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**From:** Secretary for Public Service Affairs

**To:** Supervising Officers in Charge of Ministries/Departments

**Public Sector Research & Development Scheme**

In the context of Administrative Reform Strategies and, in line with the Action Plan of this Ministry "Towards the Modernisation of the Public Service", in collaboration with the Mauritius Research Council and the University of Mauritius will be sought for devising a scheme for the promotion of Research and Development in the Public Service.

2. There is a felt need for the development and promotion of local research capacity among Public Officers thus providing opportunities for creating an institutional environment that supports policy research which can assist the public service in the formulation of solutions to local problems that are tested analytically, empirically, and tailored to the needs of the Mauritian Public Service. However, the research areas must be of direct relevance to public sector organisations which can be applied to improve the existing system or else bring significant innovative breakthrough in the Public Sector.
3. We would welcome any suggestion that you may have in respect of applied research areas within your respective Ministry/Department. These may be forwarded to the Administrative Reforms Unit of this Ministry **by the end of April 2002.**
4. Additional information on the proposed scheme may be obtained from Mrs. Y. Moorghen, Principal Assistant Secretary (phone No. 201 1434).
5. Your collaboration in this matter will be highly appreciated.

(D. P. Ruhee)  
*Secretary for Public Service Affairs*

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