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THEME: 'ONE EARTH, ONE FAMILY, ONE FUTURE'

STATEMENT SESSION 3: ONE FUTURE

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Excellencies,

Climate crisis, environmental degradation, and pollution are threatening the very fabric of life on Earth. These crises have become entangled and we are on the verge of a global catastrophe.

Mauritius is an Oceanic State with a vast Exclusive Economic Zone, and transboundary marine pollution is already affecting our fragile eco-systems.

Increased efforts are needed to protect, conserve, and sustainably use the oceans and marine resources. Climate Finance should be stepped up and the Loss and Damage Fund put into operation for the most vulnerable at the earliest.

Diffusion of innovation and green jobs empowering SIDS to participate in the global value chains should be facilitated and enhanced.

Access to technology, renewable energy, and digital infrastructure that are cost-effective is an imperative.

These enablers will allow us to transform our vulnerable economies and invest in our human capital, thus unlocking our future.

We should also strengthen our multilateral systems to be fit for the 21st century.

Mauritius welcomes the G20's Financial Inclusion Action Plan, and the commitment to strengthening the Global Health Infrastructure and building more resilience around the world.

Access to diverse, safe, and sustainably produced nutritious food is essential to ensure our food security.

We strongly believe that greater emphasis must be placed on constructive dialogues, engagements and most importantly, concrete actions.

The pursuit of peace is not merely the absence of conflicts, but the presence of justice, equality, and fairness.

G20 countries are engines of growth, and as such can pull us together into the future.

Let us be guided by the spirit of global Dhaarma*, collective good for a world of harmony, and sustainability and shared progress.

We commend India's leadership for a very successful outcome of the G20 Summit.

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^{*} Dharma means the eternal and inherent nature of reality regarded in Hinduism as a cosmic law underlying right behaviour and social order.

Mauritius is very honored to have participated in the G20 meetings. I would like to reiterate our deep gratitude to Prime Minister Modi Ji for this exceptional opportunity.

Thank you.