(A) **500 ARPENTS SCHEME**

Please see Annexures IA (Consolidated Summary) and IIA (Progress Report of AREU as of October 2009, as submitted to Steering Committee meeting of 15th December 2009), and also be reminded that the 500 Arpents Scheme is made up of the following:

(A) RBSE Lands  ~ 300 Arpents (at Banane & Le Val)
(B) SIT Lands  ~ 100 Arpents (at St. Avold)
(C) MSPA  ~ 100 Arpents (over 18 S.E. around the island)
Annex IA

(A) Rose Belle Sugar Estate Land (RBSE) (sometimes also referred to as the 300 Arpents Scheme)

This Scheme is being implemented at Rose Belle Sugar Estate (RBSE) since 2006, with the first lease agreement signed in January 2007.

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<th>Project Site</th>
<th>Total Area (Arp)</th>
<th>Total No. of plots</th>
<th>Total No. of lessees</th>
<th>Vacant/available plots</th>
<th>Area Vacant/Available (Arp.)</th>
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<tr>
<td>(A) Crop Project (Banane)</td>
<td>213.74</td>
<td>179</td>
<td>171</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0.98</td>
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<td>(B) Livestock Project (Le Val)</td>
<td>85.01</td>
<td>56</td>
<td>50</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>298.75</td>
<td>235</td>
<td>221</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0.98</td>
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Due to continuing non-occupancy of some plots, 83 plots (102.76 Arpents) were retrieved from 81 beneficiaries in 2008 and reallocated to applicants on a waiting list. This became the clustering project under the Food Security Fund Initiatives.

Hence, the original Crop Project at Banane has been restructured as follows, while also taking account of a further survey undertaken by AREU + RBSE in June 2009 on prevailing occupancy rate.

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<th>Project/Site</th>
<th>Total Area (Arp)</th>
<th>Total No. of plots</th>
<th>Total No. of lessees</th>
<th>Vacant/Plots to be retrieved/available</th>
<th>Vacant/Area/Arp.</th>
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<td>(i) Crop Project (Banane I) *</td>
<td>110.10</td>
<td>96</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>(69 #)</td>
<td>(80.25 #)</td>
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<td>(ii) Crop Project (Banane II) ** (Following reallocation of part of original project area)</td>
<td>102.96</td>
<td>83 (63 retrieval + 20 lessees voluntarily joining clustering project)</td>
<td>74</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>4.85</td>
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<td>(iii) Livestock Project (Le Val)</td>
<td>85.01</td>
<td>56</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>10.65</td>
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<tr>
<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>298.75</td>
<td>235</td>
<td>215</td>
<td>(81)</td>
<td>(95.75)</td>
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* Residual of Original Crop Project (Banane) ~ Individual Lessees
** This is the now Food Security Fund Clustering Project
# These are in the process of retrieval, subject to the following reasons:
(a) Unoccupied + defaulting in rental payment ≡ 26 plots (29.22 Arp)
(b) Unoccupied only ≡ 3 plots (3.14 Arp)
(c) Occupied but defaulting in rental payment ≡ 40 plots (47.89 Arp)
(i) The **Banane I project** therefore has only 27 plots (29.85 arp) with regularized utilization (i.e. occupied with rental payment).

(ii) The **Banane II Project** under the Food Security Fund Initiative: land has been cleared and prepared mechanically prior to lease, funded by the Food Security Fund. Drains have yet to be rehabilitated, although RBSE had already allocated the contract following tender exercise, due to fund limitation; Food Security Fund has in fact capped all land preparation expenses to Rs 4.0 million.

(iii) The **Livestock Project at Le Val**: This is still constrained in its use by unavailability of water and electricity at the site, estimated to cost around Rs 9.5 million, for which no fund is available until now. Three (3) options were given to the lessees in February 2009, the outcome being that (i) only 6 lessees relinquished 8 plots (10.65 Arp.); (ii) none wanted to shift to crop production and, therefore (iii) all the 44 remaining lessees are maintaining their livestock project. Some of them have formed a Cooperative Society and negotiating with CEB for electricity supply as SKC Dairy Fresh Ltd. has already brought this facility to about 300 m from the site. However, as of date the site is still in an abandoned state with no plot being occupied.

(iv) **Latest Update**: According to RBSE, only 5 leases remain, holding 7 plots. All the other plots have been relinquished. All new lessees/reallocations are being effected by RBSE (interview panel), which then are sent for Ministry’s clearance before finalisation.

(B) **SIT: Land at St. Avold (100 Arp) (Phase I)**

As per AREU report (November 2009), there were 96 lessees (with 96 plots) with 92.7% occupancy. Land preparation on 28 plots is being currently undertaken.

(C) **MSPA Land (100 Arpents)**

18 Sugar Estates are involved in the Scheme, with 15 S.E lands already leased out to 147 lessees. 113 plots are under cultivation out of the 147 allocated, i.e. occupancy of 76.87%. Please see details in Annex IIA (Report from AREU).

2 S.E have not yet allocated their plots:

(a) **Union S.E.**: This S.E. has completed its Master Plan for its land development strategy, and identified a plot of land currently under sugar cane cultivation, to be devoted to the project. A site visit has already been effected by end July 2009 with AREU technicians to determine its suitability. Technical report of AREU has been submitted to Ministry and approval is still awaited. Delay would now make land available only after sugar cane harvest of 2010.

(b) **St. Felix S.E.**: Similar suitability assessment yet to be effected by AREU, for plots already identified, after sugar cane harvest and clearing.
(c) **Riche en Eau S.E:** 9 leased plots still fallow, lessees not making use of land.

(d) **St Aubin S.E:** Plots to be surrendered and reallocated.

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