



REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS

MINISTRY OF TERTIARY EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND RESEARCH

PRESS RELEASE

MAURITIUS HONOURED ON THE GLOBAL STAGE

At the 11th Pan-Commonwealth Forum (PCF11) on Open Learning held in Botswana from 10–12 September 2025, Mauritius gained international recognition.

Dr the Hon. Kaviraj Sharma Sukon, PFHEA, Minister of Tertiary Education, Science and Research, received the prestigious Honorary Fellow of the Commonwealth of Learning (COL), one of the Commonwealth's highest educational honours. Established by Commonwealth Heads of Government in 1987, COL recognises transformative leadership in global education.

This award celebrates Dr Sukon's thirty years of commitment to advancing education and research since 1994, notably his pioneering role as Founder Director-General of the Open University of Mauritius.

PCF11 also witnessed the official launch of the National Open Educational Resources Repository of Mauritius, firmly establishing the nation as a Commonwealth leader in open education innovation.

This honour is not only a personal achievement but also a tribute to our country's unwavering commitment to accessible, innovative, and world-class education.