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COVID 19 - ARTISTS SUPPORT PLAN 2021

Production of Short Film/Video (Documentary)

GUIDELINES

1. Project Description

The Ministry of Arts and Cultural Heritage, in line with the Covid 19 Artist Support Plan 2021, is proposing to provide a financial support to local filmmakers through the production of short videos, in the form of a documentary.

A Financial assistance of Rs 75,000/- will be granted to an eligible applicant for the video based on any of the below themes.

2. The Themes

The artistic creations shall be based on any of the following themes:

- *Linite/ Solidarite / Lape*
- *Listwar nou bann zanset*
- *Listwar lil Moris*
- *Kiltir Morisien*
- *Metie lokal*
- *Lakwizinn Morisien*
- *Progre sosial ek / ou swa lekonomi Moris depi lindependans*
- *Lepep Morisien*
- *Ko-abitasion pliri-etnik Morisien*

3. Conditions

The following conditions are applicable:

- a) Applicant should be of Mauritian Nationality and 18 years old/or above;
- b) Priority will be given to Citizens of the Republic of Mauritius who have resided in Mauritius for a period of at least 1 year preceding the application date;
- c) Applicants should be able to demonstrate that they possess a track record in the field of filmmaking;
- d) The video should be based on any of the above themes and may be in any language spoken in the Republic of Mauritius;
- e) The recommended narrative structure of the video should be the **Three-Act Documentary Structure** (setup, confrontation and resolution);
- f) The video should be original, creative and should be submitted in broadcast quality format such as MOV, MP4, amongst others (3 copies to be submitted);
- g) The video should be of a duration between 5 to 10 minutes (excluding end credits);

- h) The video should not have been broadcasted or displayed on any platform before;
- i) Application not made on the prescribed form or incomplete application will not be accepted;
- j) The Ministry shall at no point in time be responsible for any copyright infringement made by the applicant;
- k) The Ministry reserves the right to award assistance only to the compliant applications;
- l) The Ministry reserves the right to accept or refuse any application and such decision shall be final and irrevocable.

4. The following persons/projects will not be eligible for application:

- (a) Projects already covered under the National Arts Fund;
- (b) Controversial works in terms of religious, political and social issues;
- (c) Works which are inconsistent or in contradiction with public defence, public safety, public order, public health and public morality; or
- (d) Artists applying under this scheme shall not be eligible for the other schemes under the Artists Support Plan 2021.

5. Documents to be submitted together with the Application Form:

- a) Copy of National Identity Card of the applicant;
- b) Documentary evidence on experience of the applicant and/or a catalogue/ portfolio of the applicant's previous work(s);
- c) 3 copies of the video in broadcast quality format such as MOV, MP4, amongst others;
- d) A synopsis in English (max. 3 pages) that describes the title, exact duration, content, characters, credits, situations, theme, etc. as well as the treatment and style of the documentary film;
- e) Claim Form attached to the Application Form for bank details.

6. Application Form

Application forms may be collected from the Artists Desk of the Ministry of Arts and Cultural Heritage, 1st Floor, Renganaden Seeneevassen Building, Cnr Pope Hennessy and Maillard Streets, Port Louis. The application can also be downloaded from the website of the Ministry of Arts and Cultural Heritage: <http://culture.govmu.org>.

The Project name: **Production of Short Film/Video (Documentary)** should be clearly marked on the top left-hand corner of the envelope.

Incomplete applications as well as applications not made on the prescribed form will not be accepted.

7. Closing Date

Application forms should reach the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Arts and Cultural Heritage, 1st Floor, Documentation Unit, Renganaden Seeneevassen Building, Cnr Jules Koenig & Pope Hennessy Streets, Port Louis by Wednesday **30 JUNE 2021**.

For any queries, kindly contact the Help Desk on telephone numbers 214 1640 / 214 1844 / 208 0308 from 09 00 hours to 16 00 hours or by email: machsup2021@gmail.com

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