>Female</b>				
Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				
<b>Total</b>				
Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				

(c) If prevalence data is appropriate and available for ethnic groups, please provide.  [Help](#)

	Ethnic group	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence (%)
Daily users				
Occasional users <sup>2</sup>				

(d) If prevalence data is appropriate and available for youth groups, please provide.  [Help](#)

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	Youth groups <sup>9</sup> 13-15	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence <sup>10</sup> (%)
Males		cigarettes	2003	21.60
Females		cigarettes	2003	8.50

ii. Supply  [Help](#)

(a) Licit supply of tobacco (ref. **Article 20.4(c)** and **Article 15.4(a)** in accordance with **Article 15.5**)  [Help](#)

	Domestic production	Exports	Imports
Year (latest available)	2006	2006	2006
Quantity (specify product and unit; e.g. millions of cigarettes)	745.85 millions of cigarettes	35 tons of tobacco leaves	275 millions of cigarettes

Note: licit supply = domestic production + (imports - exports)

<sup>9</sup> Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

<sup>10</sup> Parties should provide definition for youth smoking; e.g. at least one cigarette in the past 30 days.

- (b) Please provide information regarding duty-free sales volumes, if available.  [Help](#)

Not available

- (c) Seizures of illicit tobacco (ref. **Article 15.4(a)**) in accordance with **Article 15.5**)  [Help](#)

	Year (latest available)	Quantity seized (specify unit, e.g., millions of pieces)
Cigarettes	2006	242 cartridges
Other tobacco products (optional; please specify product) : chewing tobacco	2006	3800 pouches 789 packets

- (d) Please provide information regarding illicit or smuggled tobacco (optional) (ref. **Article 15.4(a)**) in accordance with **Article 15.5**).  [Help](#)

#### 4. Taxation [Help](#)

- (a) Please provide your rates of taxation for tobacco products for all levels of government, and be as specific as possible (specify the type of tax: excise, VAT or sales, import duties) (ref. **Article 6.3**).  [Help](#)

1. Excise duty specific (both locally manufactured and imported):

cigarettes: vary from Rs 1,770 to Rs 2,370 per thousand cigarettes depending on category

cigars: Rs 7,500 per kg

2. Value Added Tax (both locally manufactured and imported):

cigarettes: 15%

cigars: 15%

3. Import duties (cigarettes and cigars): 30%

- (b) Please attach the relevant documentation (ref. **Article 6.3**). (Please provide documentation in one of the six official languages, if available.)  [Help](#)
- (c) Please provide retail prices for the three most popular brands of domestic and imported tobacco products in your jurisdiction, and the relevant year (ref. **Article 6.2(a)**).  [Help](#)

Viceroy: Rs 32 for a packet of 10 cigarettes  
 Embassy: Rs 37 for a packet of 10 cigarettes  
 Matinee: Rs 40 for a packet of 10 cigarettes

5. **Legislative, executive, administrative and other measures**  [Help](#)

i. **Core questions**  [Help](#)

It should be noted that the measures identified below are not exhaustive, but reflect the spirit and intent of the Convention.

Please check yes or no. For affirmative answers, you are asked to attach a brief summary and the relevant documentation. (Please provide documentation in one of the six official languages, if available.)

Article	Pursuant to <b>Article 21.1(a)</b> , have you adopted and implemented legislative, executive, administrative and/or other measures on:	Yes (please attach a brief summary and relevant documentation)	No
<b>Price and tax measures to reduce the demand for tobacco</b>			
<b>6.2(b)</b>	Prohibiting or restricting sales to and/or importations by international travellers of tax- and duty-free tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke</b>		<b>Full/Partial/None</b>	
<b>8.2</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	in indoor workplaces?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	- government buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	- health care facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	- educational facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	- private workplaces	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	- other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	in public transport?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
in indoor public places?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	



	- bars and night clubs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	- restaurants	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	- other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If you responded “Partial” to the measures outlined in Article 8.2, please provide specific details of the partial ban here: The Public Health (Restrictions on Tobacco Products) Regulations of 1999 restrict smoking in many places in Mauritius. However, interpretation of the following clause is difficult: “No person shall smoke in any part of any office premises or other place of work intended for use by the public.” It might include bars, restaurants and nightclubs. The revised regulations which is being worked out will be more explicit on these issues.</p>				
<b>Regulation of tobacco product disclosures</b>				
<b>10</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	Requiring manufacturers and/or importers of tobacco products to disclose to governmental authorities information about contents?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Illicit trade in tobacco products</b>				
<b>15.2(a)</b>	Requiring marking of packaging to assist in determining the origin of the product?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	and to assist in determining whether the product is legally for sale on the domestic market?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>15.3</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	Requiring that marking is in legible form and/or appear in its principal language or languages?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>15.4(b)</b>	Enacting or strengthening legislation against illicit trade in tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>15.4(e)</b>	Enabling the confiscation of proceeds derived from the illicit trade?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>15.7</b>	Licensing or other actions to control or regulate production and distribution?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Sales to and by minors</b>				
<b>16.1</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	Prohibiting the sales of tobacco products to minors?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		Specify legal age: 18		
<b>16.2</b>	Prohibiting or promoting the prohibition of the distribution of free tobacco products to the public and especially minors?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>16.3</b>	Prohibiting the sale of cigarettes individually or in small packets?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>16.6</b>	Providing for penalties against sellers and distributors?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>16.7</b>	Prohibiting the sales of tobacco products by minors?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Liability</b>				
<b>19.1</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	Dealing with criminal and civil liability, including compensation where appropriate?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

ii. **Optional questions**  [Help](#)

It should be noted that responses to these questions are not required at the time of Group 1 reports, but may be answered at this time if applicable.

Article	Have you adopted and implemented legislative, executive, administrative and/or other measures on:	Yes (please attach a brief summary and relevant documentation) <sup>11</sup>	No
<b>Regulation of the contents of tobacco products</b>			
9 <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	Testing and measuring the contents of tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Testing and measuring the emissions of tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Regulating the contents of tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Regulating the emissions of tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Packaging and labelling of tobacco products</b>			
11.1(a) <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>	Requiring that packaging and labelling do not promote a product by any means that are false, misleading, deceptive or likely to create an erroneous impression?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11.1(b)	Requiring that packaging and labelling also carry health warnings describing the harmful effects of tobacco use?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.1(b)(i)	Ensuring that the health warnings are approved by the competent national authority?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.1(b)(ii)	Ensuring that the health warnings are rotating?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11.1(b)(iii)	Ensuring that the health warnings are large, clear, visible and legible?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11.1(b)(iv)	Ensuring that the health warnings occupy no less than 30% of the principal display areas?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Ensuring that the health warnings occupy 50% or more of the principal display areas?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11.1(b)(v)	Ensuring that the health warnings are in the form of, or include, pictures or pictograms?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11.2	Requiring that packaging and labelling contains information on relevant constituents and emissions of tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11.3	Requiring that the warnings and other textual information appear on each unit package, and on any outside packaging and labelling in your principal language or languages?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<sup>11</sup> Please provide these documents in one of the six official languages, if available, and please specify sections of your legislation related to each “yes” response.

Tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>			
13.2	Instituting a comprehensive ban of all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	including on cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from its territory?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13.3	Applying restrictions, in the absence of a comprehensive ban, on all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Restricting or instituting a comprehensive ban on cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from its territory?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13.4(a)	Prohibiting all forms of tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship that promote a tobacco product by any means that are false, misleading, deceptive or likely to create an erroneous impression?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13.4(b)	Requiring that health or other appropriate warnings or messages accompany all tobacco advertising and promotion and sponsorship?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13.4(c)	Restricting the use of direct or indirect incentives that encourage the purchase of tobacco products by the public?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13.4(d)	Requiring the disclosure to relevant governmental authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13.4(e)	Restricting tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship on radio, television, print media and other media, such as the Internet?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13.4(f)	Prohibiting or restricting tobacco sponsorship of international events, activities and/or participants therein?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you have any additional legislation or other measures not covered in Question 5, you may provide additional details here:  [Help](#)

## 6. Programmes and plans [Help](#)

### i. Core questions [Help](#)

It should be noted that the measures identified below are not exhaustive, but reflect the spirit and intent of the Convention.

	Yes (please attach the relevant documentation) <sup>12</sup>	No
Have you developed and implemented comprehensive multisectoral national tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes? ( <b>Article 5.1</b> )	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If no, have some partial strategies, plans and programmes been developed and implemented? ( <b>Article 5.1</b> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you responded yes to either of the first two questions, which of the following do these strategies, plans and programmes cover? Please check, and provide a brief summary. (Please provide the summary in one of the six official languages.)

<b>General obligations</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>		
<b>5.2(a)</b>	A national coordinating mechanism or focal point(s) for tobacco control? A National Steering Committee on Tobacco Control exists which includes all stakeholders.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>5.3</b>	Protection of policies from the commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Education, communication, training and public awareness</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>		
<b>12(a)</b>	Broad access to effective and comprehensive educational and public awareness programmes on the health risks? Community-based activities are held on a daily basis with different target groups. Media activities are held regularly.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	... targeted at adults and/or the general public? Activities target both the general public and adults. These population groups are reached through community outlets.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	... targeted at children and youth? These groups are reached mostly through schools and youth centres.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>12(b)</b>	Public awareness about the health risks of tobacco consumption and exposure to tobacco smoke, and about the benefits of the cessation of tobacco use and tobacco-free lifestyles? Various channels of communication are used to create awareness on these issues like face-to-face communication, little media and mass media.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>12(c)</b>	Public access to a wide range of information on the tobacco industry?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>12(e)</b>	Awareness and participation of public and private agencies and nongovernmental organizations not affiliated with the tobacco industry in developing and implementing intersectoral programmes and strategies for tobacco control? The Ministry of Health works in consultation with other government Ministries, para-statal bodies and NGOs to generate support for anti-tobacco awareness programmes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<sup>12</sup> Please provide these documents in one of the six official languages, if possible.

<b>Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>		
<b>14.1</b>	Comprehensive and integrated guidelines based on scientific evidence and best practices to promote cessation of tobacco use and adequate treatment for tobacco dependence?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>14.2(d)</b>	Facilitation of accessibility and affordability for treatment of tobacco dependence including pharmaceutical products?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Provision of support for economically viable alternative activities</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>		
<b>17</b>	Promotion of economically viable alternatives for tobacco workers, growers and, as the case may be, individual sellers?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Research, surveillance and exchange of information</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>		
<b>20.1(a)</b>	Research that addresses the determinants and consequences of tobacco consumption and exposure to tobacco smoke as well as research for identification of alternative crops?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>20.4(b)</b>	Updated data from national surveillance programmes? Mauritius is among the countries that have completed the Global Youth Tobacco Survey. We expect to repeat it in 2008. Prevalence in the age group 20-74 years is monitored through the NCD surveys that are held every 5 years.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

ii. **Optional questions**  [Help](#)

<b>Education, communication, training and public awareness</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>		
<b>12(d)</b>	Appropriate training or awareness programmes on tobacco control addressed to persons such as health, community and social workers, media professionals, educators, decision-makers, administrators and other concerned persons? Certain groups like community leaders and health professionals are regularly exposed to tobacco-related awareness activities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>12(f)</b>	Public awareness of and access to information regarding the adverse health, economic, and environmental consequences of tobacco production and consumption? Awareness activities held regularly and educational materials like pamphlets produced.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<b>Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>		
<b>14.2(a)</b>	Design and implementation of programmes aimed at promoting the cessation of tobacco use, in such locations as educational institutions, health care facilities, workplaces and sporting environments?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>14.2(b)</b>	Diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence and counselling services on cessation of tobacco use in national health and education programmes, plans and strategies, with the participation of health workers, community workers and social workers?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>14.2(c)</b>	Establishment in health care facilities and rehabilitation centres of programmes for diagnosing, counselling, preventing and treating tobacco dependence?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Protection of the environment and the health of persons</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>		
<b>18</b>	Due regard to the protection of the environment and the health of persons in relation to the environment in respect of tobacco cultivation and manufacture within its territory?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Research, surveillance and exchange of information</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Help</a>		
<b>20.1(b)</b>	Training and support for all those engaged in tobacco control activities, including research, implementation and evaluation? Focal person for the GYTS trained	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>20.2</b>	Programmes for national, regional and global surveillance of the magnitude, patterns, determinants and consequences of tobacco consumption and exposure to tobacco smoke?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>20.3(a)</b>	A national system for epidemiological surveillance of tobacco consumption and related social, economic and health indicators?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>20.4</b>	The exchange of publicly available scientific, technical, socioeconomic, commercial and legal information, as well as information regarding practices of the tobacco industry and the cultivation of tobacco?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>20.4(a)</b>	An updated database of laws and regulations on tobacco control, and information about their enforcement, as well as pertinent jurisprudence?	<input type="checkbox"/>

## **7. Technical and financial assistance** [Help](#)

The goal of this section is to assist the Secretariat in facilitating the coordination of available skills and resources with identified needs.

Pursuant to **Article 21.1(c)**, have you either provided or received financial or technical assistance (be it through unilateral, bilateral, regional, subregional or other multilateral channels, including relevant regional and international intergovernmental organizations and financial and development institutions) for the development and strengthening of multisectoral comprehensive tobacco control programmes of developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in any of the following areas:

	Assistance provided (please give details below)	Assistance received (please give details below)
Development, transfer and acquisition of technology, knowledge, skills, capacity and expertise related to tobacco control? ( <b>Article 22.1(a)</b> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No
Provision of technical, scientific, legal and other expertise to establish and strengthen national tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes? ( <b>Article 22.1(b)</b> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Appropriate training or sensitization programmes for appropriate personnel in accordance with Article 12? ( <b>Article 22.1(c)</b> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Provision of the necessary material, equipment and supplies, as well as logistical support, for tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes? ( <b>Article 22.1(d)</b> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Identification of methods for tobacco control, including comprehensive treatment of nicotine addiction? ( <b>Article 22.1(e)</b> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Promotion of research to increase the affordability of comprehensive treatment of nicotine addiction? ( <b>Article 22.1(f)</b> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Other. Specify:		
<p>Additional details:</p> <p>If you answered no to any of the above, please identify any financial or technical assistance that may be under consideration.</p> <p>Mauritius requires technical and financial assistance for the following: development of a smoking cessation programme based on behavioural and pharmacological therapies; instruments for the measurement of tobacco smoke levels in different settings; surveillance and evaluation of programmes/projects; testing and measuring contents and emissions of tobacco smoke; media campaign planning on tobacco; capacity building for programme managers in planning and monitoring.</p> <p>If you answered yes to any of the above, please identify the country or countries from/to which assistance was received/provided.</p> <p>Technical and financial assistance was received from the WHO and CDC for the design and execution of the Global Youth Tobacco Survey 2003.</p>		

Pursuant to **Article 21.3**, have you either provided or received financial or technical assistance to support developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in meeting reporting obligations?

Assistance provided <input type="checkbox"/> Help	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (please give details below)	Assistance received	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (please give details below)
<p>Additional details:</p> <p>If you answered no to any of the above, please identify any financial or technical assistance that may be under consideration.</p>			

If you answered yes to any of the above, please identify the country or countries from/to which assistance was received/provided.

Have you identified any specific gaps between the resources available and the needs assessed, for the financial and technical assistance provided or received?  [Help](#)

Yes (please give details below)

No

Additional details: Technical and financial assistance is inadequate for the execution of priority tobacco-related activities as mentioned in Section 7 above.

## 8. Priorities for implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control [Help](#)

What are the priority areas for implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in your jurisdiction? (Ref. **Article 21.1(b)**)

Strengthen the existing regulation on tobacco control against FCTC regulations  
Setting up of a smoking cessation programme using preferably both the behavioural and pharmacological therapies  
Strengthen countermarketing strategies through appropriate regulations.

What, if any, are the constraints or barriers you have encountered in implementing the Convention? (ref. **Article 21.1(b)**)

The process is a bit long and requires intense coordination among policy-makers.

## 9. Additional comments [Help](#)

Please provide any relevant information not covered elsewhere that you feel is important.

**A National Action Plan on Tobacco Control for Mauritius will soon be available for the period 2007-2009**



**Secretariat: Brief summary for Q5i.**

**Article 15.7 Providing for penalties against sellers and distributors?**

**Brief summary: All sellers of tobacco products in Mauritius are legally bound to possess a licence which is renewable every year.**

**Article 16.1 Prohibiting the sales of tobacco products to minors?**

**Brief summary: The Global Youth Tobacco Survey confirms that compliance to this regulation is not satisfactory**

**Article 16.6 Providing for penalties against sellers and distributors?**

**Brief summary: Any person who contravenes the present regulations on tobacco is liable-**

**On a first conviction, to a fine of not less than 1000 rupees and not more than 2000 rupees;**

**On a second conviction, to a fine of not less than 2000 rupees and not more than 5000 rupees;**

**On a third or subsequent conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.**

**Q5ii Optional questions: Brief summary**

**Article 11.1(b) Requiring that packaging and labelling also carry health warnings describing the harmful effects of tobacco use?**

**Brief summary: All locally manufactured cigarette packets carry the following warning: "Smoking causes cancer, heart disease and bronchitis"**

**Article 11.1(b)(i) Ensuring that the health warnings are approved by the competent national authority?**

**Brief summary: The above warning has been prescribed by the competent local authority**

**Article 11.3 Requiring that the warnings and other textual information appear on each unit package, and on any outside packaging and labelling in your principal language or languages?**

**Brief summary: The warning is in English, the official language of Mauritius.**

**Article 13.2 Instituting a comprehensive ban of all tobacco advertising, promotion and**

**sponsorship?**

**Brief summary:** Advertising and promotion are banned in any manner. Sponsorship is banned in any form.

**Article 13.4(e) Restricting tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship on radio, television, print media and other media, such as the Internet?**

**Brief summary:** Advertising, promotion and sponsorship on the internet are not regulated. High compliance is noted for ban of advertising and promotion. Sponsorship by the local tobacco company is still common.

**Article 13.4(f) Prohibiting or restricting tobacco sponsorship of international events, activities and/or participants therein?**

**Brief summary:** No such sponsorship is allowed.

**Q6i If no, have some partial strategies, plans, programmes been developed and implemented?**

**Brief summary:** Awareness and educational activities have been held with different target groups. World No-Tobacco Days have been marked. Educational and media materials have been produced and used.

## 10. Questionnaire feedback

- (a) Please provide feedback for improvement of the Group 1 questionnaire.  [Help](#)

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- (b) Please provide input for the future development of the Group 2 questionnaire.  
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