



MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

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STATE AGENCIES PROVIDE RELIEF TO FLOOD VICTIMS



The Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management (ODPM), as the national disaster coordinating agency, continues to monitor and support response and recovery efforts as a result of the ongoing Adverse Weather conditions that this country experienced over the last week.

The ODPM is supporting the recovery efforts of the Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government and agencies of National Security that are working assiduously to bring relief to the citizens of Trinidad and Tobago.

The ODPM together with the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force and the Trinidad and Tobago Fire Service have been working together in flood inundated areas to bring relief to citizens who have been severely affected. Exercises conducted this week included water rescue and extraction, provision of assistance to T&TEC personnel with the restoration of electricity, coordination and delivery of meals, water, flood relief supplies, as well as reconnaissance on the extent of flood impacts via boat.

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The ODPM also worked with the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service and the Ministry of Works and Transport in road clearance and traffic diversion operations. This was needed after the occurrence of a number of landslides along main roadways. Aerial reconnaissance to view impacted areas was also conducted with the assistance of the Trinidad and Tobago Air Guard.



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MNS COMMEMORATES THE ELIMINATION OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

This week, the Ministry of National Security's General Administration Staff joined the international community in observing the 2022 campaign for the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence.

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence is an annual international campaign that kicked off on November 25th, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, and runs until December 10th, Human Rights Day.

This year's theme is "UNITE! Activism to end violence against women and girls" and invites everyone to play their role in ending violence against women and girls, show support and solidarity to women's rights activists and to resist the rollback on women's rights. The campaign uses the bright and optimistic colour orange, to represent a future free from violence against women and girls.

Here are some highlights of staff who wore orange on Thursday 01 December, 2022 and shared messages in support of this cause:

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TEN WOMEN GRADUATE FROM OLEP'S PowHER PROGRAMME

Ten (10) women from the East Port of Spain community recently graduated from the Office of Law Enforcement Policy's (OLEP) PowHER Programme and are now better equipped to be self-driven, successful entrepreneurs.

The PowHer Programme was launched as part of OLEP's Morvant/Laventille Initiative (MLI) in March 2022, with the objective of personally and professionally empowering less privileged women, specifically women who are single parents and the economic head of their household. The participants were trained in the following subject areas: Emotional Intelligence, Confidence, Etiquette, Conflict Management, First Aid, Personal Development/Career Planning, Business Planning, Basic Marketing Strategies and Personal Financial Management.

The Ministry of National Security joins the OLEP in congratulating all the women who graduated from the PowHER Programme and wishes them success in their future endeavours.





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