

ST ESPRIT COLLEGE BAGS THE FIRST PRIZE OF MRA ESSAY COMPETITION



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) hosted the Prize Giving Ceremony of its Essay Competition 2017 today at the Custom House, Mer Rouge. The Chief Guest of the function was Mr. Ravi Meettook, Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research, representing Honourable (Mrs) Leela Devi Dookun-Luchoomun. Mr. Meettook was welcomed by the Director-General of the MRA, Mr. Sudhamo Lal, in the presence of members of MRA Management Team.

In his address, Mr. Sudhamo Lal highlighted that the Essay Competition is yet another avenue of collaboration between the MRA and the Ministry of Education, in addition to the inclusion of taxation in the syllabus of Grade 7, 8 and 9 under the Nine Year Continuous Basic Education Programme. Mr. Meettook presented the apologies of the Minister of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research and stated that the Ministry will support the MRA in its endeavour of promoting tax compliance among the student population.



The winners who submitted essays under the theme 'Why is it important to be a compliant taxpayer' are as follows:

- 1st - Yohan Chineegadoo of Saint Esprit College
- 2nd - Soopaul Tejasvi of Forest Side SSS
- 3rd - Sukhbilas Krshtee - MGI Moka.

The winners received their prizes at the hands of the Chief Guest, the Director-General of the MRA and Mr. D. Ramdin, Director Operational Services Department and moderator of the MRA Essay Panel. They expressed their appreciation for the prizes received and underlined that the essay contest has helped to improve their tax knowledge. The aim of the MRA essay competition is to ultimately trigger tax compliance reflexes in the younger generation and to make them model taxpayers.