

MINISTRY OF ARTS AND CULTURE

Overview

The Ministry is responsible for preserving cultural and national heritage, fostering creative arts and promoting national unity.

Key Challenges	Strategies
Provision of adequate facilities to promote creative and artistic excellence	Facilitate the organisation of artistic events through the setting up of a cultural desk for obtention of all authorisations
	Better support to artists and protection of their copyrights by reviewing the functions of Mauritius Society of Authors
Preservation of historical and heritage sites, and structures as well as conservation of archives	Implementation of a public-private partnership framework to restore, preserve and valorise historical and heritage sites, and structures
	Digitisation of historical documents

Programme Outcomes

Programmes	Outcomes	Indicators	2024/25 Provisional	2025/26 Target	2027/28 Target	2029/30 Target
2601: Policy and Strategy for Arts and Culture	Enabling framework supporting the development of arts and culture	Percentage real growth in Arts, Entertainment and Recreation Sector	4% (2024)	4.5%	> 4.5%	> 4.5%
2602: Promotion of Arts and Culture	An inclusive society built on inter-cultural understanding and sharing of diverse cultural experiences	Percentage increase in number of participants in artistic and cultural events	-	5%	15%	25%
2603: Cultural Heritage Conservation and Development	Valorised Mauritian culture, history and heritage	Percentage increase in number of visitors to public museums and world heritage sites	-	5%	15%	25%

Financial Resources

Summary by Programmes

Rs 000

Programmes	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
2601: Policy and Strategy for Arts and Culture	38,000	46,000	47,000	45,000
2602: Promotion of Arts and Culture	348,000	333,000	325,000	320,000
2603: Cultural Heritage Conservation and Development	294,000	458,000	393,000	290,000
TOTAL	680,000	837,000	765,000	655,000

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Summary by Economic Categories

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Code	Economic Categories	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
Recurrent Expenditure		529,000	554,000	540,000	539,000
20	National Assembly Allowances	2,400	4,080	4,080	4,080
21	Compensation of Employees	162,000	166,300	173,300	177,300
22	Goods and Services	73,000	73,020	67,020	62,020
26	Grants	272,000	283,000	281,000	281,000
28	Other Expense	19,600	27,600	14,600	14,600
Capital Expenditure		151,000	283,000	225,000	116,000
26	Grants	16,000	11,000	28,000	16,000
31	Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets	135,000	272,000	197,000	100,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		680,000	837,000	765,000	655,000

Programme 2601: Policy and Strategy for Arts and Culture

Rs 000

Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
TOTAL EXPENDITURE [Appropriation]	38,000	46,000	47,000	45,000
Recurrent Expenditure	38,000	46,000	47,000	45,000
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-

Accounting Officer: Permanent Secretary

Outcome: Enabling framework supporting the development of arts and culture

Main Service/Delivery Unit	Key Performance Indicator	2024/25 Provisional	2025/26 Target	2026/27 Target	2027/28 Target
Develop policies and strategies to support the creative arts, culture and heritage sector <i>Office of the Permanent Secretary</i>	Strategic Action Plan 2025-2029 approved		Feb-26		
	A National Arts Open Commission set up and operational		Dec-25		
	Restructuring plan of Mauritius Society of Authors prepared		Apr-26		
	A 'Cultural Desk' set up and operational		Sep-25		

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Item No.	Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
Recurrent Expenditure		38,000	46,000	47,000	45,000
20	National Assembly Allowances	2,400	4,080	4,080	4,080
20100	Annual Allowance	2,400	4,080	4,080	4,080
(i)	Minister	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400
(ii)	Junior Minister	-	1,680	1,680	1,680
21	Compensation of Employees	31,000	34,000	35,000	36,000
21110	Personal Emoluments	27,200	29,900	30,900	31,900
	<i>of which</i>				
.001	Basic Salary	19,100	20,100	21,000	21,900
.002	Salary Compensation	1,400	1,600	1,600	1,600
.004	Allowances	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
.005	Extra Assistance	2,400	2,600	2,600	2,600
.006	Cash in lieu of Leave	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
.009	End-of-year Bonus	1,800	2,200	2,300	2,400
21111	Other Staff Costs	3,500	3,800	3,800	3,800
.002	Travelling and Transport	3,200	3,500	3,500	3,500
.100	Overtime	200	200	200	200
.200	Staff Welfare	100	100	100	100
21210	Social Contributions	300	300	300	300
.001	Contribution to the National Savings Fund	300	300	300	300
22	Goods and Services	4,600	7,920	7,920	4,920
22010	Cost of Utilities	300	250	250	250
22040	Office Equipment and Furniture	100	100	100	100
22050	Office Expenses	100	100	100	100
22060	Maintenance	195	250	250	250
22100	Publications and Stationery	205	200	200	200
22120	Fees	1,250	1,550	3,550	550
	<i>of which</i>				
.008	Fees to Consultants - <i>Restructuring Plan for Mauritius Society of Authors</i>	1,000	1,000	3,000	-
22130	Studies and Surveys	2,000	2,000	-	-
	<i>(a) Strategic Plan for the Arts and Creative Sector</i>	500	1,000	-	-
	<i>(b) Development of Cultural Indicators</i>	1,500	1,000	-	-
22170	Travelling within the Republic	200	200	200	200
22900	Other Goods and Services	250	3,270	3,270	3,270
	<i>of which</i>				
.835	Expenses icw National Arts Open Commission	-	3,000	3,000	3,000
TOTAL		38,000	46,000	47,000	45,000

Human Resources

SN	Position Titles	Funded	
		2024/25	2025/26
1	Minister	1	1
2	Junior Minister	-	1
3	Permanent Secretary	1	1
4	Deputy Permanent Secretary	2	2
5	Manager, Financial Operations	1	1
6	Assistant Manager, Financial Operations	1	1
7	Principal Financial Operations Officer	2	2
8	Assistant Financial Operations Officer	3	3
9	Manager (Procurement and Supply)	1	1
10	Assistant Manager (Procurement and Supply)	1	1
11	Principal Procurement and Supply Officer	2	2
12	Assistant Procurement and Supply Officer	6	6
13	Assistant Manager, Internal Control	1	1
14	Internal Control Officer/Senior Internal Control Officer	1	1
15	Manager, Human Resources	1	1
16	Assistant Manager, Human Resources	1	1
17	Senior Human Resource Executive	1	1
18	Human Resource Executive	2	2
19	Office Management Executive	1	1
20	Confidential Secretary	4	5
21	Word Processing Operator	4	2
22	Office Auxiliary/Senior Office Auxiliary	6	6
23	Driver	-	-
TOTAL		43	43

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Programme 2602: Promotion of Arts and Culture

Rs 000

Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
TOTAL EXPENDITURE [Appropriation]	348,000	333,000	325,000	320,000
Recurrent Expenditure	307,000	323,000	313,000	315,000
Capital Expenditure	41,000	10,000	12,000	5,000

Accounting Officer: Permanent Secretary					
Outcome: An inclusive society built on inter-cultural understanding and sharing of diverse cultural experiences					
Main Service/Delivery Unit	Key Performance Indicator	2024/25 Provisional	2025/26 Target	2026/27 Target	2027/28 Target
Support to local artists, creators and performers <i>Ministry of Arts and Culture</i>	Number of artists, creators and performers supported under various schemes	3,600	3,700	3,800	3,900
Protection of copyright and administration of copyright fees <i>Mauritius Society of Authors</i>	Distribution system of royalties enhanced		Apr-26		
Provision of support to local film industry <i>Mauritius Film Development Corporation</i>	Number of film projects supported	13	15	20	25
Organisation of official ceremonies, national festivals and cultural programmes <i>Ministry of Arts and Culture</i>	Number of official ceremonies/national festivals organised	5	7	7	7

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Item No.	Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
Recurrent Expenditure		307,000	323,000	313,000	315,000
21	Compensation of Employees	109,000	112,100	117,300	119,300
21110	Personal Emoluments	98,000	102,500	107,700	109,700
	<i>of which</i>				
.001	Basic Salary	79,100	76,400	81,200	83,000
.002	Salary Compensation	9,200	11,300	11,300	11,300
.004	Allowances	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500

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Item No.	Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
.006	Cash in lieu of Leave	1,700	2,600	2,600	2,600
.009	End-of-year Bonus	6,500	7,300	7,700	7,900
21111	Other Staff Costs	9,400	7,900	7,900	7,900
.002	Travelling and Transport	9,000	7,700	7,700	7,700
.100	Overtime	400	200	200	200
21210	Social Contributions	1,600	1,700	1,700	1,700
.001	Contribution to the National Savings Fund	1,600	1,700	1,700	1,700
22	Goods and Services	49,400	51,300	49,100	49,100
22010	Cost of Utilities	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,700
22020	Fuel and Oil	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
22030	Rent	16,400	16,350	16,350	16,350
22040	Office Equipment and Furniture	150	200	200	200
22050	Office Expenses	575	475	475	475
22060	Maintenance	2,700	3,500	3,500	3,500
22070	Cleaning Services	1,200	1,500	1,500	1,500
22090	Security	2,900	3,100	3,100	3,100
22100	Publications and Stationery	3,175	2,275	2,275	2,275
22120	Fees	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
22130	Studies and Surveys (<i>Directory of Musical Heritage in the Indian Ocean</i>)	-	1,000	-	-
22900	Other Goods and Services <i>of which</i>	17,500	18,100	16,900	16,900
.018	Hiring of Services for Events	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200
.038	Expenses icw Cultural Exchanges	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400
.924	Festival Mauricien	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
.966	Expenses icw Centre de Lecture Publique et d'Animation Culturelle (CELPAC)	5,600	5,000	5,000	5,000
26	Grants	130,000	132,000	132,000	132,000
26313	Extra-Budgetary Units				
.009	Conservatoire de Musique François Mitterrand Trust Fund	15,000	15,300	15,300	15,300
.031	Malcolm De Chazal Trust Fund	1,500	1,450	1,450	1,450
.033	Mauritius Council of Registered Librarians	350	350	350	350
.036	Mauritius Film Development Corporation	25,700	25,700	25,700	25,700
.044	Mauritius Society of Authors	5,300	6,100	6,100	6,100
.052	National Art Gallery	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
.072	President's Fund for Creative Writing	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
.074	Professor Basdeo Bissoondoyal Trust Fund	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
.078	Ramayana Centre	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
.100	Islamic Cultural Centre for Hadjj Organisation	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800
.101	Nelson Mandela Centre for African Culture Trust Fund	15,500	15,500	15,500	15,500
.102	Islamic Cultural Centre Trust Fund	8,100	8,100	8,100	8,100
.103	Mauritius Marathi Cultural Centre Trust	4,600	4,600	4,600	4,600

f(1) Item includes programme previously financed under the Lotto Fund

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Item No.	Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
.104	Mauritius Telugu Cultural Centre Trust	4,600	4,600	4,600	4,600
.105	Mauritius Tamil Cultural Centre Trust	4,600	4,600	4,600	4,600
.106	Mauritian Cultural Centre Trust	50	1,000	1,000	1,000
.116	Speaking Unions	20,600	20,600	20,600	20,600
.163	Professional in the Arts Council	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
28	Other Expense	18,600	27,600	14,600	14,600
28211	Transfers to Non-Profit Institutions				
.026	Socio-Cultural Organisations	6,600	6,600	6,600	6,600
28212	Transfers to Households				
.014	Financial Assistance to Artists	12,000	21,000	8,000	8,000
	(a) Scheme for Concerts	1,500	700	700	700
	(b) Scheme for Development of Performance Arts Groups	1,000	500	500	500
	(c) International Development Grant Scheme for Performing Artists	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	(d) Scheme for Rental of Hall for Drama	500	300	300	300
	(e) Artist Incubator Scheme	5,000	500	-	-
	(f) Scheme for International Award	1,000	500	-	-
	(g) Scheme for International Competition Participation	1,000	500	500	500
	(h) Production Grant Scheme	-	12,900	1,500	1,500
	(i) Emerging Talent Grant Scheme	-	800	500	500
	(j) Research Grant Scheme	-	800	500	500
	(k) Cultural Rebate Scheme	-	1,000	1,000	1,000
	(l) Promoting Local Production	-	1,000	1,000	1,000
	(m) Other support to Artists	1,000	500	500	500
Capital Expenditure		41,000	10,000	12,000	5,000
26	Grants	6,000	-	-	-
26323	Extra-Budgetary Units				
.009	Conservatoire De Musique François Mitterand Trust Fund - Acquisition of Musical Instruments	5,000	-	-	-
.101	Nelson Mandela Centre for African Culture Trust Fund	1,000	-	-	-

f(1): Provision made in respect of 12 Speaking Unions, namely Arabic, Bhojpuri, Chinese, Creole, English, French, Hindi, Marathi, Sanskrit, Tamil, Telugu and Urdu

f(2): Schemes previously financed under the Lotto Fund/National Arts Fund

f(3): Programme previously financed under the Lotto Fund.

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Item No.	Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
31	Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets	35,000	10,000	12,000	5,000
31112	Non-Residential Buildings	33,000	6,000	10,000	5,000
.038	Setting up of Galerie d'Arts Nationale (Project Preparation)	500	2,000	-	-
.059	Construction of National Arts Centre	20,000	-	-	-
.060	Construction of Cultural Centres (Project Preparation)	5,000	-	-	-
.417	Upgrading of Cultural Complex/ Buildings	1,500	-	-	-
	(a) Centre de Lecture Publique et d'Animation Culturelle (CELPAC)	1,000	-	-	-
	(b) Centre de Formation Artistique	500	-	-	-
.420	Upgrading of Theatres	6,000	4,000	10,000	5,000
31122	Other Machinery and Equipment				
.799	Upgrading of Other Machinery and Equipment	300	300	-	-
.802	Acquisition of IT Equipment	-	500	-	-
.999	Acquisition of Other Machinery and Equipment of which	1,700	2,700	2,000	-
	(a) Equipment for Theatres	1,700	2,000	2,000	-
31133	Furniture, Fixtures and Fittings	-	500	-	-
TOTAL		348,000	333,000	325,000	320,000

Human Resources

SN	Position Titles	Funded	
		2024/25	2025/26
1	Director of Culture	1	1
2	Deputy Director of Culture	1	1
3	Principal Culture Officer	4	4
4	Senior Culture Officer	4	4
5	Culture Officer	11	11
6	Assistant Permanent Secretary	5	5
7	Chief Arts Officer	1	1
8	Principal Arts Officer	2	2
9	Senior Arts Officer	4	4
10	Arts Officer	18	16
11	Coordinator, CELPAC	1	1
12	Assistant Coordinator, CELPAC	1	1
13	Library and Animation Officer/Senior Library and Animation Officer	4	3
14	Secretary, Film Classification Board	1	1
15	Assistant Secretary, Film Classification Board	1	1
16	Senior Projectionist	1	1
17	Projectionist	1	1
18	Office Management Executive	1	1
19	Office Management Assistant	17	17
20	Office Supervisor	1	1
21	Management Support Officer	68	65
22	Confidential Secretary	2	2
23	Senior Word Processing Operator	1	-
24	Word Processing Operator	8	8
25	Word Processing Operator (Oriental Language)	1	1
26	Theatre Manager	1	1
27	Theatre Superintendent	1	1
28	Public Address Operator (<i>Personal</i>)	2	1
29	Public Address Operator (<i>on roster</i>)	-	1
30	Senior Technician (Light/Sound) (<i>on roster – day and night</i>)	1	1
31	Technician (Light/Sound) (<i>on roster – day and night</i>)	8	5
32	Receptionist/Telephone Operator	2	2
33	Driver (Heavy vehicles above 5 tonnes) (<i>on roster - day and night</i>)	2	2
34	Driver (<i>on roster - day and night</i>)	12	12
35	Carpenter	3	2
36	Electrician	2	2
37	Head Office Auxiliary	2	2
38	Office Auxiliary/Senior Office Auxiliary	17	17
39	Attendant/Senior Attendant (Arts and Culture)	21	21
40	Gardener/Nursery Attendant	2	2
41	Stores Attendant	2	2
42	Handy Worker	6	6
43	General Worker	14	14
TOTAL		258	247

Programme 2603: Cultural Heritage Conservation and Development

Rs 000

Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
TOTAL EXPENDITURE [Appropriation]	294,000	458,000	393,000	290,000
Recurrent Expenditure	184,000	185,000	180,000	179,000
Capital Expenditure	110,000	273,000	213,000	111,000

Accounting Officer: Permanent Secretary
Outcome: Valorised Mauritian culture, history and heritage

Main Service/Delivery Unit	Key Performance Indicator	2024/25 Provisional	2025/26 Target	2026/27 Target	2027/28 Target
Preservation and promotion of historical and heritage sites, and structures <i>National Heritage Fund/ Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund/ Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund</i>	Number of historical and heritage sites/structures restored (Cumulative)	6	8	10	12
Maintain and promote national and specialised museums <i>Mauritius Museum Council</i>	Number of museums upgraded	-	3	3	3
Safeguard and facilitate access to documentary heritage <i>National Archives Department/National Library</i>	Number of records restored and digitised annually	911	2,000	2,500	3,000

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Rs 000

Item No.	Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
Recurrent Expenditure		184,000	185,000	180,000	179,000
21	Compensation of Employees	22,000	20,200	21,000	22,000
21110	Personal Emoluments	19,900	18,300	19,100	20,100
	<i>of which</i>				
.001	Basic Salary	15,600	13,750	14,350	15,300
.002	Salary Compensation	1,750	1,800	1,800	1,800
.004	Allowances	500	500	500	500
.006	Cash in Lieu of Leave	700	400	400	400
.009	End-of-year Bonus	1,350	1,250	1,450	1,500
21111	Other Staff Costs	1,800	1,600	1,600	1,600
.002	Travelling and Transport	1,750	1,550	1,550	1,550
.100	Overtime	50	50	50	50
21210	Social Contributions	300	300	300	300
.001	Contribution to the National Savings Fund	300	300	300	300
22	Goods and Services	19,000	13,800	10,000	8,000
22010	Cost of Utilities	675	650	650	650
22020	Fuel and Oil	50	50	50	50
22030	Rent	5,200	5,450	5,450	5,450
22040	Office Equipment and Furniture	100	100	100	100
22050	Office Expenses	120	120	120	120
22060	Maintenance	300	250	250	250
22070	Cleaning Services	200	200	200	200
22090	Security	750	750	750	750
22100	Publications and Stationery	285	210	210	210
22120	Fees	1,150	2,100	2,100	100
	<i>of which</i>				
	(a) Masterplan for Cultural Heritage District	1,000	1,000	-	-
	(b) Refurbishment of building for National Archives and National Library - Consultancy	-	1,000	2,000	-
22900	Other Goods and Services	10,170	3,920	120	120
	<i>of which</i>				
.922	Conferences/Seminars/Workshops	10,000	3,800	-	-
	(a) Conference on UNESCO Routes of Enslaved Peoples	5,000	-	-	-
	(b) Conference on Indentured Labour Route Project	5,000	3,800	-	-

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Rs 000

Item No.	Details		2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
26	Grants		142,000	151,000	149,000	149,000
26210	Contribution to International Organisations		800	800	800	800
26313	Extra-Budgetary Units					
.001	Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund		42,500	43,000	43,000	43,000
.030	Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund		14,500	17,400	15,400	15,400
	<i>of which</i>					
	<i>Consultancy for revision of Local Economic Development Plan (UNESCO Funded)</i>		-	1,800	-	-
.039	Mauritius Museums Council		31,000	31,700	31,700	31,700
.059	National Heritage Fund		22,500	25,100	25,100	25,100
.062	National Library		30,700	33,000	33,000	33,000
28	Other Expense		1,000	-	-	-
28211	Transfers to Non-Profit Institutions					
.011	Mauritius Archives Publication Fund		10	-	-	-
.073	Classified Museums		990	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure			110,000	273,000	213,000	111,000
26	Grants	Project Value Rs 000	10,000	11,000	28,000	16,000
26323	Extra-Budgetary Units		10,000	11,000	28,000	16,000
.030	Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund		5,000	8,000	23,000	14,000
	<i>(a) Upgrading of Trou Chenille Trail</i>	51,000	5,000	5,000	18,000	12,000
	<i>(b) Upgrading of Trou Chenille Open Air Museum</i>	10,000	-	3,000	5,000	2,000
.039	Mauritius Museums Council		5,000	3,000	5,000	2,000
	<i>(a) Renovation of National History Museum, Mahebourg (Project Preparation)</i>		1,000	1,000	-	-
	<i>(b) Rehabilitation of SSR Memorial Centre for Culture, Port Louis</i>	9,000	4,000	2,000	5,000	2,000
31	Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets		100,000	262,000	185,000	95,000
31112	Non-Residential Buildings					
.101	Construction of New Building for the National Archives and National Library	622,000	90,000	250,000	180,000	95,000
31122	Other Machinery & Equipment					
.802	Acquisition of IT Equipment		500	-	-	-
.999	Acquisition of Other Machinery and Equipment - Leafcasting Machine		-	5,000	-	-
31132	Intangible Fixed Assets					
.401	E-Government Projects-Digitisation of Archives		9,000	6,500	5,000	- r.i.e
31133	Furniture, Fixtures and Fittings		500	500	-	-
TOTAL			294,000	458,000	393,000	290,000

Human Resources

SN	Position Titles	Funded	
		2024/25	2025/26
1	Director, National Archives	-	-
2	Deputy Director, National Archives	1	1
3	Chief Archives Officer	1	1
4	Principal Archives Officer	1	1
5	Archives Officer/Senior Archives Officer	12	5
6	Archivist	1	1
7	Conservator	1	1
8	Conservation Assistant	2	2
9	Record Manager	1	-
10	Principal Financial Operations Officer	1	1
11	Financial Operations Officer/Senior Financial Operations Officer	1	1
12	Human Resource Executive	1	1
13	Office Management Executive	1	1
14	Office Management Assistant	1	1
15	Management Support Officer	8	7
16	Confidential Secretary	1	1
17	Word Processing Operator	1	1
18	Audio-Visual Technician (Operations)	1	1
19	Print Finishing/Book Binding Operator (<i>on roster</i>)	5	1
20	Reprographic Operator (Archives)	3	3
21	Receptionist/Telephone Operator	1	1
22	Head Office Auxiliary	1	1
23	Office Auxiliary/Senior Office Auxiliary	4	4
24	Driver	1	1
25	Handy Worker	1	1
26	General Worker	2	2
TOTAL		54	41