

## MESSAGES FROM OUR EXECUTIVES



### A SHORT MESSAGE FROM OUR GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE, PIERRE GUY NOËL

I AM PROUD OF WHAT MCB GROUP HAS ACHIEVED IN RECENT YEARS, DESPITE THE CHALLENGES WE HAVE FACED.

For more than 180 years, MCB has strived to provide unwavering support to its customers and promote the development of Mauritius and the region. This commitment has remained resolute despite experiencing difficult circumstances amid unforeseen events, such as the pandemic. Throughout, MCB Group maintained its momentum and continued to find ways to meaningfully contribute to the economic, social and environmental landscapes of Mauritius and the countries we operate in.

Presently, climate change represents a significant challenge for every individual and business around the world. The consequences are particularly pronounced for small island developing states like ours; despite being responsible for an insignificant proportion of global greenhouse gas emissions, we are bound to face the same catastrophic impact of this global climate transformation.

The solution to this challenging issue will require collective thinking and co-creation of innovative and inclusive business models that integrate mitigation and adaptation measures. This approach is deemed essential to help Mauritius and the region transition towards a low-carbon economy where no one is left behind.

In this respect, public-private partnerships will be key to unlocking opportunities for climate resilience. At MCB, we reaffirm the strong commitments we have made to contribute towards building a more sustainable economy. As one of Mauritius' leading private institutions, we seek to rally our diverse stakeholders around this common goal and encourage collaboration that will safeguard the country's future. We are committed to supporting sustainable innovation and responsible entrepreneurship that will ignite the nation's transition journey.

What is deeply encouraging is the willingness of our employees to advance our sustainability agenda, as well as the level of engagement we have seen from other stakeholders such as partners, suppliers and customers. Without this collaboration, we could not have achieved what we set out to accomplish.

We hope to enjoy the same support as we move ahead with our sustainability agenda within an increasingly challenging operating environment exacerbated by geopolitical tensions and energy and food insecurity, to name a few.

To conclude, I would like to reemphasise our shared responsibility and accountability to ensure a smooth and efficient climate transition. At MCB Group, we remain focused on aligning our individual and collective efforts to effectively face ongoing and forthcoming challenges toward building a prosperous planet for future generations. I have no doubt that together we will succeed in building a more sustainable and inclusive economy that will be more respectful of our ecosystems.

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