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**THE DEVELOPMENT & ENTERPRISE MARKET GOES LIVE**

The Stock Exchange of Mauritius (SEM) successfully launched today, 4 August 2006, the Development & Enterprise Market (DEM), a market designed for companies currently quoted on the Over-The-Counter (OTC) Market, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SME's) and newly set-up companies which possess a good growth potential.

43 companies representing a market capitalisation of about Rs 31 billion (US\$ 1 billion) have chosen to list their securities on this new market at market launch today. This new market will initially trade 3 times a week, but the SEM is planning to extend trading to 5 times a week as from February 2007. The market will be open to foreign investors.

During the first trading session today, 22 securities were traded for a total volume of 378,826 shares and a total value of Rs 7.7 million. Two indices will track the evolution of the Development & Enterprise Market over time, the DEMEX which is a price index and the DEMTRI which is a total return index.