



ANNUAL REPORT 2024

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STATEMENT

by the Chairman

On behalf of the Board of Directors, it is my privilege to present to you the 2024 Annual Report & the latest Audited Financial Statements of the company, for the year ending 2023. During the years under review, SPGA has demonstrated resilience, presenting an improved financial performance as compared to the preceding years.

Our commitment to conserving Seychelles' unique biodiversity and enhancing the well-being of our communities remains our guiding principle. Against this backdrop, innovation has been at the forefront of our initiatives. We have embraced new technologies and methodologies to enhance our conservation efforts, including the use of data analytics for wildlife monitoring and GIS mapping for habitat management. These innovations not only improve our operational efficiency but also allow us to make more informed decisions in our conservation strategies. Financially, the Authority has demonstrated resilience and strength, allowing us to invest in vital projects that support our strategic goals. This financial stability enables us to pursue innovative projects, such as habitat restoration and educational outreach programs, furthering our mission to protect Seychelles' natural treasures.

Corporate governance remains a cornerstone of our operations. The Authority is committed to maintaining the highest standards of transparency and accountability. The Board of Directors has played a vital role in providing oversight, ensuring that policies and practices align with our mission and ethical standards.

As we look to the year ahead, our determination to move forward remains unwavering, as we commit to implementing prudent measures to ensure continued success. We will continue to adapt our strategies in response to the evolving challenges posed by climate change and habitat loss. Together with our stakeholders, we strive to create a resilient and sustainable future for our parks and gardens. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our management team, staff, partners, and the community for their unwavering support and commitment. Let us continue to work hand in hand to protect the paradise we call home.

Lucas d'Offay



Chairman - Board of Directors



FOREWORD

by the CEO

As we turn the pages of the 2024 Annual Report, it is with a profound sense of pride and reflection that I address our stakeholders, staff members, partners, and the communities who share our commitment to preserving the natural beauty and ecological integrity of our protected areas. The past year has been a remarkable journey, marked by both challenges and triumphs that have shaped our approach to conservation and sustainable management of our parks and gardens.

In the face of unprecedented environmental shifts and the lingering impacts of global challenges, our dedicated team has risen to the occasion, implementing innovative strategies to safeguard our cherished biodiversity. We find ourselves amidst a landscape of growth and resilience, and we have made significant strides in protecting our unique ecosystems, ensuring that future generations can bask in the natural splendour that defines Seychelles. The Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority has continued to uphold its commitment to preserving the unique biodiversity of our islands, even in the face of challenges, in great regards to our dedicated team who has worked diligently to protect our parks and gardens.

Throughout 2024, we have successfully launched several initiatives aimed at enhancing conservation efforts such as the first-ever Seychelles Coral Festival and the State of the Art EarthRanger Platform, as well as promoting sustainable tourism. These projects have not only fostered greater public awareness of our environmental stewardship but have also engaged local, regional and international partners in meaningful ways.

Reminiscing on the past year, we celebrate our achievements while acknowledging the work that lies ahead. The journey of conservation is ongoing, and with the continued support and collaboration of all parties, we are poised to make even greater strides in the preservation of our precious parks and gardens. As we look ahead to the coming year, the horizon is filled with opportunities and we reaffirm our efforts in mindfully embarking on ambitious projects designed to expand our conservation capabilities. Furthermore, we aim to strengthen our partnerships with local communities and international organizations, pooling resources and knowledge to tackle the pressing environmental issues we face.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication.



Allen Cedras
Chief Executive Officer





BOARD

of Directors



Lucas d'Offay (Mr.)

Chairperson

With over 16 years of experience in the tourism and hospitality industry as a General Manager, Mr. d'Offay brings extensive leadership, operational expertise, and strategic insight to every role. His strong foundation in hotel management has enabled him to make meaningful contributions within the public sector. As Chairperson of the Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority, Mr. d'Offay has played a key role in driving new business initiatives that support the Authority's financial sustainability and enhance service delivery. His leadership has been defined by a firm commitment to accountability, transparency, and good governance—values that have strengthened public confidence and institutional integrity. Through a forward-thinking approach, he remains dedicated to aligning SPGA's operations with national conservation and development priorities.



Bernadette Willemin (Mrs.)

Vice-Chairperson

Mrs. Willemin serves as the Director General for the Destination Marketing Division at Tourism Seychelles, a role she has held since June 2021. With over three decades of international experience, she has spearheaded strategic marketing efforts across key global markets, significantly enhancing Seychelles' visibility as a leading travel destination. As Vice Chairperson, she actively supports the Authority's mission to advocate for sustainable practices and conservation efforts, ensuring the safekeeping of the nation's protected spaces. Her leadership bridges environmental stewardship with tourism promotion, emphasizing the vital link between sustainability and destination growth.



Lenny Gabriel (Mr.)

Director

Mr. Lenny Gabriel has a diverse background in investment promotion, business development, and information technology. He served as Deputy CEO of the Seychelles Investment Board, where he played a key role in promoting investment into Seychelles and facilitating investment projects. Mr. Gabriel holds a Bachelor of Business with a Double Major in Information Systems & E-Commerce from Edith Cowan University, Perth, Western Australia and is currently pursuing an MSc in Applied Economics (Banking & Finance) from the University of Bath, United Kingdom. A versatile professional with a strong commitment to fostering economic growth and innovation, Mr. Gabriel serves as the Deputy Executive Director of the Guy Morel Institute.



Ashley Dias (Ms.)

Director

Ms. Dias holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Science, with specializations in Integrated Coastal Zone Management, Climate Change Adaptation, and Fisheries Science. An environmental leader with over 14 years of dedicated experience in biodiversity conservation and policy development, having served at the Department of Environment, contributing significantly to Seychelles' environmental management and sustainable development efforts. Recently, Ms. Dias transitioned to the Department of Blue Economy, where she currently holds the position of Principal Programme Development Officer. Her comprehensive understanding of marine and terrestrial ecosystem management enables her to contribute strategically to the Authority's mandate of preserving and enhancing Seychelles' protected areas.

BOARD

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Melton Ernesta (Mr.)

Director

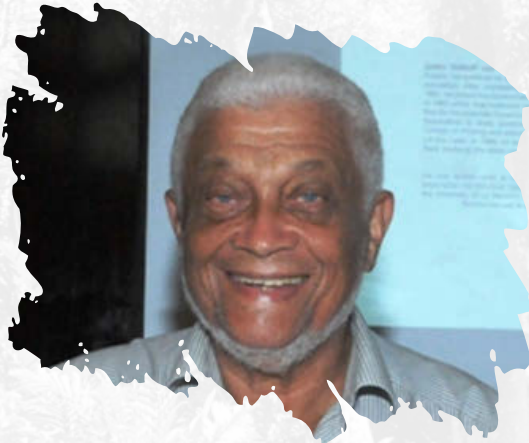
Mr. Ernesta is reputed for his enduring role and experience as a skilled Managing Director with expertise in hotel management, food & beverage operations, vendor relations, guests' services operations and profit and loss management. Recognized as an effective and efficient Manager, Mr. Ernesta firmly believes that to continue propelling the Authority forward, all heads of sections must harness in the power of motivational and inspirational leadership, possess wise decision making capabilities which serve to allow for the empowerment of the entire team.



Myra Gill (Mrs.)

Director

Mrs. Myra Gill holds a Commonwealth Executive Master's in Public Administration and possess a diverse professional background in administration, marketing, and communications. She currently serves as a Senior Policy Analyst at the Youth and Sports Department. Over the years, Mrs. Gill has gained valuable experience working across various sectors, contributing to strategic planning, policy development, and stakeholder engagement in both government and non-governmental organizations and remains a strong advocate for community involvement and environmental stewardship, making her well-positioned to contribute to SPGA's mission.



Julien Durup (Mr.)

Director

As a historian, Mr. Durup brings with him a wealth of knowledge on Seychelles' natural and historical heritage. Mr. Durup has compiled the history of several sites managed by SPGA, such as Curieuse Island, the Botanical Garden and the Veuve Special Reserve. In 1972, he became the first Seychellois to study bookbinding and print finishing at the London College of Printing. Following an illustrious career, he retired in July 1999, and has since written four books.



**Ex-officio Member
Allen Cedras (Mr.)**

Chief Executive Officer

With over 2 decades of experience in the field of marine conservation and ocean governance specializing in Marine Spatial Planning, Mr. Cedras holds a master's degree in Conservation and Rural Development and is a specialist in the management of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs). Honing extensive knowledge of the Western Indian Ocean MPAs, a certified assessor and trainer; Mr. Cedras has held the position of International Project Manager with the United Nation Development Programme (UNDP) based in Mauritius. In November 2024, he was elected as the President of the Western Indian Ocean Marine Protected Area Management Network.

MANAGEMENT

Team



Allen Cedras (Mr.)
Chief Executive Officer



Lya Docteur (Ms.)
Deputy Chief Executive Officer



Rochelle Lobban (Mrs.)
Director of Human Resources



Genny Commettant (Ms.)
Administration Manager



Anto Suzette (Mr.)
Curieuse Marine National Park Manager



Vicky Athanse (Mrs.)
Inner Islands Manager



Natachia Einfeldt (Mrs.)
General Manager – Gardens



Kelsy Barra (Mrs.)
Forestry and National
Park Co-ordinator



Remie Asman (Mr.)
Ste. Anne Marine
National Park Manager



Rodney Bonne (Mr.)
Head of Research



Stephen Servina (Mr.)
Revenue Controller



HIGHLIGHTS

of 2024

Coral Festival - Celebrating the Colours of the Sea



Opening of Seychelles' Orchids Collection Greenhouse



Opening of the EarthRanger Operations Centre



Western Indian Ocean- Certification of Marine Protected Area Professionals



Seychelles Commercial Bank Adopts Copolia Nature Trail



Mass Coral Outplanting Event



ABOUT SPGA

VISION

That the Parks and Gardens in Seychelles are secure and thriving, sustained by adequate finances and a network of relevant stakeholders.

MISSION

Ensuring that the protected areas and gardens are managed for the benefit of all.

MANDATES

- promote the participation of Government, the public and businesses in conservation work
- protect and manage effectively the ecosystems and biodiversity in designated Protected Areas which fall under the jurisdiction of the Authority
- implement national conservation policies and obligations under multilateral agreements
- implement sustainable forestry practices and management
- protect habitats and ecosystems from anthropogenic threats such as forest fire, pollution and coral destruction
- undertake specialist services such as plant identification and offer specialist consultancy services
- facilitate and conduct research related to biodiversity and protected areas
- deliver services of a high standard for the users of the gardens and parks
- engage in commercial activities related to the functions of the Authority
- provide tourism and recreational activities
- provide gardening and landscaping services, guided tours and similar services
- promote education and awareness activities

Under the aegis of the Ministry of Agriculture, Climate Change and Environment, the Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority is a State Owned Enterprise (SOE), entrusted with the management and protection of the terrestrial and Marine National Parks of Seychelles, as well as the designated Gardens.



A scenic view of a tropical coastline. In the background, a large, dark green mountain rises against a bright blue sky filled with large, white, fluffy clouds. The middle ground shows a bay with clear, vibrant turquoise water. Several sailboats are anchored in the bay, and a small motorboat is visible in the distance. The foreground is dominated by the shimmering surface of the water. A semi-transparent grey banner is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text "MARINE NATIONAL PARKS" in bold, black, uppercase letters.

MARINE NATIONAL PARKS

SAINTE ANNE

Marine National Park

Inaugurated on March 19, 1973, the Ste. Anne Marine National Park has established itself as a premier tourist destination on Mahé Island. Nestled just off the coast of the main island, this captivating marine sanctuary is home to a diverse array of species, making it a haven for nature enthusiasts and marine life lovers alike. Under the stewardship of the Ste. Anne Marine Operations team, Seychelles' oldest marine protected area demonstrates remarkable resilience and adaptability in the face of environmental challenges. Their ongoing efforts play a vital role in ensuring the park's conservation and the preservation of its rich biodiversity for future generations.



REVENUE COLLECTED -2024			
January	SCR 375,600.00	July	SCR 371,400.00
February	SCR 563,600.00	August	SCR 416,200.00
March	SCR 571,200.00	September	SCR 379,000.00
April	SCR 517,000.00	October	SCR 592,600.00
May	SCR 544,600.00	November	SCR 468,000.00
June	SCR 314,400.00	December	SCR 342,800.00
Total: SCR 5,456,400.00			

2024 had various projects in store for the Ste. Anne Marine National Park. In preparation for the installation of a container infrastructure designated for the EarthRanger Operations Centre, the entire compound was resurfaced to ensure easy accessibility, in addition to the secure and durable fence which was previously installed to safely enclose all SPGA assets and ensuring no unauthorised personnel have access to the area, especially during the weekends - an issue which caused much concern.

Collaborations play a crucial role towards effective management, a sentiment reflected through the great partnership between SPGA and the Moyenne Island Foundation. Stemming from the initial call to collaborate by the Authority, the Foundation generously agreed to support SPGA in the initiatives to reinforce surveillance within the Park. Hence, six (6) powerful cameras were installed on Moyenne Island, permitting 24/7 surveillance of the Marine Park.

Late on, the team welcomed four (4) interns for their Work Based Experience (WBE). During their internship, the students were exposed to various elements of marine conservation such as boat handling, swimming and snorkelling techniques, basic fish identification surveys and turtle monitoring, with the aim of enhancing their knowledge and passion for this specialised field of work.

ENFORCEMENT

Enforcement duties remain a pivotal task in the daily routines of all rangers across SPGA sites. In 2024, a total of four fish traps were removed from the Marine Park, located within the vicinity of Cerf Island and the coral reefs surrounding Sainte Anne Island. These artisanal traps had successfully trapped reef fish. Fortunately, Rangers on duty released these animals, after collecting the necessary data for records purposes. Moreover, three counts of illegal fishing were also recorded in the Park. This was attributed to bareboat catamarans under the captaincy of foreign individuals, utilising fishing rods, as well as employees from the hotel establishments within the Park who were identified line fishing from the shores of Ste. Anne.

In the same breath, Rangers within the Park have on several occasions encountered clients recklessly speeding within the Park boundaries. With the aim of educating and sensitising park users, Rangers approach these individuals, explaining the acceptable manner of which jet skis or any motorised or non-motorised vessels may be used within the Park. Even so, assistance was sought from the Seychelles Coast Guard, given that certain users persisted with non-compliance to the regulations. It is however important to note that a significant decline in the number of illegal or unauthorised activities were recorded this past year. This includes illegal speeding, unauthorised handling of marine animals, improper anchorage and illegal fish traps.

MONITORING

Nesting Sea Turtle Season

The 2023 -2024 sea turtle nesting season came to a close in March, with a total of four (4) turtles tagged, representing a small decline, when compared to the same period last year. Although there has been evidence of successful turtle hatchlings, Park Rangers have identified unlucky batches of juvenile turtles which have died due to predators such as crabs or due to dehydration. Further research is being conducted by the Research Section to explore other possible cause of deaths. However, for the 2024-2025 season, at the time of publishing, a total of 15 nests have been recorded, with 2 new sea turtles successfully tagged, and 3 green turtle nesting sites identified.

Coral Restoration

During 2024, the Ste. Anne Marine Operations team alongside the Research Section have constructed a new coral nursery near Ste. Anne Island. Phase 1 included the setting up of re-bars at the selected sites, with phase 2 involving the removal and relocation of corals from the Seychelles Fisheries Authority's (SFA) aquaculture site within the Park. Finally, phase 3 concluded with the translocation of more corals to the nursery. A total of 50 fragments were translocated, and in commemoration of World Oceans Day, an outplanting activity was carried out at the nursery site, with coral fragments of opportunities collected from the Port Launay and Baie Ternay Marine National Parks, further adding corals to the nursery.

Beach Profiling

Rangers from the Ste. Anne Marine Park have continued to work closely with the Research Section to adopt a new strategy for beach monitoring, which would see the activity being carried out every two months for two to three consecutive days, allowing for enhanced monitoring and understanding of the pattern and changes along the beaches of Cerf, Long (sandbank), Ste. Anne and Moyenne Island.

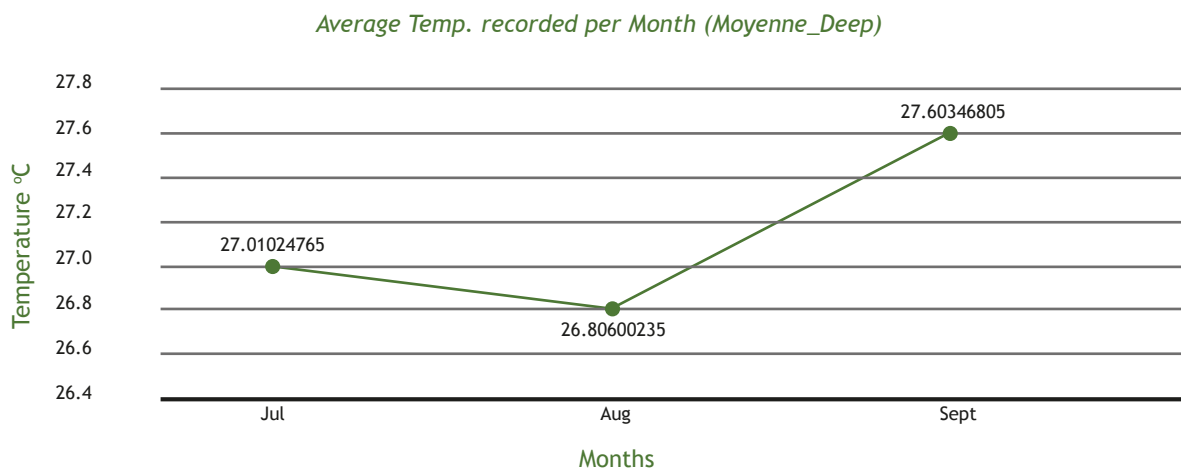


Marine Program

Engaging with another stakeholder within the Marine Park, the team reached out to L’habitation Cerf Island Hotel, to undertake a Marine Program with interested clients. This would see clients exploring the captivating marine ecosystem of the Park, coupled with educational activities. Whilst initial discussions remain ongoing, the hotel management has provided its support for the program.

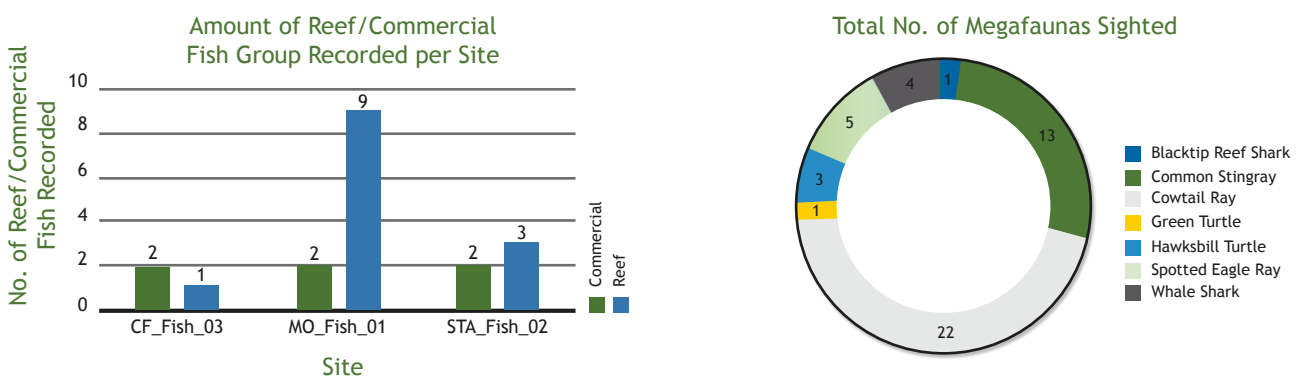
Sea Temperature Study

Initiated in 2024, temperature loggers have been deployed across all marine park, including Ste. Anne, to monitor sea temperature changes and fluctuations, in order to identify whether sea temperatures are affecting different marine species and ecosystems. Below showcases an extract of the recorded temperatures for the months of July - September 2024.



Underwater Visual Census (UVC) Fish Survey

To monitor the different fish species, their distribution and habitat within the MPA, a fish survey was conducted at 3 sites. The graph below depicts an extract of the findings for the period of July - September 2024.

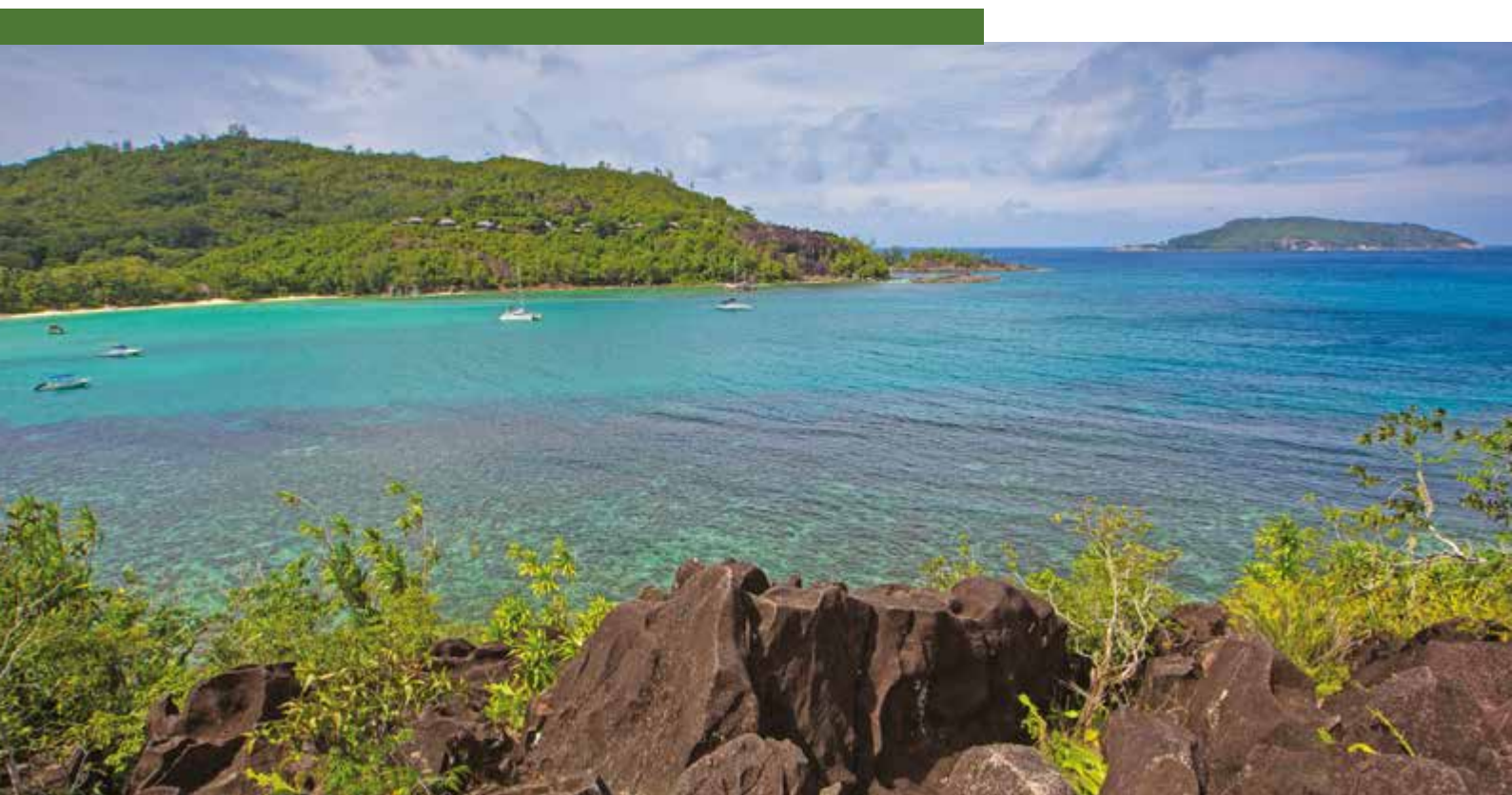


See above, data recorded by the team during quarter 3, with regards to megafauna sightings.

BAIE TERNAY & PORT LAUNAY

Marine National Park

Although designated as two separate marine protected areas, these two parks are overseen by a singular team, in view of the close proximities of the park boundaries. The Port Launay and Baie Ternay Marine Parks are well renowned with visitors, especially yachts, which take advantage of the calm waters within the bay. The parks are how to abundant marine species such as whale sharks and rays.



REVENUE COLLECTED -2024

January	SCR 30,600.00	July	SCR 162,600.00
February	SCR 49,800.00	August	SCR 321,000.00
March	SCR 162,400.00	September	SCR 151,400.00
April	SCR 190,000.00	October	SCR 303,650.00
May	SCR 135,000.00	November	SCR 175,000.00
June	SCR 160,400.00	December	SCR 16,200.00

Total: SCR 1,858,050.00

2024 brought a revamped atmosphere to the Marine Operations team of the Baie Ternay and Port Launay Marine National Park. With the addition of a new Assistant Park Officer primarily focused on scientific based activities and monitoring programs, several surveys and programs were executed.

It was particularly observed that during several months, especially December, there was a noticeable decline in both walk-in clients and those entering at sea, due to rough seas at Baie Ternay given that the northwest monsoon had commenced. Nevertheless, boat, car and foot patrols were conducted in both parks to survey for illegal activities. In certain instances, the team encountered cases of illegal activity and these findings were recorded and reported, as well as being inputted in the EarthRanger Software for data purposes.

The Baie Ternay and Port Launay MPA have over the past year actively engaged with partners and stakeholders to ensure that the Park continues to be effectively and sustainably managed. With the use of data obtained from the Global Vision International (GVI) - a long-time partner, who are currently based at the Cap Ternay site - the team analysed and presented findings at the National Sharks and Rays Symposium which was held at the Savoy Resort and Spa. Additionally, to commemorate United Nations (UN) Day, the team was approached by the local UN office to coordinate an interactive outdoors activity within the Park. This was hosted at Baie Ternay, emphasizing the importance of MPAs and the different marine conservation activities being undertaken.



Monitoring research and conservation	Baie Ternay	Port Launay
Coral LIT Survey	3	3
Fish UVC Survey	3	3
Beach Clean-Up	1	0
Beach Profiling	3	14
Dead Fish Report	1	0
Megafauna Sighting	152	8
Turtle Tracks Emergence	1	0

Operational	Baie Ternay	Port Launay
Resident Check Log	9	0
Rescue Report	1	0

Security	Baie Ternay	Port Launay
Octopus / Lobster Poaching	0	1
Illegal Fishing	1	1

Species	Baie Ternay
Common Bottlenose Dolphin	9
Common Eagle Ray	41
Common Sting Ray	107
Cowtail Sting Ray / Lift Tail Sting Ray	23
Great Barracuda	5
Green Turtle / Tortidmer	1
Hawksbill / Kare	18
Left Tail Ray	6
Lemon Shark	27
Marble Ray	4
Porcupine Ray	1
Spinner Dolphin	2
Spotted Eagle Ray	11
Whale Shark	2

Species	Port Launay
Common Eagle Ray	2
Cowtail Sting Ray / Lift Tail Sting Ray	2
Green Turtle / Tortidmer	5

Species	Outside Protected Area
Common Bottlenose Dolphin	34
Hawksbill / Kare	4
White Shark	7

MONITORING

Sea Temperature Study

Similar to other Marine Parks, with the assistance of the Research team, temperature loggers were deployed within the Baie Ternay and Port Launay MPA, for the gathering of sea temperature data, which will be further analysed by the team.

Marine Program

For the Baie Ternay and Port Launay Marine Protected Areas, the Marine Program aims to engage stakeholders within the vicinity, increase awareness and promote conservation efforts amongst visitors. Through partnerships with Constance Ephelia Resort, which lays adjacent to the Marine

Park, activities such as snorkelling tours are expected to be conducted. The Program objectives also include educating participants on the socio-economic benefits of the Parks.

Beach Profiling

To measure and analyze the physical characteristics of the beaches found within the MPA, beach profiling sessions were conducted in both parks and the results deduced that there was no significant observations of erosion or accretion. Beach profiling is important for coastal management, as it aids in assessing the health of beach ecosystems.



CURIEUSE

Marine National Park

One of Seychelles' most visited natural attractions, the Curieuse Marine National Park is home to an incredible plethora of endemism, with numerous conservation initiatives being undertaken on site. Offering clients both a terrestrial and marine experience, Curieuse remains the most lucrative site managed by SPGA to date.

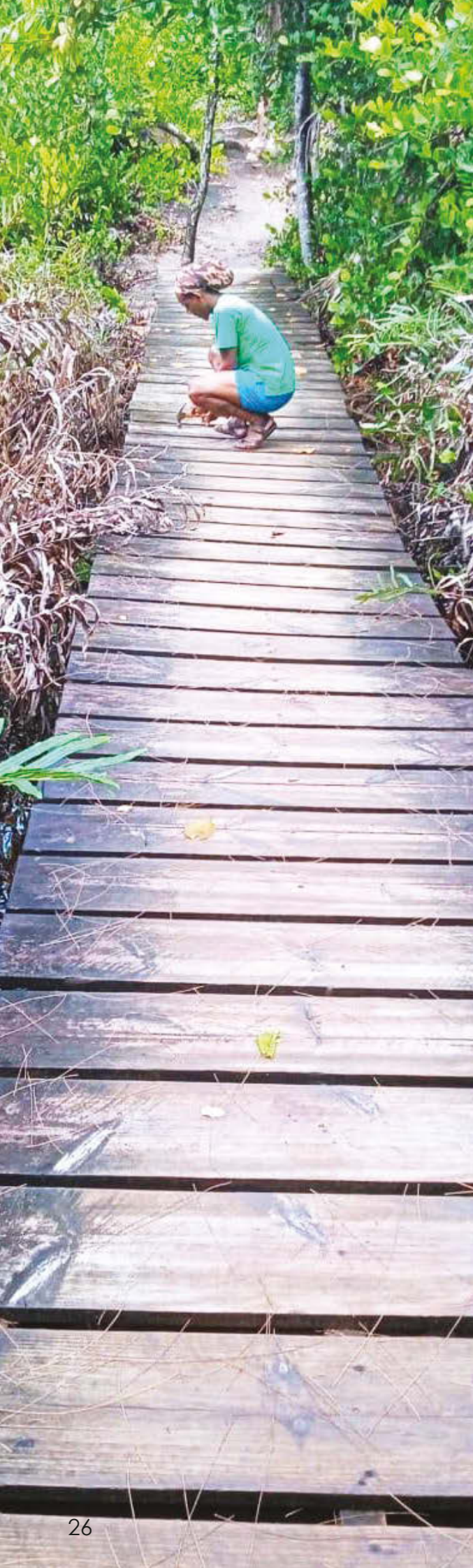


REVENUE COLLECTED -2024

January	SCR 920,700.00	July	SCR 1,084,800.00
February	SCR 1,194,600.00	August	SCR 1,353,300.00
March	SCR 1,434,300.00	September	SCR 1,180,800.00
April	SCR 1,194,000.00	October	SCR 1,920,000.00
May	SCR 1,195,500.00	November	SCR 1,650,900.00
June	SCR 758,400.00	December	SCR 777,300.00

Total: SCR 14,664,600.00

In the authority's efforts to ensure smooth daily operations and customer service, new Ticketing Agents were recruited in 2024. In return, this new modality has facilitated the works of Rangers, allowing their focus to primarily be on enforcement and conservation, whilst the Ticketing Agents assume



full responsibility for managing tickets, validations and purchases. Additionally, a Giant Aldabra Tortoise was generously donated to Curieuse Island by an inhabitant of Praslin, an offering which the team gladly accepted providing him a new home to roam freely.

Maintenance and Infrastructures

Constructive strides were undertaken to improve certain existing infrastructures on the Island. Such as a new and more robust generator which was successfully installed at Baie Laraie, together with a new electrical box, breaker and wiring. This course of action aims to reduce the direct power load which causes the burnout and limited lifespan of appliances on the island.

The team also faced several challenges, with regards to the substantial amount of rainfall which was recorded towards the beginning and tail end of the year, causing the marsh at Baie Laraie to flood the low-lying area, causing inconveniences. Hence, the team were required to dig outlets and tranches for the excess water to flow out at sea on several occasions. Additionally, with the increase in rainfall, the team had to deal with the overflow of the septic tank which serves the Anse Jose visitor's toilet. Dealing with issues as such, especially during adverse weather conditions can be tasking, however it is crucial that we maintain public health and safety standards.

Trail maintenance remains a crucial component of daily activities on the Island, for both safety and environmental conservation. Keeping paths clear ensures that visitors can enjoy the island safely while minimizing any negative impacts on its delicate ecosystems. Recent proactive maintenance efforts on the boardwalk has been undertaken, especially the initiative to change the damaged planks.



Regular maintenance is key to keep the spaces accessible to visitors safe. The Doctor's House at Anse Jose, continues to undergo final stages of renovation, similar to the camping site (ex-GVI accommodation). The accommodation has seen a complete revamp, with the entire roofing being replaced and reinforced with additional brick layers for stronger stability and durability. New windows, doors and cabinets have also been installed, adding to the new look of the accommodation site.

As for SPGA vessels assigned to the Curieuse Marine Park, Sagren, Damsel and Baksu were beached to undergo extensive reparations and maintenance. The vessel Sea Horse sank overnight during heavy rainfall due to a bilge pump failure. The team worked to salvage the vessel and alongside the contracted mechanic to have the engine and up and running once again.

The ongoing construction of a beach bar at Baie Laraie, has faced several setbacks and delays. While challenges such as late material purchases have slowed the progress, the exceptional craftsmanship ensures that the finished bar will be a cherished addition to the shores of the Island.

Enforcement

Patrols by boat, foot and drones were conducted daily within the Curieuse Marine Park, and the team recorded a noticeable decline in the number of poachers, and illegal practices within the Park boundary. Notably, most encounters with poachers have occurred in the Anse Possession area, where the culprits typically flee the area as soon as the SPGA vessel is identified, limiting Ranger's ability to gather sufficient photographic or video evidence. During the last quarter alone, 6 fishing rods were confiscated from yachters.

In an unfortunate turn of events, in early March a trespasser landed on Curieuse Island during the night and stole 21 juvenile Giant Aldabra Tortoises. Fortunately, the Rangers on the Island promptly noticed the anomaly, and alerted management. With the assistance of the Seychelles Police Force

and the Seychelles Coast Guard, the suspect was tracked and apprehended on the Island itself, and all tortoises were retrieved and secured within the nursery at Baie Laraie. Further reinforcement work was then undertaken on the nursery.

The team also investigated an unfortunate incident whereby 12 juvenile tortoises were found deceased in the nursery. Understanding the cause of their mortality was crucial for implementing measures to protect the remaining tortoise population and ensure their survival.

Monitoring

The Coral Reef Restoration Project continued within the MPA in 2024. The assigned team dedicated significant time towards visually observing the coral nurseries and reefs within the Park. An initial phase of coral bleaching was reported at the nursery and outplanting sites. With the use of temperature loggers which were deployed at the Anse Papay and St. Pierre nurseries, data was collected to monitor trends, especially throughout the El Nino period. Although signs of bleaching, the coral restoration team continues its invaluable efforts by removing damaged coral fragments and relocating them to deeper waters, where they are attached to metal rebar structures.

During the third and fourth quarter of the year, the Curieuse team welcomed the SPGA Research Scientists from the Headquarters and rangers from the Praslin and La Digue Station to carry out key monitoring activities, namely the Seychelles Paradise Flycatcher Survey and the Yellow Crazy Ants Survey and the Aldabra Giant Tortoise Census.

RAT ERADICATION PROJECT IN COLLABORATION WITH IOTA SEYCHELLES

The Rat Eradication Project being undertaken by the Indian Ocean Tortoise Alliance (IOTA), pressed on during the year. Two (2) full time IOTA personnel were dedicated to undertaking the project activities. The main eradication traps were installed at Pointe Rouge, Baie Laraie, Grande Anse, Anse Papay and Anse St. Jose, as these areas have significant ecological presence. A 5-day training was conducted, with 2 dogs who reside on Curieuse to assess their suitability for rodent detection, identify and improve their existing skills and devise recommendations for their welfare and field use. It can be deduced that significant progress has been made in detecting rats.

Baie Laraie	Anse St. Jose	Mangroves
52 A24 traps	12 traps	5 A24 traps
6.8 hectares	0.75 hectares	0.3 hectares
157 confirmed rat kills	40 confirmed rat kills	6 confirmed rat kills
9 rat nests detected by the dogs		6 rat nests detected by the dogs

ILE COCO

Marine National Park

The smallest marine protected area of Seychelles, Ile Coco boasts unbelievable snorkelling and diving views. As of late 2023, this marine park shifted under the management of the Curieuse Marine Operations, a modality which remains in place up to today.



REVENUE COLLECTED -2024

January	SCR 24,600.00	July	SCR 7,800.00
February	SCR 61,400.00	August	SCR 2,000.00
March	SCR 35,000.00	September	SCR 6,400.00
April	SCR 59,000.00	October	SCR 44,600.00
May	SCR 20,400.00	November	SCR 40,600.00
June	SCR 8,800.00	December	SCR 1,800.00

Total: SCR 312,400.00

The collaboration between SPGA and Six Senses- Zil Pasyon Resort on Felicite Island continued throughout 2024. Discussions engaged in allowed for agreed understanding and collaboration on safe anchoring practices, disturbances caused by visitors with regards to littering, lighting campfires and

barbecuing on the beach. It was mutually agreed that greater monitoring will be undertaken by both parties, and should it be necessary, action would be taken against the culprits.

Moreover, the project to install mooring within the Ile Coco Marine Park further progressed. SPGA honing the technical expertise advised the Sex Senses representatives that the buoys which had been purchased initially were not suitable for mooring, hence there would be the need to purchase more functional and colour appropriate buoys. The Research Section, will also be called in to collaborate on the installation, ensuring that the sinkers are placed in the most ideal locations, not affecting the ecosystems and species around it.

Monitoring

Starting off the year, monitoring activities were hindered due to adverse weather conditions. At the same time the vessel assigned to the Park also faced several mechanical issues and therefore required coordinated with the Curieuse Marine National Park Marine Operations team.





FORESTRY & NATIONAL PARKS

MORNE SEYCHELLOIS

National Park

Covering an impressive 20% of the main Island, the Morne Seychellois National Park houses an extremely high level of endemism, offering a complex trail network, as well forestry products. Comprising of the National Park Unit, Forest Production Unit and Forest Inventory Unit, the team undertook many initiatives aimed at adding to their capacities and effectiveness, in addition to ensuring that all equipment is maintained to the required standards and to assure their durability.



During the year, the section welcomed three learners as part of their Work Based Experience(WBE) programme. The learners rotated amongst the three units spending 1 month at each station. During their internship, the learners were provided with hands-on opportunities to participate in daily operations. Activities included plant identification, trail maintenance, timber measurement, and nursery management.

With the absence of a tree lopper within the team, this caused certain delays in tackling arising issues with regards to fallen or dangerous overhanging trees. Through assistance sought from the Inner Islands Section, the dedicated tree lopper aided in the lopping of trees within the Morne Seychellois National Park, as well as the Botanical Garden.

The Production Unit, with assistance from the National Park team conducted an extensive site clearing at the Botanical Gardens in preparation for the commencement of the Liam's foundation's project. This is in line with the Agreement which was reached between SPGA and the Foundation, permitting temporary access through the Garden to facilitate the construction phase.

As per the section's mandates, regular monitoring visits were conducted at Mt. Posee, Ile Aurore, Barbarons, and Port Glaud (Dan diri). During one site visit, the Inventory Unit apprehended an illegal felling incident at Barbarons. Certain items found on the site and in the possession of the offender were seized. The Department of Environment (DOE) Forestry Section was duly informed of the seizure and have launched an investigation. Similarly, the Unit was alerted of another illegal felling activity at Takamaka by the DOE. Several Calice du Pape planks were present on site as informed by DOE and the Unit was advised to collect the same. Despite reacting promptly to the tip, upon SPGA's arrival to the area the timber had already been removed.

As at the end of 2024, a total of 12 timber merchants have entered contracts with SPGA and remain active, purchasing timber from the Authority at least once throughout the year.

Given that the Morne Seychellois National Park is home to an extensive trail network, much work is dedicated to the upkeep and maintenance of the trail infrastructure and routes. At the beginning of the year, the Forestry and National Park Section received several complaints of fallen trees across the trail paths due to the torrential rain received during the north-east monsoon.

During the course of 2024, maintenance work on key trails which brings the Authority significant revenue were undertaken. Firstly, the Trois Freres and Anse Major trails were attended to, as they are heavily visited by tourists as well



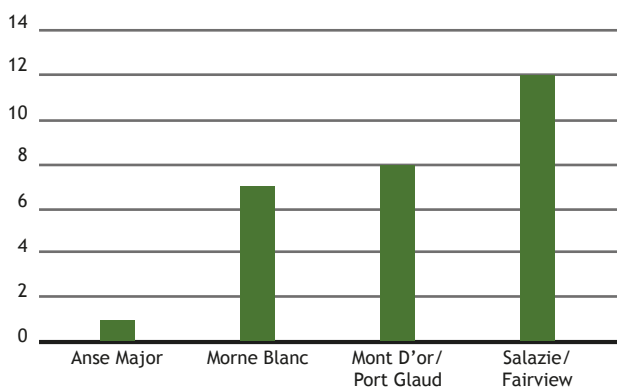


as the local population. Maintenance activities mainly focused on bush clearing, grass cutting, litter collection, and the re-painting of the trail markers, ensuring that the path remains safe for all trail users.

Major maintenance work was also carried out on the Dans Gallas, Copolia and Morne Blanc Nature trails. Although, factors such as adverse weather conditions and the training of new team members caused some delay to the work program, much ground was covered by the Unit to ensure that the trails remain safe and accessible to hikers. Other tasks relating to the upkeep of the trails included the elimination of invasive species, and the restoration of broken wooden steps.



Number of fallen trees removed along Morne Seychellois National Park Trails in Q3 2024



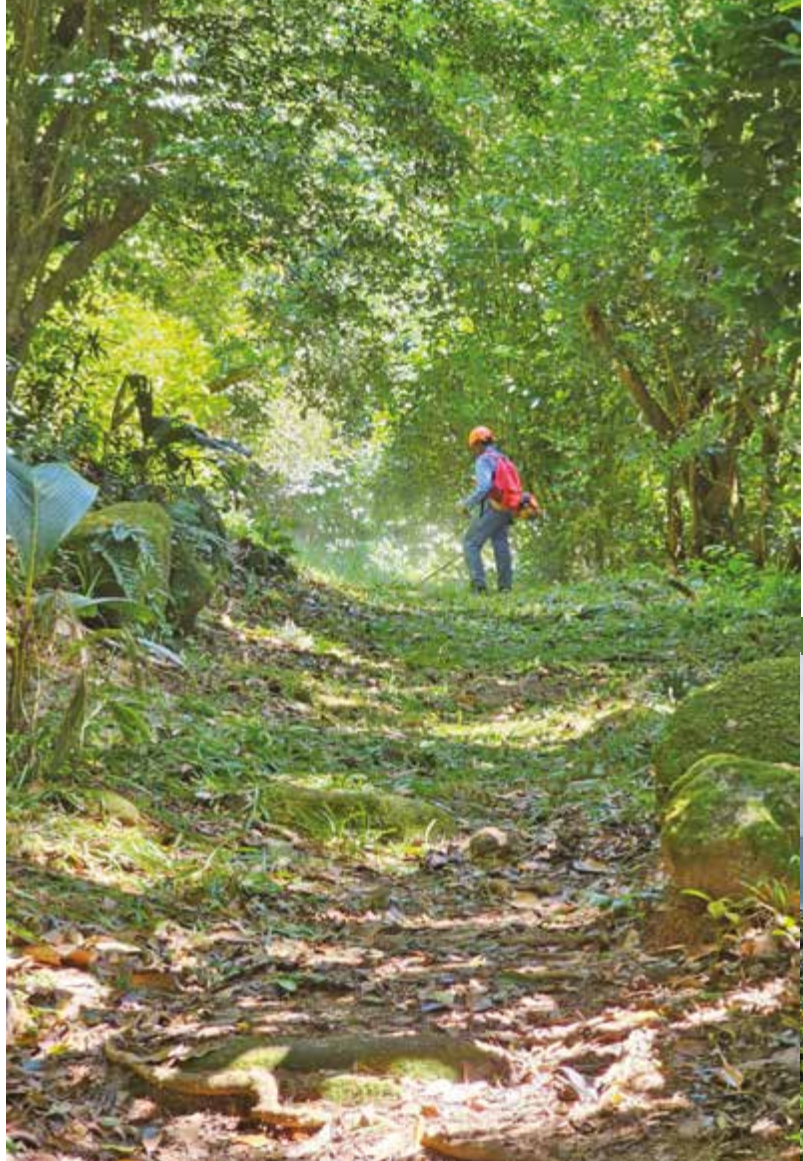
Throughout the course of quarter one a total of 17,944m² in area of timber plantation was maintained by the forestry production unit team at three specific sites and these efforts continued during the entire year. The largest area maintained was at the Carbon Offset Project Site located at Salazie. Maintenance work include but is not limited to clearing, weeding and uprooting of invasive alien species.



Activities conducted in the nursery based at the Sans Soucis Sub Station include medium mixing, potting, lining, watering, and weeding of plants. Seedlings are being produced within the nursery for planting at three specific sites. This includes Tomazine (for the establishment of a new mahogany plantation) and the replacement of the existing “latanier feuilles” plantation at the Val Riche area and at the Morne Seychellois Nature Trail entrance. As at December 2024, a total of 1,246 seedlings were present in the nursery.

Afforestation

Preservation and creation of new forest areas have proven to be effective in the control of Invasive Alien Species(IAS).



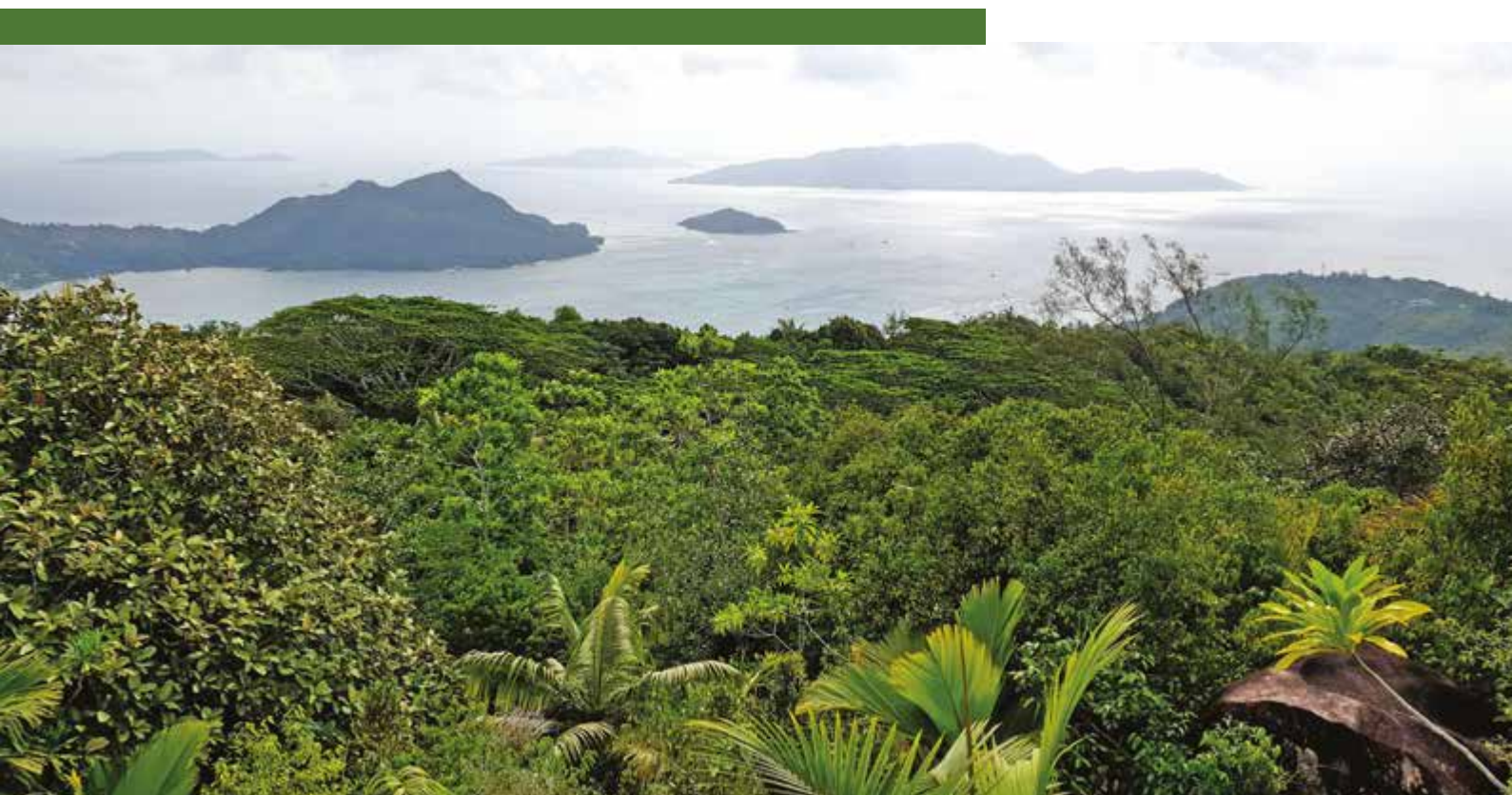
In preparation for a reforestation activity, the Forestry Production unit with assistance of the National Park and Inventory Unit, conducted a site clearance activity whereby a total area of 29,928m² covered by IAS particularly (*Clidemia hirta*) were cleared at Port Glaud (Dan diri). A total of 267 burlap bags of the IAS were uprooted and appropriately disposed of. A significant number of other invasives such as cinnamon (juveniles) were also felled to prepare the site. Other trees such as *Adenantha pavonina* and *Albizia falcataria* were also cleared. General upkeep was also undertaken the Grand Anse Sub Station compound, in preparation of its anticipated opening, as it undergoes significant renovation. This included but was not limited to grass cutting, racking, and collection of debris. A total area of 22,220 m² was cleaned.

Following the completion of the second phase of the renovation works at the Grand Anse Mahe Sub Station, the site was further assessed and a scope of work was produced for the 3rd and final phase of the renovation. The substation which will alleviate pressures on the existing nurseries and provide additional support to other branches of the Forestry and National Park Unit, has at the end of 2024 reached the advanced stages of completion, with the opening scheduled during 2025.

PRASLIN

National Park

Praslin National Park is Seychelles' second-largest terrestrial protected area, spanning 324 hectares across the mountainous upper lands of Praslin Island. Encompassing the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Vallée de Mai, the Park features altitudes ranging from 80 meters in ravines to 367 meters at its peak, offering diverse landscapes and panoramic viewpoints.



A haven for biodiversity, it shelters endemic plants like the iconic Coco de Mer, native species, and rare wildlife, including the endangered Black Parrot found. The official Glacis Noire Trail stands out as a secluded, unspoiled path leading hikers through dense forests to a fire tower with breath-taking views of islands like La Digue, Felicite, and even distant Mahé.

Coco de Mer Nuts Collected

January	134	July	1
February	11	August	116
March	1	September	11
April	115	October	67
May	61	November	41
June	57	December	26

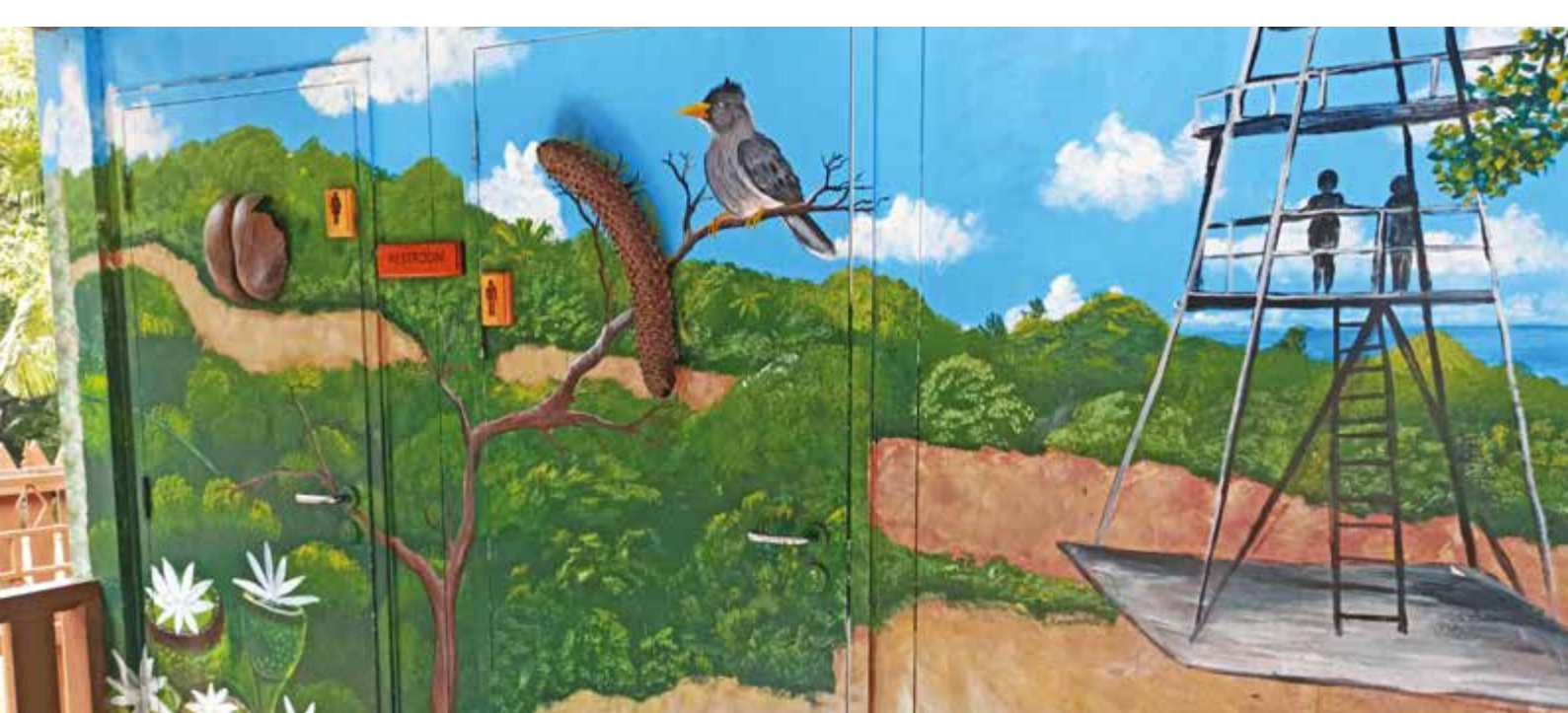
Total: 641

Education and outreach activities have been plentiful for this section throughout 2024 whereby several activities were organized, in collaboration with various partners, such as visits from Eco School teachers, a painting activity at Glacis Noire in commemoration of International Biodiversity Day in partnership with the SIF Research team, participation in a street March against pollution, and several tree planting and clean-up activities.



The Grand Coco Souvenir Shop operated by the SPGA team based on Praslin was listed on the Seychelles Tourism ParAPI Application and Google Maps, which serves to reach various audiences, including visitors, locals, businesses and service providers. The items and location of the shop have been displayed. In addition, the shop was also posted on Google Maps.

Enhancements to the visitor experience at Glacis Noire Trail continued with the installation of a photo booth, allowing visitors to capture and share their photos while tagging the Authority on social media platforms such as Instagram and Facebook. Additionally, new seating areas were added to ensure a more comfortable visit. Similar improvements were carried out at the Fond B'offay substation, where various in-house upgrades enhanced the property's visual appeal. The team also established a small vanilla plantation, complementing the existing beehive project, which was set up by a third-party partner collaborating with the Authority.



The Praslin team further assisted the Curieuse Marine Operations Section with the debranching the Coconut trees around the premises most frequented by visitors, in addition to their mandated with tree felling works for the provision of timber poles. In an incident whereby a large tree had fallen onto a private household in the National Park, the team quickly responded to the situation. Fortunately, no extensive damage occurred to the house and the needful was done to clear out all of the debris.

Few poaching incidents was recorded during 2024 in the Praslin National Park. One offender was intercepted and brought to the police station for further legal assistance, whereby a statement was compiled and the management team was advised that such matter would then be referred to the court.





GARDENS

STATE HOUSE GARDEN

With the adverse weather conditions towards the tail end of 2023 and beginning of 2024, the State House Garden was not spared, bringing in significant challenges and damages. Trees were uprooted by strong winds, flowerpots were damaged and it further compromised the structure of the nursery, thus impacting the Garden's appearance and operations.



The Garden's upkeep is meticulously planned to support its plants and wildlife. Tortoise food is harvested three times weekly, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, ensuring the resident tortoises receive fresh nourishment. Daily garden cleaning involves gathering gunny bags, palm leaves, dead branches, and other debris, followed by blowing and raking. Waste is disposed of at the landfill as needed, depending on the amount collected. Grass maintenance, which includes trimming, occurs every two to three weeks per month or bi-weekly, to ensure the lawns are neat. The tortoise enclosures are meticulously cared for, with water in the basins changed every two days, alongside daily feeding and cleaning routines. Regular maintenance of the irrigation filter is essential for garden health; therefore, it undergoes weekly cleaning to maintain peak performance.

Maintaining the Garden involves using various methods such as utilizing sprinklers, hoses, drip systems, watering cans, and popup systems. The sprinkler and popup systems are specifically programmed to



operate lines for 30 minutes each by two lines, ensuring plants receive sufficient hydration. Hedge trimming occurs monthly to preserve the shape and health of the shrubs.

The team remained deeply involved in various pruning initiatives throughout the year. This involved removing overgrown roadside branches to improve visibility and safety for pedestrians and vehicles accessing the State House. Additionally, Palm leaves near the entrance were cleared to ensure ample sunlight reaches the solar panel system which was installed at the nearby Victoria Gymnasium.

Moreover, field activities conducted encompassed a comprehensive approach to plant nourishment and protection. This included feeding the plants essential nutrients through the application of manure, woodchips, and bio-fertilizers to promote healthy growth. Additionally, the maintenance routine involved spraying various substances to safeguard the plants. Pest control were also applied, with the spraying of pesticides, the distribution of snail pellets to deter snails, and the placement of rat blocks to prevent rodent infestations, ensuring a well-maintained and thriving garden environment. The Garden welcomes visitors twice weekly, providing an opportunity for the public to appreciate the tranquil beauty of its well-kept space, hence, several new species, including a local rose; “Variegated Rio”, and Yellow Frangipani, were added to enhance the aesthetic appeal. These new additions not only enhance the Garden’s beauty but also contribute to its biodiversity, attracting pollinators and providing a delightful sensory experience for all who wander through its paths.

NATIONAL BOTANICAL GARDEN

Located near Victoria, the National Botanical Garden offers easy access to lush greenery and diverse flora, featuring over 280 plant species, from endemic treasures to ornamental displays. It is a beloved conservation site, drawing locals and tourists with highlights like the iconic giant tortoises, Coco de Mer palms, a vibrant Thai and Chinese Garden, and a cafeteria.



The Botanical Garden is amongst the most visited attractions in Seychelles. To ensure that the Garden continues to offer excellent value for money and showcases the delicate biodiversity of the Seychelles, various efforts were undertaken by the management team to ensure its sustainability.

REVENUE COLLECTED -2024

January	SCR 1,288,400.00	July	SCR 740, 550.00
February	SCR 1,258,750.00	August	SCR 853,150.00
March	SCR 852,050.00	September	SCR 627,450.00
April	SCR 1,150,750.00	October	SCR 873,400.00
May	SCR 838,850.00	November	SCR 964,350.00
June	SCR 493,900.00	December	SCR 1,226,750.00

Total: SCR 11,178,700.00



There are various challenges in the botanical gardens when it comes to plant production as there is no space available. An old nursery was identified and the renovation it has resulted in new space for plant production. The renovated nursery will ensure a good supply of plants to be used in the garden. Reviewing productivity and efficiency within the Garden, a new working modality; “Menen System”, was piloted, which sees that female Horticulturists carry out their daily activities and duties on their own, without the assistance of male colleagues, allowing for a more assessment of completed tasks. This further provides a sounder platform and basis for performance management assessment.

IMPROVED GARDEN INFRASTRUCTURE

In March 2024, the Department of Environment through the Principal Secretary’s Office, who’s offices are currently based within the Botanical Garden, generously gifted an electrical gate for the second Garden access entrance. This collaborative effort aimed aiding with the improved management of visitors and vehicles.

Additional solar lights were also placed within the Botanical Garden, specifically around the path leading towards the WildFlour Cafe. This was seen to be particularly helpful during night activities, which were planned and organised by the Cafe management. More particularly, the addition of the lights also added to the security and safety of the area within the Garden, as it was noted that the said portion of the Garden remained fairly dark during the night-time.

ACCIDENTS AND REPORTS

Minimal incidents and serious reports were conveyed to the Garden management throughout the year. In late March, a visiting tourist fortunately suffered minor injuries when an overhead branch fell. The CEO’s Secretariat, as well as the Garden management promptly attended to the incident to ensure well-being of the clients. Following the unfortunate incident, the family involved were refunded their entry fees paid and the treatment bill incurred at the English River Health Centre was also refunded by the Authority. In light of the incident, the Management of conducted and continue to carry out extensive assessments to ensure dangerous and overhanging trees as dealt with.

Another cause of concern within the Garden, is the issue of stray dogs, as the boundary of the garden remains unfenced. Introduced Garden attractions such as the geeses, ducks, as well as juvenile Giant Tortoises have been brutally killed on several occasions. SPGA subsequently sought assistance from the National Biosecurity Agency, within the Department of Agriculture, to source out the most ideal strategy do deal with the issue of stray dogs. As the end of 2024, several of these dogs were captured using traps, whilst others were gently put down, utilising various methods.

NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY CENTRE

The National Biodiversity Centre, located in Barbarons on Mahe Island, was officially opened in 2014. Covering 17 hectares, it is the first of its kind in the Indian Ocean and aims to conserve and showcase Seychelles' diverse flora, including 115 plant species, 29 of which are endemic. The Centre promotes biodiversity conservation and eco-tourism by highlighting rare, threatened, and fragile ecosystems. It also features a nursery that provides seeds and seedlings to locals, supporting the conservation of Seychelles' rare and endangered plants.



REVENUE COLLECTED -2024			
January	SCR 2,550.00	July	SCR 5,700.00
February	SCR 4,200.00	August	SCR 3,600.00
March	SCR 3,600.00	September	SCR 1,190.00
April	SCR 3,600.00	October	SCR 3,300.00
May	SCR 2,700.00	November	SCR 3,000.00
June	SCR 2,550.00	December	SCR 1,700.00
Total: SCR 38,450.00			

The production of plants remains ongoing at the Centre, and propagation is done based on the market demand, and availability of propagation materials. The teams continue to plant more species out to be used as the mother plant and have simultaneously changed the work programme to improve efficiency. A new arrangement modality has also been adopted for the nursery, whereby plants are categorised by size; small, medium and tall.

FRANKLINIA PROJECT

The Plan Conservation Action (PCA) Group, in collaboration with the Biodiversity Centre, is actively engaged in the Franklinia Project, aimed at fostering an ecological restoration society on Mahé. This initiative focuses on two sites earmarked for the in situ conservation of six critically endangered endemic tree species. After conducting field explorations on both the main island and Silhouette, two species were gathered and are currently being cultivated at the Biodiversity Centre's nursery.

As part of the Project, SPGA participated in two training sessions focused on biodiversity conservation and ecological restoration and the second training guided participants through the preparation of on-site compost for the restoration of Key Biodiversity Areas (KBAs). This session included practical demonstrations and discussions. Additionally, a tree planting ceremony was held in October where participants planted *Medusagyne oppositifolia*, contributing to ongoing efforts in biodiversity conservation and ecological restoration.

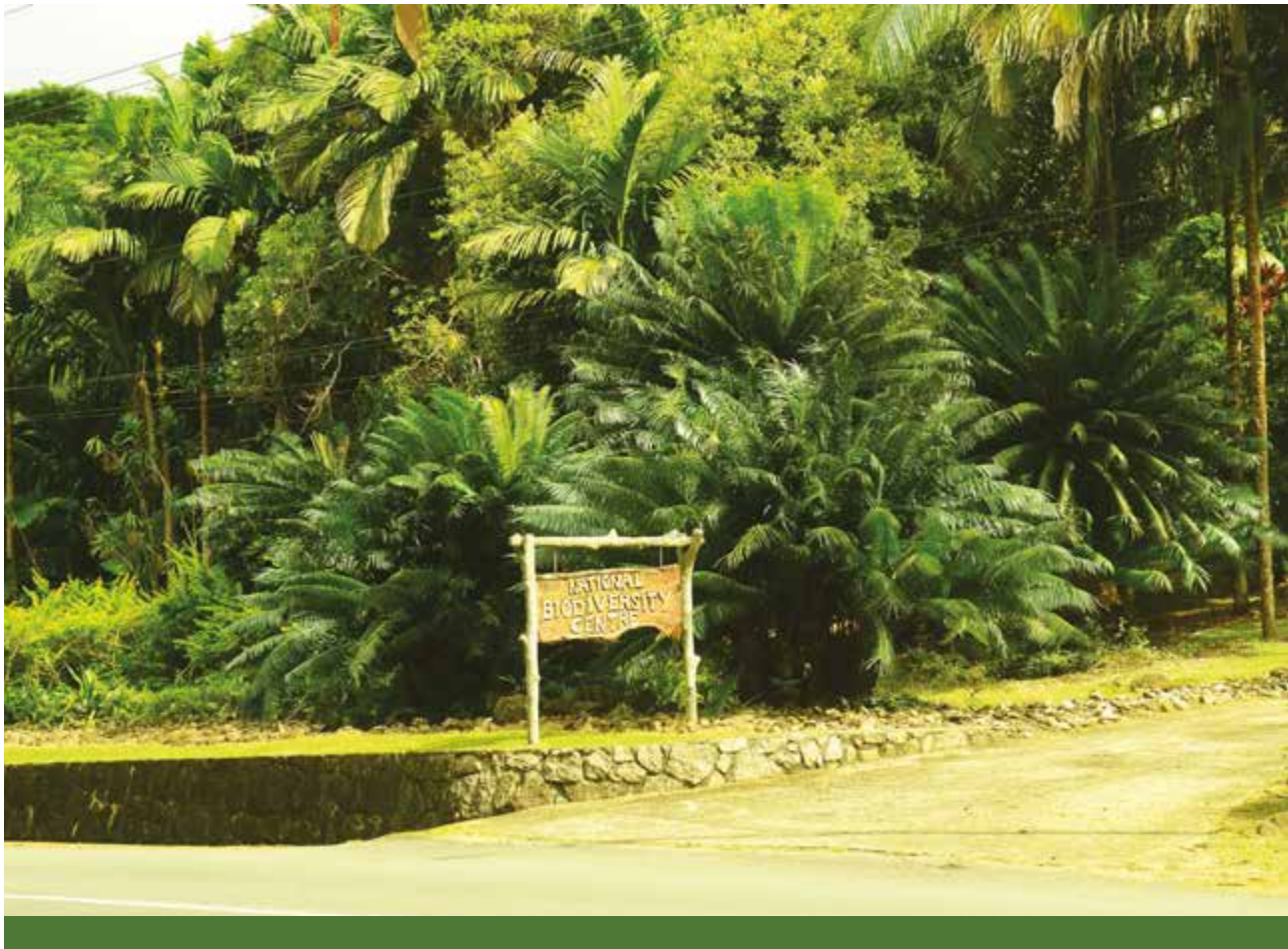
SEYCHELLES ORCHIDS COLLECTION GREENHOUSE

Initiated in August 2022, the project aimed to create an off-site conservation facility for Seychelles' endangered orchids. From early 2023, 11 native orchid species were collected and propagated at the Biodiversity Centre. The specialised service provider Solar Thermal X Pty Ltd began constructing the solar-powered greenhouse in December 2023, targeting completion by the first quarter of 2024. On the 22nd May 2024, to commemorate International Biodiversity Day the Seychelles Orchids Collection Greenhouse was officially opened by Minister Flavien Joubert, CEO Cedras, Deputy CEO Ms. Docteur, and Mrs. Bernadette Willemin, Vice-chair of the SPGA Board of Directors. The greenhouse currently houses endemic and native orchid species, with many more to be added in the future. This ensures the continued conservation and awareness of these beautiful plants.



School Visits

Institutions	Age/Number of Students	Aim
TUK Primary	40 Primary two students / 6 Teachers	Part of their programme "Plants and Animals"
Ecole Francaise de Seychelles	30 Kids / 2 Teachers	Holiday Club for kids to learn about research and conservation projects and conduct tree planting activity
Plaisance Secondary School	25 Students with two Teachers	Young Citizen Program
Church of Christ Seychelles	20 Kids	Recreational visit
Agriculture Group	17 S2 Students	Part of their school curriculum



VEUVE SPECIAL RESERVE

The Veuve Special Reserve, located on La Digue, was legally designated in 1991 under the Department of Environment. Covering 21 hectares on the 200-hectare plateau, the Reserve aims to protect wildlife habitats and plant species, especially providing habitat for the rare and endemic Seychelles Black Paradise Flycatcher.



REVENUE COLLECTED -2024

January	SCR 11,900.00	July	SCR 21,750.00
February	SCR 17,400.0	August	SCR 20,600.00
March	SCR 12,700.00	September	SCR 17,900.00
April	SCR 11,650.00	October	SCR 28,950.00
May	SCR 36,000.00	November	SCR 22,100.00
June	SCR 9,550.00	December	SCR 12,850

Total: SCR 223,350.00

Stemming from the submission of a project proposal, the Authority received a grant from the Seychelles Breweries Foundation amounting to SCR298, 000.00, for the redevelopment of the boardwalks within the reserve, to facilitate the mobility of specially abled people who visits the Reserve. The renovation and construction works were undertaken in-house, through the skilled works of the Fond B’offay team.

Several tree felling operations were undertaken during the year, in view that the Reserve is located along a stretch of public road. In March an extensive task was carried out to remove dangerous trees within the Veuve Reserve, and this was conducted by a contractor assigned by the Public Utilities Corporation (PUC). These trees were posing great danger to PUC lines by the roadside of the Reserve. There were a total of 18 dangerous trees; 3 were felled, 9 looped and 6 trimmed. Later during the year, another 14 trees were also trimmed, for safety purposes.

ENFORCEMENT AND MONITORING

Enforcement and monitoring activities remained pertinent within the Reserve during 2024. Daily patrolling was performed by the Park Ranger to monitor any illegal activities. In addition to the patrolling, daily morning litter collection is done to ensure that the Reserve remains clean for all visitors, however the management team still faces certain issues with illegal dumping within the Park boundaries.

Table 1: Monitoring of Paradise Flycatcher (Veuve) activities during Q2 (April to June 2024)

Description of activities	Months (Q2-2024)			Total
	April	May	June	
Number of new nests	4	2	0	6
Total number of nests monitored	4	4	2	10
Number of breeding pairs	4	4	2	10
Number of nests with successful fledgling	0	0	1	1
Number of Chicks	0	0	1	1
Number of active territories	2	2	0	4
Number of abandoned nests	2	2	1	5

Notes: During Q2 2024, flycatchers were in the breeding season. A slight decrease in the number of birds in the reserve was recorded. Some nests failed due to heavy rain, especially in April and May.

Forecast: For the upcoming months, close monitoring will be done to identify new nests in the research.

A close-up photograph of a snail with a brown, spiraled shell resting on a dark, textured log. The background is blurred, showing autumn leaves in shades of orange and brown. A semi-transparent white horizontal band is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the word "RESEARCH" in bold, black, uppercase letters.

RESEARCH

RESEARCH

The Research section plays a pivotal role in advancing the conservation and sustainable management of the nation’s protected areas and biodiversity. Its primary focus is to conduct scientific studies, ecological monitoring, and data analysis to inform evidence-based decision-making. This includes assessing the health of ecosystems, tracking species, evaluating the impacts of climate change, and identifying threats such as invasive species or habitat degradation.

By collaborating with local and international partners, the section contributes to the development of adaptive management strategies, restoration initiatives, and policies that balance ecological preservation with community needs. It also supports public education and outreach programs, ensuring findings are translated into actionable recommendations for policymakers, conservation practitioners, and stakeholders.

With the integration of the Earth Ranger software beginning in early 2024, several training sessions were undertaken by the Research and Marine Operations staff, to familiarise themselves with the platform. Research Scientists participated in sessions facilitated by Mr. Neil Davidson from “51 degrees”, along with the St. Anne Marine Park Manager and Rangers. The training covered both theoretical and practical aspects of the EarthRanger platform, including the use of the mobile app, website interface, data logging procedures, and other functionalities.

Following the grounding of a container vessel Grounding in Ste Anne MPA on October 20th, SPGA divers examined the site to determine the extent of the damage caused, and this revealed significant physical damage caused to the coral reef. The reef was predominantly composed of Porites massive (boulder) corals, visibly several years to decades old, and many colonies had been fractured, scraped or destroyed completely. Research Scientist Sophie estimated the cost of compensation for the damage by calculating the extent of coral restoration required to rehabilitate the affected area and formula from the scientific literature in response to the compensation claim. An independent SCUBA diver from Ocean Damage Consultancy (Mauritius) was sent to perform a thorough assessment of the



site, from 12th to 14th November. Research Scientist Sophie and the Ste. Anne Marine Operations team accompanied and assisted the diver in her 3-day assessment, which involved measuring the full extent of the impacted area and taking photogrammetric estimates of live vs. damaged coral cover within the area. After receiving SPGA's and Ocean Damage Consultancy's assessment reports, the vessel's insurance company (Indoceanic Services) successfully transferred the requested SCR 2.1 million to SPGA.

TERRESTRIAL RESEARCH

Bi- Annual Monitoring of Adult Giant Aldabra Tortoise

The SPGA Research Scientists initiated the bi-annual monitoring of the adult Aldabra giant tortoises at the Botanical Garden. This included measuring the curved carapace length, curved carapace width, third scute length and third scute width, carrying out a general health check and recording any distinguishing features (e.g. carapace pyramiding, missing nuchal scute). At present, the longest carapace length among the individuals is 141cm and the widest carapace width is 138 cm, recorded in two different males

Yellow Crazy Ants (YCA) Survey

The Research Section, in collaboration with the Coral Reef Restoration Team, conducted a YCA Census on Curieuse Island. The selection of the ten survey areas was predicated on those identified during the 2023 census and included sites at Anse Badamier, Grande Anse, Baie Laraie, Anse Jose, and Anse Papaie.

The introduction of Yellow Crazy Ants on Curieuse Island is almost certainly attributable to human settlement and the subsequent development of residential and touristic structures. The continuous influx of visitors and the abundant food supply, particularly at the two barbecue areas, are likely primary factors contributing to the population's sustainability. Although considerably lower numbers



of *A. gracilipes* were recorded in 2024 compared to 2022 and 2023, this reduction is presumed to be largely attributed to weather conditions. It therefore should not be reliably interpreted as an indicator of population decline.

Carbon Offsetting - Green Footprint Project

Several mulch mats were installed at Salazie in the Morne Seychellois National Park to control the invasive species ‘fouwatok’. This environmentally friendly approach uses a biodegradable mat that suppresses the growth of unwanted plants while enhancing the health of native vegetation. By blocking sunlight and minimizing competition, the mulch mat aids in restoring the area’s ecological balance and promotes the regeneration of local flora. The effectiveness of this method in preventing the growth of invasive plants at Salazie is currently being tested, and its success will be monitored over the coming months.

Giant Aldabra Giant Tortoise Census

The annual Aldabra Giant Tortoise census on Curieuse offers a collaborative effort to monitor the population density and distribution on the Island. In 2024, the activity was conducted with support from Nouvobanq and MCB banks, respectively. The census involved measuring key physical characteristics (carapace length, width, and scute dimensions), assessing health and carapace condition, and determining sex. Tortoises were marked to avoid duplicate measurements, and the EarthRanger software was utilized for data entry, patrol tracking, and reporting. The Nouvobanq census (November 9th), with 41 participants in three Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority (SPGA)-led groups, recorded 87 tortoises (50 males, 20 females, 17 subadults) across three locations: Baie Laraie 1 (44), Baie Laraie 2 (35), and the Mangrove Area (8). The MCB census (November 16th), with 46 participants in four SPGA-led groups, recorded 37 tortoises (25 males, 4 females, 2 juveniles, 7 subadults) across five locations: Grand Anse (12), Baie Laraie (22), and one each in Anse Badamier, the Mangrove Area, and Anse Papaie. In total, 124 individual tortoises were counted across both events. This collaborative initiative provides essential data for the ongoing conservation and management of the Aldabra Giant Tortoise population on Curieuse Island.



MARINE RESEARCH

Coral Reef Restoration Project and Sea Temperature Study

Research Staff Ms. Sophie and Mr. Rodney initiated the implementation of the El Niño Contingency Plan for the UNDP-AFB Coral Reef Restoration Project on Curieuse. They assisted the AFB team, with the collection of corals of opportunity from the Ste. Pierre reef. With the aim to expand the project's coral gardening efforts to deeper cooler waters, the collected corals were secured to six reef stars and installed at a depth of approximately eight metres (i.e. two metres deeper than the Baie Laraie rope nursery). A HOBO Water Pro v2 Temperature Logger was installed at the site (attached to a yellow marker buoy) to monitor sea temperatures throughout the El Niño event. Unfortunately, this logger has since been lost but was promptly replaced by a HOBO Pendant Temperature Logger from the AFB Project.

An additional six HOBO Water Pro v2 Temperature Loggers were deployed by the AFB team throughout January 2024, initiating SPGA's Temperature Study in the Curieuse and Ile Cocos Marine Parks. The selected sites included Ste. Pierre, Grande Anse, La Reserve and Ile Cocos.



With the ongoing El Niño events, the Coral Restoration team halted coral outplanting. It is expected that the high sea temperature to abate in June /July. Dive surveys, which entail visual observations along Curieuse reefs were undertaken weekly to see the spread, intensity, and status of coral reefs in the Curieuse MNP. The Research and the Marine Operation teams closely monitored the temperature changes and the AFB Team is also closely monitoring physical changes in coral fragments within all our restoration sites.

The team dedicated significant time to visually observing the coral nursery sites and reefs within Curieuse Marine National Park to identify signs of coral bleaching. They reported an initial phase of coral bleaching at both the nursery and outplanting sites. Therefore, the sea temperature study using sensitive HOBO loggers was launched. The temperature loggers were deployed at selected locations and data was collected monthly to monitor

sea temperature trends throughout the El Niño period. These loggers are stationed at St. Pierre and Anse Papay coral nursery and out-planting sites.

Although bleaching, the team continues its efforts by removing coral fragments from the nursery and relocating them to deeper waters, where they are attached to metal rebar or reef structure stars.

Ridge to Reef Project

This Project focuses on a Ridge to Reef Approach in Managing Seychelles' Protected Areas, namely the Curieuse, Baie Ternay and Port Launay Marine National Parks. It is geared towards facilitating the improved management of these Parks, conducting detailed biodiversity surveys and ecosystem monitoring, as well as restoration and rehabilitation through coastal reforestation and improved management of coastal freshwater ecosystems.

Visitor Satisfaction Survey

This activity was contracted out to a local consultant; Bee Ecological Consulting, which looked at assessing the visitor satisfaction level within the 3 Marine Parks under the project. Survey questions addressed various topics, such as recommendations, the health of the parks, level of biodiversity,

amongst others. Survey results concluded that over 78% of visitors were very satisfied with the offerings and health of the Marine Parks, and that they either visit again or recommend to others.

Re-initiate coral reef monitoring in the Curieuse Marine National Park-

The Research team re-initiated coral reef monitoring on Curieuse Island by training the rangers on how and where to conduct the monitoring. Through the R2R Project, an underwater camera; Olympus GT-7 camera and slates were purchased to be used by the staff for coral monitoring. Favoured for its superior pixel quality, particularly for close-ups, the Olympus GT-7 is ideal for studying coral bleaching effects and individual coral surfaces, making it a valuable asset for future focal points.



Set up wetland monitoring in the Curieuse Marine National Park-

The first Wetland Monitoring was conducted in quarter 4 of 2023 and the subsequent Wetland Report has been produced by the Research Section. The project has additionally purchased nets for the Curieuse team to continue with regular monitoring.

Rapid Depth Survey (Anse Souillac)

In preparation for a proposed pontoon, a rapid depth survey was conducted along the entrance of Anse Souillac. Water depth was recorded 2 metres apart along 8 different sections (A-H), using a makeshift metre ruler. The survey was conducted between 10:45am and 1:00pm in the following order: Section A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H. The low tide occurred at 10:58am, so the effect of the rising tide between the initial and final recordings must be considered. The GPS coordinates of the starting points (e.g. A0) and ending points (e.g. A28) of each section were recorded.

Sea Temperature Study

Research Staff initiated SPGA's Sea Temperature Study within the Baie Ternay and Port Launay Marine Parks. The primary objectives of this study are to evaluate and oversee the condition of the shallow reef ecosystems concerning the changes in water temperature. Typically, shallow reefs experience

the greatest effects of light and display greater fluctuations in temperature. Most stakeholders visiting the marine parks, usually show greater interest in the well-being of shallow reefs. One HOBO Water Pro v2 Temperature Logger was installed on each of the two reefs using metal helixes.



Research Scientist Sophie and Assistant Park Officer Demien conducted a rapid coral health survey at the Port Launay ABSA reef star site. Eight Acropora corals had their length, width, colour, and percentage of live cover measured. Across the selected corals, the average length was 14.7cm, the average width was 9.5cm and the average percentage of live cover was 76%.

Anse du Riz Rapid Survey - Assessment of Boulder (Head) Corals (Anse Du Riz)

A scoping of Anse Du Riz was conducted around 2:15pm to assess two boulder corals, that are allegedly posing a threat to approaching boats. The heights of the two corals were measured using a weighted transect tape. Assistant Park Officer Demien was photographed swimming on top of both corals, to display a rough idea of their distance below the water surface. Note that low tide occurred at 10:58am and the scoping was conducted around 2:15pm.

A statement from Assistant Park Officer Demien reads:

“The Baie Ternay Marine Operations Division has concluded that the removal of the coral heads is ecologically unsound due to the following reasons:

- The coral heads represent the only live massive coral colonies in the area, as the reef adjacent to them has very low live coral cover and is primarily rubble.
- Removing the coral heads would increase beach access and encourage near-shore anchoring, which could disrupt future sea turtle nesting activity.
- There are already provisions in place for large boats to use the beach. Many mooring buoys are available within Baie Ternay, allowing operators to secure their boats safely and use tender boats for beach access. This method ensures the safety of their boats as well as the ecosystem of the Marine Protected Area.”

Mass Coral Outplanting

SPGA held a mass coral outplanting event in collaboration with two SCUBA dive centres on Praslin; ‘Octopus’ and ‘Whitetip’. The aim of the event was to outplant as many corals as possible, prior to the peak of the 2024 El Niño event. A total of eleven divers took part; two SPGA Research Staff, two SPGA Scientific Divers, three divers from Octopus Dive Centre and four divers from Whitetip Dive Centre. Over the two-day period, approximately 600 cultured corals were removed from the Baie Laraie rope nursery, and outplanted at the Anse Papaie outplanting site. The corals were placed inside a traditional fish trap, suspended mid-water and transported by boat to the outplanting site. Six





100m² plots, in which steel rebars were hammered into the substrate 1m apart, had been previously prepared. The 600 corals were secured to the rebars using cable ties, amounting to approximately 0.06 ha of reef restored.

Seabird Monitoring

Several Research Staff accompanied Park Officer Jason and Scientific Divers based on Curieuse to Ile Cocos for a rapid seabird species assessment. During the assessment, the following species were recorded; Lesser Noddy, White-tailed Tropic Bird, Wimbrel, Shearwater, and Turnstone.

Beach Profiling and Water Quality Survey

Research Scientists alongside the Ste. Anne Assistant Park Officer initiated the beach profiling surveys along beaches on Ste Anne, Ile Aux Cerf, and Long Island. Water quality tests were also conducted using a multi-parameter probe, at several sites within the Ste Anne Marine Park, as well as outside of the park (i.e. Providence, Eden Island, Victoria Port).



Research Scientist Louissette provided a demonstration on the use of the Hanna Multiparameter Probe, to intern Rona and the Ste Anne Marine Operations team. The brief session focused on understanding the device's functionalities and specific parameters it measures, such as pH, temperature, and dissolved oxygen. They were also shown the correct procedures for calibration and data collection, ensuring accuracy in future monitoring. The training highlighted the probe's importance for environmental assessments within the marine park.

Fish Identification

The Research Team collaborated with the Ste. Anne and Baie Ternay-Port Launay Marine Operations Units to host a Coral and Fish Identification Training on Curieuse Island. The primary objective of the training was to enhance the marine monitoring programs within the Curieuse Marine Park, by providing the rangers with the necessary skills to differentiate between various coral and fish taxa. Assistant Parks Officer, Shazelle Julie in the Ste. Anne MNP was responsible for the fish identification portion of the training. She presented a diagram and a brief description of a fish's anatomy, as well as the various characteristics that can be used to distinguish between species (i.e. speckles, spots, saddles, lines, etc.). She then presented descriptions and photos of various species common across the Seychelles, followed by flashcards to test the trainees' memories. Mr. Demien Mougat, Baie Ternay, and Port Launay Assistant Park Officer were responsible for the coral identification portion of the training, which took place between 29th and 30th May. He presented a diagram and



a brief description of a coral's anatomy (i.e. polyps, corallites), and the various coral lifeforms, and discussed how these characteristics can be used to distinguish between different genera. He then presented descriptions and photos of various genera common across the Seychelles, followed by flashcards to test the trainees' memories.

Baited Remote Underwater Video Systems Survey (BRUVS)

Research Scientists Sophie and Louisette arrived at Curieuse in May for the BRUV study. The BRUVS Project Team Members Mr. Stuart Laing and Mr. Sebastien Cowin arrived and provided training on the BRUVs methodology. They explained and demonstrated appropriate practices for site selection, deployment and retrieval of the BRUVS, data recording, and switching of equipment (i.e. camera batteries and SD cards) between deployments. Assistant Park Officer Stanio, Rangers, Scientific Divers of the coral restoration team, and Research Scientists Sophie and Louisette were all present for the training. Mr. Laing had brought over two large bags of fish (Bonito) which were placed in the chest freezer located in the ranger's house, bought specifically for the project. Mr. Laing temporarily installed a GARMIN Depth Sounder onto the SPGA boat (Damsel) assigned for the week's BRUVS fieldwork.

Diseased Mangroves

In September 2024, the Research Section accompanied the Port Launay-Baie- Ternay Marine Operations Team to Anse Souillac in the Port Launay Marine Park. The visit aimed to examine the presence of a mangrove disease, caused by a group of fungal pathogens; *Curvularia*, *Neopestalotiopsis*, and *Pestalotiopsis* (CNP). Mangrove die-off events due to the fungal disease have been noted in several countries, with reports of symptoms including leaf yellowing, leaf spots, leaf dropping, leaf thickening, stem lesions, and death.

Samples of four mangrove species (Manglier Fler, Manglier Blan, Manglier Rouz, and Manglier Zonn) were acquired from Anse Souillac. Plants of all four species exhibited signs of ill health including spotting, dark patches, and textured bumps on their leaves. However, without microscopic examination of the samples, whether Mangrove CNP is the cause cannot be confirmed.



E-DNA

Velocity plank, miniSass, Clarity tube eDNA, or environmental DNA, is the genetic material that is shed by organisms into their environment. It can be collected from water, soil, or air and used to identify the species present in an area. Velocity planks are devices used to measure the speed of water currents. MiniSASS is a simplified version of the South African Scoring System, a method for assessing water quality based on the presence of aquatic invertebrates. Clarity tube training involves using a Secchi disk or tube to measure water clarity or turbidity. These methods are used to collect and analyze samples from different parts of Anse Boileau, Marie-Laure, Belombre, Port Glaud, and Anse Royale to assess the health of the aquatic environment. eDNA can be used to identify the presence of rare or endangered species, while velocity planks can help to understand how water currents affect the distribution of organisms. MiniSASS can provide a quick and easy way to assess water quality, while clarity tube training can help monitor changes in water clarity over time.

ADMINISTRATION

Following an extended medical leave the Administration Manager resumed duty mid-year, allowing for more administrative works to be undertaken by the Section. The Administration Manager was consequently briefed on the internal arrangements which had occurred during her absence and the way forward for seamless operations. With the Driver/Messenger staffs having been transferred under the purview of the Secretariat, the Administration Section would now consist of four staff; the Administration Manager, the Administrative Officer, and two Office Caretakers.



As is commonly done by the Administration Section, certain claims and incidences are attended to with regards to matters relating to uniforms, badges, insurance coverage, SIM cards and others.

In August 2024, the Authority relocated its Main Office space from Orion Mall to the Azores Building located at Ile du Port. Ensuring a smooth transition, the Administration Section played a key role in overseeing the relocation and mitigating any operational impacts which the move would create. SPGA staff officially settled at the Azores Building on 19th August 2024. A Manitu tele handler was hired to facilitate the removal and transfer of heavy equipment and furniture from Orion Mall to the Azores Building at Ile du Port, and this was done during a public holiday whereby staff from various sections were mobilized to assist in facilitating the move.

The Administrative team undertook a brief meeting with the personnel responsible for administrative duties with the Zane Holdings (Pty) Ltd; Landlord of the Azores Building, whereby certain issues were discussed and addressed. To date, SPGA has a total of three (3) electricity meters at the Main Office, and all have been transferred in the name of SPGA.

In parallel with the Main Office relocation, a room located within the store at the Botanical Garden was repaired and equipped with air-condition and shelving facilities, to be used as a storage area for archived of documents. Documentation from all Sections within the Authority, which had been identified to be archived based on their dates, archive. The Finance Section occupied the most room within the space, given the need to preserve financial records. Access to the archive is limited to specific management staff and the key remains under the responsibility of the Finance Section.

A groundskeeper based on Curieuse Island sustained a gnarly injury to his eye while performing his duties on the Island. Due to the severity of the injury, the Doctor recommended that he immediately began to wear glasses, given that his vision would be affected due to the result of the accident. SPGA therefore agreed to settle payment for the optometrist consultation fee and the prescription glasses, as well as initiating a claim through the insurance broker in respect to the injury.



Write-off of Assets

A comprehensive exercise was carried out in accordance with the “SPGA Write-Off” procedures. The assets consisted of office and IT equipment (desktops, laptops, monitors, photocopiers, POS machines) from the Head Office, as well as a boat engine located at the Marine Operations Perseverance Base. These were discarded due to old age and their non-functioning state, and were disposed of at the Providence Landfill by representatives from the Administration and Finance Sections. Similar formalities for other outer stations are conducted and carried out in phases.

Telecommunications Packages

The SPGA had a total of 160 mobile packages with Airtel Seychelles, totalling to SR.650,537.74 paid yearly and a total of 9 broadband packages. As from 01st April 2024 all management and senior staff were jointly upgraded to a new mobile package system, offering greater benefits for the staff. Management level staff were placed on the 20GB package, whilst Senior staff members were provided with 15GB packages. As for packages from Cable & Wireless Seychelles, SPGA has a total of five (05) broadband connections and thirteen (13) other services. This allows the Authority to operate smoothly with an efficient internet service across all of its various sites.

Fixed Assets Management

A new Asset Management Policy has been introduced within SPGA. The purpose of the Asset Management Policy is to provide guidelines on how to manage and have control over all SPGA assets. The Administration Section further implemented a new Asset Transfer Form which was forwarded to all heads of sections, with emphasis on the importance of its correct use and formalities. Adding to this, new guidelines and policies for fixed assets is set to be implemented in the near future. The Policy shall outline the terms and use of all company assets, with the heads of section being directly accountable for all assets found at each respective section or outstation. Any damages, loss, or misuse of any asset will result in the Head bearing all associated liabilities.

A new asset management software “Snipe It” was implemented with effect as at 1st April 2024, aiding to facilitate the Administration Section with the inputs and tracking of assets. The software provides the flexibility to the format, content, movement and recording of assets, and also retains a log of all transactions which have occurred. The Register is retrieved from an international organization which offers the open-source software. Following the installation by the IT Specialist onto the SPGA server, it can only be accessed within the SPGA offices. It is administrated by the IT Specialist, in collaboration with the Administration Officer. In addition to this, a labelling machine which permits asset coding was also purchased.

Marine Fleet

The vessel “Wave Runner”, which was allocated to the Curieuse and Ile Cocos Marine Park was recommended for tender, due to the extensive damages which the boat had incurred, thus limiting its efficiency for the Authorities operations. Following a survey which was conducted, the estimated cost of repair was placed at SR150,000, whilst its market value ‘as is’ was estimated between SR75,000 to SR85,000. Consequently, the boat was considered for write-off and to be disposed-off through the tender process. The tendering of “Wave Runner” was carried out through the Open Tender modality, however, no bid was received upon the closure of the tender period. Hence, the Authority concluded that the most favourable option moving forward for the vessel would be an auction sale; a procedure which is currently being processed.

Uniforms and Safety Shoes

With the acquisition of newly prepared uniforms and safety shoes, these were distributed to staff across all sections on Mahé, Praslin, Curieuse and La Digue, whilst staff based within the Gardens and Forestry Section were issued with a pair of safety shoes each.

T-SHIRTS			
SECTIONS	TYPE	EMBROIDERY	COLOUR
Marine Operation	Polo	Marine Operation	Blue
Forestry & National Parks	Polo	Forestry & National Parks	Neon Green
Forestry & National Parks	Round Neck	Forestry & National Parks	Navy Blue
Gardens	Polo	Gardens	Parrot Green
Grounds Keeper	Round Neck	Grounds Keeper	Navy Blue



HUMAN RESOURCES

The Human Resources (HR) department of the Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority played a pivotal role in fostering organizational efficiency and employee well-being during the reporting period. Key initiatives included strategic recruitment to fill critical roles, ensuring alignment with SPGA's environmental stewardship goals.



Employee engagement was strengthened via different initiatives, performance evaluations, and transparent communication channels, contributing to a motivated workforce. The HR department's proactive approach facilitated a cohesive, skilled, and dedicated team, directly advancing SPGA's operational and conservation objectives.

Confirmation in Post

Name	Post Title	Unit
Mrs. Vicky Athanase	Inner Island Manager	Praslin National Park
Ms. Nassirah Dorby	Project Officer	Research
Mrs. Marie- Celine Melanie	Office Care Taker	Administration
Ms. Lindy Agathine	Ticket Agent/ Cashier	Finance
Ms. Irinie	Ticket Agent/ Cashier	Finance
Ms. Elaine Brutus	Ticket Agent/ Cashier	Finance

Internal Transfers

Name	Unit	Post Held	Transferred To
Mr. Herve. T Philoe	Marine Operations	Park Ranger (Baie Ternay / Port Launay MNP)	Marine Operations (Ste. Anne MNP)
Mr. Josh Leon	Marine Operations	Marine Operations (Curieuse Marine National Park)	Park Ranger (Baie Ternay / Port Launay MNP)
Mr. Damien Mougale	Marine Operations	Marine Operations (Ste. Anne MNP)	Park Ranger (Baie Ternay / Port Launay MNP)
Mrs. Mavis D'offay	Finance	Accounts Technician - Expenditure	Finance - Revenue
Ms. Chiara Estrop	Finance	Accounts Technician - Revenue	Finance - Expenditure
Ms. Pavia Adelaide	National Botanical Garden	Horticultural Assistant	Forest Production
Mrs. Patricia Dufrene	National Biodiversity Centre	Cafeteria Attendant	Finance - Revenue
Ms. Tressa Bathilde	National Biodiversity Centre	Cafeteria Attendant	Secretariat
Ms. Sterina Julie	Finance	Ticket Agent / Cashier (Anse Major)	Finance - Revenue
Ms. Ezra Julie	Finance	Ticket Agent / Cashier (Sans Soucis)	Finance - Revenue
Ms. Lindy Agathine	Finance	Ticket Agent / Cashier (National Botanical Garden)	Finance - Revenue (Anse Major)
Mr. Andy Victor	Marine Operations	Park Ranger (Curieuse MNP)	Marine Operations (Ste. Anne MNP)

New Recruits

Name	Post Title	Unit	Effective From
Ms. Delsha Canaya	Ticket Agent	Finance - Veuve Special Reserve	1st February
Mrs. Kelsy Barra	Forestry and National Parks Coordinator (Mahe)	Forest Inventory Unit	4th March
Mr. Jimmy Adelaide	Enforcement Supervisor	Secretariat	4th March
Mrs. Rochelle Lobban	Director - Human Resources	Human Resources	1st April
Mr. Darius Padayachy	Senior Human Resources Officer	Human Resources	1st April
Mr. Dixon Bastienne	Financial Controller - Expenditure	Finance - Expenditure	1st April
Ms. Julie Dufrene	Office Care Taker	Administration	13th May
Mr. Gervy Saminadin	Horticultural Assistant	National Botanical Garden	13th May
Ms. Angelique Bedier	Ticket Agent / Cashier	Finance - Curieuse MNP	15th May
Ms. Delsha Canaya	Ticket Agent	Finance - Veuve Special Reserve	1st February
Mrs. Kelsy Barra	Forestry and National Parks Coordinator (Mahe)	Forest Inventory Unit	4th March
Mr. Jimmy Adelaide	Enforcement Supervisor	Secretariat	4th March
Mrs. Rochelle Lobban	Director - Human Resources	Human Resources	1st April

Mr. Darius Padayachy	Senior Human Resources Officer	Human Resources	1st April
Mr. Dixon Bastienne	Financial Controller - Expenditure	Finance - Expenditure	1st April
Ms. Julie Dufrene	Office Care Taker	Administration	13th May
Mr. Gervy Saminadin	Horticultural Assistant	National Botanical Garden	13th May
Ms. Angelique Bedier	Ticket Agent / Cashier	Finance - Curieuse MNP	15th May
Ms. Verra Volcere	Ticket Agent / Cashier	Finance - Curieuse MNP	15th May
Ms. Alicia Pierre	Ticket Agent / Cashier	Finance - Curieuse MNP	15th May
Mr. Romano William	Enforcement Officer	Secretariat	15th May
Mr. Kevin Jean	Enforcement Officer	Secretariat	15th May
Mr. Terrence Bonne	Groundskeeper	Curieuse MNP	15th May
Ms. Chiara Estrop	Accounts Technician	Finance - Revenue	1st June
Mr. Joshua Maria	Research Scientist / Project Assistant	Research	1st June
Mr. Ronel Banane	Scientific Diver	Coral Reef Restoration Project - Curieuse MNP	1st July
Mr. Leonard Collie	Groundskeeper	Curieuse MNP	8th July
Ms. Jourdanne Camille	Office Care Taker	Administration	1st September
Ms. Verma Thelermont	Ticket Agent / Cashier	Finance - Mahe	16th December
Ms. Machella Jasmin	Ticket Agent / Cashier	Finance - Praslin	24th December

Overseas Missions

Name	Post Title	Mission	Country	Duration
Mr. Allen Cedras	Chief Executive Officer	Maldives Protected and Conserved Areas Forum 2024	Maldives	13th -19th January
Mr. Allen Cedras	Chief Executive Officer	Chagos Archipelago Marine Protected Area	Mauritius	25th February - 2nd March
Ms. Lya Docteur	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	SADC	South Africa	10th -15th March
Mr. Allen Cedras	Chief Executive Officer	Western Indian Ocean Marine Conservation Practitioner Enforcement Training	Kenya	21st - 25th April
Mr. Bernard Bijoux	Senior Training and Events Officer	Western Indian Ocean Marine Conservation Practitioner Enforcement Training	Kenya	21st - 28th April
Ms. Lya Docteur	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	Conservation Forum for African Solutions for Nature and People	Kenya	23rd -29th June
Mrs. Nathachia Einfeldt	General Manager - Gardens	Exchange Program to Palaky University	Czech Republic	26th April - 4th May
Mr. Eric Sophola	Garden Manager	Exchange Program to Palaky University	Czech Republic	26th April - 4th May
Mr. Nelson Larue	Forestry Officer	Exchange Program to Palaky University	Czech Republic	26th April - 4th May

Mr. Jose Tirant	Forestry Officer	International Ramsar Wetlands Technical Seminar	Reunion Island	22nd May - 24th May
Ms. Louise Haoreau	Research Scientist	International Ramsar Wetlands Technical Seminar	Reunion Island	22nd May - 24th May
Mr. Anto Suzette	Manager -Curieuse Marine National Park	International Ramsar Wetlands Technical Seminar	Reunion Island	22nd May - 24th May
Ms. Sophie Berlouis	Research Scientist	UNDP / AFB Capacity Building Sessions	Mauritius	17th -29th June
Ms. Aishah Fanchette	Team Leader - Coral Reef Restoration Project - Curieuse	UNDP / AFB Capacity Building Sessions	Mauritius	17th -29th June
Ms. Cheryl Marie	Executive Assistant	Procurement of Specialised Goods	United Arab Emirates	6th May - 11th May
Ms. Geraldine Joubert	Communications, Information, Events, Education & Awareness Officer	Procurement of Specialised Goods	United Arab Emirates	6th May - 11th May
Ms. Shazelle Julie	Assistant Park Officer	Western Indian Ocean Protected Area Professionals Network on Greenlist	Madagascar	13th -18th May
Mrs. Vicky Athanase	Inner Islands Manager	Western Indian Ocean Protected Area Professionals Network on Greenlist	Madagascar	13th -18th May
Ms. Shazelle Julie	Assistant Park Officer	WIOCOMPAS Certification	Mauritius	31st July - 5th August
Mr. Rolland Quatre	Assistant Park Officer	WIOCOMPAS Certification	Mauritius	31st July - 5th August
Mr. Stanio Jean	Assistant Park Officer	WIOCOMPAS Certification	Mauritius	31st July - 5th August
Mr. Allen Cedras	Chief Executive Officer	WIOCOMPAS Certification	Mauritius	29th July - 5th August
Mr. Rodney Bonne	Head of Marine Research	Law of the Sea Training	Madagascar	21st -29th September
Mr. Allen Cedras	Chief Executive Officer	World Ranger Congress	France	5th - 16th October
Mr. Allen Cedras	Chief Executive Officer	WIOMPAN Conference	South Africa	20th -26th October
Ms. Lya Docteur	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	Western Indian Ocean Marine Protected Areas Training	Mayotte	1st -4th October
Ms. Lya Docteur	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	7th International Marine Conservation Congress	South Africa	13th -18th October
Mrs. Kelsy Barra	Forestry and National Park Coordinator	Tissue Culture and In-vitro Techniques Training	Thailand	9th - 23rd November
Mr. Damien Doudee	Senior Horticulturist	Tissue Culture and In-vitro Techniques Training	Thailand	9th - 23rd November
Mrs. Nathachia Einfeldt	General Manager - Gardens	Tissue Culture and In-vitro Techniques Training	Thailand	9th - 23rd November

Resignations

Name	Position Held	Section
Mr. Nel Esparon	Accounts Technician	Finance- Revenue
Mr. Jimmy Adelaide	Enforcement Supervisor	Secretariat
Mr. Anderson Nourrice	Expenditure Controller	Finance - Expenditure
Mrs. Sabrina Florentine	Assistant Forestry Officer	Forest Inventory
Ms. Samira Legaie	Forest Ranger	Forest Inventory
Ms. Christabelle Moumou	Office Care Taker	Administration
Mr. Terrence Athanase	Senior Forestry Officer	Forest Inventory
Ms. Shiira Padayachy	Park Ranger	Marine Operations - Curieuse Marine National Park
Mr. Ronny Leon	Tree Lopper	Forest Inventory
Mr. Terrence Bonne	Groundskeeper	Curieuse MNP
Mrs. Pricilla Finesse	Human Resources Manager	Human Resources
Mrs. Gina Faure	Horticultural Assistant	National Botanical Garden
Mr. Romeo Padayachy	Park Ranger	Praslin National Park
Mr. Terrence Mahoune	Team Leader	- Coral Reef Restoration Project - Curieuse
Ms. Vanessa Labonte	Horticultural Assistant	National Biodiversity Centre
Mrs. Marie-Lina Santache	Forestry Worker	Forest Production
Mr. Wilbert Jeanne	Facilities Officer	Praslin National Park
Ms. Julie Dufrene	Office Care Taker	Administration
Ms. Gina Brutus	Horticultural Assistant	National Botanical Garden
Ms. Marie-May Souris	Forestry Worker	Forest Production
Mr. Anthony Tirant	Horticultural Assistant	National Botanical Garden

Termination

Name	Post Held	Unit
Mr. Ryan Ernesta	Enforcement Officer	Secretariat
Mr. Rendy Emile	Groundskeeper	Veuve Special Reserve
Mr. Alex Rose	Park Ranger	Curieuse MNP

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

The Training and Development Section plays a vital role in ensuring that staff are equipped with the latest skills and knowledge necessary to effectively manage and conserve the country's natural and cultural heritage. This section is crucial for fostering a competent workforce capable of delivering high-quality services and implementing innovative and safe practices. Throughout the year, several training sessions were successfully conducted, reflecting our commitment to continuous professional development and enhancing the overall capacity of our team to achieve the Authority's goals. Additionally, the Authority welcomed students for internships and attachments, providing valuable hands-on experience and fostering the development of future professionals in the field.



Seychelles Maritime Academy Students

Six Seychelles Maritime Academy, (SMA) students began their work attachments with the Marine Operations Unit from 23 January to 17 May 2024. Three were based within the Curieuse Marine National Park, (MNP) two at the Ste Anne MNP, and one in the Baie Ternay MNP. Meetings and inductions were conducted with students and their Lecturers underscoring what skills and new knowledge the internship would provide them, whilst also indicating what would be expected from them during their time with the Authority.

Multi-Meter Probe Training

Research Scientist, Ms. Louissette Hoareau was assigned to carry out the Water Quality Monitoring Training to be delivered to the Marine Operations staff. New multi-meter probes were purchased under the GEF - GOS - Ridge to Reef Project. The training included an in-depth session on the use of the sophisticated equipment, to ensure more accurate recordings by the staff.



Monitoring Control and Surveillance Training

Mr. Bernard Bijoux, the Senior Training Officer conducted a Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) training based on the new Monitoring, Control and Surveillance Manual which was developed through funding obtained via the Ridge to Reef Project. All staffs within the Marine Operations Unit were involved and attended the training, as the Manual serves to support their existing enforcement strategies and allow for better delivery of their enforcement duties

Pest Control Training

Attended by Missia Dubignon, Park Ranger within the Praslin National Park, the session was held at the STC Conference Room and facilitated by Mr. Bod Petrouse. The aim of the training was to teach and sensitize representatives of government organisations and the local community on how to best control pests by using organic, homemade pesticides, as well as how to identify and control different pest species attacking various kinds of crops in Seychelles.

Invasive Species Outdoor Training

Facilitated by Dr. Bruno Senterre and Dr. Elvina Henriette, the training focused on educating various environmental organizations on the identification and management of dominant Invasive Alien Species, their locations and occurrence, and how to subsequently eradicate them, while also finding other uses for these plants, such as making compost. Parks Officer, Ronny Gabriel, Assistant Parks Officer Yannick Dufrene, and Park Ranger Romeo Padayachy attended the training.

Beach Profiling Training

Head of Marine Research Mr. Rodney Bonne, and Research Scientists; Ms. Sophie Berlouis and Ms. Louisette Hoareau hosted a brief Beach Profiling Training on Curieuse Island. Scientific Diver Ms. Aishah Fanchette, Park Ranger Shiira Padayachy and Seychelles Maritime Academy student; Yudra were trained in the Emery Beach Profiling Method along Grande Anse Beach. The Research Section has since initiated a bi-monthly schedule together with the Curieuse Marine Operations Team, allowing for a better understanding of beach erosion patterns along turtle nesting beaches.

SPGA Internal Drone Training

Seven (07) Forestry Officers participated in a basic drone training facilitated by Park Officer Roland Quatre and Assistant Park Officer Damien Mougat. The drone skills honed by the participants will enable the Forestry and National Park Section to enhance enforcement capabilities within their jurisdictions and to undertake simple mapping exercises of the National Park.



Certifications and Refresher Courses

Park Ranger; Swamee Tamboo conducted her Open Water Dive Training at the Big Blue Divers Dive Centre, allowing her to be part of the monitoring team for research activities, having gained the necessary certification.

Ranger Herve Philoe has completed training in STCW Refresher courses at the Seychelles Maritime Academy and a certificate of competency from SMSA and has been awarded certificates in the following areas:

- Proficiency in Personal Survival Techniques (six hours)
- Proficiency in Fire Prevention and Firefighting (six hours)
- Proficiency in Elementary First Aid (three hours)
- Proficiency in Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities (three hours).
- Certificate of competency for skipper license

Four Marine Operations staff namely; Roland Quatre, Dean William, Bella Jeanne, and Lindsay Pierre, attended an exam at the Seychelles Maritime Safety Authority for Two Nautical Miles Distances Marine License. All participants passed their exam and received their certificates, certifying them as licensed skippers. There are currently seven marine operations staff members with valid skipper licenses.

Ramsar Wetlands Technical Seminar (La Reunion)

Between the 20th - 25th of May, Research Scientist Louissette Hoareau, Park Manager Anto Suzette, and Forest Ranger Jose attended the Ramsar Wetlands Technical Seminar held in La Reunion. The technical seminar served as a platform for knowledge exchange between 15 different countries from southern Africa (South Africa, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Tanzania, Seychelles, Namibia, Mozambique, Mauritius, Madagascar, Lesotho, Kenya, Eswatini, Comoros, and Botswana) from mainland France and its overseas territories. This seminar was organized by NatureXpairs, the French Ministry of Ecology, The French Agency for Biodiversity (OFB), the Ramsar France association, and the Public Interest Group of the Etang de Saint-Paul National Nature Reserve. The International Week showcased public, technical, and scientific experiences of the different countries to preserve wetlands, both at national and international levels.



UNDP Coral Genomics Workshop (Mauritius)

Between 18th - 28th June, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) hosted a two-week workshop as part of the Adaptation Fund Coral Reef Restoration Project. The Workshop took place in Mauritius and provided an opportunity to (i) strengthen collaboration and knowledge-sharing between project activity partners across Seychelles, Mauritius, and Rodrigues, (ii) discuss how bioinformatics data can be used to inform coral reef conservation and management measures, and (iii) train activity partners in physical oceanography survey methods and the use of mapping software. Representatives from several environmental conservation entities attended, including SPGA, MCSS, MACCE, UniSey, Shoals Rodrigues, Mauritian Ocean Institute, University of Mauritius, Eco-Sud Mauritius, and Reef Conservation Mauritius.



Citizens in Science Training

In late June, Research Scientist, Louissette Hoareau, Park Officer, Yannick Dufrene, and Forestry and National Parks Coordinator Kelsy Barra attended the Train the Trainer Workshop, along with other local stakeholders and community members. The Workshop aimed to enhance the attendees' understanding of the animals that live in rivers, the importance of rivers for humans, the factors impacting rivers, and the ways which freshwater ecosystems can be conserved for continued benefits. This Train the Trainer session is a continuation of the previous Citizens in Science Training, during which attendees were presented with the tools used (e.g. velocity plank, clarity tube, and miniSass) and how these tools can enhance aquatic research.



They also discussed social learning, how it is linked to citizen science, and lastly, how to set up and implement a citizen science program.

Ticket Agent Training

The Revenue Financial Controller; Stephen Servina, alongside the Senior Human Resource Officer, Darius Padayachy, conducted an Induction Training with the newly recruited Ticket Agents. This was undertaken to ensure that the recruits received a clear understanding of their roles, duties and what is expected of them as key personnel for the Authority.

Green List training in Madagascar

The Inner Island Manager, Vicky Athanase, and Assistant Park Officer, Shazelle Julie attended a 4-day workshop in Madagascar from the 13th - 17th May 2024. The Workshop was aimed at having Western Indian Ocean Marine Protected Areas Professionals exchange results of the Green-list Self-Assessment exercise and to exchange common issues, complementary strengths, and gaps. The Workshop was also an opportunity to connect with Western Indian Ocean Marine Protected Area Network (WIOMPAN) mentors, other practitioners' platforms, and technical partners. Such workshop was the first step in evaluating the Curieuse Marine Park for the process of listing the Marine Park on the Green List Certification. The workshop will be followed by a continuous Action Plan.

Enforcement Training (Kenya)

CEO, Allen Cedras participated as a facilitator in the regional enforcement training in Diali Kenya. Mr. Bernard Bijoux, Senior Training Officer, also participated in the training, which included experience sharing, allowing participants to be part of an engaging learning environment. The discussions and exercises covered a variety of Marine Protected Areas and Locally Managed Marine Areas regulatory and environmental issues. Participants explored how compliance and enforcement tasks can be carried out most effectively and efficiently to achieve positive management outcomes while maintaining community and stakeholder trust. A critical component was developing professional competence and sharing experiences in group sessions. Participants left the training with a better understanding of the current pressures on marine resource managers, as well as a broader appreciation for potential adaptations to address these pressures.

Building Capacity in Geographic Information System-QGIS

A Ridge to Reef Project Workshop, facilitated by the UNDP, focused on building capacity in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) using QGIS software. Led by QGIS expert Aubrey Horter, the training provided foundational QGIS skills to key research personnel, including Research Scientists Sophie Berlouis, Louissette Hoareau, and Joshua Maria. The Workshop also included participation from key stakeholders such as the Ministry of Agriculture, Climate Change and Environment, and the Baie Lazare Watershed Committee.

River Monitoring and Tree Climbing Training.

Forestry Worker, Joel Robert benefited from a 5-day Tree Climbing Training organized by the Seychelles Islands Foundation (SIF). Forestry Workers; Elvis Valentin and Neil Esther and Forestry Ranger, Missia Dubignon participated in the River Monitoring Training organized by Gaea Seychelles.

Tissue Culture and In-vitro Lab Techniques Training (Thailand)

From 11th - 22nd November 2024, the Coordinator for Forestry and National Park; Kelsy Barra, Gardens General Manager, Nathachia Einfeldt, and Senior Horticulturist, Damien Doudee, attended a training held in Thailand focusing on Tissue Culture and in-vitro lab techniques. The three main objectives of the training were to provide SPGA staff with a comprehensive overview of plant tissue culture and in-vitro lab techniques, build the capacity of SPGA staff to practice this key technique of propagation in the laboratory and to provide participants with a hands-on opportunity to gain the necessary laboratory skills for implementation of the technique in the Seychelles.

Propagating *Medusagyne oppositifolia* (Bwa Mediz) - Plant Conservation Action Group

This Training demonstrated to participants, the successful techniques for propagating the critically endangered *Medusagyne oppositifolia*, drawing on insights from the Franklinia Project. Dr. Bruno Senterre and Mr. Damien Doudee facilitated the session which was held on the 16th October 2024.



Testing and Commissioning of SPGA Underwater Drone

On 7th November, a team comprising of the Senior Training Officer, Mr. Bernard Bijoux, Project Assistant and Head of Research conducted a test of the newly acquired and first underwater drone owned by the Authority. This exercise was done at the Ile Perseverance Beach. The purpose of this test was to ensure that the drone was fully operational and fit for use in various underwater tasks and research activities.



Ocean Policies and Management Seminar

Research Scientist, Sophie Berlouis attended a three-day Seminar on Ocean Policies and Management organised by the Chinese Embassy of Seychelles. This included a series of lectures by various Chinese professors discussing the types of marine regulations and policies that are present in China, including fisheries laws, coast guard laws, and marine spatial planning guidelines. The attendees also engaged in discussions about the similarities and differences between ocean policies in China and Seychelles.

Exchange with Palacky University, Czech Republic

Three Garden staff, namely Mr. Nelson Larue (Horticulturist), Mr. Eric Sophola (Garden Manager), and Mrs. Nathachia Einfeldt (General Manager - Gardens) benefited from an exchange visit between SPGA and Palacky University. The visit which was facilitated by the ERASMUS Mobility Program, served as a platform to initiate dialogue and chart the course for collaborations. Key objectives included knowledge exchange and enhancement, research collaboration and Academic Advancement Opportunities.

During the visit to Palacky University, SPGA representatives met with Professor Dr. Vladan (Head of Department) and Dr. Majesky Lubos (distinguished botanist). Discussions provided insights into ongoing research collaborations in Southeast Asia and the Caribbean. Other professors specializing in genetics, phycology, and herbarium studies also contributed to the team's understanding of interdisciplinary approaches in botanical sciences. In return, GM Gardens presented to the group about SPGA's active role in safeguarding biodiversity, ongoing conservation work, and limitations. Likewise, it emphasized the need for support in advanced fields such as Tissue culture and invitro as an intervention to save problematic species such as the jellyfish tree from extinction.



PUBLIC RELATIONS, EVENTS, EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

The Communications, Education and Awareness, and Events section of SPGA has been instrumental in fostering public awareness, environmental stewardship, and community engagement throughout the reporting period. The team spearheaded dynamic communication campaigns across digital platforms, traditional media, and print materials to highlight SPGA's conservation efforts, biodiversity initiatives, and sustainable park management practices.

Invasive species

SPGA surveys Yellow Crazy Ants on Outer Islands

The presence of the insects was first reported on Mahé in 1962. Despite previous control attempts, they have spread to several islands that are vulnerable. A survey on Curieuse, which serves as a tortoise sanctuary and marine national park, revealed that the population of the Yellow Crazy Ants is declining.

by T. Dennis

The Seychelles Parks and Garden Authority (SPGA) team recently surveyed Yellow Crazy Ants (YCA) on Curieuse Island. The insects, which originate from Southeast Asia, are listed among the 100 worst invasive alien species globally by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). They are known for their devastating effects on small island ecosystems.

According to IUCN, YCA are

named for their erratic movements and have caused significant environmental damage across various regions, including Hawaii, the Seychelles, and Zanzibar. On Christmas Island, these ants have established multi-queen supercolonies in at least eight rainforest areas, where they forage in all habitats, including the rainforest canopy. Their impact has been severe, decimating populations of the red land crab (*Gecarcocoida natalis*).

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• A survey being conducted on Curieuse Island

Educational outreach was prioritized through school programs, workshops, and guided tours, empowering students, residents, and visitors with knowledge about ecosystems and the importance of environmental preservation. Collaborative partnerships with local and international organizations amplified the reach of these initiatives.

The section successfully organized and hosted high-profile events, fostering a sense of collective responsibility for Seychelles' protected areas. By integrating innovative storytelling with participatory activities, the team strengthened SPGA's public profile, deepened community ties, and inspired active participation in conservation goals. These efforts underscored SPGA's commitment to bridging environmental action with public education, ensuring long-term ecological resilience and societal support.

EVENTS

International Day of Women and Girls in Science

To commemorate this important day, SPGA aimed at shining the light on its female scientists and the impactful work which they do and contribute towards conservation. Hence, a social media campaign was run to showcase the two female scientists within the Research and Documentation Section. This showcased their personal side as well as their professional goals and aspirations.

International Women's Day

To honour and valorise the hard work of the ladies of the SPGA Main Office, a whole-office breakfast was organized, whereby all sections brought in different breakfast items and this was shared amongst colleagues.

International Day of Forests

As the Authority continues in its strides to foster greater community participation and support for the protected areas, SPGA gladly welcomed the Seychelles Commercial Bank (SCB) for the adoption of the Copolia Nature Trail. This event coincided with the International Day of Forests, underscoring both organization's dedication to protecting our natural environment. Following the adoption ceremony, participants were able to hike the trail and also painted the kiosk at the summit.

Coral Festival - Celebrating the Colours of the Sea Coral Festival (27th -28th April)

SPGA organised the first-ever Seychelles Coral Festival under the theme "Celebrating the Colours of the Sea". Day 1 of the Coral Festival took centre-stage at Camion Hall, Victoria. Several environmental agencies convened, including the Ministry of Agriculture, Climate Change and Environment (MACCE), Marine Conservation Society of

Did you ever want to give up on your career in science? If so, who/what motivated you to keep going?

Never, I could not imagine doing anything else. My love for the environment and wildlife is such a big part of my personality, I have no doubt that this is the only career that would fulfil me. My own passion motivates me, particularly when I read about ongoing environmental issues such as global warming, plastic pollution and poaching – I feel that too few people recognise the value of our natural environment and I want to help change that.

I also often converse with my dad about my work, and the fact that he shares a similar care for these topics definitely helps me stay determined.

Sophie Berlonis
Research Scientist



International Day of Women & Girls in Science



Seychelles (MCSS), Wise Oceans, Seychelles Island Foundation, Nature Seychelles, and more. Each organization had a stall in which they showcased their work, the equipment they used, and their successes regarding coral reef conservation. Research Scientist Sophie formed part of the panel discussion alongside with Mr. Christophe Mason-Parker (CEO, MCSS), Mr. Rodney Quatre (Director General, MACCE), and Dr. Nirmal Shah (CEO, Nature Seychelles), during which they discussed several topics about coral reef conservation, including the importance of coral reefs in Seychelles, the threats they are currently facing and potential causes of environmental resilience.

On Day 2 of the Festival, activities took place within the Port Launay Marine Park. The SPGA team assisted approximately 60 Absa Seychelles staff members in attaching over 400 collected coral fragments onto 75 metal reef star structures, which were subsequently installed at the designated out-planting site. Due to extremely poor visibility, the reef stars could not be arranged in the desired sea turtle design on the day. However, this was later corrected by the Port Launay-Baie Ternay Marine Operations Unit.



Labour Day

To commemorate this valued day by staff, the Social Committee organised a special day for staff at the Main Office. This began with a special breakfast, followed by a day of thrilling activities. The highlight of the day was the Labour Day Quiz, which covered various general knowledge topics, to which each section had to do their utmost to gain maximum points. At the end of the game, the Finance - Revenue Section were crowned overall winners.



Opening of the Seychelles' Orchids Collection Greenhouse (22nd May)

On the 22nd of May 2024, the Seychelles Orchids Collection Greenhouse at the National Biodiversity Centre in Barbarons was officially opened to commemorate International Biodiversity Day. The ceremony was attended by Minister Flavien Joubert, CEO Cedras, Deputy CEO Ms. Docteur, and Mrs. Bernadette Willemin, Vice-chair of the SPGA Board of Directors. The greenhouse currently houses endemic and native orchid species of Seychelles, with many more to be added. This ensures the

continued conservation and awareness of these beautiful plants. The greenhouse, powered entirely by solar energy, utilizes innovative technology to maintain optimal temperatures for the delicate orchids within. These plants play a crucial role in Seychelles' biodiversity and are an integral part of the country's unique ecosystem. The orchid house serves as a hub for conservation, education, and awareness-raising efforts. Visitors can learn about the orchids' biology, their role in the local environment, and the importance of protecting them for future generations

World Environment Day

On this important theme day, SPGA staff were once again invited to contribute towards reforestation efforts within the Morne Seychellois National Park. With the assistance of the Forestry and National Park team, approximately 300 plants were planted at the Val Riche sight. The activity also saw the involvement of students from the Seychelles Business Studies Academy undertaking their internship at the Main Office. Additionally, the Research Section, represented SPGA in the MACCE Roadshow which was organised. During the roadshow, SPGA showcased works being undertaken to protect the marine protected areas, as well as the different technologies and devices being utilised for enforcement and research purposes. The Research Team showcased SPGA's ongoing initiatives to conserve the marine and terrestrial national parks. They engaged with school children, discussing projects such as the Curieuse Coral Reef Restoration Project, the Marine Operations Sea Temperature Study, beach profiling, Aldabra Giant Tortoise monitoring, and more. The team also presented a selection of research equipment (SCUBA diving regulator, Abney level, transect tape, drone, etc.), demonstrating the tools used in these various monitoring activities.

World Oceans Day - Coral Outplanting & Beach Clean Up

On 7th June, SPGA commemorated World Oceans Day by conducting a combination of coral restoration and beach clean-up activities in the Ste Anne Marine Park. The Port Launay-Baie Ternay Marine Operations team



assisted the event by collecting and transporting over 100 coral fragments to the Park. These fragments were subsequently out-planted onto the Anse Cimitiere reef by the Research and Ste Anne Marine Operations teams, to facilitate the ecosystem's recovery from the recent bleaching event. In addition, the Headquarters staff conducted a beach clean-up along the Long Island sandbank.

National Day Sale

As customary, the national month is commemorated throughout the month of June. In light of such, the National Day Committee organised the National Horticultural Fair, which invited individuals and organisations to sell their various products. SPGA participated with the sale of plants and Coco de Mer on Friday 28th June.



Painting of the Doctor's House

With the completion of the major renovation works on the Doctor's House, SPGA sought the assistance of its partner Nouvobanq to assist with the painting of this National Monument. The event was organised over the course of two weekends in collaboration with the Curieuse Marine Park team.



Productivity Fair - Department of Employment

Organised by the Department of Employment, SPGA partook in the Fair which was organised at the National History Museum, focused at raising awareness on the utilisation of technology and digitalisation to enhance productivity. Showcased by the team were various devices such as cameras, underwater and terrestrial drones, retail devices, water testing kits etc. placing forth the Authority's emphasis on digitalisation to enhance conservation efforts.



Donation of Equipment by Sacos Insurance Group

SACOS generously donated a set of garden equipment to the Forestry and National Parks Section of SPGA, in view of the good partnership between the two organisations. Unfortunately, this time around, SACOS was unable to participate in a clean-up activity as they have previously done during the month of September, however, they

alternately opted to donate instead. The donation included tools and equipment used for daily operations. Spades, machete, plastic rake, cotton gloves, gunny bags.

Tree planting by Staff

On the 13th of September, ten (10) Vacoa Sac plants were planted around the Sans Souci Compound by the Forestry Production Staff along with the Coordinator and Inventory Forestry Officer, aiding to embellish their station compound.

Clean-up the World Campaign- Seychelles Commercial Bank

As customary, SPGA commemorated the annual Clean-up the World Campaign. Once again, the Seychelles Commercial Bank (SCB) joined forces with the Forestry and National Park Section, Chosen was the Morne Blanc Trail. It was opted to have a different approach to the collaboration in 2024, whereby the participants focused on the removal of Invasive Alien Species (*Climedia hirta*). Approximately 45 gunny bags of uprooted invasives were collected over a 300-meter distance.



Clean-up the World Campaign- Absa Bank

A coastal clean-up was organised in partnership with Absa Bank Seychelles, under the guidance of the Baie Ternay & Port Launay Marine Operations team. The activity focused primarily around the Anse Souillac mangrove area, where garbage such as plastic bottles and wrappers were collected.



World Tourism Day

World Tourism Day is commemorated globally on 27th September, and in collaboration with the Tourism Department - Local Marketing Section, a special meet and greet session was organised to welcome visitors to the Botanical Garden. This involved sharing colourful flower necklaces and small tokens such as local jams and spices.



Horticultural Fair

In October 2024, a Horticultural Fair was organised by the Ministry of Agriculture, Climate Change and Environment,

of which an invite was extended to the SPGA. The team from the Biodiversity Centre, Barbarons participated with a selection of endemic, fruit, medicinal and spice plants. This was held at Camion Hall Victoria.



Creole Festival

The month of October is locally dedicated to celebrating and living the creole culture. This is a celebration which is also honed at SPGA, whereby a special event is organised to bring together staff. In 2024, the main gathering was held at the Botanical Garden whereby a series of traditional activities took place, allowing staff to mingle amongst themselves. Traditional meals were also on sale, with the aim of raising funds for the Social Committee.



Official Visit by Chinese Delegation

On October 24th H.E. Mr. MU Hong, the Vice-Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC) National Committee and Head of the China-Africa Friendship Group of the National Committee of the CPPCC of the People's Republic of China visited the Botanical Garden for an official visit. Moreover, H.E Mr. Xi Li, conducted a visit to the Botanical Garden, during a brief stopover in Seychelles on Friday 8th November. These visits were materialised in conjunction with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



National Assembly - Environmental Policy Implementation Committee (EPIC) Visits Curieuse

Members of the EPIC, led by its Chairperson, Ms. Alexandria Faure visited Curieuse Island. The delegation comprising of certain members of parliament set out to observe ongoing conservation activities, particularly focused on protecting and rehabilitating mangrove species. The visit commenced with a briefing by Mr. Anto Suzette, Manager of the Curieuse Marine Park, who, alongside marine professionals, Mr. Stanio Jean and Mr.

Jason Bastille, provided an overview of the island’s unique geology and diverse ecosystems. Mr. Bastille also shared insights into the island’s rich history.

Men’s Day

Men’s Day celebrated on 19th November, was specially celebrated this year. Male staff were presented with a small token of appreciation, for their commitment and role which they play with the Authority and within the community.



Signing of MoU- Liam’s Rainbow Foundation

With the development of the Liam’s Rainbow Foundation Project which is found adjacent to the Botanical Garden, an MoU was entered into by CEO Allen Cedras on behalf of the Authority, whereby an understanding has been established between the two organisations in order to provide transport access through the Garden during the construction phase. The Agreement was formally signed during the official stone-laying ceremony.



Tortoise Census- Nouvobanq and MCB

For 2024, the annual Giant Aldabra Tortoise Census was organised during two consecutive weekends. Committed to assisting the Authority, were SPGA’s partners’ Nouvobanq and the Mauritius Commercial Bank(MCB). With the assistance of the Research Section and the Curieuse Marine Operations team, the participants were separated into different groups covering specific areas of the island. This was a first-time experience for many participants and the event was well appreciated by all.



Visit and Tree Planting activity by the Rotary Club of Victoria

The Rotary Club of Victoria conducted a tree planting event that included 12 students from La Misere school, accompanied by teachers, and 35 visiting Rotarians from several countries, along with a few members from the Rotary Club of Victoria. Although the Club was challenged by their District Governor Luderce to plant 1000 trees, they managed over 50 plants. The endemic trees were labelled with the children’s names and dates.



Call to Earth Programme in Ste. Anne Marine Park

Research Scientist Sophie Berlouis joined the Ste. Anne Marine Operations Team in a collaborative effort for the CNN Call to Earth Program. This included presenting an overview of SPGA's coral reef restoration efforts, including a demonstration of the method used to secure the coral fragment to the steel rebar. The team also participated in a beach clean-up on Long Island and engaged with the children by visiting the fish-feeding area.



Tree Planting Activity with Rodrigues Students

A collaborative tree planting initiative took place in the Morne Seychellois National Park, involving 26 students, National Park Rangers, and Research Scientist Ms. Louisette Hoareau. The group planted approximately 30 native trees, including bwa- de-tab and bwa-de-natte species. This activity served as a valuable opportunity for students to engage in hands-on conservation efforts and learn about the importance of native flora from experienced professionals.



Ocean Festival

The Save Our Seas Foundation in collaboration with the Tourism Department hosted an Ocean Festival, bringing together key stakeholders to celebrate and promote ocean conservation. The event featured a fair showcasing the work of participating organizations, including the



Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority, Seychelles Fishing Authority (SFA), Seychelles Fire and Rescue Services Agency (SFRSA), Free Diving Seychelles, Gaiea Seychelles, and others. The festival also recognized and celebrated young talent through an awards ceremony for winners of writing, painting, and singing competitions centred on ocean themes.

SPGA participated in the Exhibition which was held on 29th November at the Berjaya Resort, Beau Vallon. The Research team showcased the various ongoing projects being undertaken to conserve the MPAs under SPGA's jurisdiction, as well as the different technologies utilised for research, monitoring and surveillance.

Coco de Mer Sale

During the last quarter of the year, two Coco de Mer sales were organised whereby the nuts were being sold at discounted prices. With the festive season which was upcoming, it was the pivotal chance to allow the public and visitors to purchase these unique souvenirs. Both sales event, i.e. October 30th and December 7th were held at the Seychelles Post Office Compound in Victoria



EarthRanger Operations Centre - Grand Opening

On 23rd December 2024, the EarthRanger Operations Centre was officially opened by the Minister of Agriculture, Climate Change and Environment; Mr. Flavien Joubert and SPGA CEO; Mr. Allen Cedras. In attendance were various stakeholders, board members and SPGA staff. The facility houses state of the art technology and devices which will be utilised to monitor the protected areas under the jurisdiction of the Authority, allowing for enhanced data analysis, as well as quicker response times to incidents and reports.



EarthRanger is a powerful software solution tailored for protected area managers, ecologists, and conservationists, empowering them to make informed operational decisions. It seamlessly integrates and visualizes a comprehensive historical and real-time data from protected areas, encompassing wildlife populations, ranger patrol activities, spatial information, enforcement resources, infrastructure, and identified threats. A team from "51 Degrees", a global leader in conservation solutions, has facilitated the integration of the Software within SPGA's daily operations and has

similarly trained SPGA personnel on the implementation of software. Invited partners included the Seychelles Maritime Safety Authority, Seychelles Ports Authority, Marine Police, Disaster Risk Management Division, MACCE, Blue Economy Department and Seychelles Fisheries Authority.



End of Year Event

As is carried out at the end of each business year, gatherings are held to recompense staff for the hard work and dedication which they have put in throughout the year. For 2024, gatherings were held for the management and senior teams, and an End of Year Event, was once again organised for all staff at Kempinski Resort on Friday 20th December. During the event long-serving staff and the best performing sections were honoured. A raffle with exciting prizes was also drawn on the night.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

As we progress within the modern business world, SPGA has remained abreast with technology and innovations, all with the aim to ensure that the Authority remains accessible, visible and able to keep up with the innovations which provide efficiency and effectiveness. SPGA continues to make strides in its initiatives to fully digitalize its operations, with many of its services and offerings being done seamlessly via digital means, such as the newest modality of salary payment which is carried out via a digital bulk payment system. Furthermore, to insure the proper recording and tracking of company assets, a new internal Web Asset Application (Snipe It) has been installed and is successfully being utilized by the Administration Section.



During 2024 emphasis has also been placed on designing and implementing an internal network for ease of communication and data sharing within the organisation, focusing primarily on users based at the main office and will later branch out to outer stations. As is necessary, routine maintenance tasks were conducted on all hardware such as printers within the SPGA offices.

On Praslin, The Fond B'offay network was significantly improved with the installation of a switch, placed to establish a more reliable and stable internet connection. The network at the Veuve Special Reserve on La Digue was also connected to the Department of Information Communication and Technology (DICT) network creating a more seamless digital experience.

Outer station

At the Biodiversity Centre, two new cameras were installed to monitor the newly opened greenhouse, in the Authority's efforts to deter any potential theft in the area. Moreover, a Wi-Fi extender was installed to reduce the monthly Airtel bill for the retail device used on-site. Moreover, improvements were made to the internal network at the office whereby more computers could be connected via LAN instead of WIFI.

The installation of several surveillance cameras on Moyenne Island began mid-year, a project which is being undertaken in close collaboration with the Moyenne Island Foundation. Certain issues such as the topography of the areas identified for camera installation have hindered and caused delays to this important project.

With the establishment of the EarthRanger Operations Centre, the previous Unifi WIFI from the past SPGA Main Office located at Orion Mall was repurposed to accommodate an internet connection for

the facility. Moreover, a new mini PC was purchased and installed with a dual display to enhance monitoring and track changes on the Earth Ranger platform.



With great investments made into ensuring the stability and security of the SPGA Online Payment Platform, no downtimes or issues were reported during the 3rd and 4th quarter. However, there were some issues reported with the retail devices used onsite in selected areas, mainly on Curieuse and at the Glacis Noire Nature Trail, whereby reports of the device printing several tickets automatically was observed. In addition, Ticket Agents reported printing issues, which were quickly resolved by clearing the cache of the devices. These solutions will be reflected in the new User Manual which is expected to be launched in 2025.

FINANCE

The Finance Section plays a vital role in ensuring the financial health and sustainability of the Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority. Responsible for budgeting, financial planning, and resource management, the section oversees the proper allocation and utilization of funds to support conservation projects, operational activities, park maintenance and upkeep, and public engagement activities. It ensures compliance with financial regulations and promotes transparency through accurate financial reporting.

Additionally, the Finance Section collaborates with other departments to facilitate strategic decision-making, and optimize operational efficiency, both of which contributes to the Authority's mission of preserving Seychelles' protected areas for current and future generations.

This Annual Report is based on the audited financial statements for the year 2023. It is important to clarify that the Report does not include financial data for the year 2024, as there has been a delay on the part of the Auditor General's Office in conducting the latest audit. This delay has impacted the timeline for finalizing the 2024 financial statements and subsequent reporting. The completion of the 2024 audit is now projected for 2025.

Whilst the Authority understands the importance of timely and accurate financial reporting, the management is actively working with the relevant authorities to ensure the audit process is completed at the earliest.



Statement of Cash Receipts and Payments

For the period of 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023

	2023 SR	2022 SR	Notes
RECEIPTS			
Allocations/appropriations (MOF Subvention)	-	7,300,000.00	
Other Receipts: Retained Earnings from NGBF	-	5,556,169.76	
Sales of Goods and Services	43,954,346.54	40,755,610.28	4
Other Receipts	105,742.05	39,711.36	5
Grants	2,247,431.83	2,710,220.52	6
Total Receipts	46,307,520.42	56,361,711.92	
PAYMENTS			
Wages and Salaries	32,436,426.46	29,205,429.30	7
Goods and Services			
Office expenses	5,242,372.41	4,574,555.37	8
Transportation and Travel Costs	2,096,064.79	2,596,668.89	9
Maintenance and Repairs	1,384,269.13	2,381,182.78	10
Discount allowed	278,552.75	4,755.00	
Cost Of sales	194,181.32	126,800.00	11
Other Use of Goods and Services	2,313,629.62	2,018,032.54	12
Minor Capex	10,440.05	(118,500.00)	
Total recurrent expenditure	43,955,936.53	40,788,923.88	
Other Expenditure			
Grants	2,473,222.83	3,698,896.38	13
Exchange Loss	-	-	
	2,473,222.83	3,698,896.38	
Non Financial Assets			
Acquisition of IT Equipments	40,875.09	482,179.40	14
Printing Equipment	-	144,979.50	
Aircon	2,789.00	-	
Kitchen & Laundry Equipment	20,995.00	99,257.50	
Furnitures	68,300.00	58,050.00	
Office Equipment	76,819.03	132,898.00	
Tools	110,526.27	85,507.50	
Other Building and Structure	877,272.45	192,036.75	
Generator	21,321.01	30,423.00	
Engine and Boat	558,347.23	635,000.00	
Vehicles	1,275,000.00	-	
Total Capital Expenditure	3,052,245.08	1,860,331.65	
Total Expenditure	49,481,404.44	46,348,151.91	
Surplus/Deficit		<u>(3,173,884.02)</u>	



Chairperson



Chief Executive Officer:

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Cash Basis IPSAS 'Financial reporting under the cash basis of accounting'. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the period.

Reporting Entity

The financial statements are for a Public Enterprise: Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority (SPGA) referred to as a state owned entity, that is regulated by the Public Enterprise Monitoring Commission. (PEMC)

Payments made on this account in respect of Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority are disclosed in the Actual column in the statement of cash receipts and payments and other financial statements.

The entity is governed by a Board of directors, that was appointed on 1st June 2022, serving for a period of three years.

Previous Year Figures

The figures reflect both the the current period of January 2023 to Decemeber 2023 and the previous period of January 2022 to December 2022

Reporting currency

The reporting currency is Seychelles rupees (SR).

2. GOVERNMENT SUBVENTION

During the period of January to December 2023 the Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority did not receive any subvention or gouvernement assistance.

3. OTHER RECEIPTS

Grants

All grant accounts details are attached as per attached appendixes on page 11 to 33. Total opening balances for all grants accounts in 2023 amounts to R 4,758,603.96 1 with R2,239,992.76 as receipts and R2,473,222.83 as expenditure, resulting in R4,525,373.89 as closing balance. See details overleaf.

2023

Grant Name	Opening Balance (SR)	Actual Receipt (SR)	Actual Payments (SR)	Closing Balance (SR)
Veuve Reserve	403.00	-		403.00
Darwin Initiative Projects	(7,944.55)			(7,944.55)
Earthwatch Projects	935,587.84			935,587.84
Strategic Adaptation Management	181,623.02			181,623.02
Environment Trust Fund - La Digue Trail	(847.00)			(847.00)
Environment Trust Fund- Greenhouse Material	-	-	323,883.85	(323,883.85)
Curieuse Infrastructure Project	2,879,164.20	-	364,265.45	2,514,898.75
Other Small Grants	67,857.30	87,113.00		154,970.30
Protected Area Finance	(146.61)			(146.61)
Curieuse 40th Anniversary	-			-
Coral restoration Projects	223,250.27	1,068,995.74	929,564.90	362,681.11
Pareo Project- Reunion	230,873.40			230,873.40
Pareo Project- Madagascar	21,356.64			21,356.64
Ridge to Reef Project	60,964.50	616,401.02	550,838.56	126,526.96
H.Savy Trail	30,355.22		30,366.38	- 11.16
SEYCAAT BLUE Grant	-	474,922.07	163,512.35	311,409.72
Hunt Deltel	-	-	-	-
Total Grants Accounts	4,622,497.23	2,247,431.83	2,362,431.49	4,507,497.57

Bank Account

Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority operate through bank accounts with Mauritius Commercial Bank and ABSA Detailed statement of accounts in Appendixes on page 7 to 11.

	Actual Receipt (SR)	Opening Balance (SR)
MCB 0000073326	46,851,065.56	468,332.78
MCB 0000 595055	893,203.13	2,967,375.80
ABSA 1063127	24,312,047.46	17,837,013.91
Total Bank Account	72,056,316.15	21,272,722.49

The Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority also has a USD MCB Bank account

	Actual Receipt (\$)	Opening Balance (\$)
MCB 00000595063	76,603.86	32,954.73

4. SALE OF GOODS AND SERVICES

In addition Seychelles Parks And Gardens Authority also collects revenue from the following:

	2023	2022
Mooring Fees	364,250.00	568,803.77
Forestry Products	337,411.43	595,275.88
Sale of plants	525,945.00	275,532.75
Hire of Boats	7,900.00	44,600.00
Entrance Marine Park Fees	22,007,050.00	21,160,976.50
Coco De Mer	4,140,601.58	2,255,814.61
Hire of Facilities (GVI)	118,448.13	822,219.05
Hotel Contribution	1,195,000.00	840,000.00
Entrance Fees Gardens	11,740,144.54	10,345,263.18
Entrance Fees Veuve Reserve	318,000.00	363,028.07
other income	521,215.50	-
Beverage sales	43,286.84	-
Interest income	-	-
Rental of facilities	602,777.20	595,694.12
Trail Entrance Fees	1,967,900.00	1,540,575.08
Commercial Activities (Photoshooting	52,366.32	40,000.00
Others	-	1,306,436.77
Cinnamon Trade	12,050.00	1,390.50
Total of Sale of Goods and Services	43,954,346.54	40,755,610.28

5. OTHER RECEIPTS

Donations	40,090.89	33,992.92
Exchange gain	65,651.16	5,718.44
Total other receipts	105,742.05	39,711.36
TOTAL RECEIPTS	44,060,088.59	40,795,321.64

6. GRANTS FOR PROJECTS (BREAKDOWN BELOW).

Detailed statement of accounts in Appendix

Actual Receipt (SR) 2023		
Actual Receipt (SR) 2022		
Veuve Reserve	-	12,430.00
Darwin Initiative Project	-	54,387.31
Other Small Grants	87,113.00	147,020.00
Coral Reef restoration Project	1,068,995.74	1,148,953.19
Curieuse Infrastructure	-	26,645.50
Pareo Project Reunion	-	91,245.49
Pareo Project Madagascar	-	90,808.49
Ridge to Reef	616,401.02	1,017,703.96
H.Savy Trail Grant	-	100,000.00
SEYCAAT Blue Grant	474,922.07	-
PA Finance		21,026.58
Total Grant receipts	2,247,431.83	2,710,220.52

7. WAGES AND SALARY EXPENSES

	SR	
Basic Pay	32,436,426.46	29,205,429.30
Total Wages and Salary Expenses	32,436,426.46	29,205,429.30

	2023	2022
	SR	SR
8. OFFICE EXPENSES		
Stationery	92,072.92	63,260.00
Printing	265,034.31	489,396.00
Postage and stamps	6,092.05	3,557.00
Adverts and Promotions	150,210.90	163,890.08
News paper	29,143.40	11,685.00
Cleaning Expenses	124,212.34	158,088.87
Consumables	324,366.85	303,834.10
Electricity	789,358.18	636,197.06
Water	207,198.81	137,416.56
Internet	615,887.45	391,304.50
Licence fees	1,800.00	-
Telephone International	2,128.63	14,783.19
Telephone Local	580,966.88	485,818.00
Parking Fees	76,000.00	58,400.00
Uniforms	60,892.55	38,149.24
Other Office Expenses	289,123.08	212,939.64
Bank/Commission Charges	612,204.06	340,156.13
Bad Debts	-	50,000.00
Office Building Rents	1,015,680.00	1,015,680.00
Total Office Expenses	5,242,372.41	4,574,555.37

	2023	2022
	SR	SR
9. TRANSPORTATION AND TRAVELLING COSTS		
Domestic Airfares	107,197.00	97,177.00
Overseas Airfares	21,294.76	26,910.00
Fuel for Vehicles	259,407.79	413,439.50
Fuel for Boats	1,174,616.09	1,379,590.51
Fuel for other Machinery/Equipment	15,403.00	188,371.58
Overseas Subsistence allowance	205,459.63	126,712.58
Domestic Subsistence allowance	85,254.97	140,050.79
Bus/Taxi/Ferry Fares	88,260.00	99,569.00
Hire Charges for Vehicle	-	8,625.00
Other Transportation Cost	139,171.55	116,222.93
Total Transportation and Travelling Costs	2,096,064.79	2,596,668.89

	2023	2022
	SR	SR
10. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS COSTS		
Motor Vehicles	136,605.28	364,451.47
Boats and engine	400,400.11	530,653.23
Security Equipment	55,012.63	36,231.09
Office Equipment	300.00	9,625.25
Air Condition	8,414.92	36,850.38
IT Equipment	5,910.00	46,078.00
Tools	-	-
Printing Equipment	38,219.88	5,520.00
Office Building	265,615.42	9,828.00
Other Maintenance and Repairs	473,790.89	1,341,945.36
Total Maintenance and Repairs Costs	1,384,269.13	2,381,182.78

11. COST OF GOODS SOLD	2023	2022
Fond B'offay	46,790.72	-
Bio-Diversity Café	8,970.60	3,175.00
cost of sales (related to sale of coco de mer)	138,420.00	126,800.00
	194,181.32	129,975.00

12. OTHER USE OF GOODS AND SERVICES COSTS	SR	SR
License Fees	52,638.50	54,037.12
Board Fees	612,000.00	369,300.00
Vehicles Insurance	201,722.73	176,772.00
Building Insurance	22,957.93	(58,166.58)
Other Insurance (Employers Liability)	265,161.74	325,190.00
Travel Insurance	16,000.73	630.61
Boat Insurance	88,153.00	100,313.00
Local Consultancy	283,172.95	309,781.80
Training Fees	75,050.00	70,903.56
Facilities For Events	246,500.07	123,750.00
Other Services Agreement	263,991.95	356,071.14
Collection of Garbage	300.00	-
Pest Control	4,257.50	31,340.00
Medical Test	8,580.00	33,396.00
Subscription Fees		7,300.00
Other Agriculture supplies	68,032.12	68,340.00
Uniform	105,110.40	49,073.89
Total Other Use of Goods and Services Costs	2,313,629.62	2,018,032.54

13. OTHER EXPENDITURE

Detailed Statement in Appendix

Bank Account	-	-
	Actual Expenditure (SR)	Opening Balance (SR)
MCB 0000073326	46,750,112.34	468,332.78
MCB 0000 595055	1,522,703.15	2,967,375.80
ABSA 1063127	27,462,550.00	17,837,013.91
Total Bank Account	75,735,365.49	21,272,722.49

The Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority also has a credit card

Credit card Number Ending 7553	70,000.00
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The Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority also has a USD MCB Bank account

	Actual Expenditure (\$)	Opening Balance (\$)
MCB 595063 (USD)	68,797.02	32,954.73

GRANTS FOR PROJECTS

	ACTUAL EXPENCES 2023	ACTUAL EXPENCES 2022
Edge Projects		0.78
Cirad. Reunion	-	4,819.95
Rufford Project	-	27,335.19
Regional MFF Project	-	70,502.27
Creating Env. Educational Props	-	9,559.14
Veuve Reserve	-	12,359.60
Curieuse 40th Anniversary	-	35,000.00
Coastal Ecosystem Adapt	-	-
Darwin Initiative Projects	-	242,343.08
COI. Cots Project	-	138,951.17
Earth watch Project	-	-
Strategic Adaptive Management Project	-	-
Environment Trust Fund - La Digue Trail	-	847.00
Environment Trust Fund -Greenhouse Material	323,883.85	-
Curieuse Infrastructure Project	467,945.86	130,325.91
Curieuse Leprosy Project	-	164,828.44
PA Finance	-	-
Other small Grants	-	38,839.90
Coral Reef restoration Project	929,564.90	1,257,183.17
Pareo Project - Reunion	-	91,152.34
Pareo Project - Madagascar	-	69,451.85
Ridge to Reef	550,121.56	1,071,201.81
H.Savy Trail Grant	30,366.38	319,644.78
SEYCAAT BLUE GRANT	156,790.28	-
Hunt Deltel	14,550.00	14,550.00
Total Grant Expenses	2,473,222.83	3,698,896.38

14. NON FINANCIAL ASSET

	2023	2022
IT Equipment	40,875.09	482,179.40
Printing Equipment		144,979.50
Aircon	2,789.00	-
Kitchen & Laundry Equipment	20,995.00	99,257.50
Vehicles	1,275,000.00	-
Furnitures	68,300.00	58,050.00
Fire Equipment	-	-
Office Equipment	76,819.03	132,898.00
Tools	110,526.27	85,507.50
Generator	21,321.01	30,423.00
Acquisition of Outboard engine & Boat	558,347.23	635,000.00
Other Building and structure	877,272.45	192,036.75
Total of Non Financial Asset	3,052,245.08	1,860,331.65

15. AUTHORIZATION DATE

The financial statements were authorised only the Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson of Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority.

NOTES TO THE FUND STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

Statement for SPGA MCB Bank Account no.00000073326 as at 31.12.2023

	SR	SR
Opening balance 01.01.2023		468,332.78
Receipts		
Revenue collected in January	4,183,798.34	
Revenue collected in February	3,204,323.81	
Revenue collected in March	3,932,085.81	
Revenue collected in April	3,295,210.00	
Revenue collected in May	3,080,981.00	
Revenue collected in June	3,796,521.90	
Revenue collected in July	3,365,163.43	
Revenue collected in August	3,738,785.69	
Revenue collected in September	3,404,456.46	
Revenue collected in October	5,152,151.88	
Revenue collected in November	4,098,439.94	
Revenue collected in December	5,599,147.30	
Total	<u>46,851,065.56</u>	
Month		
Expenses		
January		3,440,026.68
February		3,857,203.89
March		4,075,900.93
April		3,543,133.04
May		3,032,427.78
June		3,643,479.10
July		3,518,276.84
August		3,706,714.98
September		3,597,198.75
October		4,972,437.38
November		4,043,193.60
December		5,320,119.37
Total	<u>0.00</u>	<u>46,750,112.34</u>
Adjustment		-
Closing balance 31.12.2023		<u>569,286.00</u>

NOTES TO THE FUND STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

Statement for SPGA MCB Bank Account no.000000595055 as at 31.12.2023

	SR	Previous year SR
Opening balance 01.01.2023		2,967,375.80
Receipts		
Grant Received in January	-	
Grant Received in February	-	
Grant Received in March	78,836.00	
Grant Received in April	85,887.50	
Grant Received in May	21,600.00	
Grant Received in June	-	
Grant Received in July	146,184.15	
Grant Received in August	408,840.48	
Grant Received in September	-	
Grant Received in October	-	
Grant Received in November	-	
Grant Received in December	151,855.00	
Total	893,203.13	
Month		
Expenses		
January		10,780.00
February		126,485.40
March		48,734.69
April		365,637.51
May		47,435.21
June		132,956.35
July		15,015.00
August		338,411.24
September		95,064.50
October		258,795.36
November		-
December		83,387.89
Total	0.00	1,522,703.15
Outstanding Transfer		-
Closing balance 31.12.2023		2,337,875.78

NOTES TO THE FUND STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

Statement for SPGA MCB Bank Account no.000000595063 as at 31.12.2023

	USD	Previous year USD
Opening balance 01.01.2023		32,954.73
Receipts		
Grant Received in January	-	
Grant Received in February	21,529.71	
Grant Received in March	-	
Grant Received in April	-	
Grant Received in May	-	
Grant Received in June	-	
Grant Received in July	14,169.39	
Grant Received in August	21,241.01	
Grant Received in September	-	
Grant Received in October	-	
Grant Received in November	19,663.75	
Grant Received in December	-	
Total	<u>76,603.86</u>	
Month		
Expenses		
January		6,117.17
February		5,509.18
March		4,398.15
April		6,041.53
May		5,336.92
June		9,806.49
July		5,468.03
August		5,050.42
September		6,539.00
October		6,171.39
November		3,237.60
December		5,121.14
Total		<u>68,797.02</u>
		-
Outstanding Transfer		-
Closing balance 31.12.2021		<u>40,761.57</u>
Note # Equivalent in Rupees @ Rate 13.688729		557,974.09

NOTES TO THE FUND STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

Statement for SPGA Absa Bank Account no.1063127 as at 31.12.2023

	SCR	Previous year SCR
Opening balance 01.01.2023		17,837,013.91
Receipts		
Revenue collected in January	1,779,635.65	
Revenue collected in February	2,112,070.88	
Revenue collected in March	2,587,604.13	
Revenue collected in April	2,454,306.02	
Revenue collected in May	2,284,068.94	
Revenue collected in June	1,644,551.21	
Revenue collected in July	1,878,972.60	
Revenue collected in August	2,245,153.62	
Revenue collected in September	1,588,799.12	
Revenue collected in October	2,233,681.40	
Revenue collected in November	1,987,312.92	
Revenue collected in December	1,515,890.93	
Total	<u>24,312,047.42</u>	
Month		
Expenses		
January		3,000,100.00
February		1,700,800.00
March		2,231,225.00
April		1,501,050.00
May		1,500,900.00
June		2,201,225.00
July		2,000,700.00
August		2,000,100.00
September		2,351,925.00
October		3,601,400.00
November		2,001,400.00
December		3,371,725.00
Total	<u>0.00</u>	<u>27,462,550.00</u>
Outstanding Transfer	-	
Closing balance 31.12.2023		<u>14,686,511.33</u>

NOTES TO THE FUND STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

Statement for SPGA MCB Bank Account no.00000878944 as at 31.12.2023

	SCR	Previous year SCR
Opening balance 01.01.2023		0.00
Receipts		
Revenue collected in January	-	
Revenue collected in February	-	
Revenue collected in March	-	
Revenue collected in April	-	
Revenue collected in May	-	
Revenue collected in June	-	
Revenue collected in July	-	
Revenue collected in August	468,200.00	
Revenue collected in September	-	
Revenue collected in October	6,722.07	
Revenue collected in November	-	
Revenue collected in December	-	
Total	<u>474,922.07</u>	
Month		
Expenses		
January		-
February		-
March		-
April		-
May		-
June		-
July		-
August		15.00
September		135,807.11
October		-
November		-
December		29,415.00
Total	0.00	<u>165,237.11</u>
Outstanding Transfer		-
Closing balance 31.12.2023		<u>309,684.96</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023
STATEMENT FOR PROJECTS ACCOUNT OF SEYCHELLES PARKS AND GARDENS AUTHORITY AS AT 31.12.2023

SEYCAAT BLUE GRANT

			SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance		-
	Receipts		
22 Aug 2023	SEYCAAT	468,200.00	
31 Oct 2023	Refund from Lets go	6,722.07	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	474,922.07	
	PAYMENTS		
6 Sept 2023	Advanced Technical Services	4,320.29	
6 Sept 2023	Advanced Technical Services	35,945.00	
15 Sept 2023	SilverPearl Tours and Travel	26,856.00	
18 Sept 2023	SACOS	1,621.11	
21 Sept 2023	SilverPearl Tours and Travel	4,972.00	
21 Sept 2023	Lewa Wildlife Conservacy	7,813.80	
21 Sept 2023	Lets Go Travel	12,805.95	
21 Sept 2023	Rodney Bonne	16,125.00	
21 Sept 2023	Bijoux Bernard	16,125.00	
22 Sept 2023	Lets go travel	3,762.20	
22 Sept 2023	Rodney Bonne	3,766.00	
21 Dec 2023	Eco villas	<u>29,400.00</u>	
	Total payments		<u>163,512.35</u>
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE		<u>311,409.72</u>

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STATEMENT FOR PROJECTS ACCOUNT OF SEYCHELLES PARKS AND GARDENS AUTHORITY AS AT 31.12.2023

ETF GREENHOUSE DEVELOPMENT

			SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance		-
	Receipts		
		0.00	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	-	
	PAYMENTS		
25 Apr 2023	Solar Thermal X Pty Pty	249,141.42	
1 Aug 2023	Solar Thermal X Pty Pty	74,742.43	
		0	
	Total payments		<u>323,883.85</u>
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE	-	<u>323,883.85</u>

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PAREO MADAGASCAR

			SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance		21,356.64
	Receipts	0.00	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		
	PAYMENTS		
		-	
		-	
		0	-
	Total payments		-
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE		<u>21,356.64</u>

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H SAVY TRAIL GRANT

			SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance		30,355.22
	Receipts	0.00	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		
	PAYMENTS		
16 Jan 2023	B& J Welding Fabrication'	5,090.00	
26 Jan 2023	P& J Supplies	4,010.00	
26 Jan 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission	255.00	
8 Feb 2023	B& j Welding Fabrication'	9,024.57	
16 Feb 2023	B& j Welding Fabrication'	10,180.00	
16 Feb 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission	1,806.81	
		-	
		-	
		0	-
	Total payments	<u>30,366.38</u>	
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE	-	<u>11.16</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023
STATEMENT FOR PROJECTS ACCOUNT OF SEYCHELLES PARKS AND GARDENS AUTHORITY AS AT 31.12.2023

LA DIGUE TRAIL

			SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance		847.00
	Receipts	0.00	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		
	PAYMENTS		
		-	
		-	
		0	
	Total payments		-
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE		<u>847.00</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023
STATEMENT FOR PROJECTS ACCOUNT OF SEYCHELLES PARKS AND GARDENS AUTHORITY AS AT 31.12.2023

RIDGE TO REEF

		SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance	60,964.50
	Receipts	
9 Mar 2023	PDCS	84,000.00
31 Mar 2023	Refund of fee for wr	717.00
30 May 2023	PDCS	139,594.35
24 Jul 2023	PDCS	392,089.67
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	616,401.02
	PAYMENTS	
11 Jan 2023	Aquatic Store	1,410.00
7 Feb 2023	Seychelles Postal Services	717.00
14 Feb 2023	Esri South Africa	77,882.08
23 Feb 2023	National Information Services	3,560.40
23 Feb 2023	TODAY	3,864.00
23 Feb 2023	Lunch allowance	300.00
23 Feb 2023	Clearance of ARC GIS	751.25
9 Mar 2023	Seychelles Internationsl Cargo	3,201.26
22 Mar 2023	Yaw Enterprise	11,224.00
24 Mar 2023	Sun 2 Moon café	3,385.00
24 Mar 2023	JOBO	1,725.00
25 May 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission	4,426.41
25 May 2023	Ibrahim Surman Store	4,400.00
26 May 2023	Photo Eden PTY	2,680.00
30 May 2023	All clear Logistics	750.00
5 Jun 2023	Anto Suzette	585.00
6 Jun 2023	All clear Logistics	495.00
7 Jun 2023	Dive Equipment Seychelles	36,800.23
27 Jun 2023	MJ's Café and Take Away	2,000.00
28 Jun 2023	Ed's Electrical Lighting	33,420.15
30 Jun 2023	Ibrahim Surman Store	8,800.00
30 Jun 2023	Indian Ocean Marine	1,925.00
30 Jun 2023	Printhouse	6,037.50
30 Jun 2023	Marine Equipement services	11,847.27
30 Jun 2023	Mohan Shopping Centre	1,300.00
10 Jul 2023	Hanna Service EU	80,036.06
17 Jul 2023	Cutting Edge Consultancy	15,000.00
27 Jul 2023	Sunsky.com	1,563.93
11 Aug 2023	All clear Logistics	2,056.01
11 Aug 2023	Cutting Edge Consultancy	35,000.00
16 Aug 2023	Esri South Africa	63,096.00
22 Aug 2023	Dive Equipment Seychelles	12,000.00
12 Sept 2023	Cutting Edge Consultancy	45,000.00
20 Sept 2023	Cutting Edge Consultancy	5,000.00
20 Sept 2023	Yaw Enterprise	14,375.00
21 Sept 2023	C M Electrical & Maintenance	18,000.00
4 Oct 2023	Marine Equipement services	1,262.01
26 Oct 2023	CEDO4	9,201.00
4 Dec 2023	CEDO4	25,762.00
	Total payments	550,838.56
31/12/2023	CLOSING BALANCE	126,526.96

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023
STATEMENT FOR PROJECTS ACCOUNT OF SEYCHELLES PARKS AND GARDENS AUTHORITY AS AT 31.12.2023

PAREO PROJECT REUNION

			SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance		230,873.40
	Receipts	0.00	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		
	PAYMENTS		
		-	
		-	
		0	-
	Total payments		-
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE		<u>230,873.40</u>

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PROTECTED AREA FINANCE

			SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance		146.61
	Receipts	0.00	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		
	PAYMENTS		
		-	
		-	
		0	-
	Total payments		-
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE		<u>146.61</u>

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CURIEUSE INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT

		SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance	2,879,164.20
	Receipts	0.00
		0.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	
	PAYMENTS	
23 Feb 2023	J & B Supplies	19,400.01
30 Mar 2023	Casual Labour	15,000.00
26 Apr 2023	Transportation of construction materials	5,023.50
26 Apr 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission	76.50
26 Apr 2023	Hari Enterprise	2,546.09
26 Apr 2023	Tony Dugasse	10,000.00
24 Aug 2023	Laxman Trading	69,183.00
4 Sept 2023	Lespoir Engineering	10,000.00
20 Sept 2023	Ralph Cesar	2,659.50
4 Oct 2023	P& J Supplies	66,339.20
5 Oct 2023	Hari Enterprise	55,352.00
10 Oct 2023	AQS Consulancy	15,000.00
25 Oct 2023	Rene Kilindo	30,000.00
1 Dec 2023	Renovation work on ex GVI	36,842.15
15 Dec 2023	Casual Labour	7,800.00
26 Dec 2023	Laxman Trading	19,043.50
	Total payments	364,265.45
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE	<u>2,514,898.75</u>

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OTHER SMALL GRANTS

			SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance		67,857.30
	Receipts		
15 Mar 2023	British High Commis	87,113.00	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		87,113.00
	PAYMENTS		
		0	-
	Total payments		-
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE		<u>154,970.30</u>

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VEUVE RESERVE

		SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance	403.00
	Receipts	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	
	PAYMENTS	
	0	-
	Total payments	-
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE	<u>403.00</u>

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STRATEGIC ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT

		SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance	181,623.02
	Receipts	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	
	PAYMENTS	
	0	-
	Total payments	-
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE	<u>181,623.02</u>

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DARWIN INITIATIVE PROJECT

		SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance	7,944.55
	Receipts	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	
	PAYMENTS	
	0	-
	Total payments	-
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE	<u>7,944.55</u>

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EARTHWATCH EXPEDITION

		SR'	
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance		935,587.84
	Receipts		
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		
	PAYMENTS		
		0	-
	Total payments		-
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE		<u>935,587.84</u>

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CORAL REEF RESTORATION PROJECT

		SR'
1 Jan 2023	Opening Balance	223,250.27
	Receipts	
31 Jan 2023	PDCS	291,312.05
5 May 2023	PDCS	226,631.03
27 Jul 2023	PDCS	284,245.07
24 Oct 2023	PDCS	266,807.59
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>1,068,995.74</u>
	PAYMENTS	
1 Jan 2023	Aisha Fanchette	10,079.29
18 Jan 2023	Big Blue Divers	14,298.57
1 Jan 2023	Jourdan Terrence Mahoune	21,159.94
20 Jan 2023	Aisha Fanchette	13,800.04
20 Jan 2023	Ethan Boniface	15,180.09
26 Jan 2023	Seychelles Pension Fund	5,450.02
26 Jan 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission	1,635.03
2 Feb 2023	Island Motors	247.00
9 Feb 2023	Marine Equipment Services	507.02
16 Feb 2023	White tip Divers	9,000.03
20 Feb 2023	Internet Cost	3,500.01
21 Feb 2023	Internet cost	3,500.01
21 Feb 2023	Jourdan Terrence Mahoune	21,160.04
21 Feb 2023	Aisha Fanchette	13,799.99
23 Feb 2023	Ethan Boniface	15,179.95
23 Feb 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission	1,635.00
1 Mar 2023	Seychelles Pension Fund	5,450.00
7 Mar 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission	1,635.00
20 Mar 2023	Internet Cost	3,500.01
20 Mar 2023	Binding Sheet	280.00
20 Mar 2023	Batteries For Dive watch	390.00
20 Mar 2023	Tools	560.00
20 Mar 2023	Wood Shivel	366.00
20 Mar 2023	Cabinet Handle	614.00
20 Mar 2023	Gloves	150.00
20 Mar 2023	Steel File	325.00
20 Mar 2023	Laxmi Trading	3,100.00
23 Mar 2023	Ethan Boniface	15,179.97
23 Mar 2023	Aisha Fanchette	13,800.03
23 Mar 2023	Jourdan Terrence Mahoune	21,160.05
30 Mar 2023	Laxmi Trading	-
11 Apr 2023	Presafe Services	1,363.90
14 Apr 2023	Seychelles Bureau of Standard	3,750.00
21 Apr 2023	Ethan Boniface	15,179.97
21 Apr 2023	Aisha Fanchette	13,800.03
21 Apr 2023	Jourdan Terrence Mahoune	21,160.05
25 Apr 2023	Kannus Supermarket 3	2,771.99
26 Apr 2023	Noble Con	16,319.99
26 Apr 2023	Ibrahim Surman	649.96
24 Apr 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission	1,635.00
30 Apr 2023	Internet Cost	3,499.99

8 May 2023	Internet Cost	3,499.96
9 May 2023	Sey Pension Fund (USD 595063)	5,449.99
9 May 2023	Tumeris aqua Mansion (USD 595063)	3,995.01
9 May 2023	Island Motors Co (USD 595063)	975.00
23 May 2023	Aishah Fanchette (usd)	13,800.02
23 May 2023	Ethan Boniface (usd)	15,180.03
23 May 2023	Joudan Terence Mahoune (USD)	21,159.95
30 May 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission (usd)	1,635.00
30 May 2023	Sey Pension Fund (USD 595063)	5,449.99
6 Jun 2023	BIG BLUE DIVERS USD AC 595063	1,510.00
6 Jun 2023	KOT Meyer (Usd 595063)	3,235.01
7 Jun 2023	Dive Equipments Sey (USD 595063)	3,999.98
7 Jun 2023		3,500.00
17 Jun 2023	J & B Supplies (USD 595063)	23,421.98
22 Jun 2023	Ethan Boniface (usd)	15,180.03
22 Jun 2023	Aishah Fanchette (usd)	13,800.02
22 Jun 2023	Joudan Terence Mahoune (USD)	21,159.95
28 Jun 2023	Sey Pension Fund (USD 595063)	5,449.99
28 Jun 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission (usd)	1,635.00
28 Jun 2023	Dive Equipments Sey (USD 595063)	38,019.91
3 Jul 2023	Tumeris aqua Mansion (USD 595063)	8,814.98
7 Jul 2023		3,499.99
18 Jul 2023	Sey. Bureau of Standard(AC 595063)	4,375.00
25 Jul 2023	Sey Pension Fund (USD 595063)	5,449.98
25 Jul 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission (usd)	1,635.00
25 Jul 2023	Joudan Terence Mahoune (USD)	19,985.00
25 Jul 2023	Ethan Boniface (usd)	15,180.04
25 Jul 2023	Aishah Fanchette (usd)	13,800.04
27 Jul 2023	Tumeris aqua Mansion (USD 595063)	495.00
4 Aug 2023	Itech Computer services (595063 USD)	1,849.99
7 Aug 2023	Internet Cost	3,499.99
18 Aug 2023	Laxmi Trading (USD 595063)	3,221.75
25 Aug 2023	Ethan Boniface (usd)	15,180.04
25 Aug 2023	Aishah Fanchette (usd)	13,800.04
25 Aug 2023	Joudan Terence Mahoune (USD)	19,985.00
25 Aug 2023	Sey Pension Fund (USD 595063)	5,450.02
25 Aug 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission (usd)	1,635.01
25 Aug 2023	Kannus Supermarket 3 (usd A/c)	3,017.01
6 Sept 2023	Dive Equipments Sey (USD 595063)	884.00
20 Sept 2023	Kannus Supermarket 3 (usd A/c)	3,017.00
22 Sept 2023	Joudan Terence Mahoune (USD)	19,985.00
22 Sept 2023	Aishah Fanchette (usd)	13,800.05
22 Sept 2023	Ethan Boniface (usd)	15,180.02
28 Sept 2023	BIG BLUE DIVERS USD AC 595063	25,004.90
29 Sept 2023	Sey Pension Fund (USD 595063)	5,449.95
29 Sept 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission (usd)	1,635.00
30 Sept 2023	Internet Cost	3,499.99
11 Oct 2023	TECHmART (USD 595063)	3,760.01
11 Oct 2023	Ace Marine (USD)	5,300.00
11 Oct 2023	Electronic 2000 (USD)	2,175.01
17 Oct 2023	Hunt Deltel (USD)	9,075.02
17 Oct 2023	TECHmART (USD 595063)	3,550.01
23 Oct 2023	Ethan Boniface (usd)	15,355.35

23 Oct 2023	Aishah Fanchette (usd)	13,799.96
23 Oct 2023	Joudan Terence Mahoune (USD)	21,160.00
24 Oct 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission (usd)	1,640.82
24 Oct 2023	Sey Pension Fund (USD 595063)	5,449.99
31 Oct 2023	Internet Cost	3,499.99
20 Nov 2023	Inter island boat (USD AC 595063)	1,500.01
21 Nov 2023	Joudan Terence Mahoune (USD)	21,160.12
21 Nov 2023	Aishah Fanchette (usd)	13,800.00
27 Nov 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission (usd)	1,140.00
27 Nov 2023	Sey Pension Fund (USD 595063)	3,800.02
30 Nov 2023	Internet Cost	3,499.99
7 Dec 2023	Internet Cost	3,499.99
18 Dec 2023	Joudan Terence Mahoune (USD)	21,160.00
18 Dec 2023	Aishah Fanchette (usd)	13,799.99
20 Dec 2023	Sey Pension Fund (USD 595063)	3,799.99
26 Dec 2023	Laxman Trading (Praslin)	2,850.00
28 Dec 2023	Seychelles Revenue Commission (usd)	1,140.00
28 Dec 2023	Joudan Terence Mahoune (USD)	12,035.06
28 Dec 2023	Aishah Fanchette (usd)	9,869.99
28 Dec 2023	Linro global USD	1,870.01
29 Dec 2023	Petty Cash Accounts	1,713.99
	Total payments	929,564.90
31 Dec 2023	CLOSING BALANCE	362,681.11





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