



PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2009

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ABBREVIATIONS

AAQM	Ambient Air Quality Monitoring
ACS	Association of Caribbean States
ACTT	Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago
ANZ	Australia and New Zealand Bank
CARICOM	Caribbean Community
CARIRI	Caribbean Industrial Research Institute
CBO	Community Based Organisation
CCTT	Community College of Trinidad and Tobago
CDA	Chaguaramas Development Authority
CDAP	Chronic Disease Assistance Programme
CDB	Caribbean Development Bank
CDF	Community Development Fund
CEC	Certificate of Environmental Clearance
CERP	Community Enhancement and Regeneration Programme
CISL	Community Improvement Services Limited
COMDESI	Community-Centred Design and Innovation
COSTAATT	College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago
CRCC	China Railway Construction Corporation
CSO	Central Statistical Office
CTO	Caribbean Tourism Organisation
CYSF	Caribbean Youth Science Forum
EBC	Elections and Boundaries Commission
EC	European Community
ECCE	Early Childhood Care and Education
ECIAF	Eastern Caribbean Institute of Agriculture and Forestry
EDF	European Development Fund
EMA	Environmental Management Authority
EMBD	Estate Management and Business Development Limited
EPOSDC	East Port of Spain Development Company Limited
eTecK	Evolving Technologies and Enterprise Development Limited
EU	European Union
EWMSC	Eric Williams Medical Sciences Complex
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations
FBEP	Fourth Basic Education Programme
FUNDAID	Trinidad and Tobago Foundation Limited
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GEF	Global Environmental Facility
GIS	Geographic Information System
GORTT	Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
HACCP	Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point
HDC	Housing Development Corporation
HIV/AIDS	Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency

	Syndrome
HR	Human Resource
HSRP	Health Sector Reform Programme
HYPE	Helping Youths Prepare for Employment
IAAC	Inter-American Accreditation Cooperation
IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank)
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
IDB	Inter-American Development Bank
IDF	Infrastructure Development Fund
IhRIS	Integrated Human Resource Information System
IMA	Institute of Marine Affairs
ISO	International Organisation for Standardization
ISRP	Investment Sector Reform Programme
JHMI	John Hopkins Medicine International
LAN	Local Area Network
LSA	Land Settlement Agency
MAFITT	Maritime and Fisheries Institute of Trinidad and Tobago
MIC	Metal Industries Company
MIF	Multilateral Investment Fund
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MRF	Medical Research Foundation
NACC	National Aids Coordinating Committee
NALIS	National Library and Information Systems
NAMDEVCO	National Agricultural Marketing Development Company
NCSE	National Certificate of Secondary Education
NCSHL	National Commission for Self Help Limited
NESC	National Energy Skills Centre
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisation
NHP	National Highways Programme
NIHERST	National Institute of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology
NIPDEC	National Insurance Property Development Company
NSDP	National Skills Development Programme
OAS	Organisation of American States
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Act
PAHO	Pan American Health Organisation
PATT	Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago
PCU	Programme/Project Coordinating Unit
PETF	The Performance Enhancement Task Force
PIDCOTT	Property and Industrial Development Company of Trinidad and Tobago
PLWHA	Persons Living With HIV/AIDS
POSGH	Port-of-Spain General Hospital
PSAEL	Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprise Limited

PSI	Population Services International
PSIP	Public Sector Investment Programme
PTSC	Public Transport Service Corporation
PURE	Programme for Upgrading Road Efficiency
RDC	Rural Development Company
REACH	Realisation of Economic Achievement
RHA	Regional Health Authority
RSHDC	Regional Social and Human Development Council
RSHDC	Regional Social and Human Development Councils
SBM	School Based Management
SEC	Securities Exchange Commission
SEMP	Secondary Education Modernisation Programme
SFC	Sugarcane Feeds Centre
SFGH	San Fernando General Hospital
SILWC	Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Committee
SIP	School Improvement Plan
SPSEs	Special Purpose State Enterprises
STEP	Small Tourism Enterprise Project
STP	Sewerage Treatment Plant
SWMCOL	Solid Waste Management Company Limited
T&TEC	Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission
TCF	Technical Co-operation Facility
TDC	Tourism Development Company
THA	Tobago House of Assembly
TTBS	Trinidad and Tobago Bureau of Standards
TTIT	Trinidad and Tobago Institute of Technology
TTPOST	Trinidad and Tobago Postal Corporation Limited
UDeCOTT	Urban Development Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago
UNECLAC	United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America & Caribbean
UTT	University of Trinidad and Tobago
UWI	University of the West Indies
VMCOTT	Vehicle Maintenance Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago
WAN	Wide Area Network
WASA	Water and Sewerage Authority
WTO	World Trade Organisation
WTP	Water Treatment Plant
YAPA	Youth Apprenticeship Programme in Agriculture
YDAC	Youth Development and Apprenticeship Centre
YTEPP	Youth Training and Employment Partnership Programme

INTRODUCTION

1. The Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP) is the instrument available to the Government to translate plans, objectives and strategies into tangible projects for accelerating growth and development.
2. In fiscal year 2009, the PSIP will focus on advancing the strategies and policies for the development of the economic and social infrastructure of the country through the continuation of Government's investments in the priority sectors of infrastructure including roads and bridges, national security and public safety, education, health, housing, and agriculture. Ultimately, the programmes in these sectors are expected to promote private sector investment, providing a platform for sustained economic growth while improving the quality of life through the enhancement of social services.

OVERVIEW

Public Sector Investment Programme 2008

3. An initial allocation of \$7,900 million was budgeted for the 2008 Public Sector investment Programme (PSIP). Of this amount, \$3,900 million or approximately 49 percent was provided under the Consolidated Fund for projects and programmes to be implemented by line Ministries and executing Agencies of the Central Government and the Tobago House of Assembly (THA). Financing of \$4,000 million or 51 percent was provided under the IDF for the Special Purpose State Enterprises to assist Ministries in implementing large scale physical infrastructure works.

4. In the course of the fiscal year, supplementary funding of \$316.6 million at the Mid-Term Review, added to approximately \$247.7 million in transfers from the recurrent budget resulted in an upward revision of expenditure under the Consolidated Fund of \$4,465 million. Expenditure under the IDF also increased to \$5,563.7 million as a result of releases amounting to \$1,563.7 million from the Fund's unexpended balances. The total revised expenditure for fiscal year 2008 therefore amounted to \$10,028.7 million, \$2.3 million higher than the record level achieved in fiscal year 2007.

5. The high level of expenditure recorded in fiscal year 2008 reflects the volume of capital works being undertaken by the Government and the acceleration in the rate of implementation of the large scale, high priority projects, in the areas of Health, Education, Housing, National Security, Roads and Bridges and Agriculture.

6. The developmental pillar Caring Society continued to account for the highest level of expenditure, amounting to \$2,809.4 million or 28 percent of the total expenditure recorded in fiscal year 2008, followed by the pillar Governing Effectively, with expenditure of \$2,188.4 million or 22 percent of total expenditure. The performance of the 2008 PSIP by development pillar is presented in Table I.

Table 1
Expenditure by Development Pillar - 2008
(TT\$ million)

Pillars	Budgeted Expenditure				Revised Expenditure			
	Consol. Fund	%	IDF	%	Consol. Fund	%	IDF	%
Innovative People	820.2	21.1	880.0	22.0	928.8	20.9	941.7	16.9
Caring Society	979.9	25.1	1008.0	29.9	1050.9	23.6	1758.5	31.5
Governing Effectively	932.4	23.9	421.0	6.3	1488.8	33.4	699.7	12.6
Competitive Business	314.1	8.1	1117.0	27.4	274.0	6.2	1148.9	20.6
Sound Infrastructure and the Environment	853.3	21.8	574.0	14.4	712.0	16.0	1025.5	18.4
TOTAL	3900.0	100.0	4000.0	100.0	4454.5	100.0	5574.3	100.0

Public Sector Investment Programme 2009

7. For fiscal year 2009, a total of \$9,180 million is allocated to Ministries and Departments of the Central Government, Local Government Authorities, and the Tobago House of Assembly (THA), for the implementation of projects and programmes. The overall 2009 PSIP is 8 percent lower than the revised expenditure recorded in fiscal year 2008. The allocation under the Consolidated Fund amounts to \$4,080 million, while \$5,100 million will be sourced from the IDF.

8. The priority areas targeted for significant investment are Infrastructure Development, including Roads and Bridges, National Security and Public Safety, Education, Health, Housing, Agriculture, Governance and Institutional Structures for Development.

9. A comparison of the revised expenditure for 2008 and budgeted expenditure for 2009 by sector is shown below at Table 2.

Table 2
Comparison of Expenditure by Development Pillar – 2008-2009
(TT\$ million)

Development Pillars	2008		2009	
	Revised Expenditure		Budgeted Expenditure	
	Consolidated Fund	IDF	Consolidated Fund	IDF
Innovative People	928.8	941.7	649.8	1294.6
Caring Society	1050.9	1758.5	879.1	1372.3
Governing Effectively	1488.8	699.7	1260.7	401.5
Competitive Business	274.0	1148.9	326.7	1128.0
Sound Infrastructure and the Environment	712.0	1025.5	963.7	903.6
Total	4454.5	5574.3	4080.0	5100.0

Financing of the 2009 PSIP

10. The PSIP will continue to be financed by resources from both the Consolidated Fund and the IDF, amounting to \$4,080 million and \$5,100 million respectively. The total budgeted allocation for the 2009 PSIP is therefore \$9,180 million. General Revenues of \$8,424.1 million or 92 percent of the total PSIP, will be the main source of financing, while \$755.9 million or 8 percent will be financed from foreign sources. The Consolidated Fund will be made up of \$3,476.1 million in General Revenues and \$603.9 million in loan and grant funding from external sources. The IDF will comprise General revenues of \$4,948 million and loans in the sum of \$152 million.

11. The External financing under the Consolidated Fund of \$603.9 million, or 6.6 percent, of the overall PSIP, represents loans of \$582.9 million, and grants of \$21 million. The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) will be the major contributor of loan financing in the amount of \$166.7 million. The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank) will provide \$16 million in loans and the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) will contribute \$0.2 million. The total sum of \$21 million in grant funding will be financed by the European Union (EU) specifically to support the implementation of the HIV/AIDS Strategic Plan and institutional strengthening of the public sector.

12. Other sources of external financing under the Consolidated Fund will be in the form of an Export Credit Guarantee Facility, and a commercial loan from BNP Paribas in the overall sum of \$250 million in respect of the acquisition of Offshore Patrol Vessels for the Coast Guard. The Australia and New Zealand Bank (ANZ Bank)

will provide loan funding of \$150 million under an Export Finance Facility for the acquisition of Fast Patrol Craft, also for the Coast Guard.

13. The Export Import Bank of China will contribute \$152 million to the IDF to finance the construction of the Academies for the performing Arts in North and South, Trinidad.

14. The financing plan for the 2009 PSIP is outlined in Table 3.

Table 3
Financing of Capital Expenditure – 2009

Sources of Financing:	TT\$ Mn	%
<u>Consolidated</u>	<u>4080.000</u>	<u>44.4</u>
External	<u>603.920</u>	<u>6.6</u>
<i>Loans</i>	582.920	6.4
Inter-American Development Bank	166.720	1.8
International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank)	16.000	0.2
Caribbean Development Bank	0.200	0.002
ANZ Bank	150.000	1.6
BNP Paribas	250.000	2.7
<i>Grants</i>	21.000	0.2
European Union	21.000	0.2
Domestic	<u>3476.080</u>	<u>37.9</u>
General Revenues	3476.080	37.9
<u>IDF</u>	<u>5100.000</u>	<u>55.6</u>
External	<u>152.000</u>	<u>1.7</u>
<i>Loans</i>	152.000	1.7
Export Import Bank of China	152.000	1.7
Domestic	<u>4948.000</u>	<u>53.9</u>
General Revenues	4948.000	53.9
<u>Total</u>	<u>9180.000</u>	<u>100.00</u>

PART I: REVIEW OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2008

DEVELOPING INNOVATIVE PEOPLE

15. In fiscal year 2008, revised expenditure in the amount of \$1870.5 million was incurred in implementing ongoing and new initiatives geared towards supporting innovation and entrepreneurship.

Pre-Primary, Primary and Secondary Education

16. An overall sum of \$755.4 million was provided for the implementation of projects and programmes aimed at providing quality universal education at all levels. Investments totaled \$889.7 million as indicated by the revised expenditure level. The IDB-assisted Secondary Education Modernization Programme (SEMP) utilized the full amount of \$66.2 million allocated for fiscal year 2008 in continuation of its goal to universalize five year Secondary Schools. The focus of the programme of activities undertaken during this year included:

- the revision of the Secondary schools curriculum for Forms 1 to 3 and the distribution of this curriculum to all schools for implementation. A common curriculum in 8 core subject areas is thus assured in all secondary schools in Trinidad and Tobago. Significant inclusions in this core are the areas of Physical Education, Technology Education and all areas of the Visual and Performing Arts
- the revision of the secondary schools curriculum for Forms 4 and 5 has been completed and the documents prepared for distribution
- completion of the roll-out of fully networked computer labs in all 133 Secondary schools and the provision of a help-desk facility to aid the schools and teachers, basic training in operating systems completed for all teachers in these schools, and a more robust programme of ICT training to aid in infusion of technology in teaching and learning has been planned

- procurement of technical assistance to develop the frame work for an inclusive, seamless education System to provide quality education to children in all circumstances, from ECCE to secondary level
- procurement of technical assistance to develop a monitoring and evaluation system for tracking the investments made at the secondary level, especially in terms of the heavy investment in ICT for the classrooms , the school libraries and administration
- continuation of capacity building to equip teachers to deliver the modernized curriculum - completion of training of 60 teachers in the Masters Degree in Education and enrollment of 76 in the Bachelors in Physical Education at UWI
- installation of a library information management system and the acquisition of textbook tracker software for proper records and inventory in 133 secondary schools
- award of contracts for the supply of technology mobile labs and delivery of library books, journals and periodicals to stock libraries with up to date materials in all 133 secondary schools.
- full implementation of the National Certificate of Secondary Education (NCSE) level 1 to provide an alternative assessment for secondary level students in alignment with the needs of the world of work. A credit system for this examination and finalization of a student registration system were accomplished

17. The Primary School Programme fully utilized the allocation of \$156.7 million. The sum of \$115.7 million was expended on the Improvement/Refurbishment/Extensions to Primary schools. Improvement works were carried out at 270 government and government assisted primary schools to include the refurbishment of a guard booth at San Souci R.C., completion of plumbing works at Cap de Ville Government, Jerningham Government and Iere Government Primary Schools; repairs and electrical upgrade at Malabar Government Primary and at El Socorro Government and installation of an air-conditioning unit at Chinapo Government.

18. With effect from 1 April 2008, the Education Facilities Company Limited assumed sole responsibility for the management of the school repair programme on behalf of the Ministry of Education. Two major phases of repairs/improvements to schools were undertaken at a cost of approximately \$201 million dollars. The Primary School Programme utilized \$123.8 million for works on 316 government and government assisted schools while the amount of \$77.2 million was spent on 76

government and government assisted secondary schools. Electrical assessment and upgrade commenced at 139 primary schools at an estimated cost of \$60.9 million to address the increased demand for electrical capacity arising from factors such as the age of the existing systems, the expansion of schools and the introduction of computer and air conditioned systems. The services of the Solid Waste Management Company Limited (SWMCOL) were also engaged to undertake an assessment of the sewerage systems serving primary and secondary schools, in order to develop a programme of repair and continuous maintenance of these systems. Upgrade of facilities for the Computerization of Primary Schools was carried out in seventy six (76) schools at a cost of \$20 million.

19. The Primary School Construction Programme recorded a revised expenditure of \$70 million. In respect of government assisted schools, designs were commissioned for schools including Lengua Presbyterian, Rousillac SDMS, Paramin R.C, Brasso Seco R.C., Maracas SDA, Belmont Boys R.C., Rose Hill R.C., Penal Rock Road SDMS, Mon Repos R.C and Point Cumana R.C. Construction continued on St. Paul's A.C. and La Seiva R.C., while a reassessment was done on the St. Stephen's A.C as a result of new projected demographic trends and enrollment data in the areas where these schools were to be rebuilt.

20. Under the Infrastructure Development Fund (IDF), the Primary Schools Programme utilized \$56.9 million of an allocation of \$86 million. Construction was completed at Icacos Government at a cost of \$16.6 million while the outfitting amounted to \$2 million. The school was officially opened on the 7th April 2008 with state of the art learning environment that includes a sound-proofed music room and pan theatre with a 16 piece ensemble, a modern networked computer laboratory and fully outfitted science laboratory, an audio-visual room, library, and Art and Craft room all fully air-conditioned.

21. Construction continued at St. Mary's Government, Tranquility Government and Arima West Government primary schools. Designs were completed for several Government Primary Schools including Egypt Village Government, Buenos Ayres Government, Chatham Government, and Palo Seco Government, New Grant Government, Enterprise Government, Lower Morvant Government, Manzanilla Government, Penal Quinam Government, Monkey Town Government and Bon Air West Government

22. The Tobago House of Assembly (THA) Primary Schools Programme incurred expenditure of \$7.2 million. Of this sum \$5.4 million was utilized for repairs to the roof of the Scarborough R.C, electrical repairs to Scarborough Methodist, upgrade of the floor and sport facilities at Bon Accord Methodist and completion of a multi-purpose hall at Plymouth Anglican and the establishment of a Primary School Maintenance Grant Programme.

23. Under the Infrastructure Development Fund, the programme of construction of Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) centers continued with an allocation of \$50 million. Ten Centers were completed at Petit Valley, St. Sylvan's, Mayaro, Tacarigua, Ortoire, El Socorro North, Santa Flora, Salybia, Strange Village and Chinapoo. Construction continued at 4 centers at North Trace Government, San Fernando Model Nursery, Monroe Road Government and Ragonanan Road Government. Sites were identified for 38 centers of which contracts for 2 centres at a cost of \$8.5 million were awarded. Tenders were invited for 7 centres, designs were completed for 21 centres, and preparation of designs commenced for 20 centres.

24. The Early Childhood Care and Education programme in Tobago was advanced with the completion of centres at Signal Hill and Bucco and the commencement of centres at Castara, Whim, Bon Accord, Patience Hill and Delaford and the establishment of an ECCE Unit in Tobago. Revised expenditure on the programme amounted to \$2.6 million.

25. Overall \$355.2 million was budgeted for investment in secondary education for fiscal 2008. Revised expenditure for this area amounted to \$564.1 million.

26. The Improvement/Refurbishment/Extensions to secondary schools expended \$108.5 million for repairs to 76 schools, 22 Secondary schools under phase I and under phase II, 17 Government Schools and 37 Assisted Secondary Schools.

27. The Secondary School Intervention Programme fully utilized its allocation of \$2.5 million on events including the Marathon Against Drug Abuse, Peer Mediation Follow-up Sessions at 12 secondary schools, the Right Choices Programme at 9 secondary schools and a Stress Sensitization Workshop at 2 secondary schools.

28. The Secondary Schools Construction and Other Infrastructure Works Programme recorded revised expenditure of \$390.1 million under the IDF on construction works and upgrades at various secondary schools including:

- construction and outfitting of a new block at Chaguanas Secondary
- continuation of expansion and upgrade to Marabella Secondary, Princes Town Secondary, Siparia Junior Secondary and Couva Junior Secondary
- commencement of construction of Carapichaima Junior Secondary, Aranguez Junior Secondary, Barataria Junior Secondary, Five Rivers Junior Secondary and St. Augustine Senior Secondary School

29. The THA fully utilized its allocation of \$10.9 million for the continuation of its Secondary School Programme on upgrading of laboratories at Signal Hill Senior Comprehensive and refurbishment of Roxborough Composite, Bishop's High School and Scarborough Secondary.

Tertiary Education

30. Overall, \$527.6 million was originally budgeted for investment in Tertiary Education in Fiscal year 2008. Revised expenditure for this area amounted to \$552.4 million.

31. In Fiscal Year 2008 \$203 million was spent on the establishment of the University of Trinidad and Tobago. Activities included:

- at the O'Meara Campus furniture and equipment were acquired for the Computer Lab, Petroleum Labs, C-ideas Labs, ICT Labs and PUP Labs and the Campus is being enhanced to facilitate the establishment of the Gas Institute of the Americas
- at the Maritime Campus, Chaguaramas, the pier was refurbished, a lighthouse installed and a life raft was received, Liquid Cargo Handling & GMDSS were installed; kitchen equipment for the cafeteria was delivered; welding equipment and machine shop equipment were installed
- at the UTT Point Lisas Campus, upgrade works continued including the installation of a CCTV, Burglar & Fire Alarm systems, repair/repaving of car park, painting and lighting; workstations for new staff were delivered and a design brief for students' residences was finalized
- at Corinth Teacher's College, chain link fencing was installed, upgrades to the washroom, 5 classrooms, the IT room, music room and staff room continued
- at Valsayn Teacher's College, construction of the perimeter fencing continued, furniture and equipment were delivered and washroom upgrades continued

32. Under the UTT Staff Housing Development Programme a mobilization payment of \$20 million was made to Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation for designs and pre-construction activities in respect of 90 townhouses, recreational facilities and a day care center to be constructed at Valencia.

33. Development works at the University of the West Indies continued with a revised expenditure of \$23.3 million. Of this amount, \$20.5 million was spent on external works, the outfitting of the Lecture Theatre and the Classroom building at the campus. Continuation of construction works on the blocks of residence at the St. John's Road Hall of Residence utilized \$3 million.

34. Under the Scholarship and Advanced Training Programme, \$107 million was utilised for tuition and allowances to scholarship awardees to pursue tertiary education in areas of strategic importance to our nation's economic and national development. At the start of fiscal year 2008, 675 scholarships were awarded to teachers to pursue Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Education degrees at the University of Trinidad and Tobago (UTT) and University of the West Indies (UWI) St. Augustine, 240 National/Additional scholarships were awarded based on Advanced Level Examinations, and a total of 81 scholarships were awarded under the Annual Scholarship and Technical Assistance Programme and the Programme of Development Scholarships.

35. The College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago (COSTAATT) [to be renamed the Community College of Trinidad and Tobago (CCTT)] expended \$12.1 million of the allocated \$14 million on the following activities:

- expansion of the Nursing and Health Sciences Programme
- preparation of specifications for radiation therapy equipment for the new Radiation Therapy Laboratory, engagement of a Radiation Therapy Consultant and preparation for clinical overseas training for students
- acquisition by lease of a building to accommodate the City Campus and Central Administration Services
- finalization of tender documents for upgrade of air conditioning system at North Learning Centre Facility
- continuation of the expansion programme in Tobago where a site was identified for construction
- continuation of the WAN project with the purchase of Software for the Help Desk, preparation of specifications for replacement of switches and network infrastructure using wireless technology, a student network system, IPT phone system, printers and instructional software.
- expansion of the Library Collection through acquisition of books for the Tobago Learning Centre and Academic Affairs and for programmes in Records Management, Nursing, Performing Arts, Library and Information Technology
- provision of book grants to 52 students designated most improved and those earning the highest grade average for the academic year
- on the job training for 50 registered students at the Community College

36. The Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago (ACTT) governs and regulates the National Accreditation System, which involves registration, accreditation and recognition of programmes and qualifications of educational institutions operating within Trinidad and Tobago and overseas. The Council utilised \$1.7 million for staff development and training at local, regional and international conferences and workshops on quality assurance in tertiary education, accreditation of institutions and programmes and performance management. The Council also held stakeholder forums for higher education administrators and other stakeholders on the role of ACTT, requirements and guidelines and upgraded the Tobago office.

37. The National Library and Information System (NALIS) libraries programme Trinidad utilised \$12.2 million on the following:

- expansion of library collections with the purchase of over 10,000 books and periodicals for public libraries throughout Trinidad
- installation of new computers at the Youth Training Centre
- acquisition of 2 laptop computers and wireless edge cards to provide internet connectivity for the Digital Mobile Library
- completion of WAN infrastructure upgrade at Princes Town, Debe and La Brea libraries
- upgrade of 13 libraries, including painting, electrical upgrade, air-conditioning system duct cleaning and installation of fire and emergency equipment
- payment of tuition and allowances for 17 awardees in the USA and Canada pursuing the M.Sc. degree in Library Science for a two year period
- completion of site clearance, cadastral survey and designs for the new Chaguanas Library to be located on Railway Road

Skills Development and Training

38. For Skills Development and Training an overall of \$72.5 million was expended on expansion and upgrading of training facilities, acquisition of equipment and furnishing, and the training of technical teachers/instructors.

39. The Metal Industries Company Limited through its two programmes, the National Skills Development Programme (NSDP) and the Helping Youths Prepare for Employment (HYPE) utilised \$38.7 million. Achievements were as follows:

- commencement of classes for 500 trainees at the new Pleasantville Technology Centre which was formally opened in June 2008
- the hosting of an exhibition in collaboration with the German Chamber of Craft and ICON Institute on the major aspects of Technical Vocational Education and Training in Trinidad and Tobago with participation from Chile and Venezuela
- refurbishment of the MIC Administration Building at the Pointe a Pierre Training Centre, including air conditioning and electrical system repairs and tenders for roof replacement
- welding equipment repairs and installation of additional security at the Ste. Madeline Centre
- security improvement at the Laventille Technology Centre by reinforcing the perimeter fencing and repairing the automatic gates
- expansion of facilities at Macoya with completion of the Instructors' offices, 3 classrooms, a First Aid room and installation of air conditioning units, and roof repairs
- mastercraftsman training in Germany for 15 instructors and training in Health Safety Security Environment (HSE) for 20 instructors
- equipment purchase and furnishing for woodworking, welding and metalwork workshops, painting of the administrative complex and repairs to perimeter fence at the MIC Vocational Centre at Pt. Fortin
- graduation of 800 persons from the HYPE programme, 120 from the NSDP, and 8 from the Engineer in Training programme (ET) from 11 centres

40. The National Energy Skills Centre (NESC) which specializes in the training and development of nationals for the country's energy and industrial sectors utilized \$16.5 million. At the Brechin Castle Technology Centre refurbishment works on the Heavy Equipment Maintenance workshop reached 85 percent completion. Bids were invited for refurbishment works on two buildings to house the electrical/instrumentation workshops and the automotive workshops. Sites were identified and preliminary designs were completed for the new NESC headquarters to

be built at Brechin Castle. A temporary building was refurbished to house the administrative offices.

41. The Youth Training and Employment Partnership Programme (YTEPP) Limited offers over 80 vocational courses in 12 occupational areas, to persons who are interested in entrepreneurship or acquiring Level I and II (craft and pre-craft) technical vocational training. The organization operates 6 full time and 22 part time centres throughout Trinidad and Tobago. In fiscal 2008 YTEPP Limited expended \$4.8 million, and its major achievements were:

- training of 3,637 persons during the period February to July 2008 in vocational skills, community based skills, wrought iron and light steel welding and fabrication
- provision of specialized micro entrepreneurship training to 377 persons and placement in job related opportunities for 250 persons during the period April to June 2008
- provision of community and centre based skills training in Diego Martin, Maloney, Belmont, Malick, Chaguanas, Youth Training Centre, Morvant and Curepe for “at risk” socially displaced youth
- award of contract for designs to construct a full time centre and regional office
- provision of a YTEPP Bus Shuttle Service to transport trainees leaving centres in late evening/night period to a safe location to access public transportation to go home
- implementation of a Security Surveillance Team for Centres

Science, Technology and Innovation

42. NIHERST undertook investments totaling \$12.1 million aimed at promoting innovation and invention. Activities centered on educational workshops and seminars for students, teachers and the public awareness and education of science and technology. Some of the specific achievements included:

- hosting of the fifth biennial Sci-TechKnoFest 2008 on the theme “Health and Wellness” with the University of Trinidad and Tobago and the Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education including Diagnostic Medicine, Fitness and Nutrition, Chronic Diseases, Mental Health and Careers in Health

- hosting of the Caribbean Youth Science Forum (CYSF) for Sixth Form Science students at the University of Trinidad and Tobago (UTT), O’Meara Campus and the University of the West Indies (UWI) which included lectures, field trips and interaction with scientists
- advance initiatives to conduct a foresighting study on Generation Y (the 14-28 age group) that will comprise a critical component of the society and labour force in 2020
- hosting of Cre8ivity Innovation Camps for children ages five to seventeen dedicated to the “Science of the Human Body”
- completion of the Community-Centred Design and Innovation (COMDESI) training module for 20 Forms 1-3 students from five secondary schools participating in the Heroes Foundation Youth Development Programme
- conduct of a rural outreach Roadshow programme at schools in Tabaquite, Flanagin Town and Carparo exposing students to Robotics/Robomania
- development of exhibits on the environment in association with MOSI and Science Alive in Australia, including a DVD on volcanoes, videos on landslides/floods/fires, simulations on flooding (UWI/NIHERST) and computer games (India)
- publications on Caribbean Icons Volume 2 and the contribution of local Chinese to Science, Technology and Innovation in celebration of 200 years of Chinese influence in Trinidad and Tobago
- continuation of growth and innovation sector studies to boost the non-energy manufacturing sector and a foresight study on sustainable and renewable energy

Culture

43. Projects and programmes aimed at developing and showcasing the country’s rich and diverse culture were advanced in fiscal 2008. The main activities involved the upgrade and construction of cultural facilities with expenditure of \$275.6 million.

44. Work progressed on the construction of the Academy for the Performing Arts at Port of Spain, which comprises 3 main buildings: a theatre, hotel and the

academy. The four level super structures for the academy and hotel were substantially completed. Work on the theatre was delayed by the relocation of the public tennis court to King George V Park at a cost of \$17.8 million. Pile testing commenced at the site of the South Academy, but further works were delayed pending the relocation of a sewer line and construction of a retaining wall at a cost of \$8.8 million.

45. The original design of the National Carnival and Entertainment Centre facilitated the parade of bands through the facility, but a decision to have the parade of bands remain on the streets resulted in a review of designs as a consequence of a change in the scope of works. The sum of \$1.2 million was utilized from the \$50 million allocation for the erection of a hoarding fence and works related to the 2008 Carnival Season.

46. Work on Phase I estimated to cost \$1.9 million on the conversion of the Little Carib Theatre to a Black Box commenced with the refurbishment of the reception area, administrative office, lobby, cafeteria, box office and toilets. The continuing renovation of Naipaul House utilized the entire \$0.5 million allocation for administrative expenses, installation of a security system, air condition units, fixtures and furnishings, acquisition of books for the library and upgrade of the electrical system.

47. In South Trinidad, Phase I works of the Cocoyea Recreation Facility, estimated to cost \$25 million, were completed with the construction of a swimming pool, administrative building, parking lot, pavilion, uncovered bleachers, ticket booth, showers and rails for the physically challenged. Site acquisition problems continued to delay the reconstruction of the Naparima Bowl as the preparation of designs for the reconstruction of the facility did not proceed as planned. Upgrade of the stage, roof, sewer system, installation of outdoor lighting and construction of piano storage room, a new box office and toilets were completed to keep the existing facility functional.

48. Construction of the Administration and Maintenance buildings at Queen's Hall was advanced with an allocation of \$4.3 million, with the completion of the superstructure and substantial completion of the floor, walls, electrical and plumbing systems, and ceiling works. Construction of a roof for the outdoor VIP Reception Area and the installation of awning for a backstage loading dock commenced. The original construction contract sum of \$8.8 million was being reviewed as a result of increases in the cost of materials and scope of works arising from security concerns.

49. Initiatives that focused on the preservation of our unique cultural heritage continued with the following:

- commencement of a feasibility study on the extension of the National Museum building and continuation of roof refurbishment
- installation of exhibition furniture and exhibits at the La Brea museum

- commencement of clean up and research work on a catalogue of the Cazabon/Mann paintings of the early Sugar Plantation and related subjects for the Sugar Museum, Sevilla House, Couva
- acquisition of artifacts and restoration of the floor and foundation at the Mayaro museum
- identification and collection of artifacts for the Carnival Museum of the Americas and the Laventille and San Fernando Museums
- completion of the digitalization of objects for the Virtual Museum project
- restoration of a cobble stone walkway and commencement of the upgrade of the library at the Military Museum, Chaguaramas
- repair of the jetty and commencement of the preparation of designs for the restoration of the 3 buildings at the National Heritage Site at Nelson Island

50. The Cultural Industries project experienced delay in the engagement of experts as negotiations with the San Fernando Hill Committee for the acquisition of a temporary facility for the San Fernando museum is on going.

51. Projects aimed at improving the livelihood of artistes and the development of the steel pan as the national musical instrument were advanced as follows:

- preparation of designs and tender documents for the construction of a 3 storey Convalescent Home for Calypsonians and other Cultural Practitioners
- commencement of structural testing and re-design works for the completion of Pan Trinbago Headquarters at Trincity
- commencement of the acquisition of artifacts for the Steel Pan museum
- construction and outfitting of a Pan Chroming Factory planned for Union, Marabella was delayed as a Certificate of Environmental Clearance needs to be acquired for the new site adjacent to Pan Trinbago Headquarters at Trincity.

NURTURING A CARING SOCIETY

52. The sum of \$2,809.4 was utilized for the advancement of initiatives geared towards the achievement of a healthy and caring society. Developments in the area of Housing accounted for 64 percent or \$1,790.2 million.

Health

53. In an effort to improve the delivery of health care and address the health needs of the population, an overall allocation of \$427.4 million was provided in fiscal year 2008. Revised expenditure amounted to \$519 million. Of this sum, \$183.3 million was utilized for the IDB-assisted Health Sector Reform Programme. The physical infrastructure component which is focused primarily on the construction and upgrade of health facilities was advanced with \$100 million in expenditure. The major achievements included:

- completion and commissioning of Health Centres in Debe, La Romaine, San Juan and Barataria
- completion and commissioning of the Oxford Street Enhanced Health Centre at a cost of \$15.6 million and continuation of construction of the St. Joseph Enhanced Health Centre to 65 percent completion
- advancement in the construction of the District Health Facilities in St James and Siparia to 85 percent and 50 percent respectively
- substantial completion of the installation of an incinerator at POSGH
- preparation of designs for the reconstruction of the Same Day Surgery Unit at the EWMSC to 33 percent completion
- the completion of the elevator system upgrade at the EWMSC
- the substantial completion of the replacement of the Air Conditioning Chiller at the EWMSC
- preparation of designs for the reconstruction of the Central Sterilization and Storage Department and Outpatient Department at the POSGH

54. Training also continued under the Health Sector Reform Programme with 30 Nurses pursuing the B.Sc. Oncology Nursing Programme at the University of the West

Indies. The National Oncology Programme, which includes the design and construction of a National Oncology Centre, reached an overall completion of 25 percent at which point Government terminated the services of the Construction Manager and UDeCOTT was hired to provide project management services, including procurement of contracting services to complete the Centre. The sum of \$35 million was utilized during the fiscal year.

55. Other significant achievements under the Health Sector Reform Programme included the completion of the change management consultancy by Price Waterhouse Coopers under the Technical Assistance component and the injection of \$30 million into the Pension Fund under the Human Resource Strategy Programme.

56. An overall allocation of \$40.4 million was provided for the Special Programmes for Chronic Diseases implemented by the Ministry of Health. The Renal Dialysis Programme benefited a total of 94 patients who received dialysis treatment at the John Hayes Memorial Kidney Foundation, Health Net, Community Hospital and Kavanagh Dialysis Centre at subsidized rates. Expenditure on this initiative amounted to \$7 million during the fiscal year.

57. The Adult Cardiac Programme continued with a total of 320 angiogram procedures, 83 angioplasty and 25 Open Heart procedures performed at a cost of \$16 million. Work also continued under the Tissue Transplant Programme with 12 kidney transplant procedures and 25 fistulae procedures performed. The sum of \$3.1 million was utilized to fund these activities.

58. In fiscal year 2008, the number of patients accessing Chronic Disease Assistance Programme (CDAP) surpassed 300,000. An allocation of \$1 million was provided and the programme was extended to provide free blood glucose testing machines and strips to insulin dependent diabetics to support diabetics in effectively managing their condition. The sum of \$15 million was provided for the Waiting List Initiative, however no surgeries were performed since the programme was evaluated by the Ministry of Health.

59. The full allocation of \$69 million provided under the Infrastructure Development Fund was used for the continuation of the physical investments programme on the following activities:

- purchase of neonatal equipment and construction of the Eye Theatre at the SFGH to 65 percent completion
- purchase of critical equipment for the Area Hospital - Point Fortin
- restoration works at the St Ann's Hospital

- refurbishment of the Bachelor Medical Quarters at the SFGH to 90 percent completion
- purchase of 3 Haemodialysis Chairs for the San Fernando General Hospital
- upgrading of Dilation and Curette Theatre at SFGH

60. The Cardiovascular Services Initiative utilized the sum of \$76.2 million for payment to John Hopkins Medicine International (JHMI) for project management services and Cardiology Training and Education. The sum of \$15.8 million was also utilized under the Diabetes Services Initiative for Diabetes Outreach Training and Education and project management services also provided by JHMI.

61. The Hospital Enhancement and Development Programme was advanced with \$34.4 million in expenditure. The major achievements included:

- purchase of equipment for 2 Acute Wards at the EWMSC
- refurbishment of patient's bedsides and cupboards at the EWMSC
- installation of 3 operating theatre lights at the Arima DHF
- refurbishment of Ward 2 at the St. Ann's Hospital
- upgrade of the Dilation & Curette Theatre at the SFGH
- extension of the chilled water system at the SFGH

62. A contract in the sum of \$209.8 million was awarded to China Railway Construction Corporation (CRCC) for the completion of construction of the new Scarborough Hospital. Work also continued on the construction of the Scarborough Health Centre which reached an overall completion of 85 percent.

HIV/AIDS

63. During the period under review, Government continued its assault on the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Trinidad and Tobago through the implementation of the national HIV/AIDS programme, with an overall allocation of \$80.2 million.

64. Under the World Bank-assisted HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Project, the National AIDS Coordinating Committee (NACC) continued initiatives geared

towards prevention and treatment of persons living with HIV/AIDS, and reducing stigma and discrimination. The major achievements included:

- promotion of healthy sexual lifestyles among the general population through the continuation of “Know Your Status” media campaign
- distribution of literature, pens, key chains and bandanas with HIV/AIDS messages
- substantial completion of the development of the NACC HIV/AIDS website
- provision of funding for public awareness events including the celebration of World AIDS day in December
- continuation of the Condom Social Marketing Campaign, under which an Inception Report and Work Plan were developed, and training provided by Population Services International (PSI) to members of the Family Planning Association of Trinidad and Tobago
- provision of financial support and equipment to a number of NGOs for the implementation of small scale educational activities in various communities
- continuation of the design of the IT Surveillance Information and Clinical Management System where overall completion reached 80 percent
- the continuation of a consultancy to develop training manuals and homecare kits with appropriate IEC materials for home-care

65. The sum of \$42.1 million was utilized from an overall allocation of \$50 million to fund these initiatives.

66. The EU funded Support for the HIV/AIDS Strategic Plan also contributed to the fight against HIV/AIDS through the provision of ARV drugs for persons living with HIV and AIDS. Under the Special Programme for HIV/AIDS implemented by the Ministry of Health, the provision of treatment and health care services continued at five centers in Trinidad and Tobago and a total of 2,740 patients received ARV treatment. The sum of \$9 million was utilized for the provision of these services during the period under review. Additionally a subvention was provided to the Medical Research Foundation to undertake an expanded programme of treatment of HIV/AIDS patients, research and training of staff of the Ministry of Health.

67. Work also continued on the HIV/AIDS Support Programme at the Ministry of Tourism. During the period under review, a mini Health and Education Fair for staff was hosted to increase HIV/AIDS awareness. The sum of \$0.2 million was utilized to fund these activities. Additionally, an HIV/AIDS Workplace Policy was approved by Cabinet and was launched by the Ministry of Labor and Small and Micro Enterprise Development.

Housing

68. The overall investment in housing and related developments amounted to \$1,787.2 million. Priority attention continued to be placed on providing low and middle income earners access to adequate and affordable housing towards their enjoyment of a higher standard of living.

69. The IDB-Assisted Second Settlements Programme scheduled to come to a close in June 2008 was granted a special 1-year extension to June 21, 2009 for final disbursement of loan funds to facilitate project completion. For the fiscal year, \$99.3 million was expended mainly under the Squatter Upgrade and Family Subsidies components of the Programme with the Squatter Upgrade accounting for \$55.7 million or 56 percent of the expenditure. Overall achievements included:

- completion of road and drainage improvements, bridge and culvert construction, retaining walls and water main and household connection at Factory Road, Diego Martin
- substantial completion of construction and regularization of physical infrastructure including roads, water, sewerage and drainage works at Pine Settlement (369 lots), Race Course Lands, Arima (700 lots), Bon Air North, Arouca (457 lots), Mahogany Road Improvement, River Estate, Diego Martin, Milton Village, Couva (350 lots) and Macaulay Road, Squatterville (50 lots)
- completion of topographic surveys and Land-Use Planning for the River Estate, Diego Martin site (1700 + lots) and Cashew Gardens, Carlsen Field, Chaguanas (300 lots)
- surveys of approximately 1500 lots at Springle Street and Warden Road, Pt. Fortin and initiation of the tendering process for Engineering Designs for approximately 2000 lots at Savannah/Tomato Trace and Cicada, Diego Martin

70. Under the Housing Subsidies component, the sum of \$29.8 million was spent. There was an increase in the qualifying annual income ceiling for the Home

Improvement Subsidy component from \$54,000 to \$84,000 due to both increases in construction cost and income levels, and extensive advertising of the Programme was carried out. From inception 2005 to date, over 7,727 applications were received, 1,918 agreements were signed and 1,871 subsidies disbursed for home repairs for a total of \$22.9 million. This includes payments of \$9.4 million to 645 beneficiaries in this fiscal year.

71. The provision of Family Subsidies for New Homes was initiated with the finalization of an agreement between the then Ministry of Housing and the TTMF for the issuing of mortgages. Approval was granted for the subsidy to be applied to squatters relocated for public purpose and to offer HDC housing on a mortgage basis. Towards this end, 18 subsidies were paid to relocated squatters and arrangements were being finalized for an additional 56.

72. Emanating from a study conducted through the IDB-assisted Second Settlements Programme, aimed at the regularization and regeneration of communities in the greater POS region, was a recommendation to upgrade the housing communities at Fondes Amandes, East Upper Gonzales/Sogren Trace, Dundonald Hill/Belle Vue and Scorpion Alley, Carenage that will benefit approximately 1,800 squatter households. Infrastructure works under 11 small contracts awarded in fiscal year 2007, incurred \$5.8 million expenditure. Revised contracts were negotiated for completion of these works and construction continued.

73. In government's continuing efforts to add to the nation's housing stock, approximately \$1,470 million, comprised of IDF \$1,420 million and \$50 million from the consolidated fund, was expended under the Accelerated Housing Programme through the Joint Venture, Infill Lots, Urban Renewal and New Towns initiatives.

74. Under the Joint Venture Programme, a partnership arrangement between the Housing Development Corporation (HDC) and contractors/developers, construction continued at over 100 sites throughout the country including Debe, Golconda, Gasparillo, Retrench, Cleaver Woods, Edinburgh South, Malabar, Farm Grove, Carlsen Field, Federation Park, Oropune, Barataria, Sangre Grande, Fyzabad, Pt. Fortin, Rio Claro, Toco, La Fortune, San Raphael, Four Roads and Victoria Keys, Diego Martin.

75. Through the Infill Lots Programme, private contractors constructed housing units on vacant lots in existing Government Housing Estates that were recovered from persons assigned lots under the HDC (formerly the NHA) and the First National Settlements Programme, who did not construct houses within the required time frame. Housing units were also constructed at 20 sites including Bon Air West, Boys Lane, Arima, Couva, Debe, Five Rivers, Malabar, Mayaro, Valencia, Cedros and La Paille.

76. The HDC continued the establishment of new towns with completion of structure plans for Princes Town and preparation of designs for La Brea. The New Towns concept involves self-contained development of Greenfield sites across the

country providing residential units, services, employment opportunities, recreation facilities and other amenities.

77. The Urban Renewal Programme designed to address development problems in the urban centres was advanced with completion of draft designs, plans for the redevelopment of the East POS area from South Quay to the East Bridge Flyover and acquisition and demolition of all related properties in South Quay. Construction also commenced at Clifton Hill, Laventille and Malick, Barataria.

78. A total of \$70.9 million was expended on projects under the Community Facilities on Housing Estates Programme. Remedial infrastructure works at Government-owned housing settlements and apartment complexes in POS and surrounding areas accounted for 71 percent or \$50.5 million of this expenditure renovations involved painting, plumbing and electrical upgrades, replacement of roofs, windows, tiles and cupboards at Beetham, Couva and Maloney and apartment complexes in POS, Morvant, Laventille and San Fernando.

79. The provision of infrastructure for the enablement of small business activities is an integral part of the housing development. In fiscal year 2008, the sum of \$20.4 million was spent to undertake the following:

- continuation of electrical upgrades and repairs, installation of tanks and completion of designs for additional shops at the La Horquetta Multi Purpose Complex at a cost of \$3.5 million
- construction of additional food court and bridge at the Pleasantville Complex at a cost of \$3.2 million and completion of variation repairs and electrical upgrades at Maloney
- substantial completion of the Bon Air Commercial Complex with expenditure of \$3 million
- completion of construction of 7 single-storey structures to accommodate shops, workshops and community centre at the Edinburgh 500 Multipurpose Complex with expenditure of \$2 million
- substantial completion of the 1 single-storey and 3 two-storey structures at the Couva Multi-Purpose complex with expenditure of \$4.3 million

80. The sum of \$16.6 million was expended under the Housing Grants Programme to continue disbursements of grants to applicants to a maximum of \$15,000 each, as part of Government's initiative to provide assistance to home owners for home improvement. To date approximately 619 families have benefited

81. Another major focus of the Ministry's developmental efforts is in the area of squatter regularization. The sum of \$55 million was spent on the construction of housing units at Tarouba, Ramgoolie Trace, Taradale Gardens, Jacob Hill and Point Fortin to facilitate the relocation of squatters.

82. The Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Committee utilized the entire allocation of \$1.7 million to:

- complete construction of pump house and installation of lift pumps at Orange Field (36 lots)
- complete construction of drainage works at Golconda Housing Settlement to service approximately 10 lots
- install water mains and repave excavated areas of Solomon Trace along the Manahambre Road at Cedar Hill (24 lots)
- complete road works and upgrades at the La Fortune Housing Settlement to enable access to the Development that will benefit about 22 squatter families
- procure site design and supervision for pre and post consultancy services for Frederick Settlement (39 lots)

83. The THA continued its Housing and Settlements Expansion Programme in Tobago with a disbursement of \$59.4 million. Achievements included:

- construction of approximately 18 housing units at Castara, 76 at Roxborough and 60 at Blenheim
- 80 percent completion of infrastructural works and construction of 70 units at the Adventure Housing Estate
- development of approximately 100 lots at Speyside Estate Village Expansion
- disbursement of Home Improvement Grants and Subsidies for home repairs valued at \$7.5 million

Youth, Sport and Recreation

84. The sum of \$282 million was expended out of a revised \$310.8 million allocation for the advancement of programmes and the provision of infrastructure to facilitate the development of youth and sport in Trinidad and Tobago.

85. The upgrading and enhancement of the nation's 5 Stadia and ancillary facilities continued to be an area of focus in the fiscal year 2008 with expenditure in the sum of \$11 million incurred. Several major events, including the Regional Boxing Competition, the IBM Junior Tennis Championship and the TTFF Centennial Match were hosted at the Hasely Crawford Stadium (HCS)/Jean Pierre Complex (JPC) for which the following preparatory works were undertaken:

- sealing of joints of seating tiers above the boxing gym at the JPC
- refurbishment of the tennis court, seating, athlete's lounge, change rooms, washrooms, concession booths, VIP areas and media booths at the HCS
- upgrade of the car park and access roadway and construction of a security guard booth

86. Upgrade works were also carried out at the other 4 stadia as follows:

- construction of a guard booth, installation of sewer pumps and invitation of tenders for the installation of a fire alarm, air condition units and the upgrade of the electrical system at the Dwight Yorke Stadium
- repairing of the high mass lighting, completion of a guard booth and evaluation of tenders for the installation of a water well at the Larry Gomes Stadium
- refurbishment of the car park, drainage systems and roof cleaning at the Ato Boldon Stadium
- repair of the plumbing system, backfilling and paving under the stands at the Mannie Ramjohn Stadium

87. The entire \$1 million allocated for the Upgrading of Swimming Pool Facilities was used for the following activities:

- evaluation of tender documents for the construction of a chlorine room and an office for instructors at La Horquetta

- construction of a chlorine room and refurbishment of the bleachers and cover at Diego Martin
- installation of rails around the pool, electrical and plumbing repairs as well as minor refurbishment works to the building at Sangre Grande
- construction of a chlorine room at Couva

88. Work on the Brian Lara Cricket Stadium, which is Phase 1 of the Development of a Multipurpose Sporting Complex at Tarouba, continued with an approved budget of \$425 million and a completion date of 2009. Major activities completed include piling works, steel erection for the north media tower and installation of pre-cast seats and lighting tower plinths. Excavation, civil works and construction of the pitch and field were also substantially completed. Expenditure amounted to \$95 million for the fiscal year.

89. Work continued on the construction of Sport/Youth facilities at India Road Recreation Ground, Arima and Ojoe Road Recreation Ground, Sangre Grande. Phase I activities were completed, including earth works and installation of drainage systems, perimeter lighting and fencing. Preparation of designs also commenced for the Northern Recreation Ground, Diego Martin Facility. The designs for the Youth Wing of the Youth/Sport Multipurpose Facility at Mayaro were completed at a cost of \$2.3 million and contractors were short listed for the construction of the facility. Designs completed by NIPDEC for the development of Yolande Pompey Recreation Ground at Princes Town estimated to cost \$22 million in fiscal 2007, were reviewed by the Sports Company of Trinidad and Tobago which was assigned responsibility for constructing the facility.

90. Works were advanced at Regional Corporation grounds nationwide with the allocation of \$22 million utilized. Projects included the upgrade of 41 recreation grounds, construction of 7 hard courts and the construction of 28 jogging tracks. The sum of \$16.2 million was also expended for the Development and Upgrading of Recreation Grounds, Parks and Public Spaces at Mahaica Oval, Pleasantville Regional Recreation Ground, Northern Regional Ground, Deigo Martin and Brian Lara Regional Ground, Santa Cruz. Phase I activities involving earthworks, construction of a car park, perimeter fencing and drainage system commenced during the fiscal year.

91. Developmental and improvement works at a cost of \$1.5 million were also carried out at other sporting venues. These included:

- construction of a Multipurpose Hard Court with fencing and floodlighting at the Diego Martin Swimming Pool facility
- completion of a Hard Court at Ojoe Road Recreation Ground

- installation of 180 seats and construction of a meter room at the Tacarigua Indoor Sporting facility
- repairing of the gym floor, sewer pumps and de-sludging of the sewer pits at the Chaguanas Indoor Sporting facility

92. The Government continued its investment in the nation's youth with funding for the continuation of youth programmes and the upgrade and construction of youth facilities. From an allocation of \$3.3 million, the following activities were undertaken with respect to the refurbishment of youth training facilities:

- replacement of the roof, repainting of the building and refurbishment of the Information Technology and Hair Dressing rooms at Los Bajos
- upgrade of the electrical system, and commencement of the repainting of the building, repaving of the drainage system and refurbishment of the toilet and bath at Woodbrook
- upgrade of the sewer system at the Laventille Centre
- erection of a chain-link fence and repairing of the roof at the Basilon Street Youth Facility

93. Works continued with \$8.1 million utilized for the Refurbishment of National Youth Development and Apprenticeship Centres as follows:

- at Chatham, commencement of upgrading of the recreation ground, construction of a turf wicket and pavilion, repair and retrofitting of Director's living quarters, replacement of pasture fence, purchase of a wheel tractor and brush cutter and repaving of the road way to the Dairy Facility
- at Persto Praesto, completion of refurbishment of a student dormitory, and award of contracts for the refurbishment of the hard court and bleachers, and the purchase of a wheel tractor and brush cutter
- at El Dorado, completion of the upgrade of the waste water treatment plant, refurbishment of water tanks and improvement to the store room, refurbishment of toilets, insect proofing of dormitories, installation of air condition units and construction of a stage
- completion of excavation and foundation works on the reconstruction of the Youth Training Facility at St James estimated to cost \$20.4 million

94. The implementation of the National Youth Policy was initiated with the establishment of a Project Implementation Unit in fiscal year 2007 which was mandated to execute fifteen Courses of Action contained in the Strategic Implementation Plan, and launch of a campaign branded 'I stand'. In fiscal 2008 activities on several courses of Action were implemented by the Project Implementation Unit at a cost of \$14.9 million as follows:

- conduct of a registration drive and hosting of the National Youth Awards ceremony
- initiation of a survey to assess the motivations, interest and challenges of youth
- review of a New Youth Service Delivery System
- hosting of Mainstreaming Workshops at Ministries, a National Career Fair and District Career Fairs
- preparation of a draft proposal for establishment of a Youth Leadership Development Institute
- hosting of a Youth Television Programme, Radio Programme, Youth Magazine, National Youth Month (2008) for the project expression: Voice of Youth
- preparation of a proposal for a Youth Employability Policy

95. Other initiatives focusing on youth development were implemented at a cost of \$5.8 million as follows:

- conduct of 30 Eduvans/Caravans in north and south Trinidad and finalization of contract documents for the establishment of a Youth Friendly Health Centre at Malick under the Youth Health Programme of the National Strategic Plan for HIV/AIDS
- provision of financial assistance to the Anglican Church of Trinidad and Tobago for the purchase of a multimedia projector, laptop and printer; to the Young Men's Christian Association for the hosting of the United Nation's Volunteer Day; to the President's Award Programme for the rebuilding of headquarters and to the National 4-H Leaders Council
- hosting of consultations in south and north Trinidad and in Tobago and circulation of the Constitution for the National Youth Council to 170 National Youth Organizations for comment and amendment

- development of Terms of Reference to engage consultants for the implementation of the Youth Rise and Save the Youth in Marginalized Communities projects

Poverty Alleviation and Social Services

96. A total of \$68.7 million was utilized out of a revised allocation of \$76.4 million to advance projects and programmes aimed at poverty alleviation and empowering the disadvantaged and displaced persons in society.

97. The Poverty Reduction Programme funded by an EU Grant came to an end in June 2008. The project will continue in fiscal 2009 with Government funding. In fiscal 2008, the following activities were undertaken:

- training of 450 persons from 150 community groups in basic project writing
- completion of the Regional Micro Project Fund (RMPF) application form
- approval of 281 projects under the RMPF representing grants totalling \$8.5 million
- recruitment of 2 Accounting Assistants for the technical strengthening of the Programme Monitoring Unit
- conduct of 6 Community Outreach projects to sensitize communities about the RMPF and to enable the Regional Social and Human Development Councils (RSHDC) to respond to issues, needs and problems in their respective regions

98. The National Commission for Self-Help Limited utilized \$30 million in providing material and technical support to communities nationwide for the development of local infrastructure. The Commission undertook projects in response to the needs of citizens in disadvantaged communities, resulting in improvements in the supply of water, electricity, roads, drainage, social facilities, bridges and walkways, recreational facilities, community centres, schools and cultural facilities. Disbursements amounting to \$8 million were also made to needy individuals under the Minor Repairs Reconstruction Grant.

99. The Government placed special focus on addressing the issue of dealing appropriately with homeless persons living on the nation's streets, and a comprehensive strategy has been formulated. It includes the removal of persons to transitional housing

and the provision of remedial services at specially designated centres. In order to advance this initiative, a property was purchased at Queen Street, Port of Spain at a cost of \$9 million to be converted into a Displacement Centre. In addition, the Centre for Socially Displaced persons at Riverside Plaza was refurbished with the following works undertaken:

- cleaning and repainting of the facility with support from the City Corporation
- upgrade of the electrical and plumbing systems and retiling of the kitchen
- purchase of 60 beds

100. The full allocation of \$0.2 million was utilized for the Community Outreach Programme implemented by the Ministry of Social Development on the following activities:

- distribution of brochures on Child Abuse to residents of both Trinidad and Tobago via direct mailing
- hosting of a Career Day in the San Juan/Laventille region to educate youths in the 15-25 age group on the services offered by various Ministries, including options for skills training and employment
- hosting of Inter-Ministerial Community Outreach Caravans at Sangre Grande and Riverside Complex addressing issues of drug abuse, juvenile delinquency, health issues, parenting skills and crime
- participation in the Point Fortin Corporation Celebrations and the Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs National Career Fair to disseminate information on services provided by NADAPP, Community Mediation, Social Welfare and National Family Services

101. Twenty two (22) scholarships at a cost of \$0.2 million were awarded to children in Government sanctioned homes and orphanages nationwide. Recipients included children engaged in art and craft, sporting and vocational disciplines and the performing arts.

102. Upgrade works, including the expansion of a waiting room area, construction of a public washroom and garage, commenced at the Couva Social Services Centre. A property was identified for leasing to establish a centre at Rio Claro and a suitable site was identified for a centre for Pt. Fortin. These centres will facilitate services such as: probation, family care, adoption/casework and foster care, mediation,

legal aid and social welfare/adoption, and will also house offices for the SHARE and NADAPP programmes, a disability affairs unit and a social displacement unit.

103. The construction by the Coterie of Social Workers of a 2-storey building for a Meal Centre and Day Nursery at La Coulle Street, San Fernando continued with the installation of the roof, electrical and plumbing systems and construction of structural steel, block work and stairways. The project is estimated to cost \$2.6 million.

104. The establishment of a Remand Home for Male Offenders at Aripo was advanced with the award of contracts for the completion of the basket ball court and car park, installation of a new security system and upgrade of perimeter lighting. Preliminary designs for the establishment of a Remand Home for Young Female Offenders adjacent to the Male Home were completed. The estimated cost of the facility is \$60.6 million and will accommodate 50 persons.

105. Several projects experienced delays in implementation. Submission of scope of works to be undertaken at homes and institutions providing child services by the various Boards was outstanding for the following projects: Replacement Centre for Socially Displaced Children - CREDO Foundation for Justice, National Plan of Action Integrated Services, St. Michael School for Boys, Substance Abuse and Rehabilitation Facility at Piparo, Salvation Army Hostel-Josephine Shaw House for Women and St. Dominic's Home. The Children's Authority Amendment Bill aimed at the establishment a Children's Authority to monitor the delivery of Governmental and Non-Governmental services for children in Trinidad and Tobago, was awaiting Presidential assent. Construction of a Halfway House for Ex-prisoners was delayed pending Cabinet's review of a comprehensive report on ex-prisoners. The facility is geared towards addressing the needs of ex-prisoners to reduce recidivism and crime.

106. The conduct of the 7th Household Budgetary Survey (HBS) on household income and expenditure, commenced in fiscal year 2008. Expenditure amounted to \$5.8 million out of an allocation of \$7 million. The HBS sampling plan was developed and a sample size in respect of a total of 7,680 households located in 1,920 Enumeration Districts was identified. A Unit was established with staff recruited and trained for the Unit, furniture and equipment were purchased and the TELEform software upgraded to the latest available version to provide easier usage and greater recognition capabilities. Questionnaires and other survey documents to aid in data collection were developed and finalized utilizing input from various stakeholders. Work commenced on updating the classification systems for processing the data.

107. A pilot test for the HBS was conducted during the period October to November 2007 and the results were used to inform and improve the efficiency of the survey in areas relating to training, field operations, preparation of questionnaires and other survey documents and survey processing. Field work for the survey commenced in May 2008.

Sustainable Communities

108. An allocation of \$188 million was budgeted in fiscal year 2008 under the IDF to facilitate infrastructure upgrade and enhancement of several communities in Trinidad by four Special Purpose State Enterprises (SPSEs), the Rural Development Company (RDC), Community Improvement Services Limited (CISL), the Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprise Limited (PSAEL) and the East Port of Spain Development Company Limited (EPOSDC). The total revised expenditure amounted to \$272.6 million

109. Expenditure on general road works in south and central Trinidad undertaken by Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited (PSAEL) and Rural Development Company of Trinidad and Tobago (RDC), aimed at enhancing and upgrading the physical infrastructure amounted to \$109 million. Drainage works were also carried out to address flooding in affected areas and improve runoff during heavy rainfall. Special projects emanating from requests of community groups and/or private citizens were also undertaken. These included the upgrading of the Trinity bridge in Guayaguayare at a cost of \$1.3 million by PSAEL, and the design and construction of a 14m single span bridge over the Tumpuna River on the El Quemado Road, Talparo at a cost of \$5.4 million by the RDC, to provide greater accessibility to the agriculture based community. In addition, road upgrades were also completed to four sections of Carapal Branch and Main Roads, Rancho Quemado at a cost of \$18.9 million and Union Hall Gardens, San Fernando at a cost of \$0.7million

110. Master Plans were completed by the RDC at a cost of \$15.4 million for the communities of Navet, Preysal Village, Felicity, Quash Trace, Brickfield, Tabaquite, Coalmine, Wallenvale, Dow Village, Spring Village, Endeavour Village, Jerningham Junction, Todd's Road, Talparo and Vega de Oropouche. These Plans are expected to consider and incorporate projects already designed and under construction in the communities and will be incorporated into the Regional Development Plans of the Ministry of Local Government.

111. Ten contracts valued at \$43.4 million were awarded by the RDC to private contractors for the commencement of 31 infrastructure projects in eleven communities - Mamoral, La Romain, Esperance North and South, Diamond Village, Tableland, Borde Narve, Milton Village, Fishing Pond, Manzanilla, Lower Cumuto and Oropune. A third phase of 65 projects involving drainage upgrade and road works was approved for implementation at a cost of \$191.4 million by RDC in the communities of Navet Village, Tabaquite, Todds Road, Talparo, Sangre Grande, Oropouche, Quash Trace, Wallenvale, Vega de Oropouche, Coal Mine, Jerningham Junction, Endeavour, Cacandee Settlement, Preysal Village, Brickfield, Dow Village and Spring Village.

112. Community development projects were also approved for implementation by the CISL at a cost of \$27.8 million in the areas of Tunapuna, D'abadie, San Juan/Barataria, Morvant/Laventille and Diego Martin.

113. In keeping with the development programme initiatives formulated for the East Port of Spain area, \$0.7 million was expended by the East Port of Spain Development Company Limited (EPOSDC), in implementing several programmes in the areas of sports, culture and education. The Beetham Learning Centre commenced operation on January 2008 in Phase 4 of Beetham Gardens, with a total of 37 students registered, and three tutors employed to provide instruction in English, mathematics and Information Technology (IT). An internet café was established and 10 computers were installed for use in tutoring participants.

114. A contract in the amount of \$7.9 million was awarded for the rehabilitation of roadside drains in Beetham Gardens. Work on the upgrade of three recreational facilities: St. Paul Street Recreation Facility, Morris Marshall Recreation Ground and Never Dirty Basketball Court was delayed due to security concerns. Contracts totaling \$8 million were awarded for the construction of four Berms in the Beetham Gardens area. Mobilisation commenced for these projects.

GOVERNING EFFECTIVELY

115. Resources totaling \$2,188.5 million were invested in projects and programmes aimed at improving public safety, service delivery and the judicial and legal systems.

National Security and Public Safety

116. In fiscal year 2008, the sum of \$856.3 million was invested in projects and programmes aimed at improving security and public safety.

117. The Government of Trinidad and Tobago continued to place a high priority on the implementation of initiatives geared to adequately deal with citizens' safety and security. The Citizen Security Programme (CSP) financed by a loan in the sum of US\$24.5 million from the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) and Government-counterpart of US\$10.5 million was launched in May, 2008. The loan agreement between Government and the IADB was signed on April 5, 2008. The Programme aims at reducing levels of violence in Trinidad and Tobago, by strengthening efforts to prevent, counteract and control factors associated with criminal acts and violence with special attention to 'at risk' youths throughout the society, as well as strengthening crime management capabilities and developing community interventions. The Programme was officially launched in May 2008. For fiscal year 2008, \$4 million was allocated and the following were achieved:

- establishment of the Youth and Crime Prevention Fund for the implementation of small community projects, with 5 projects funded at a maximum of \$30,000
- completion of the Community Victimization Survey in 22 communities at a cost of \$367,000
- assessment of 7 communities in Arima, Enterprise, Movant, La Romain, Diego Martin and Bethel in Tobago under the Community Level Planning for Prevention and Intervention Services Study
- capacity building and training in violence prevention and detection for 7 Community Action Councils
- development of a Police Crime Information System to record information on crime demographics including the location, time and type of crime

118. In addition, the under mentioned projects were initiated:

- a Rapid Impact Project in Embacadere and San Fernando, aimed at attaining buy-in by the community, thereby promoting greater cohesion amongst residents
- a beautification Project in Never Dirty, Morvant and a community improvement ‘Block Transformation’ Project in Enterprise, Chaguanas
- supply of computers to assist in a screen printing and graphic arts programme in the community of Patna/River Estate, Diego Martin

119. An allocation of \$50 million was provided for the improvement works to police stations, reconstruction of the Police Training College at St. James Barracks and the purchase of furniture, vehicles and equipment. The following activities were completed under the Programme Improvement Works to Police Stations

- refurbishment of 56 stations throughout Trinidad and Tobago, including 5 model stations in Chaguanas, West End, Morvant, Arouca and San Fernando; works included air-conditioning of reception and administration areas, plumbing, carpentry/masonry repairs and painting and finishes, all at an overall cost of \$35 million
- completion of 3 Police Posts in Las Lomas, Brasso and Mazanilla at a cost of \$3.6 million

- establishment of a Repeat Offenders Unit at Besson Street Station at a cost of \$0.8 million

120. At the Police Training College, a new fully equipped cafeteria with kitchen was completed at a cost of \$4.6 million. The Multipurpose facility includes a dormitory, basement with library, instructor's offices and conference room. The paving of the Parade Square and roadway were also completed. The total cost to construct and equip the Training College is \$25.4 million.

121. Outside of the PSIP, 5 new police stations at Belmont, Tunapuna, Toco, Gasparillo and Mayaro were completed by NIPDEC, with loan funding from the domestic private sector.

122. The project for the transformation of the Police Service, which is geared towards improving service, management and delivery in the Police Service, received a revised allocation of \$31.3 million. The main achievements in this fiscal year included the development of a police training curriculum, completion of training in high impact supervision, training in law enforcement and the Incident Command System and improvements in criminal court processes. The sum of \$27.9 million was utilized to fund these activities.

123. Implementation of the Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) System is another initiative in a package of measures aimed at alleviating the crime situation, by equipping law enforcement with a tool to more effectively monitor public areas, increase intelligence gathering and alleviate street crime. The Pilot Phase of the CCTV Network, involving 18 cameras, was launched in Port-of-Spain during Carnival Season 2008. An additional 53 cameras were installed to bring the Network up to 71 cameras. Efforts were made to incorporate private entities operating surveillance cameras into the Network in order to improve its efficiency.

124. Under the IDF, the upgrade of the Telecommunication Network Unit in Tobago was initiated with the tendering for the digital logging recorder and smart zone repeater site in 2008. The revised contract cost is \$33 million.

125. In order to ensure adequate protection of our territorial borders, the Government, while awaiting the delivery of the 3 Offshore Patrol Vessels (OPV) estimated to cost of \$1.5 billion, acquired 2 Interim Vessels at a cost of \$129.8 million for use by the Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard. These vessels have strengthened the Coast Guard's maritime fleet, equipping the organization with resources to deal more effectively with the challenges presented by the illicit drug trade and trade in arms and ammunition. The 2 interim vessels, renamed the TTS Gaspar Grande (CG 21) and TTS Chacachacare (CG 22), were modified and commissioned into service in April 2008.

126. The Coast Guard's operational readiness was further boosted with the completion of 2 jetties at a cost of \$83 million and the construction of a Seawall at a

cost of \$4 million. For 2008, \$5.8 million was spent on the completion of the jetties and the Seawall. Purchase of Furniture and Equipment for the Operations Building was also completed. Other activities completed under the Coast Guard were:

- tendering for 1 Tug and 8 launches was initiated while the procurement of 3 Inceptor Vessels was delayed due to the inability of the suppliers to meet the proposed specifications
- the User Brief was finalized for the construction of Coast Guard Facilities at Point Galeota, to be included in the establishment of a new port and docking facility estimated to cost an overall \$500 million
- demolition of the existing All Ranks Facility at Staubles Bay, drawings and piling works for the new structure estimated to cost \$5 million were completed
- painting, installation of grease traps, plumbing works and painting were completed at the Staubles Bay Main Facility
- the tender process for the refurbishment of the TTS Cascadura was aborted due to the high cost of repair

127. Under the IDF, \$60 million was allocated for improvement works of Coast Guard buildings and construction of a Multipurpose Facility at Hart's Cut. No expenditure was recorded for the period under review as the original contractors were replaced. Construction of the Operations, Maintenance and Services Building at Air Guard, Piarco and Dormitories at Staubles Bay, Chaguaramas respectively; and the furnishing and equipping of the Hart's Cut Engineering Facility were handed over to UDeCOTT.

128. The Trinidad and Tobago Air Guard continued to upgrade its Base at Piarco with an allocation of \$5 million. Expenditure amounted to \$1.8 million on electrical and plumbing upgrade and refurbishment of kitchen facilities. Tenders were invited for upgrade of hangar and ramp refurbishment works.

129. Construction, furnishing and equipping of New Officers' Mess at Teteron Barracks were completed at a cost of \$4.5 million and accommodation at Camp Cumuto was completed at a cost of \$4 million. Construction works continued at the camp facilities at La Romain, Felicity and Forres Park.

130. The Fire Service of Trinidad and Tobago received an allocation of \$68.8 million to assist in providing an efficient fire fighting emergency service for the country. A total of \$47.3 million was expended on several activities, including:

- purchase of vehicles and equipment including part payments for the procurement of vehicles and appliances for the Couva Fire Station and completion of construction of the Sangre Grande Fire Station. The overall cost of the Couva Fire Station is \$44.6 million and Sangre Grande Fire Station is \$12.3 million
- the drilling of a well, commissioning of relief valves and procurement of fire hydrants in Port of Spain for fire fighting
- replacement of 133 fire hydrants in Port of Spain

131. Under the project, Improvement Works to Fire Service Buildings, no work was completed as planned at Arima and Chaguanas Stations. The Stations were deemed in need of major refurbishment. Work was rescheduled to 2009. Construction of a Stores and Administration Building for the Port of Spain Headquarters was completed at a cost of \$0.3 million.

132. The Fire Services Division also carried out expansion and refurbishment of its vehicular fleet, expending \$18.9 million on refurbishment of vehicles and purchase of 14 Double Cab Light Trucks. The fleet of vehicles is to be used extensively in fire prevention exercises, including the inspection of all commercial and industrial premises, in keeping with the requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

133. A total allocation of \$13.8 million was provided for the Improvement to Prison Facilities. The Administrative Building reached substantial completion with only electrical works outstanding. The Maximum Security Complex was equipped with ventilation blowers, at a cost of \$0.4 million. Procurement continued for the materials for upgrading of animal husbandry at Golden Grove. Upgrade work continued at Carrera Convict Facility with the completion of the Corporal's Quarters, refurbishment of the ration room and repairs to the sea wall at a cost of \$1.5 million.

Law Administration and Legal Affairs

134. Of the sum of \$2 million which was allocated in 2008, approximately \$0.7 million was utilized. A consultant was hired late in the fiscal year to continue the exercise of revising and updating the laws to December 31 2007, accounting for the delay in advancing this aspect of the work programme. In the interim, facilities were maintained for the warehousing and storage of the printed documents.

Governance and Structures for Development

135. The maintenance, modernisation and development of the Government's Information Technology stock received an allocation of \$301 million for an estimated 83 projects spread over 23 Ministries as part of the Public Sector Reform Computerization Programme. Expenditure for the financial year 2008 was \$234 million.

136. The upgrade of technology at the Inland Revenue Division expended \$66 million on the Roll Out of Phase 2 of the Integrated Tax Processing System. This project entails the integration of the Petroleum Tax, Income Tax, Corporate Tax, Value Added Tax and other miscellaneous taxes under one system using GenTax. Also included is the purchase of servers and 696 computers for the efficient use of the system. International Business Machines (IBM) has been contracted to implement the system at an estimated total cost of \$152.7 million.

137. The Ministry of Finance also utilized approximately 78 percent of its allocation of \$3 million on the upgrade of information technology and information systems. A virtualization solution and Blade solution were purchased for the data Centre and the installation of the Local Area Network on Level 15 of the Finance Tower continued. Tenders were reviewed for the purchase of a backup solution and network attached backup storage.

138. Computerization of the Judiciary continued with overall expenditure of \$12.1 million. The focus was to strengthen the use of Case Management Software by the upgrading of the existing Judicial Enforcement Management System (JEMS) software. A contract to upgrade the Supreme Court's Disk Operating System (DOS) based Professional Computer Software System to a new Graphical User Interface (GUI) version was awarded in the sum of \$2.8 million. The project scope requires conversion of 15 databases to 5 databases for the use in the new system.

139. The Civil Court database was converted, at the Family Court the Matrimonial database was also converted and other systems were reorganized in preparation for conversion. In the Criminal Court Conversion was also scheduled to commence.

140. Connectivity via fiber optic technology was completed between the Arima Magistrates' Court and the Hall of Justice, Port of Spain, thereby including the Arima court into the Wide Area Network (WAN). In addition, a new 22KVA Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) was installed to support the two AS/400 servers, blade servers and other computerized equipment at the Systems Centre at Port-of-Spain. This is a permanent solution to the temporary unit which replaced the former 6KVA unit.

141. Transformation of the Court Recording System expended \$5.6 million. Activities accomplished include:

- installations of Audio Digital Court Recording Systems (ADCR) at the Sangre Grande Magistrates' Court, which included running data cables, installation of additional power outlets and minor construction work and upgrading of the prisoner dock area
- training of 125 staff members in the use of the system

142. The Elections and Boundaries Commission (EBC) was allocated \$3 million for the continuation of the project, Electronic Vote Registration and Election Management System. Approval was granted for the EBC to enter into a Variation Agreement with the De La Rue Identity Systems for support, maintenance and training for the Voter Registration and Election System. The system was established at the Headquarters of the Elections and Boundaries Commission and three registration offices that were connected went online. Work continued on the customization of the system to suit the needs of the EBC and the connection of twenty one registration offices and sub offices.

143. A \$10 million variation of the original agreement with the Canadian Bank Note Company for supply and delivery of the Machine Readable Passport (MRP) for the Automation of Passports, resulted in a revised contract agreement of \$86.8 million. This project began in 2007 with the aim of changing to the new MRP. In fiscal 2008, the allocation of \$25.9 million was fully utilized on several activities, including the training of officers, annual payment for the MRP, refurbishment works at the Point Fortin and Chaguanas Offices, the installation of a border control and permit issuing system, an E-passport reading system, an AFIS system and an Eagle Reader Upgrade.

144. The Ministry of Legal Affairs utilized approximately \$4 million out of a revised allocation of \$4.6 million in its continuing efforts to provide to nationals a personal identification number (PIN). A letter of award was issued for the upgrade of the Civil Registry with Vitalware Software application to provide a more user-friendly environment at an estimated cost of US \$945,150 or TT\$6 million.

145. The THA's Computerization Programme was allocated \$1.6 million of this allocation, \$1.2 million was expended on seven projects by involving the purchase of hardware and software applications for networking departments and the development of information systems.

146. Institutional Strengthening of the Ministry of National Security received an allocation of \$21.8 million of which \$11.9 million was expended on the following activities:

- training of 7 officers in Project Management through the FIDIC training programme conducted by the JCC

- continuation of Phase II of the Anti-crime Public Education Programme in Trinidad and Tobago

147. Initiatives were undertaken throughout the public sector geared towards strengthening institutional capacity, through an investment of some \$60 million, in order to improve quality service delivery. The Auditor General's Department commenced a project to provide more efficient and cost effective audits (including the introduction of Value for Money (VFM) audits). A contract in the sum of \$355,000 was awarded to Caseware Ltd. for the supply of Working Paper software. The first tranche of fifty laptops for staff of the Department was procured at a cost of \$445,000, while another \$1.2 Million contract was awarded to the National Auditing Office (NAO) of the United Kingdom, for the development of VFM techniques in the Department.

148. Other achievements included:

- upgrade of facilities to expand the coverage for the televising and broadcasting of parliamentary proceedings nationwide
- commencement of the Re-engineering of the Service Commissions Department to effect modern human resource systems, effective partnerships with stakeholders and speedier decision-making
- the advancement by the Personnel Department of the Employee Assistance Programme (EAP)
- continuation by the Ministry of Legal Affairs of the development of new Consumer Legislation with the completion of the Draft White Paper on Legislation and Regulations, the Report on the Required Content of the New Consumer Legislation and the Report on Draft Recommended Consequential Amendments
- commencement, with the signing of Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) by the governments of Jamaica, Barbados and Trinidad and Tobago, of an IDB-assisted Programme for the Promotion of Consumer Protection in the Caribbean, estimated to cost US\$571,500 of which US\$400,000 is funded by the IDB's Multilateral Investment Fund (MIF)

149. The Ministry of Local Government continued to roll-out the Local Government Reform Programme (LGRP) in fiscal year 2008 with an investment totaling \$5.2 million. The Programme is geared towards the devolution of decision-making authority to Municipal Corporations to facilitate efficient service delivery. Focus was placed on the conduct of Public Consultations on the Green Paper on the Roles and Responsibilities of Local Government Bodies, which seeks to detail the

reform strategy and to reposition Local Government bodies within a system that is more dynamic, people-centred and responsive. Public consultations were undertaken at thirteen of the Regional Corporations including those of San Juan/Laventille, Point Fortin, Sangre Grande, Diego Martin, Penal/Debe, Port of Spain, Mayaro/Rio Claro, Princes Town, and Tunapuna/Piarco. The consultations attracted participation by more than 8,000 persons representing more than 75 national and community groups, organizations and institutions. Other activities under the LGRP included:

- completion of the Terms of Reference (TORs) for the hiring of consultants for the preparation of the Draft Bill and accompanying policy document and the commencement of procurement of that consultancy
- initiation of a Property Tax Information System (PTIS) aimed at upgrading systems to provide greater efficiency and effectiveness, the repeal of the Land and Building Taxes Act, and Part II of the Municipal Corporations Act, Chapter which are to be replaced with a new Property Tax Act
- conduct of a change management seminar for MLG staff in July 2008
- development by the UNDP of a project management and certification programme in the Prince2 project management methodology for 400 persons within the Local Government system

150. The IDB-assisted Public Sector Reform Initiation Programme was re-profiled and restructured in fiscal year 2008, to align with the IDB-assisted E-Government and Knowledge Brokering Programme, in support of a National Public Sector Transformation Programme (NPSTP). The NPSTP represents the renewal of Government's commitment to transform the public service based on a Public Sector Transformation Agenda developed within a new Governance Structure for Transformation by the Ministry of Public Administration, in collaboration with the Service Commission Department and the Personnel Department.

151. The NPSTP focuses upon public service-wide initiatives and specific ministry initiatives including:

- human resource modernization and public service re-branding
- public Service leadership development
- development of a monitoring and evaluation culture in the public service
- implementation of Transformation Plans for the Ministry of Local Government

- development and implementation of a Transformation Plan for the Ministry of Social Development
- design, development and implementation of a “Whole System Transformation” of key public service delivery systems commencing with the Licensing Authority, the Immigration Department and the Customs and Excise Division

152. The upgrade of physical infrastructure at the Eric Williams Finance Building, geared to providing a safe and healthy OSHA compliant work environment, utilized the full revised allocation of \$5.7 million in carrying out the following works:

- completion of the upgrade of the air condition system on levels 2 and 3 and installation of air handlers on level 7 and installation of precision cooling unit in the security control room
- installation and training on the facilities management software and commencement of data collection and analysis
- completion of designs for partitioning of levels 9 and 10, procurement of furniture
- partitioning of levels 8 and 11
- completion of telephone and networking of levels 7, 11, and 15
- installation and certification of a new elevator for the cafeteria
- completion of detailed specifications for the Window Washing Equipment
- hiring of an electrical consultant to upgrade the building’s electrical system

153. In keeping with the Government’s objective of increasing access to tertiary level education, \$18 million was provided to continue infrastructural improvements to the Cipriani Labour College, specifically, expansion of the physical capacity of the College to accommodate an expanded clientele of over 3,000 students in 2008 up from 1,774 students in 1975. Despite delays resulting from work scheduling problems by the contractor and frequent scope and design changes by the College Management, the sum of \$11.2 million was expended to continue construction works during the fiscal year. This includes:

- completion of the ILO Library and renovations to the main library with new offices and security system installed
- substantial completion of the Auditorium – completion of the superstructure, along with stage lighting services, installation of carpeting, seating and utility services, including audio system and acoustics installation
- completion of the Central Core with the reception area, executive offices and the board room all functional, and completion of preliminary designs for the Upper East Wing
- delivery of furniture valued at \$1.2 million for the Upper West Wing

154. The Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development received an allocation of \$5 million and expended \$2.2 million in fiscal year 2008 on the physical upgrade of the offices at Riverside Plaza. The objective is to provide a safe, healthy and comfortable OSHA compliant environment for approximately 500 staff members who occupy the building, and clients. Two lifts were refurbished at a cost of \$0.1 million. Most of the work did not commence as the procurement process for refurbishment was not completed. Preparatory work was done for the Ministry to be relocated to Melbourne Street, Port of Spain. Contracts were awarded in the sum of \$1.2 million for upgrading the emergency exits, replacement of fire fighting equipment, emergency lighting and the introduction of CCTV surveillance with intrusion alarms throughout the building.

155. The sum of \$3 million was allocated for the upgrade of the East Side Plaza aimed at providing a safe and secure facility for 156 vendors and in an effort to attract an increased clientele. The entire allocation was utilized on the following:

- completion of construction of 6 booths on the ground floor
- upgrades to the public conveniences
- demolition of old unoccupied booths upstairs and clearing area
- preparation of designs for the construction of 18 additional vendor booths on the top floor
- resurfacing of the top floor front and rear areas and floor screeding
- installation of canopy and signage

156. The New City Mall formerly called Tent City was allocated the sum of \$4 million for the continuation of renovation works. The purpose of the project is to

upgrade and expand the facilities to provide a safe and comfortable environment for the benefit of its 121 small business tenants and clients. The Mall is close to transport hubs and the upgrade would uplift the mall's aesthetics and attract more clients. Expenditure on the project was \$0.5 million. Major infrastructure works on the roof, and installation of a Garbage Compactor and a standby generator were awaiting approval. Replacement of air handlers for the air condition unit, plumbing, upgrade of the all eight toilets and electrical upgrade on the top floor were completed at a cost of \$0.4 million.

157. An allocation of \$0.5 million was provided in fiscal year 2008 for the extension and modification of facilities at the Forensic Science Centre. The project involves the construction of a new DNA Lab at the compound at Federation Park. The new lab would create the environment for DNA analysis in keeping with international standards and facilitate the enforcement of DNA Legislation and a positive impact on the resolution of criminal matters. The cost of the project originally estimated at \$15 million was revised to \$25 million due to the rise in construction cost and consultant fees. Proposals were reviewed for a Full Load standby generator and refurbishment of the main building. The entire allocation was expended on these activities.

158. The Institute of Marine Affairs (IMA) received an allocation of \$10 million in fiscal year 2008 for the completion of Phase 1 and commencement of Phase 2 construction on new facilities. The headquarters would include state-of-the-art Laboratory facilities, an Information Centre building, Marine Education Centre and Operations Centre. Phase 1 was still under construction in the fiscal year 2008 and is 3 years overdue. The infrastructure for the three storey Laboratory Building was completed and installation of utilities continued. Floors finishing works were 90 percent completed. Delays were experienced in securing approval for cost increases on furniture and equipment for the Laboratory, on procuring building materials as a result of slow progress by subcontractors. A revised work programme for completion was also pending from the main contractor. As a result, only \$3 million was spent.

159. An allocation of \$3 million was provided for the operationalization of the Vision 2020 National Strategic Plan. Achievements involved in this venture were:

- production of the Vision 2020 Operational Plan 2007-2010 – Transformation in Progress
- completion of Vision 2020 National Readiness Assessment
- conduct of seminars and presentations on Vision 2020 to both the private and public sectors

160. In fiscal year 2008, the Town and Country Planning Division (TCPD) of the Ministry of Planning, Housing and the Environment utilized the sum of \$ 2.9 million to meet the final payment for high resolution satellite imagery. A decision was taken for the National Insurance Property Development Company Limited (NIPDEC), to be

contracted to undertake a review of the current National Physical Development Plan (NPDP) and the preparation of a new Plan, to guide the physical development of Trinidad and Tobago in a sustainable manner to the year 2028. The TCPD also undertook the following:

- the completion of three local area plans for St Helena, Scarborough and Woodbrook
- the development of three policy documents on Cell Sites, Hillside and Advertisements
- provision of support to the Ministry of Local Government in the operationalising of its development programme
- completion of data sets of Local Area Plans for Arima, Scarborough, Chaguanas, Rousillac and Couva
- completion of Regional Development Plans for Siparia, Couva-Tabaquite and Mayaro-Rio Claro
- completion of an updated guide for developers
- final payment of \$1 million to GISCAD for high-resolution satellite imagery, an integral part of the development of a National LIS/GIS system

Administration of Justice

161. The pilot project for the establishment of the Family Court continued with an allocation of \$18.6 million which was used for institutional strengthening activities. Consultants were engaged to conduct the Final Year Evaluation.

162. The sum of \$13.9 million was invested in Improvement/Refurbishment to Court Facilities out of an allocation of \$16.7 million. A major initiative, Implementation of a Comprehensive Security System in the Judiciary accounted for \$5.1 million of the overall expenditure. Achievements included completion of CCTV installations at the Couva Magistrates' Court and the Madinah Building housing the new San Fernando Magistrates' Court; installation of equipment at the Secondary Storage Centre, El Socorro; installation of cabling for readers and powering the Integrated Security Management System (ISMS) and training of administrators in the use of the system; and installation of security scanners.

163. Other initiatives undertaken include:

- provision of accommodation for the San Fernando Magistrates' Court at a cost of \$2.9 million
- rehabilitation of the Halls of Justice in Trinidad and in Tobago for which contracts were awarded for the purchase of four elevators for the former and expansion of the lobby area to accommodate baggage scanner and for construction of perimeter fencing for the latter
- refurbishment of Magistrates' Courts for which \$3.7 million was spent to advance work to near completion at Point Fortin
- approval of designs for the construction of conciliation rooms, improvement works and furnishings for the Industrial Court

164. The process of conversion of the historical Cabildo building was initiated. A technical team was formed to implement the project. Draft Bills of Quantities were prepared for restoration works at the Cabildo building.

165. The programme for the construction of Court Facilities incurred an expenditure of \$0.1 million. Re-establishment of the Special Criminal Court was advanced with the acquisition of four acres of land in Central Road, Trincity, at a cost of \$22.5 million, to construct the facility. Development of a design brief was initiated with discussions and feedback from key stakeholders

166. Site acquisition problems delayed implementation of construction works on the Courts. The acquisition of property to house the Arima Magistrates' Court was referred for arbitration of the value of the property. Land was not identified for the Sangre Grande Magistrates' Court. A building identified on Sackville Street, Port-of-Spain to accommodate the Anti-Corruption Investigations Bureau was not secured as planned.

ENABLING COMPETITIVE BUSINESSES

167. In fiscal year 2008, the sum of \$1,422.9 million was invested in promoting the development of productive and innovative industries and supporting entrepreneurship.

Macroeconomy and Finance

168. The sum of \$6 million was allocated to the IDB-assisted Trade Sector Support Project which was extended to November 2009. The full allocation was expended on activities relating to the provision of expert assistance in the Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) and the conduct of Technical Studies as follows:

- completion of plans for reorganization of MTI
- implementation of re-defined plans for Specialized Technical Training
- conduct of studies in-house on Competitiveness of Services and the Non-oil sectors
- continuation of in-house work on the Trade Negotiations Studies and three other studies not completed satisfactorily by the consultants
- initiation of procurement for a Trade Licensing System

169. The sum of \$5 million was allocated for the development of the Agri-business Industry by way of improvements to the regulatory, institutional and competitive environment. Areas targeted are the food and beverage and fish processing industries to enable them to better compete on the global market. The sum of \$4.7 million was expended on the following:

- hosting of a research, innovation and development workshop and a market intelligence workshop
- consultations on the creation of a National Food Safety Awareness Agency
- continuation of the Food Safety Awareness Program via media
- technical assistance to firms in the area of food safety upgrade

170. The Seafood Industry Development Company (SIDC) continued to support the Trinidad and Tobago United Fisherfolk (TTUF) through training and institutional strengthening. The following activities were undertaken during the fiscal year:

- training in organizational management, conflict resolution and effective communication for ten members of the executive of the Mayaro and Guayaguayare based Primary Fisherfolk Organization

- conduct of a basic money management training sessions for 65 members of the executive of 16 Primary Fisherfolk Organizations
- installation of an ice machine at the Toco Fishing Depot
- drafting of a constitution for the TTUF, production of posters and leaflets, a Directory of Fisherfolk Stakeholders, and development of a website
- review of the draft amendments to the Fish & Fishery Products Regulations by the Chemistry Food & Drug Division
- continuation of assistance for projects in development of commercial aquaculture, downstream processing, quality assurance and quality control programs for fisherfolk and processors

171. The CARICOM Trade Support Programme (CTSP) received an allocation of \$7 million and expended \$3 million for the fiscal year. The project's main objective is to reduce the imbalance of intra-regional trade in favour of Trinidad and Tobago and to create a cadre of entrepreneurs in Pan-Caribbean companies to foster wealth creation. The programme provides interest free technical or procurement loan assistance to large, medium and small firms. In fiscal year 2008 the CTS Programme continued to service the 7 loans approved in fiscal year 2007 amounting to \$0.6 million

172. Advertising continued in 12 Caricom countries with plans for the inclusion of additional countries at a later date. Screening of applications from potential client firms in Dominica and Guyana commenced.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

173. The sum of \$31 million was allocated for the development of small businesses and assistance to entrepreneurs in Tobago.

174. Development continued on the Flagship Eco-Industrial and Business Park on 140 acres at Cove Estate, Tobago. The objective of this project is the development of small industries in Tobago towards diversification of the island's economy outside tourism. The entire revised allocation of \$28 million was expended for clearing the site for factory shells and the continuation of construction of roads and a drainage network. An outfall drainage system was also being built and water mains were being laid. Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T&TEC) is constructing a power plant and the National Gas Company is laying an undersea pipeline from Trinidad to Cove to supply natural gas to the plant.

175. The Investment Promotion project inclusive of the Development of Collateral Investment Material expended the full allocation of \$4 million in the fiscal year. The project being implemented by eTeck, involves development and implementation of a comprehensive strategy for Investment Promotion using internationally benchmarked strategies, implementation methods and tools in order to promote the country for Foreign Direct Investment opportunities. Implementation focused on the following:

- updating the “Cost of Doing Business in T&T” and “Sectors Targeted for Development” brochures. Publishing a new brochure entitled “The Next Tech Hotspot” for the ICT sector
- hosting of inward business missions from Georgia, USA
- completion of a Trinidad and Tobago investment website, www.investt.com
- continuation of country brand development and public relations campaign internationally

176. An investment of \$2.8 million in the Non-Petroleum Sector assisted in the development of three sub-sectors Merchant Marine, Printing & Packaging and Yachting as part of the economic diversification effort to reduce dependence on the oil and gas sector. Several initiatives were pursued including:

- development of business plans for the Shipownership, Marine Construction and Ship Building and Repair Maritime Clusters
- creation of a promotional video for Maritime Awareness
- conduct of an HR Needs Analysis for the maritime industry and the creation of an employers Database of Maritime Seafarers
- updating of the Legislation and Regulation governing the sector including the Shipping Act and the Carriage of Goods Act of Trinidad and Tobago
- development of a Mentorship Programme and framework for the Maritime Authority and establishment of a Maritime Research Council
- completion of the Workforce Development Study in the Printing & Packaging Industry that identified needs for human resource development and more sophisticated and modern means for training

- development and implementation of PPI Training Plan
- planning of training initiatives to inform and influence curricula development with identified providers
- grant of approval for the purchase of Competitive Analysis Research for the Yachting Industry and annual subsidy of \$72,000 to assist with the operational expenses of a Marine Shuttle
- participation by representatives of the Yachting Steering Committee (YSC), the Tourism Development Company (TDC) and the Ministry of Trade and Industry in international events including the 46th Annual Antigua Charter Yacht Show, the International Miami Boat Show, the Bequia Annual Writers Lunch and TIC 2008

Industry and Entrepreneurship

177. The Secretariat for the Implementation of Spanish (SIS) in the Ministry of Trade and Industry is charged to carry out the GORTT's mandate that Spanish become the country's First Foreign Language. The Secretariat coordinates, supports and facilitates the planning and implementation of activities to help the nation become proficient in Spanish within the next ten to fifteen years. The aim is to facilitate the promotion of trade and business with the South American Continent. The Secretariat for the Implementation of Spanish (SIS) received an allocation of \$1.5 million in fiscal 2008 and by the midterm had expended \$1 million on teaching and conducting promotional activities. The official SIS Newsletter continued to be printed and distributed widely, and articles and other educational Spanish materials continued to be published and aired in the electronic and print media. Other activities included:

- collaboration with the National Parang Association of Trinidad and Tobago (NPATT) by sponsoring a prize/trophy in the category of Best Aguinaldo Presentation.
- provision of assistance to Ministries and other organizations with bilingual signage, Spanish lessons and translations
- continuation of the Community Research Project in Siparia and environs
- promotion of the Red de Amigos Pen Pal Programme for school children
- completion of the Spanish/English Business Glossary and Situational Booklet

178. The Business Investment Project is intended to develop new businesses in the manufacturing and service sectors. In fiscal year 2008, the sum of \$15 million was utilized. The Evolving Technologies and Enterprise Development Limited (eTeck) launched the Tamana InTech Park branding campaign and signed a Letter of Intent for the research, development and manufacture of Radio Frequency IDs.

179. An allocation of \$6 million was provided in support of the development of the local film industry. The Trinidad and Tobago Film Company Limited (TTFC) continued the redesign of its website and advertising campaign and successfully hosted the Trinidad and Tobago Film Festival (TTFF) geared to take film to the people and create an awareness of film and the art-form. Additionally a "Hollywood Film School" two (2) day Training Workshop was hosted by the TTFC in February and training was also conducted in production, shooting, editing, marketing, financing and funding of Feature Films. The entire allocation was utilized to fund these activities.

180. The sum of \$200 million was provided under the IDF for the Wallerfield Industrial and Technology Park project to continue infrastructural works and construction of the Flagship Complex at the Tamana InTech Park. Activities undertaken during the fiscal year included:

- completion of the concrete pour for the basement of the elevator shaft, building link and car park
- installation and reinforcement of steel for the ramp walls and casting of ground floor of the South block
- continuation of brick work and plastering of internal walls for the emergency staircase
- commencement of block work on the janitor room, kitchen, changing rooms and toilet area of the South Block Ground Floor
- completion of the Schematic Design of the Linear Park and
- issue of Requests for Proposals for Client Consulting Services for the Linear Park
- issue of Requests for Proposals (RFP) for the North Area Master Plan and Transportation Study from shortlisted firms

181. Overall expenditure on the project amounted to \$61 million as delays were experienced in the construction of the Flagship Complex.

182. The programme of Development Works on Industrial Estates received an allocation of \$40 million and the sum of \$24.9 million was utilized. The major achievements during the fiscal year included:

- completion of the expansion of the Debe Industrial Estate
- the award of a contract in the sum of \$47.6 million for Phase I of infrastructure development works at Frederick Settlement
- substantial completion of designs for the Endeavour Industrial Park
- substantial completion of the expansion of the Point Fortin Industrial Estate
- progress on infrastructure development at the Beetham Industrial Estate to 65 percent completion
- completion of designs for the Reform Village Estate

183. Caribbean Industrial Research Institute (CARIRI) continued its drive to enhance its operational capacity and meet OSHA requirements. Equipment purchases were made for the Calibration Lab, Industrial Materials Unit, the Analytical Chemistry and Microbiology Unit. In addition, seven research projects were completed. The entire allocation of \$8 million was utilized.

184. An allocation of \$1 million was fully utilized on the Central Services project implemented by the TTBS. During the fiscal year final designs were completed and quotations were received for implementation of the Conferencing System. The TTBS also purchased equipment for the Implementation of the Metrology Act 2004, including weights and scales, and a Standards Specification committee was established to develop a Standard for the Breathalyzer Test Units. Additionally, staff were trained and the Metrology Regulations were reviewed and publicized. The sum of \$0.5 million was utilized to fund these activities.

Energy

185. The National Petroleum Marketing Company Limited continued its Capital Programme in fiscal year 2008 with an allocation of \$46.9 million. The main focus was the continued upgrade of six service stations, the fuel upgrade of five service stations, the purchase of Road Tanker Wagons, and the storage of White Oils. For fiscal year 2008, the programme incurred an expenditure of \$20 million. Construction was completed at the Service Station at Wrightson Road after a three month delay. The Service Stations situated in Carrousel, Beetham Estate, St. Augustine, Guapo, Fyzabad,

San Raphael and Arouca were also completed at an overall cost of \$30.3 million. Mobilization of contractors for major upgrades also commenced at Duncan Village La Romain, Aranguez and O'Meara Road, Arima. Fabrication and construction activity associated with increased White Oils Storage at Crown Point also continued. Eighteen Road Tanker Wagons costing \$10.8 million were delivered.

186. The projects funded under the Infrastructural Development Fund (IDF) were allocated a revised total of \$538 million which was fully expended. The design for the Multifuel Pipeline from Point-a-Pierre to Caroni to Piarco was 50 percent completed, and the rights of way geotechnical work was also completed at a cost of \$3.9 million. The procurement process for fuel pipes (eAuction) was initiated. The Front End Engineering and Design (FEED) was substantially completed and an Environmental Hazard Identification (HAZID) Analysis was completed for the construction of a 12 inch Natural Gas Pipeline to Tobago. Other achievements included:

- preparation of designs for dredging works by the dredging contractor, Boksalis Westminster, and completion of Bathymetric surveys and geotechnical studies for the Point Lisas Port
- completion of biological, ecological and seabed surveys and award of contract in the sum of \$500 million for engineering designs and construction of Galeota Port
- completion of geotechnical fieldwork, static design of dock and storage yard and dredging of Berth No.2 at Brighton Pier and Wharf
- continuation of Environmental Impact Assessment studies (EIA) and designs for Industrial Estates at Point Lisas South and East, Oropouche Bank and Cap-de-Ville

Tourism

187. In keeping with the goal to develop the tourism sector into a key contributor to economic development and growth, an allocation of \$34.9 million was provided for the development of several projects and programmes by the Ministry of Tourism, the Tourism Development Company and the THA. Expenditure amounted to \$29.9 million or 86 percent was expended.

188. The Tourism Development Programme received an allocation of \$13.6 million which was fully utilized. Phase 2 of the programme to introduce Spanish as the first foreign language in Trinidad and Tobago commenced with training for two groups of hotel staff and Ministry staff, one group of tour guides, and a group of tour operators. The Ministry also undertook the following activities:

- conduct of career fairs in partnership with the National Training Agency, Trinidad and Tobago Hospitality and Tourism Institute and the Nazarene College
- training for professionals in industry through the hotels, restaurants and the Tourism Association (THRTA) and Tour Guides Association
- support for the expansion of the Tour Guides Association membership and accommodation for Tour Guides in the City Museum in Port-of-Spain

189. A new initiative in fiscal year 2008 was the Turtle Village Awareness Programme which utilized the full allocation of \$0.6 million on the following:

- conducting awareness workshops with 18 district Principals and school supervisors in North East, Trinidad
- completion of internet installation and website content
- engagement of a consultant to develop materials for training and Capacity Building
- conducting of research into Tour guiding standards with the TTBS and National Training Agency and development of customized First Aid training which commenced with training of the Tour Guides
- purchase of digital camera for Image library and for poster and flier development
- purchase of 5 computers for research and ecotourism data management and administration in both Trinidad and Tobago
- hosting of 3 Public Awareness and 2 Community Awareness workshops
- purchase of a boat for accessing the village of Fishing Pond
- purchase of equipment including a radio, and first aid kits for distribution to community groups

190. In order to develop capacity in the Tourism sector and to provide the necessary technological tools, \$1 million was expended on the Institutional Strengthening of the Ministry. Achievements included:

- hosting of Leadership training seminars
- installation of two cubicles, purchase of Professional Workstations and 2 laptops and upgrade of the IT system
- conduct of the first of three Change Team Building sessions

191. Under the Tourism Action Programme, the TDC implemented several projects related to the upgrade of beaches and other sites and attractions. Expenditure amounted to \$3.3 million. The following were achieved:

- at all beaches and sites fire safety and prevention equipment and security were installed
- at the Maracas Beach facility, new signage was installed in the public change rooms, new TDC branded benches and additional concrete bench sets were delivered, 10 vendor huts were refurbished, plumbing for the public bathrooms and the lifeguard headquarters were completed and fifty new trees were re-planted
- at the Las Cuevas beach facility, new beach patrols were instituted and site prepared camping
- at the Manzanilla beach facility, restaurant renovation works were completed and construction of a box drain reached 75 percent completion
- at the Vessigny beach facility restaurant renovation works reached 40 percent completed
- at the La Brea Pitch Lake, restaurant refurbishment works were completed, and contract was awarded for fumigating the building

192. The project for the Redevelopment of Maracas Bay Beach Facility was allocated \$5 million under the IDF. No expenditure was incurred in the fiscal year as delays were encountered in obtaining a Certificate of Environmental Clearance from the EMA. An international tender was published for a contractor to undertake the construction.

193. The TDC continued activities under the Tourism Development Support Programme with a disbursement of \$2.6 million. Several activities were undertaken under the OAS/USAID Caribbean Small Tourism Enterprise Projects (STEP), including:

- re-training and re-certification in First Aid of 37 tour guides and bed and breakfast operators
- visitor guide training for 12 participants
- re-launch of the STEP in October with a symbolic re-opening of the Resource Centre
- completion of a STEP advertorial and purchase of books to furnish the Resource Centre
- hosting of a Tourism Education Workshop for 21 Primary School teachers and 12 students

194. The Trinidad and Tobago Tourism Industry Certification Programme (TTTIC) was re-launched in October with 75 attendees. A TTTIC Awareness seminar was subsequently conducted for tour guides, tour operators and for 10 YTEPP tour guides in training. In order to give clarification to the revised TTTIC audit process, a TTTIC tour operators' manual was created. Other activities included the inspection of 1,646 rooms with 97 approved; the purchase of 150 hotel and guesthouse standards; the hosting of the Green Globe Company Standard Regional Training with 21 participants, attendance at the 18th Caribbean Tourism Organisation's (CTO) Sustainable Tourism Conference and the Meeting of the Association of Caribbean States (ACS) Special Committee on Sustainable Tourism.

195. The Visitor Guide programme commenced with the arrival of the 1950 passenger Cruise Ship Oceana in November, 2007. Pre-activities undertaken to support the programme included:

- conduct of a 3-month training programme including a crash course in Spanish
- provision of uniforms and identification badges with TDC corporate logo and the Port of Spain City crest
- appointment of Team Leader, 10 Visitor Guides and 4 Crossing Guards
- activation of a Media awareness campaign
- activation of a Pilot project Walk and Learn Outing in collaboration with the Tour Guides Association
- recruitment and training of additional Visitor Guides

- revision of the Tour Guides standards and the Tour Operators standard and approval by TTBS of the Land and Tourist Transport Service Provider (Tourist Taxi Driver)

196. Under the Additional Support Programme, the TDC expended the full allocation of \$2.8 million. Activities included conducting awareness programmes and implementing a new initiative by the TDC, entitled “Let’s Clean Up and Green Up” an environmental awareness campaign targeted to beaches and public spaces.

197. The THA continued its Tourism Programme with a disbursement of \$13.1 million. Achievements included:

- construction of lifeguard facilities including a storage area, lunch room and bathroom facilities at King’s Bay
- near completion of Phases 2B and 2C upgrades at Fort King George Heritage Park
- purchase and installation of equipment at the TTHTI and launch of formal opening in February 2008
- upgrade of facilities at Store Bay
- restoration of historical sites at St. George Sugar Mill and Forts Bennett, Monche and Milford
- consultancy services for construction of the Lay Bys at Bloody Bay, Lambeau and Roxborough

198. The Chaguaramas Development Authority (CDA) utilized a revised allocation of \$18.8 million on various projects and programmes aimed at the development of the Chaguaramas Peninsula. Achievements included:

- completion of construction of a prayer room, public facilities, change rooms, life guard tower and performance stage at Chagville beach
- invitation of tenders for the construction of a multi-purpose sporting facility at Chagville
- review by the EMA of designs for the installation of offshore wave breakers to protect the beach

- invitation of tenders for the award of contracts for consultancy services for the upgrade of the Chaguaramas Public Golf Course to 18 holes
- purchase of a utility vehicle and equipment for the Golf Course
- commencement of preliminary designs for the extension of the Administration Building
- preparation of a draft design for the extension of the C44 building
- installation of two elevators at the Chaguaramas Hotel and Convention Centre and the continuation of upgrading of rooms on the ground floor to meet required hotel standards
- identification of two camp sites for the proposed National Heritage Park and commencement of preliminary works on the Park layout and design

Agriculture

199. In fiscal year 2008, the sum of \$164.6 million was expended on the execution of projects and programmes for the development of agriculture, land, fisheries and forestry in Trinidad and Tobago.

200. The sum of \$15 million was provided for the Water Management and Flood Control Programme geared to systematically develop and maintain drainage, irrigation and water management infrastructure in Trinidad. Projects were carried out at the various Food Crop establishments with \$10 million, including the following.

- at Plum Mitan Food Crop Project, major ongoing works included desilting of Petite Poole and Jagroma Rivers, installation of 3 drainage pumps, and construction of a guard booth
- at Kernahan Project, Manzanilla – major works included construction of double box culverts, desilting of channels and roadside drains, construction of 3 road embankments and 3 cylinder and farmers crossings
- at R.E. Road, Los Iros, 4 ponds were constructed
- at Moruga Food Crop Project 4 ponds were constructed

- at Poodai Lagoon Project, Penal, desilting was done on tributaries (2 km) and 3 farmers' crossings
- at Mc Nair Food Crop Project, Cunupia, work was continued on desilting and rehabilitation of earthen drains
- at Cunupia Project, studies continued on the feasibility of constructing a large pond

201. Funding in the sum of \$40 million was allocated for rehabilitative maintenance of 29 km of 18 access roads to provide suitable access to farm lands and markets, in support of agricultural settlements, farm income and food production. For 2008, \$37.6 million was spent on the following: Bedes Buxo Road and Rose Gasper Road – in the following areas: Cumuto, Ferrera Road and Tamana Hill Road-Tamana, Brighand Hill Road-Plum Mitan, Morinbay Road -Mazanilla, Monti Video Road-Toco, Kildeer Trace-Tabaquite, Prudence Extension Trace and Abass Trace - Biche, Hope Trace and Congo Branch Trace -Penal, Cunupia Network, Sonabrio Road-Monte Video, Enoch Trace-Mammoral, Nainedath Trace-Las Lomas, Estate Trace #1 – Aranguez and Brazil Lome Road.

202. The allocation in the PSIP for the acquisition of Sites for Non-Agricultural Development Purposes provides for the State to acquire private owned land for public non-agricultural use under the revised Land Acquisition Act No. 28 of 1994. This falls under the purview of the Commissioner of Statelands. For fiscal year 2008, \$21 million was paid out to claimants. Claims totaling \$15 million were being processed for final approval.

203. Under the IDF, \$13.9 million was spent on the commencement of infrastructural works on 13 farm sites in fiscal year 2008. These are located in Orange Grove, Caroni, Jerningham, Picton North and South, Edinburgh, and La Gloria. The total cost of the infrastructural works was approximately \$83.3 million.

204. The Youth Apprenticeship Programme in Agriculture (YAPA) Phase II was sustained in all regions in fiscal year 2008. YAPA aims at providing 18-25 year-old youth with the technological knowledge and skills of the business of agriculture and also provided access to opportunities and resources of the Ministry to assist young entrepreneurs in setting up enterprises, in terms of availability of land, markets and credit. Activities included:

- training for 64 trainees, in crop and livestock management, 25 in the North and 39 in the South
- continuation of the Grow Box Project with 254 grow boxes established to date in county St. George; extension of the project to county St.

Andrew/St. David was severely affected by the unavailability of baggasse

- completion of the upgrade of the Cedros Station and continuation of upgrade works at the Penal Training Centre

205. The establishment of agriculture settlements throughout Trinidad utilized the allocation of \$5 million. Activities focused on desilting of drains as follows:

- 14 km at Warrenville, Mon Plaisir and Carlsen Field, 16 km at Vega de Oropouche and Fishing Pond Agricultural Project, 12 km at Bon Air Agricultural Project and San Raphael, 10 km at Aranguez North and South and Grand Fond, Maracas Bay
- rehabilitation of 0.6 Km of drains at Rodney Road, Freeport and 2 km at Ramlal Trace, Bejucal

206. The sum of \$15.2 million, allocated for the strengthening of Research and Development capabilities in the agriculture sector incurred expenditure of \$9.9 million for activities including:

- expansion and maintenance of the cocoa seed garden and the construction of a fence around the irrigation pond, refurbishment of the saran sheds and flavour assessment of 12 cocoa accessions
- selection of a contractor for the refurbishment of bridge #1 at La Reunion in Centeno
- expansion and strengthening of the Sanitary, Phytosanitary (SPS) and Food Safety Capabilities of Trinidad and Tobago so that the country can fulfill its obligations under WTO and the International Plant Protection Convention and ensure that local commodities meet international trade standards
- purchase of laboratory equipment and consumables and office equipment for Port of Spain, Point Lisas and Piarco offices
- conducting a study on heavy metal and ochratoxin contamination in cocoa
- purchase of office equipment, OSH training, production of brochures and manuals towards the establishment of the Fisheries Monitoring, Surveillance and Enforcement Unit. This Unit is mandated to encourage compliance with the laws and regulations governing the Fisheries Sector to ensure sustainability of the fisheries resources and compliance

through inspection and monitoring of fishing activities at landing sites, trans-shipment ports and processing facilities

- continuation of the Livestock improvement programme, with \$1 million invested in the refurbishment on the workers facility at the Dairy Unit, fencing of 9 pastures, initiating work on the re-construction of the maternity and holding pens in the Dairy Unit, and commencement of Timed Artificial Insemination experiments for the reproductive management of the Water Buffalo

207. The Establishment of a Mandatory Citrus Quality Programme, was allocated \$4 million to arrest the decline of the citrus industry in Trinidad and Tobago. The Programme is estimated to cost \$13.6 million and is spread over 3 phases. Under Phase I, \$2 million was expended on completion of the construction of the office and laboratory. One (1) person also attended the 17th Conference of the International Organisation of Citrus Virologist in Turkey. Phase II will continue with the completion of works and focus on virus laboratory equipment, staff training and the regulatory framework. Phase III involves training, enabling passage of legislation and an awareness programme on fruit quality, evaluation and full agronomic implementation.

208. For 2008, \$4 million was allocated for the development of fishing centers. Expenditure and commitments amounted to \$3 million. The project focuses on providing adequate facilities at fish landing sites to meet HACCP/EU standards and engendering a sense of ownership and commitment by the fishing community. Activities pursued in the fiscal year included:

- completion of designs for a modern fishing centre at Las Cueves estimated to cost \$35 million
- completion of roof repairs at Carenage and a re-design for roof renovations at the Salybia Facility
- completion of refurbishment works (roof, electrical, lockers and toilets) at Brickfield.

209. Funding in the sum of \$20 million was provided for the preparation of designs for the Moruga Fishing Complex by the Rural Development Company of Trinidad and Tobago (RDC). For 2008, fishing studies, the final design of the port and an environmental impact assessment were completed. The RDC received a Review and Assessment Report (RAR) from the EMA highlighting deficiencies in the EIA which was forwarded to the consultants Royal Haskoning. Final determination of the application for CEC was delayed therefore construction was rescheduled to begin in fiscal year 2009.

210. The Forestry Division was allocated \$24 million for continuation of its forestry rehabilitation and regeneration programmes. The sum of \$8.6 million was utilized for:

- maintenance of 148 ha in 5 different conservancies
- production of 20,000 and maintenance of 98,000 seedlings at the Cumuto Nursery
- conduct of Silvicultural research studies on 8 ha of teak
- completion of improvement works at the Cleaver Woods Recreation Park, Nariva, Quinam, Fort George Historic Site, San Fernando Hill and Aripo Savannah and continuation of beautification works at the Caura River Facilities
- purchase of equipment and publications for improved forest fire capability
- conducting data assessment for the National Forest Inventory

Labour and Cooperatives

211. An allocation of \$15.7 million was provided for the continued implementation of capacity building of labour and co-operative institutions for which expenditure amounted to \$6.7 million.

212. The establishment of the Occupational Safety and Health Authority and Agency was advanced in fiscal year 2008 with expenditure of \$5 million. The Agency was strengthened with the hiring and training of 20 administrative staff and 38 Inspectors. The Strategic Plan 2008-2012 was completed, and an Operational Plan for 2008 produced. Implementation of the Plan centred on ten key strategies that will guide the work programme of the OSH Agency, including: finalization of the OSH Policy, balancing of compliance techniques, negotiating strategic alliances, building a cadre of OSH Professionals internally and externally, building public awareness, and collecting quality information.

213. During fiscal year 2008, the OSH Agency undertook the following:

- completion of the Human Resource Policy, the Communication Strategy, the Outreach Programme, the OSH Profile of Trinidad and Tobago for External Stakeholders, the Enforcement Policy and the National OSH Training Framework

- commencement of Public Consultations, in Tobago, Macoya and La Romain focusing on Regulations for Lifting Devices
- introduction of annual rewards to the national community for safety practices
- commencement of Strategic Alliances with sixteen Industry Partners through the signing of Memoranda of Understanding
- the opening of OSH satellite offices in San Fernando, Point Fortin and in Tobago, as part of its decentralization policy

214. In addition, other initiatives were undertaken at a total cost of approximately \$1.7 million which would be beneficial to the labour and cooperatives sector. These included:

- completion of an ILO-sponsored consultancy on an in-depth analysis of non-financial cooperatives
- the rehabilitation and expansion of the Point Coco Agricultural Cooperative Society
- the hosting of the Friendly Societies Conference on March 30, 2008 and the Friendly Societies March on April 6, 2008 as part of a campaign to build public awareness of Friendly Societies
- incorporation of information on Friendly Societies in the Central Bank's Financial Literacy Programme

215. Some significant initiatives in the labour and cooperatives sector were delayed in 2008, as follows:

- the consultancy to undertake the National Youth Survey was affected by delays in the finalization and approval of the Terms of Reference. Efforts were made to increase public awareness with regard to child labour, by commemorating World Day against Child Labour on June 12, 2008
- the consultancy for a Baseline Survey and an Awareness Programme of the National Productivity Centre, geared towards fostering a productivity awareness culture in the workplace

- the establishment of Women's Entrepreneurship Resources Centres were delayed by the process of redefinition and redesign of the project to focus on the establishment of a network of Entrepreneurship Development Centres

INVESTING IN SOUND INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

216. Revised expenditure recorded under this development pillar amounted to \$1,737.5 million, of which \$1,081.5 million was incurred in the area of roads and bridges.

Drainage & Irrigation

217. Overall funding of \$142.7 million was provided for investments in drainage, water management and flood control infrastructures. The Major River Clearing programme was allocated \$23 million. One of the projects, the Manzanilla Coastal Protection project which involved the construction of revetment wall covering a distance of 2.3km is intended to provide protection from erosion and flooding along the coastline between Manzanilla Point and Point Radix. This was completed at a cost of \$18.8 million. Tender documents were prepared for Marabella River Improvement Works projects and commenced at the Alley Creek Improvement project to 5 percent completion.

218. Implementation of the Infrastructure Rehabilitation and Flood Mitigation Programme continued with an allocation of \$18 million. The New Cut Channel Improvement project which involves the construction of an embankment and installation of gates and a Pump Station to reduce the severity of flooding reached an overall completion of 96 percent. The sum of \$7 million was utilized.

219. The National Programme for the Upgrade of Drainage Channels was allocated \$15 million under the IDF. The entire sum was utilized. Activities were advanced with the award of contracts in the sum of \$51.6 million. Rehabilitation works commenced on the Blackman Ravine, Tunapuna River, Tacarigua River and Matura River Improvement project. Work included preliminary surveying, grubbing and clearing and excavation, and the construction of Rubble Masonry Wall and paving. The Matura River Improvement project was substantially completed. The Tacarigua River and Tunapuna River projects reached an overall completion of 27 percent and 10 percent respectively.

220. Improvement works also continued under the Flood Mitigation and Erosion Control programme which received a revised provision of \$2.4 million. Works during the fiscal year included general site clearance, excavation, construction of berm and embankment and backfilling at the Caroni River. The project reached 90 percent overall completion in utilizing the entire sum.

221. An allocation of \$35 million was provided under the IDF for the Comprehensive Drainage Development Programme. The main activity planned was the commencement of construction of the Mamoral Dam and Reservoir. During fiscal 2008 tenders were evaluated for the award of contract for package 1 this involves the construction of the Mamoral Dam and Reservoir. Package 2 involves the construction of bridges, roads and drains. The sum of \$1 million was utilized.

222. Other drainage improvement activities undertaken by the Ministry of Works during the fiscal year included the preparation of tender documents for the Mayaro Coastal Studies project, and for the Poole River Improvement and Mosquito Creek projects.

223. The sum of \$31.9 million was provided for Local Government Authorities to carry out drainage and irrigation improvements in their respective regions.

- fifteen locations in Couva/Tabaquite including Samlalsingh Trace, Lalloo Trace, Sookoo Trace and Ramsaroop Trace
- two locations in Port of Spain including casting of the river bed between Patna and Kathleen Streets, Woodbrook
- L'Anse Mitan Road, Seaview Hill, Lucien Road Lp#52B and Upper Saut D'Eau Road in Diego Martin
- Dookhan Hill including commencement of box drain construction at Critchlow Hill Chinapoo, George Bailey Drive, Mendez Drive and Maraj Street

Roads & Bridges

224. Improvements in road infrastructure continued with a revised expenditure of \$1,081 million on several major projects and programmes throughout Trinidad and Tobago. The IDB funded National Highway Programme (NHP) expended \$175 million through four key components. Achievements were as follows:

- completion of rehabilitation of 46.6 km of roads and 14 bridges under the Roads and Bridges Rehabilitation component from a total of 120 km of roads and 40 bridges for rehabilitation
- completion of all 23 landslips targeted under the Reinstatement and Stabilization of Failed Slopes component
- under the Trunk Roads Expansion component
 - i. completion of 1.2 km extension of the Diego Martin Highway from Sierra Leone to Wendy Fitzwilliam Boulevard
 - ii. completion of Feasibility Study and Design for 136 km of new road construction from San Fernando to Princes Town - 11 km, Princes Town to Mayaro – 42.5 km, San Fernando to Pt. Fortin – 50.5 km and Churchill Roosevelt Highway from Wallerfield to Manzanilla – 32.5 km
 - iii. issue of invitation to tender for the construction on two segments of the San Fernando to Pt. Fortin highway
- under the Institutional Strengthening and Technical Assistance component, completion of the installation and configuration of computerized Routine Maintenance Management System (RMMS), a Bridge Management System (BMS), and a Pavement Management System (PMS) to assist in the management of the road network and introduction of a weight control system to regulate axle loads on roads in Trinidad and Tobago

225. The Port of Spain East/West Corridor Transportation Project which includes the construction of the CRH/UBH interchange utilized \$300 million. Work continued apace on the construction of the overpass at the CRH/UBH intersection. The 600 metre long steel superstructure was put in place over the east and west bound lanes of the Churchill Roosevelt Highway extending to Grand Bazaar. The project fell slightly behind schedule and was re-scheduled for completion in the 2nd quarter of fiscal year 2009. Tenders were initiated for the construction of flyovers at El Socorro and Aranguez.

226. Road Construction and Major Road Rehabilitation Programme implemented through the Programme for Upgrading Road Efficiency (PURE) utilized \$489 million. Overall, approximately 687 road rehabilitation projects covering 555.7 km commenced and 589 completed, 11 out of 17 landslips were completed. In addition 10 of 22 projects related to the rehabilitation and construction of additional lanes and shoulders, walkovers, bridges and safety and traffic safety measures were completed. These included:

- upgrading of road shoulders and construction of culvert extensions on the Uriah Butler Highway
- construction of additional lane on the east bound lane of the Churchill Roosevelt Highway
- expansion of bridge on the west bound lane of the Churchill Roosevelt Highway, St. Augustine
- construction of a walkover at West Mall and installation of elevators for the disabled
- construction of a two lane permanent bridge across the Caroni River to replace the bailey bridge structuresn and creation of a two lane roundabout at the intersection of Caroni Savannah Road and the Southern Main Road
- completion of construction of footpath and shoulder, road widening and reconstruction of bridges/culverts on the Southern Main Road from Trantrill Intersection to the Kay Donna Intersection
- completion of construction of deceleration lane, culvert reconstruction, sidewalk construction and road resurfacing on Evans Street, Curepe
- completion of construction of retaining walls, roadways and drainage rehabilitation on the Toco Main Road
- completion of repairs of failed slopes, roadway and drainage improvement on Mayo Road, reconstruction of bridge at Valencia, road rehabilitation works on Morne Coco and Beaupreas Roads
- construction of additional lane on Churchill Roosevelt Highway west bound from Macoya to Orange Grove Road
- repaving of the Churchill Roosevelt Highway west bound from El Socorro to Beetham Highway Laventille
- construction of acceleration and deceleration lanes on Lady Hailes Avenue, San Fernando
- commencement of installation of vandal resistant handicap elevators at Powder Magazine II Pedestrian Overpass

- construction of additional lane west bound on the Churchill Roosevelt Highway from El Socorro to Barataria Flyover

227. The Ministry of Local Government was allocated \$58.5 million to continue its programme of roads and bridges improvement in priority areas. An amount of \$56.6 million was expended on resurfacing of roads, rehabilitation of slipper drains, box drains and footpaths and construction of retaining walls.

228. The Tobago House of Assembly (THA) incurred expenditure of \$37.9 million on improving the road infrastructure throughout Tobago.

Electricity

229. The allocation of \$90 million provided for the engagement of the Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T&TEC) to undertake the National Street Lighting Programme, was fully expended by the second quarter of fiscal year 2008. The project remained on course to achieve 90 percent coverage of street lighting and illumination of communities, highways and major roadways to enhance productive, recreational and economic activities, reduce night time motor vehicle accidents and provide increased safety to citizens. Approximately 7,238 new units were installed in Trinidad and 236 new units in Tobago. A total of 6,463 units were upgraded from 70W to 150W in Trinidad and 233 in Tobago and 2,639 new poles were erected. Main roads and highways had 1,921 units in Trinidad and 26 in Tobago installed with 250W high plasma sodium lights for more effective driving illumination. The Project benefited the population as follows:

- in the North, approximately 1,153 new units were installed and 1088 were upgraded
- in the East, approximately 3,090 new units were installed and 1,469 were upgraded
- in Central, approximately 991 new units were installed and 1048 units were upgraded
- in South, approximately 2,004 new units were installed and 2,858 were upgraded
- in Tobago, approximately 236 new units were installed and 233 were upgraded

230. Approximately fifteen recreation grounds and parks were illuminated throughout the country. Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T&TEC)

continued to work with Municipal Corporations and the THA in conducting surveys to identify new areas to be included in the programme.

Water & Sewerage

231. Overall funding allocated for investments in Water and Sewerage infrastructure was \$138.8 million.

232. Of key strategic importance to the future development of the sector is the Water and Waste Water Master Plan, for which an 18-month contract was awarded in May 2007 in the sum of approximately \$44 Million. The consultancy has progressed on schedule for completion by October 2008 with reports submitted on Population Projections, Water Supply and Wastewater Evaluation and the Condition Assessment Report. Reports on Data Management Review and the Organizational Review were being completed.

233. The Water Sector Modernization Programme was advanced by WASA with the full utilization of its total allocation of \$41.2 Million. The upgrade of Lady Young, Longdenville and Sangre Grande Booster Stations were completed and in operation with work continuing on the San Fernando and Tortuga Booster stations. Letters of awards were issued for the design and construction of service reservoirs at Tortuga, Dades Trace, Caparo, and Freeport. Leakage detection equipment such as metallic main tracers, electronic listening sticks, leak noise detectors, insertion – Type Electromagnetic Probe Flow meters were acquired to facilitate the reduction of unaccounted for water. Works progressed on the drilling of the well at Cumuto No. 1, construction of wells at Wallerfield, Carlsen Field St. Clair and Diego Martin; and construction of a water treatment plant at Ortoire to enable delivery of 2 million gallons of water per day to Mayaro, Plaisance, St. Joseph, Radix, Mafeking and environs.

234. The sum of \$44 million was provided for the replacement of 35 km of the Navet Trunk Main. The programme continued in the first half of this fiscal year with the award of contracts for the design of the Navet Distribution System and the Navet Trunk Main at a total cost of approximately \$11.6 million. No drawdown from the allocation was made.

235. The full allocation of \$1 million was expended to continue engineering works for the Greater POS Sewerage System Study which is to be integrated into the development plans for POS. Priority pipeline projects in north and south progressed as expenditure in the amount of \$3.9 million was utilized for the installation of PVC pipelines to improve levels of services provided in areas such as Sangre Chiquito, Maracas St Joseph, and San Juan in the north and Point Fortin and Fyzabad in the south.

Transport

236. The Airports Authority of Trinidad and Tobago utilized \$50.6 million to continue facilities and infrastructure upgrades in air transport. Work commenced on the modification and renovation of a 2-storey building (formerly Customs/Baggage Hall at the South Terminal) to house the Airports Authority Administrative offices. Interior fittings, that is, air conditioning, partitions, carpet, tiles and utilities installation, progressed towards 75 percent completion.

237. A contract in the sum of \$14.9 million was awarded in August 2007 for the upgrade of the Electrical Sub-Station South Terminal at Piarco. Physical infrastructure works and ducting were completed and work continued on the manholes and cable installation. Equipment generators, transformers, and switchgear were ordered for delivery at the end of fiscal year 2008.

238. Work commenced on the construction of the Airport Landside Transit Mall at Piarco. A \$10.2 million contract was awarded for the development of a parcel of land west of the landside arrival concourse area to provide parking for bona fide airport taxis, accommodation for Airports Authority's licensed taxi drivers and to facilitate local food vendors. Foundations, steelworks and block works were completed, and electrical and plumbing achieved 50 percent and 70 percent completion respectively, car park and courtyard preparation 60 percent and 40 percent completion respectively. The completion date was extended to March 2009 to facilitate an expansion which will result in increased cost of the project.

239. The Crown Point Terminal Modification project commenced with the delivery of a prefab building to the site. Site preparation works were nearing completion, while paving work completed in July 2008 is being reviewed to meet specifications. A contract in the sum of \$5 million vat inclusive was issued for the erection and construction of the prefab building and work commenced in May 2008. Overall progress is 60 percent and the schedule completion date is October 2008.

240. Tender documents were prepared for the Computerised Maintenance Management system (Software and Hardware) and the Security System (CCTV and Access Control System).

241. In the area of sea transport, \$9.4 million was expended from an allocated \$20.5 million. Tenders were prepared and issued for the upgrade of the west gate facility at the Port of Port of Spain which caters for container movement and satisfies the security requirements under the Implementation of International Ship and Port Facility Security Code. For the Upgrade of Government Shipping Facilities at the Port of Port of Spain a contract was awarded for \$9.8 million for steel ramps to replace the existing temporary structure at Port of Spain which allows vehicles to be loaded and unloaded onto the Fast Ferries. A contract in the sum of \$1.3 million was awarded for

the upgrade of electrical system for the reconstruction of berths at the Caricom Wharves.

242. The Public Transportation Service Corporation utilized its allocation of \$36.3 million on the upgrade of its fleet to service its various client groups. Seventy (70) buses were acquired at a cost of \$32 million and commissioned for service in the rural and sub-urban areas. Refurbishment works commenced on the POS Transit Hub and preliminary infrastructure works commenced on the Arima Passenger facility.

243. The Trinidad Rapid Rail Project (TRRP) which is intended to provide alternative transport choices to the traveling public along the East-West and North-South corridors utilized \$90 million. A Design, Build, Operate and Maintain (DBOM) contract in the sum of US\$72 million was awarded in April 2008. The Project will involve the construction of two express train lines with a total length of 105 km, one line linking Port of Spain to San Fernando, and the other from Sangre Grande to Westmoorings. The contract will be implemented in three phases. Phase I data gathering and planning commenced in fiscal year 2008. A ridership study involving traffic counts and interview also commenced, focus group surveys were nearing completion and two stakeholder workshops were held.

244. The establishment of a Ferry Service from Port of Spain to Pt. Fortin (the Water Taxi Service) expended \$50 million in fiscal year 2008. Phase 1 infrastructure works on the construction of temporary terminal facilities at Lady Hailes Avenue (Flat Rock), San Fernando were completed. The facility will comprise a 200-car car park, ticket booths and a pedestrian walkway to the jetty.

Social and Cultural Infrastructure

245. The Community Development Fund (CDF) Programme utilized the full allocation of \$14 million. This Programme continued to act as a bridging mechanism for tackling poverty and assisting in the delivery of services to the poor and vulnerable. Projects initiated included:

- award of 83 small one-off grants totalling \$1.65 million to community, cultural and sporting groups and organizations working with the vulnerable in society, including the elderly and disabled to provide financial aid, furniture and equipment, conduct workshops on Food Security, community business establishments, film and video editing, home-work/after school centres and employment creation to benefit an overall 4150 persons
- financial assistance amounting to \$2.8 million to 17 organizations including Casa de Corazon, Childline, Rebirth House, Mt. Zion Spiritual

Baptist Church, Vacation Camps in impoverished areas for poverty alleviation to benefit 17000 persons

- provision of funding under Special Initiatives to Pan Trinbago, National Carnival Development Foundation, National Chutney Foundation and the Emancipation Support Committee for the hosting of national celebrations
- training and graduation in essential of protocol, marketing for cultural practitioners, video production/basic audio engineering and marketing fundamentals and event management
- upgrade of the CDF Management Information System to facilitate a faster more efficient delivery of service to clients
- completion of designs and policy guidelines for the National (Organizational) Mentoring Programme at a cost of \$20,000
- conduct of National Pan Technology Programme with training in pan construction, tuning, literacy, history and civics, and personal development with 81 participants, at a cost of approximately \$2 million
- leadership training for community organizers throughout the nation with 127 participants representing 109 organizations

246. An expenditure of \$4.9 million was incurred in the implementation of projects under the Improvements to Community Facilities Programme. Activities involved:

- award of 7 contracts totaling \$2.5 million for civil works and fencing of Bon Air Centre, installation of air conditioning, electronic security and fire alarm, plumbing/septic tank upgrade and product development and design workshop under the Project, Refurbishment of Export Centres
- award of contracts valued at \$0.5 million for refurbishment of the La Horquetta Community Centre where roof works and electrical upgrades were completed and plumbing upgrades, floor, wall and ceiling finishes, painting and fence were substantially advanced
- award of contract valued at \$0.5 million for refurbishment of the Baratania Civic Centre where all works were completed including roof, electrical and plumbing upgrades, painting, installation of kitchen cupboards and erection of fence

247. The sum of \$41.4 million was expended on the Programme, Construction of Community Centres in pursuit of government's goal of construction of 100 Centres by

2010. The Thick Village Community Centre was completed at a cost of \$11 million and was commissioned. Construction on community centres in Preysal and Maracas Bay were advanced with earthworks and foundation, walls and roof works completed, and windows installed. There were significant delays in converting the Pelican Extension Community Centre into a two-storey building. As a result, this project has been cancelled. Progress on construction of the Beetham Gardens Community Centre was slow although roofing, structural steel and block work were completed as well as a basket ball court.

248. The THA continued infrastructure upgrades to Community Centres with a disbursement of \$5.4 million. Activities undertaken included:

- completion of infrastructural works at Bloody Bay and continuation of works at Glen Road and Glamorgan
- upgrade of facilities at Patience Hill, Castara, Delaford and Moriah
- substantial infrastructure works on the Pembroke Heritage Park including construction of the stage area, dressing room, kiosk, Administrative Building and the Box Office
- upgrade of facilities at the Black Rock Regional Complex and Fairfield Complex

249. An overall expenditure of \$73.1 million was incurred under the programme for Restoration of Historic Buildings, comprising of IDF resources of \$41.7 million and Consolidated Funds of \$31.4 million. Achievements included:

- advancement of restoration works at the Red House to 80 percent completion of construction of Plant Room, 50 percent completion of Structural Retrofit of the South Chamber and Link and award of contracts for repairs to roof and South Chamber ceiling removal and storage with an expenditure of \$30 million
- continuation of refurbishment/restoration works at Queen's Royal College costing \$22 million, including removal of asbestos roof and replacement and acquisition of specialized materials and equipment
- renovations to Knowsley, including redefining of office space, plumbing and electrical upgrades, painting and installation of blinds at an estimated cost of \$5 million
- substantial restoration works at Stollmeyer's Castle at a cost of \$11.7 million

250. Funds amounting to \$17.5 million were allocated for the Upgrade of Overseas Missions. Of this sum, \$14 million was utilized for continuation of refurbishment to the High Commissioner's Residence in Jamaica, Ambassador's Residence, United Nations, Consul General's Residence, New York, the Chanceries and Residences in Caracas and Washington, as well as 5 government-owned properties in Washington.

Information & Communication Infrastructure

251. The Information and Communications Technology Support Programme was allocated \$48 million from which \$22.5 million was expended. Proposals were received and evaluated for the SME B2B Marketplace Project. Phase 3 bids were received and evaluated and contracts awarded for Lots 1 and 2 on the e-Government Portal

252. The report on the Digital Divide in Trinidad and Tobago was completed and a draft implementation plan produced and reviewed to inform the Development of Universal Service Strategy under the project Liberalization of the Telecom Sector. Additionally 2 Mobile Monitoring Equipment were delivered and put in use by the Telecommunications Authority. The Action Plan on Development of Broadband Strategy was approved as part of the project for the Modernization of the Telecommunications Sector.

253. The Trinidad and Tobago Postal Service was allocated \$6 million for the financial year 2008 to upgrade its systems in all departments. Bids were invited and received for the purchase of new computers, X-Ray Scanning Machines, office enclosures, security equipment, GPS tracking units, overflow storage boxes, private boxes, point-of-sale equipment and 10 1 ton panel vans.

Environment

254. Approximately \$17.7 million was allocated for investments related to environmental management and conservation, of which the sum of \$13.2 million was expended. The EMA accounted for \$10.1 million in implementing its 2008 work programme. Among its key achievements were:

- completion of the lead clean-up of a contaminated pond on Demerara Road, Arima and lead volume assessments of three contaminated sites at Ft. George, Port of Spain, and Nurse Trace and Food Crop Road, in Guayaguayare

- completion of GIS Needs Assessment for the establishment of an enterprise-wide Geographic Information System (GIS)
- acquisition of computer equipment, satellite imagery and topographic data from the Town and Country Planning Division and the Lands and Surveys Division
- completion of the survey of the Buccoo Reef high-water mark
- update of a management plan for Aripo
- establishment of management committees for the Sensitive Areas of Caroni, Aripo, Matura, Buccoo and Main Ridge, Tobago
- commencement of procurement of a new Ambient Air Quality Monitoring (AAQM) Station for La Brea
- development of risk assessment guidelines, and compliance assistance documents to guide CEC applicants
- award of contracts to UWI totaling \$1.2 million for research on the Aripo Savannas Scientific Reserve (ASSR) and a study of the hydrological resources of the Nariva Swamp
- completion of the 2005 State of the Environment Report (SOER)
- conduct of public awareness campaigns on littering, noise pollution and disaster preparedness
- staging of the 3rd annual Environmental Conference and Exhibition and the annual Green Leaf Awards
- drafting of key pieces of environmental legislation including the Beverage Container Bill and the Hazardous and Non-Hazardous Waste Rules
- acquisition of a site and commencement of designs for the east office building

255. The Solid Waste Management Company (SWMCOL) utilized the sum of \$2.5 million and among its major achievements for the fiscal year were the following:

- completion of the study of the impact of leachates at Beetham and Guanapo Landfills
- commencement of designs for the establishment of an integrated facility for the disposal of bio-medical waste in Claxton Bay, on lands formerly owned by Caroni (1975) Ltd
- rental of a warehouse and acquisition of five 40-foot containers for the dismantling and storage of E-Waste including computer hardware, cellular phones and batteries and the conduct of an E-Waste Symposium in January 2008
- completion of remediation of two landfill sites at Toco and Siparia

256. In addition, the sum of \$0.3 million was utilised in establishing a Statistical Database and in advancing the establishment of a National Parks and Wildlife Authority. A consultancy to conduct the National Hazardous Waste Inventory commenced in July 2008 at a cost of \$413,349, while a stakeholder consultation was held in Tobago in October 2007 towards formulating a draft Forest Policy and Protected Areas Policy.

PART II: THE PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2009

DEVELOPING INNOVATIVE PEOPLE

257. Funding in the amount of \$1,944.4 million has been allocated to continue initiatives to increase access to quality learning opportunities for all citizens and to support innovation.

Pre primary, Primary and Secondary Education

258. In fiscal year 2009 the Government will continue its thrust for the modernization and renewal of the education system. An overall allocation of \$749 million has been provided for the Ministry of Education to continue the implementation of a diversified programme of work, encompassing physical facilities, expansion and upgrade, professional development and systems renewal.

259. The Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Programme has been allocated \$193.5 million under the IDF for the continuation of the construction of new ECCE Centres. Overall, approximately 601 centres are to be built over the period ending 2012. For fiscal year 2009, provision is made for the completion of construction of two ECCE centres at Monroe Road ECCE and San Fernando Model Nursery ECCE, and commencement of construction of approximately 50 centres. In light of the number of centres to be built including those scheduled for fiscal year 2009, construction of ECCE Centres will be broken up into design/build contract packages, with Package 1 containing a total of 20 centres, packages 2 to 4 with 10 each and packages 5 to 7, 50 centres each.

260. The ECCE Programme in Tobago has been allocated \$3.6 million for fiscal year 2009. These funds are to be utilized for the establishment of an ECCE Unit, the establishment of new ECCE Centers and extensions and improvements to two existing centres at Calder Hall and Patience Hill.

261. The Primary School Programme has been allocated \$3.1 million, primarily for the survey of school sites and final payment of \$2.6 million for the construction of St. Paul's R.C. The construction of primary schools will be advanced with funding of \$248.9 million under the IDF, by the special purpose state enterprise Education Facilities Company Limited (EFCL) which will undertake procurement, designs,

construction and project management in respect of 20 Government Assisted and Government Primary Schools. In fiscal year 2009, planned works include commencement of construction of Lengua Presbyterian, Belmont Boys R.C., Mon Repos R.C., Pt Cumana R.C. New Grant Government, Enterprise Government and Manzanilla Government. Construction is scheduled to continue at Palo Seco Government and Arima West Government.

262. The Upgrade of Facilities for the Computerization of Primary Schools continues in fiscal 2009 with an allocation of \$5 million. This will facilitate the upgrade of some 119 schools scheduled to be carried out during the school vacation periods.

263. The Primary School Programme Tobago has been allocated \$10 million for fiscal 2009. This allocation is to be used for the continuation of improvement works to Plymouth Anglican School, Bon Accord Government, Mount Moriah Government, Signal Hill Government and Delaford Anglican. Construction is also planned to commence on the Scarborough Methodist and Scarborough Roman Catholic Schools.

264. Under the Secondary schools programme Trinidad out of an allocation of \$14.5 million, \$5 million is earmarked for the enhancement of Physical Security of Schools. With this allocation, fencing and an internet protocol surveillance system are to be provided for several secondary schools including San Juan Secondary, San Fernando Senior Comprehensive, Five Rivers Secondary, Valencia High, Cunupia High, Morvant Laventille Secondary, Success Laventille Secondary, Mucurapo Senior Comprehensive, Marabella Senior Comprehensive and Arima Senior Comprehensive.

265. School Intervention Strategies will continue with an allocation of \$2.5 million for the provision of school level support to enhance school discipline through workshops, the right choices project, peer mediation, conflict resolution, and anger and stress management for teachers.

266. Under the IDF, the Secondary Schools Programme has been allocated \$233.2 million, of which \$150 million will fund Secondary School construction and other infrastructure works. These include the continuation of construction of Siparia Junior Secondary, Princes Town Junior Secondary, Baratavia Junior Secondary, Aranguez Junior Secondary, Five Rivers Junior Secondary, Mt. Hope Junior Secondary, Curepe Junior Secondary, Carapichaima Junior Secondary, Pleasantville Senior Comprehensive, St. Augustine Senior Comprehensive, Marabella Junior Secondary, and Couva Junior Secondary, and commencement of construction of new blocks at Tunapuna Government Secondary, Trinity College, Holy Faith Convent Couva, Malabar Composite, San Fernando Senior Comprehensive, Queen's Royal College (new buildings), Moruga Composite, and Matelot Community College.

267. The Improvement/Refurbishment/Extension to Secondary Schools will continue in fiscal 2009 with an allocation of \$15 million for the continuation of general upgrade and refurbishment works at 60 secondary schools.

268. The IDB assisted Secondary Modernization Programme (SEMP) will draw to a close in fiscal 2009. An allocation of \$31.8 million is made for the continuation of activities including the following:

- institutional strengthening of the Education planning unit, and the MOE management capacity, and support to decentralization
- professional development including the continuation of the school development grant programme, the Masters in Education degree programme for principals, vice principals and senior teachers, the Bachelor's degree programme in technology and physical education, and the Masters programme in Educational Administration, and training programmes for librarians
- testing, assessment and evaluation with emphasis on developing the student registration system
- curriculum development including stakeholder consultation and national dialogue on curriculum implementation
- teaching and learning strategies through procurement of equipment for school libraries, and equipping schools with Mobile Technology Education Laboratories

269. Special attention will continue to be placed on the development of a seamless education in terms of the movement of students within the system, progression of learning experiences and educational coherence as this is expected to produce major benefits. The programme is expected to be fully developed during fiscal year 2009. The main components include:

- inclusive education, including the physical upgrade of schools to meet the needs of a diverse and differently abled school population
- curriculum development testing and assessment and printing of curriculum materials
- professional development including, implementation of a training programme for mentors and administrators, pedagogical skills, design and development of a data base for professional registration and licensing and professional development
- monitoring and evaluation Early Childhood Development, curriculum assessment and validation, auditing and evaluation of teacher performance

- early childhood care and education system development including the development of training modules for delivery of the ECCE program, development of the ECCE strategy, and a needs analysis for children transiting from ECCE to primary level, development of a transition programme, and training for management personnel and teaching personnel

Tertiary Education

270. The establishment of the University of Trinidad and Tobago will continue with an overall allocation of \$274.2 million for construction to continue on the new main campus at Tamana Eteck Park and the upgrade of existing facilities and campuses. Work is also scheduled to commence on the refurbishment of the Corinth and Valsayn Campuses and Phase IV of the establishment of the Chaguaramas Campus.

271. The Upgrade of O'Meara Campus will continue with the expansion of the library, purchase of furniture and equipment and general upgrade of existing infrastructure. This includes expansion of sporting facilities, and the construction of a pavilion, as part of the Centre for Sports initiative which includes upgrading of sports facilities at Valsayn, Corinth, San Fernando, John Donaldson, Eastern Caribbean Institute of Agriculture & Forestry (ECIAF), Point Lisas and Chaguaramas.

272. The sum of \$15 million has been allocated for the Improvement of Facilities at ECIAF which is scheduled to be done on the administration building, classrooms, student dormitory, engineering building and library. Equipment upgrades are also planned for the farm and building. Work is scheduled to begin on the provision of facilities for teaching and research to commence an Aquaculture Project. The refurbishment of the John Donaldson Institute will continue with an allocation of \$9 million. Planned works include relocation of the library, expansion of the cafeteria, and conversion of Block C to Multi Media Centres and lecture rooms.

273. The project for the establishment of the UTT Tobago Campus has been allocated \$5 million for work to commence on a new design as a result of a change in location. The Campus will include a teaching facility, marine and environmental research facility, conference centre and visitor centre.

274. An overall sum of \$133 million has been allocated under the Scholarship and Advanced Training Programme for disbursement to scholarship awardees based on the Advanced Level, non-Advanced Level and CAPE examinations, Technical Assistance awards, scholarships to meet the needs of the Public Service. A new Graduate Scholarship Programme will be introduced in fiscal year 2009 to provide tuition and financial support for graduates earning first class degrees to pursue studies at the PhD level. An initial sum of \$10 million is allocated for this new initiative.

275. In order to provide adequate housing for the increased student population, the College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago (COSTAATT), to be renamed the Community College of Trinidad and Tobago (CCTT), has been allocated \$16 million to continue its expansion programme. The funding will assist in COSTAATT acquiring, outfitting and furnishing buildings for its Nursing and Health Sciences programmes as well as the North, South and Tobago centres. Institutional strengthening of the Facilities department, and continuation of implementation of the WAN Project, and library expansion are also provided for.

276. In order to continue fulfilling its mandate to provide assurance to the general public that academic institutions, and programmes offered, meet local, regional and international standards, the Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago (ACTT) will continue the development of a Tertiary Qualifications Framework as well as building capacity through staff development and training and expansion of IT infrastructure. The sum of \$1 million has been provided for these activities.

277. The National Library and Information System (NALIS) has been allocated \$20.9 million to continue several programmes aimed at improving quality and expanding its services. The programme of work for fiscal year 2009 includes expansion of the library collection, provision for the award of scholarships to nationals for degrees of BEd and MSc in Library and Information Science and purchase of 2 fully equipped mobile digital libraries for rural areas. Planned works also include the upgrade of public library facilities, the start of design work for new libraries at Arima, Couva and the Chancery Lane Complex, San Fernando, and commencement of construction of a new library at Railway Road Chaguanas.

Skills Development & Training

278. Skills Development and Training programmes have been allocated \$79.7 million. The agencies of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education (MSTTE) with primary responsibility for this portfolio - MIC, NESC and YTEPP - will continue to focus on facilities expansion and upgrade, and equipment and machinery procurement and installation.

279. Funding in the sum of \$4.5 million has been provided for site acquisition for the construction of MIC/HYPE centres at Diego Martin, Chaguanas, Sangre Grande and Moruga, and a YTEPP centre at Chaguanas. Refurbishment works will continue with an allocation of \$58 million at MIC centres in Macoya, Pt. Fortin, and Pointe a Pierre. Similar works will continue at NESC centres at Brechin Castle, Ste. Madeleine, La Brea and Palo Seco, and additional equipment will also be purchased. The upgrade is geared to the expansion of the skills programmes at these centres.

Science, Technology and Innovation

280. The sum of \$7.3 million has been allocated to the National Institute of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST) to continue its programme of science education, and promotion and support to innovation and invention.

281. Activities related to the Establishment of Inventors and Innovators Award and the Prime Minister's Award for Innovation and Invention programmes will continue in fiscal year 2009. These include:

- the launch of a Young Engineers Club, expansion of the Robotics Club, Creativity Week celebrations in April 2009, upgrade of "Go Creative" exhibit and increased co-operation with Caribbean countries in the launch of programmes to stimulate innovation and invention
- publication of the outcomes of Research and Development Foresighting studies on growth and innovation in biotechnology and fashion
- conduct of foresight studies to address integrated development in the rural communities of Cedros and Toco
- production for display locally and regionally of interactive exhibits and DVDs on climate change impacts on the Caribbean environment with assistance from Science Alive New Zealand, Hand On Minds On Australia, and the Children's Museum of Graz, Austria
- completion of research related to the President's Award for Excellence in Science, Teaching, Research and Development, and women in science
- establishment of a Hall of Fame for local scientists at the National Science Centre

Culture

282. The focus of investments in the area of Culture will continue to be the construction and upgrade of cultural facilities to modern-state-of-the-art venues for showcasing the country's multi-cultural heritage. An overall sum of \$488.8 million will be allocated for priority projects and programmes to continue.

283. As part of the \$630 million loan agreement with the Export/Import Bank of China, a design/build contract was awarded to Shanghai Construction Group General

Company for the establishment of the 2 Academies of the Performing Arts at Port of Spain and San Fernando. The total cost of completion of the Academies is estimated to be \$828 million inclusive of landscaping and outfitting which will be funded by Government. An allocation of \$200 million is provided for the continuation of construction of both edifices. In fiscal 2009, investments planned include:

- completion of a revised design and commencement of construction of the National Carnival Entertainment Centre at the Queen's Park Savannah
- continuation of refurbishment works at Queen's Hall with the sum of \$2.5 million provided for the completion of the Maintenance Facility Building, upgrade of the lighting systems and construction of a bathroom facility back stage for physically challenged performers
- commencement with the sum of \$1.5 million of phase II of the conversion of the Little Carib Theatre to a 'Black Box Theatre'; including refurbishment of the auditorium, roof upgrade, installation of retractable seating, furnishings and lighting equipment

284. The Government continues to support the development of the steelpan as the national musical instrument, and has provided the sum of \$5 million for the commencement of construction of a Pan Chroming Factory at Trincity, and \$10 million for completion of Pan Trinbago Headquarters. The sum of \$0.5 million will be allocated for the acquisition and mounting of exhibits for the establishment of a Steel Pan museum. Provision is also made to assist in supporting the well being of cultural activists with the construction of a three storey TUCO Convalescence Home. The sum of \$5 million has been allocated for work to commence.

285. Projects aimed at preserving our cultural heritage, including the upgrade and establishment of several museums and other cultural venues, will receive an allocation of \$9.3 million for the following:

- refurbishment of Sevilla House with an allocation of \$1 million to house the Sugar Museum, including installation of lighting, showcases and display walls, roof and wall repairs and window replacement
- completion of a feasibility study for the extension of the National Museum and the preparation of designs
- restoration of buildings and installation of exhibits at the Laventille, Arima and Princes Town museums

- acquisition of artefacts and installation of exhibits pending the acquisition of temporary housing for the museum of the city of San Fernando
- creation of a web site for the Virtual Museum of Trinidad and Tobago
- identification of a site and conduct of research related to the establishment of a Carnival Museum of the Americas
- completion and stocking of the Military Museum and Information Room
- conduct of a feasibility study for the establishment of Cultural Industries
- commencement of restoration of buildings at the National Heritage site on Nelson island, estimated to cost \$18 million

286. The sum of \$2.0 million will be provided for meeting outstanding expenses for phase I works at the Cocoyea Recreational Facility, whilst the House for Mr. Biswas will receive \$0.5 million for roof renovation, electrical systems upgrade, furnishings and reconstruction of the religious area.

NURTURING A CARING SOCIETY

287. Overall funding in the amount of \$2251.4 million has been provided for continuing the development of a healthy and caring society and the promotion of well being.

Health

288. In fiscal year 2009, Health will continue to be a high priority of the Government. An overall allocation of \$743.6 million has been made available to continue improvements in health care and expand quality services to the public.

289. The sum of \$160.7 million has been provided for the continuation of the Health Sector Reform Programme. The physical infrastructure component, focusing primarily on the construction and upgrade of health facilities, will receive an allocation of \$80 million for the following:

- completion of construction of District Health Facilities (DHF) in St. James, and Siparia

- re-commencement of construction of the New Tobago Hospital at Signal Hill with an allocation of \$150 million under the IDF
- purchase of Medical Equipment and Furniture
- refurbishment of the Old Nurses Hostel at the Arima DHF
- construction of perimeter fencing and upgrade of the Sewer System at the Chaguanas DHF
- replacement of boilers and installation of backup air-conditioning at the EWMSC
- replacement of the incinerator, refurbishment of ward I and the upgrade of the Sewer System at the SFGH
- construction of a Boiler Room and a Psychiatric Work Building at the St Ann's Hospital
- construction of an Acute Psychiatric Ward, roof repairs renovation and upgrade of Central Block Wards and Out Patients Clinic at the POSGH
- electrical upgrade at the St. James Medical Complex

290. Implementation of the institutional components of the Health Sector Reform Programme (HSRP) will be advanced with an allocation of \$35 million. The main activities planned include:

- transfer of the remaining public officers to the RHAs under the Human Resource Strategy component of the HSRP
- training of medical and technical personnel in the areas of Oncology Nursing and District Health Visiting
- purchase of hardware and software for the implementation of the National Health Information System with an allocation of \$15 million

291. An investment of \$10 million will also be made in continuing efforts to reduce the waiting list for surgeries for hernia cases, fibroid remobilizations, cataracts and joint replacements. In addition, funding of \$14 million will be provided to expand the Special Programme for the Treatment of Adult Cardiac Disease to facilitate an increase in the number of Cardiac surgeries.

292. The sum of \$1 million has been provided for the National Community Care Programme to continue the de-institutionalization of persons who are inappropriately housed at hospitals. An allocation of \$4 million has also been provided for the Community Outreach Family Medicine Programme for the purchase of additional mobile units to improve the access by rural communities to health education and medical services.

293. The construction of the National Oncology Centre scheduled for completion in fiscal year 2009 has been allocated \$30 million. It will house state-of-the-art equipment and technology centre of excellence and a regional resource for the Caribbean. Services at the Centre will include radiation therapy and chemotherapy. The National Oncology Programme will address the other facets of care including prevention, screening and early diagnosis programmes, palliation and supportive care.

294. The Hospital Enhancement and Development Programme will receive an allocation of \$35.3 million in fiscal year, 2009 for equipment purchases for the St Ann's Hospital, St James Medical Complex, San Fernando General Hospital, and Port of Spain General Hospital.

295. Funding in the sum of \$200 million has been provided under the Infrastructure Development Fund for implementing the Physical Investments programme as follows:

- commencement of construction of the Sangre Grande and Point Fortin Hospitals
- expansion of the Mayaro District Health Facility
- commencement of construction of the National Public Health Laboratory at the Eric Williams Medical Sciences Complex

HIV/AIDS

296. In fiscal year 2009, the Government will continue its assault on the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Trinidad and Tobago. An investment of \$38.7 million has been provided for the acquisition of resources and implementation of programmes that will work towards the eradication of the threat of HIV/AIDS in Trinidad and Tobago.

297. The World Bank-assisted HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Project, implemented by the NACC, and the EU funded Support to the HIV/AIDS Strategic Plan programme under the Office of the Prime Minister will receive an allocation of \$40 million for the following activities:

- education, awareness and behaviour change programmes intended to promote safe and healthy sexual behaviour
- training of health care staff in the treatment and care of persons living with HIV/AIDS
- seminars, workshops and conferences on HIV/AIDS and celebration of World AIDS Day
- social marketing programmes to improve the availability and accessibility of condoms
- the provision of financial assistance to NGOs and CSOs
- implementation of the HIV/AIDS Surveillance System
- the upgrade of Health Centers for the provision of Same Day Testing services

298. The Special Programme for HIV/AIDS under the Ministry of Health has been provided the sum of \$10.5 million. In fiscal year 2009, the Ministry will seek to expand the treatment and health care services available to persons infected with HIV/AIDS in Trinidad and Tobago through the provision of ARV Drugs. In addition the sum of \$2 million will be allocated to the Programme of Support to the World Bank Funded – Loan Programme for HIV/AIDS to enable the Medical Research Foundation of Trinidad and Tobago to continue its expanded programme of treatment of HIV/AIDS patients, research and training of staff of the Ministry of Health. An allocation of \$3 million has also been made for continuation of the establishment of the HIV/AIDS Coordinating Unit at the Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development. The Ministry will focus on the implementation of the Workplace Policy on HIV and AIDS, the implementation of the Ministry’s Workplace Strategic Plan and the expansion of the “It’s Ok” anti-stigma and discrimination campaign.

Housing

299. In keeping with its Vision 2020 objective of providing adequate and affordable housing for all citizens, the GORTT has provided \$1,045 million for the continuation of programmes and projects by the Housing Development Corporation (HDC), the Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Committee (SILWC), the Land Settlement Agency (LSA) and the THA.

300. The IDB-assisted Second Settlements Programme established to ensure a more equitable, transparent and sustainable system of affordable housing, was extended to June 2009 to facilitate project completion. The sum of \$49.5 million has been provided for implementation of the various components of the Programme.

301. The Squatter Regularization component, managed by the LSA, will receive \$27.5 million to meet contractual obligations for upgrades of squatter sites, including fees for land use planning, land surveying, engineering designs and construction supervision and environmental studies, and payment for utilities (T&TEC and WASA) and rehabilitative maintenance of the Harmony Hall Sewer Plant. The funding will also facilitate continuation of infrastructure works at the squatter sites in Bon Air North, Arouca (457 lots), Milton Village, Couva (350 lots) & Macaulay Road, Squatterville, (50 lots), Mahogany Road Improvement, River Estate Diego Martin (1,700 + lots), Cashew Gardens, Carlsen Field (300 lots) and Springle Street, Point Fortin (20 lots).

302. An allocation of \$18 million has been provided for the Housing Subsidies component to facilitate the disbursement of home improvement subsidies and new housing subsidies for beneficiaries who own land, and to assist squatters relocated for public purposes to acquire government housing.

303. With funding of \$1.5 million the focus will be placed on the Development of a Strategic Performance Management System for the Ministry. A Programme emanating from the IDB-funded study on squatting, the Regularization and Regeneration of Communities in the Greater POS Region, has been allocated the sum of \$7 million for preparatory works, including subdivision and engineering designs to continue and for infrastructure works to commence at Fondes Amandes, East Upper Gonzales/Sogren Trace, Dondonald Hill/Bele Vue and Scorpion Alley, Carenage.

304. The Housing Development Corporation has been provided with an overall allocation of \$910.5 million to continue implementation of its various programmes and projects. A key initiative, the Accelerated High Density Housing Programme, has been allocated a total of \$840 million to implement Urban Housing Programmes at South East POS, Clifton Hill, Morvant, Malick, Observatory Street, Belmont, Chaguanas and Mon Repos, San Fernando; and to meet contractual obligations for developmental works and house construction under the Joint Venture, New Towns and Infill Programmes.

305. Other key initiatives of the HDC, for which the overall sum of \$70.5 million has been provided include:

- relocation of Squatters at various locations including Tarodale Phase 2, Wallerfield, Golconda, Dookie Street, St Augustine and Bangladesh and construction of housing units and payment of compensation for squatters with an allocation of \$30 million

- remedial Infrastructure Works including road upgrade roof and internal renovations, and plumbing on HDC Housing Developments at Maloney, Paradise Heights, Trou Macaque and Hirondelle with a provision of \$20 million
- upgrading of apartment Complexes in POS and environs with \$18 million, including for electrical upgrade at Methuen Street, Powder Magazine, Harding Place, Bath Street, Ethel Street, St. James and roof renovations and at approximately 124 apartments in Maloney

306. A total of \$11 million is provided to support the disbursement of Housing Grants to applicants for home repairs/improvements, and for emergency financial assistance to needy persons homes affected by natural disaster, or accidents.

307. The SILWC has been allocated \$10.5 million to continue infrastructural development at several sites. The programme of works includes:

- roads and drainage and construction of utilities installation at Tarouba (50 lots) and Cedar Hill (28 lots) Housing Developments and Frederick Settlement, Caroni (additional 40 lots)
- implementation of drainage works at the La Fortune Housing Development (additional 18 lots)
- construction of a Sewer Treatment Plant (STP) to service 140 residential lots at the Brothers Garth Road Housing Development

308. The THA will receive \$55.5 million to continue development works at Signal Hill, Charlotteville, Courland, Belle Garden, Adelphi, Speyside, Mt Irvine and the Special Land Development Programme at Windward, Tobago and to commence a new Programme at Shirvan Road. Provisions is also made for reimbursing the HDC for the construction of housing units at Castara, Roxborough, and Blenheim Housing Estates, and disbursement of home improvement grants and subsidies to beneficiaries.

Youth, Sport and Recreation

309. The sum of \$176.3 million will be allocated for the continuation of youth focused programmes and infrastructure development aimed at facilitating sport and youth development.

310. The Brian Lara Cricket Stadium, phase I of the Development of a Multi-purpose Sporting Complex at Tarouba, is scheduled for completion in fiscal 2009. The sum of \$25 million is provided for outfitting the facility which will include seating

capacity of 10,000 for persons with the potential for an additional 5,000 seats and a 3-storey Media Tower. The outdoor features will also include four pitches and multiple parking areas.

311. An allocation of \$20 million will be provided for the continuation of upgrade works at the nation's five stadia as follows:

- general refurbishment including replacement of the installation of central air condition units, new seating and paving of the car park, at the Hasely Crawford Stadium and Jean Pierre Complex
- sandblasting and replacement of steel structures and repainting Ato Boldon, Larry Gomes, Dwight Yorke and Mannie Ramjohn Stadia

312. The provision of adequate recreational facilities is one of Government's priority areas of support to the development of well rounded young people. The sum of \$28 million will be allocated for the development and upgrade of recreation grounds nationwide as outlined below:

- completion of phase I works, including fencing, construction of a car park and drainage system and commencement of phase II construction of super structures at recreation grounds in Pleasantville, Deigo Martin, Toco, Santa Cruz and Point Fortin
- rehabilitation of the football and cricket fields and construction of an eight lane grass track at the Yolande Pompey Recreation Ground
- construction of 8 hard courts, 17 lighted jogging tracks and 13 play parks under the project for the upgrading of Corporation Grounds

313. The Construction of Sport/Youth Multipurpose facility is being used as a vehicle for youth development through participation sport, physical recreation and social education. In order to advance this initiative, an investment of \$22 million is to be made in the following:

- commencement of construction of the Youth Wing of the Sport/Youth facility at Mayaro
- commencement of phase II works, including construction of an indoor facility with swimming pool, hard courts and an amphitheatre, at the Arima and Sangre Grande Sport/Youth facilities of phase I preparatory works at Diego Martin

314. Upgrade works at four of the five pools owned by the Government will continue with the sum of \$2 million as follows:

- construction of a car park inclusive of security lighting at Diego Martin
- construction of a chlorine room, conference room and office at La Horquetta
- repainting of the pool and pool basin at Sangre Grande
- refurbishment of filtration system and repainting of the pavilion at Couva

315. An allocation of \$3 million will be provided for improvement works to four Indoor Sporting Arenas aimed at creating opportunities for increased activities by communities and National Sporting Organizations. Works will be undertaken as follows:

- construction of a gym, office and expansion of the car park at Pleasantville
- construction of a store room and conversion of an old Administration Office to a Sports Library at Tacarigua
- conversion of the store room into a gym and purchase of gym equipment at Chaguanas
- completion of a gym and kitchen at Point Fortin

316. Investments in youth infrastructure will continue with the sum of \$3 million allocated for the refurbishment of Youth Training Facilities as follows:

- replacement of the fence and refurbishment of hard courts at Los Bajos
- repairing of the roof and upgrade of the drainage system at Woodbrook
- replacement of the timber flooring and water proofing of the concrete roof over the hall at Basilon Street
- repairing of the roof and eradication of termites at Laventille
- repairing the guttering, eradication of termites and construction of a timber stage at Malick

317. The three National Youth Development and Apprenticeship Centres will receive the sum of \$5 million for the following works:

- construction of a Recreation Ground, purchasing of new equipment for trade classes, kitchen and gym, and preparation of designs for the construction of a new classroom block and conference room at Chatham
- installation of perimeter fencing and security lighting, replacement of roof sheeting and construction of bleachers for tennis courts at El Dorado
- refurbishment and extension of library structure and assembly hall, and reconstruction of woodwork classroom/workshop, cooks' change room and sick bay at Presto Praesto

318. The Government through youth programmes will continue to offer opportunities for young people to develop positive relationships with their peers and adults in their communities and to meet their developmental needs. Youth programmes will receive funding in the sum of \$17 million for the following:

- establishment of a National Youth Council and implementation of the 15 courses of action in the Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP)
- conduct of Youth Needs Assessments in Manzanilla, Laventille, Morvant and Deigo Martin
- hosting of caravans/eduvans, establishment of a Peer Education Programme and operation of three Adolescent Friendly Health Facilities under the Youth Health Programme
- marketing and promotion for the YouthRISE project including the orientation and selection of participants

Poverty Alleviation and Social Services

319. The Government will invest the sum of \$89.6 million in social projects and programmes aimed at reducing poverty and providing for the displaced and vulnerable.

320. With the closure in fiscal year 2008 of the EU-grant funded Poverty Alleviation Programme the Government will continue to fund the programme. In fiscal year 2009, an initial sum of \$2 million will be provided for institutional strengthening for the Project Management Unit and operation of Regional Social Human Development Councils, Information Resource Centres, and for funding Micro Projects.

321. The National Commission for Self-Help has been allocated \$30 million to continue its assistance to communities in improving their physical environment. The funding provides for material and technical support for infrastructure and facilities development. The Commission addresses a wide range of requests mainly in the priority areas of water, electricity, roads, drainage, home repairs and reconstruction, social facilities, bridges and walkways, community centres, schools, and cultural facilities.

322. The Government will continue to invest in institutions that address the safety and welfare of the nation's children. The sum of \$12 million is provided for the following:

- commencement of the establishment of five regional offices and a head office for the Children's Authority
- establishment of an office to address complaints of child neglect under the National Plan of Action Services project which is aimed at ensuring that children are provided with basic needs of food, clothing, shelter and an education
- provision of financial assistance to the CREDO Foundation for Justice in establishing a facility to house street children
- construction of a kitchen at St. Dominic's Home and a dormitory at St. Jude's School for Girls at Mt. Carmel Girls' Hostel
- construction of a Hall of Residence at the St. Mary's Home for Children

323. The sum of \$1.1 million has been allocated to support Social Services Programmes as follows:

- continuation of the Community Outreach Programme, including the hosting of seminars and the provision of literature on social issues and services offered by the MSD
- award of scholarships and grants to residents of Government-sanctioned homes and orphanages excelling in the performing arts, sports and vocational skills

324. The establishment of Social Displacement Centres to provide transitional housing for disadvantaged and displaced persons in support of their development and rehabilitation, will continue with funding in the sum of \$20 million for the acquisition and reconstruction of a building at Queen Street, Port of Spain, and for the construction of a centre at Piparo. This initiative is an integral part of a comprehensive move to address the problem of street dwelling.

325. Funding in the sum of \$9.5 million will also be allocated for the upgrade and construction of facilities to support rehabilitation of social offenders and drop outs as follows:

- upgrade of the plumbing, electrical and security systems of the Remand Home for Young Male Offenders
- completion of designs for the establishment for the Remand Home for Young Female Offenders estimated to cost \$60.6 million
- acquisition and refurbishment of property for the establishment of an Ex-prisoner In-Transit Facility at Chickland, Freeport on 3 acres of cultivated agricultural land
- procurement at a cost \$1 million of commercial-type kitchen equipment for the St Michael's School for Boys, and refurbishment of the Administration and Staff Building of the Salvation Army Hostel-Josephine Shaw House - for Women
- roof renovation and electrical system upgrade, and establishment of a library at the Multi-Purpose Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Facility at Piparo

326. Funding in the sum of \$4.7 million will support the following developmental works:

- acquisition of properties for the establishment of Social Services Centres at Rio Claro and Point Fortin, and upgrading of the Centre at Couva
- provision of financial assistance to the Coterie of Social Workers for the completion and outfitting of a 2-storey meal centre at La Caille Street, San Fernando
- completion of reconstruction works at the St. Helena Senior Citizen's Home in La Brea, including roof construction, electrical installation and outfitting
- establishment of Centres at Point Fortin, Siparia, Rio Claro, Diego Martin, Mayaro and Arima for the implementation of the Conditional Cash Transfer Food Support Programme
- upgrading works at the Trinidad and Tobago Blind Welfare Association building

327. The 2008 Household Budgetary Survey provide the survey with extensive data on incomes and expenditure as it relates to household budgets which commenced in fiscal year 2008, will continue with an allocation of \$6 million. The sample design utilized in the survey is intended to be nationally representative by region and income area it is estimated that approximately 8,000 household questionnaires, 25,000 individual questionnaires and 800 Diaries to be used during the exercise. Implementation of pre-field and planning as well as actual field work and data processing operations and post field activities are planned for fiscal year 2009 and are expected to be completed by September 2009.

Sustainable Communities

328. In fiscal year 2009, a total of \$200 million has been provided under the IDF for the continuation of infrastructure works that commenced in fiscal year 2008, and the implementation of new projects to be undertaken by Special Purpose State Enterprises in designated communities in Trinidad.

329. The RDC will be provided the sum of \$70 million to facilitate the completion of ongoing infrastructure projects and the commencement of a third phase of infrastructure projects approved for implementation. In addition, drainage and road rehabilitation projects identified in Master Plans developed for 15 communities, will be implemented in fiscal year 2009 in east and central Trinidad.

330. For the East Port of Spain area an initial \$35 million is provided for continued implementation of the Beetham Urban Village 2020 Conceptual Development Plan which includes:

- construction of 4 Berms in Beetham Gardens at an estimated cost of \$8.2 million
- rehabilitation of the drainage network at an estimated cost of \$7.9 million
- continuation of refurbishment of St. Paul Street Recreational Facility, Morris Marshall Recreation Ground and Never Dirty Basketball Court at an overall cost of \$4.8 million

331. The sum of \$60 million will be made available for the PSAEL to continue the following works planned for implementation in south and south east Trinidad.

- rehabilitation of local roads and drains
- commencement of flood alleviation projects

- construction of retaining walls
- refurbishment of recreational facilities and children's play parks

332. The CISL will commence initiatives aimed at improving infrastructure in the areas of Tunapuna, D'abadie, San Juan-Barataria, Morvant-Laventille and Diego Martin Central at an estimated cost of \$9.8 million. Other projects to be implemented include the construction of children's play parks at an estimated cost of \$16.6 million.

333. The sum of \$35 million is being provided for these activities.

GOVERNING EFFECTIVELY

334. Funding in the amount of \$1,662.2 million has been allocated to promote public safety, enhance public service delivery, and improve the system of justice and equality for all citizens.

National Security and Public Safety

335. The Government will continue its drive to provide safety and security for all citizens. For fiscal year 2009, resources totaling \$682.1 million will be provided for a range of projects and programmes to be implemented by the various divisions of the protective services.

336. The IDB-assisted Citizens Security Programme, will continue with the following activities:

- implementation of community based violence prevention programmes and public education campaigns
- remodeling and upgrading of charge rooms in selected police stations in identified communities
- provision of human resource support for the Victims Support Unit in all model police stations and counseling support for the Community Policing Units to be established in each police station
- implementation of a CSP Database Management System

337. The Police Service has been provided with \$34.2 million to assist in fulfilling its mandate to protect and serve the national community. The sum of \$10 million has been allocated for the continuation of initiatives under the project for the Transformation of the Police Service which seeks to develop systems for intelligence-led policing. Priority will be given to increasing the visibility of law enforcement operations, expanding community policing, developing intelligence capabilities using modern crime fighting technology, increasing joint planning among all law enforcement agencies, fostering strategic alliances with international agencies, improving recruitment and performance appraisals, developing managerial and leadership capabilities and expansion of the model stations initiative from 5 to 10.

338. Refurbishment works at police buildings will continue with an allocation of \$10 million. Areas targeted include: Mounted Branch, Traffic Branch, Central Police Station, St. James and Scarborough Police Stations, Transport and Telecommunication Branch, Police Hospital, St. James Barracks Ground, Second Division Officers Mess, Chaguaramas and Tobago K9, Sangre Grande, St. James and San Fernando Divisional Headquarters and model stations upgrade. A sum of \$1 million has also been allocated for the purchase of furniture and fittings. Additionally, \$5 million will be provided for improvements to surveillance capabilities in 8 police buildings.

339. The sum of \$5 million under the IDF has been allocated for part payment of the purchase of a smart zone trunking repeater site at the Telecommunication Facility in Tobago. This will allow for the further expansion of the police communication network.

340. In fiscal year 2009, 19 new police stations are earmarked for construction in Manzanilla, Matelot, Maracas bay, Maloney, St. Joseph, Old Grange, Roxborough, Brasso, Piarco, Arima, Besson Street, Maracas/St. Joseph, Cumuto, La Brea, Guapo, St. Clair, Mathura, Oropouche and Moruga, with funding to be sourced outside the PSIP.

341. In fiscal year 2009, the Coast Guard received an allocation of \$400 million to acquire 3 offshore patrol vessels (OPV) and 6 fast patrol crafts (FPCs). A provision of \$40 million has also been made for logistic support during the shipbuilding phase of the OPVs and FPCs. Other activities proposed in support of this initiative are:

- establishment of a Marine Ship Safety and Port Security Unit to ensure the safety and security of ships and property, the preservation of the marine environment and other related matters
- completion of maintenance of 2 (C-26) coast guard aircrafts
- commencement of construction of the All Ranks Facility, Bachelor Quarters to house 50 Officers and upgrade of sewer treatment plant at Staubles Bay

- commencement of construction of Dormitory and Messing Facility to provide suitable accommodation for 85 male and female ratings and officers.
- completion of designs for a Docking and Maintenance Facility at the Chaguaramas Heliport

Provision is also made for the procurement of 6 high speed interceptors at a cost of \$18 million and 1 Launch.

342. An allocation of \$33.7 million has been provided to support the following activities of the Air Guard:

- ramp refurbishment at a cost of \$5 million, involving excavation of the old ramp and construction of foundation and surface for a new ramp
- procurement of a consultant for the provision of a maintenance package for the upgrade of the light twin aircraft
- installation of a radar system and Air-Bourne Data Acquisition Management System (ADAM) for maritime and land surveillance

343. Approximately \$39 million will be provided to the Defence Force for the infrastructure modernization, human resource development and the introduction of new ICT capability. Funds have been provided for the following in 2009:

- \$5 million for the construction of a two-storey extension of the Quartermaster Stores at Teteron Bay, to provide adequate storage of existing stocks and procurement of new shelving system, computerized accounting and inventory management system
- commencement of construction of a two-storey building for married officers at Camp Ogden; commencement of Female Dormitory and Workshop upgrade at Camp Cumuto and upgrade of facilities at Camp Omega
- procurement of vehicles and equipment for Trinidad and Tobago Regiment and Defence Force Headquarters

344. For fiscal year 2009, the Fire Services Division has received an allocation of \$20.2 million to assist in improving its firefighting capabilities and emergency defense. Funds will be spent on :

- purchase of ambulances and Water Tankers

- refurbishment of vehicles and water tenders
- commencement of major refurbishment works at the Fire Station in Chaguanas and reconstruction of Arima and Couva North Fire Stations
- final payments for the completion of the New Sangre Grande and Couva Fire Stations
- continuation of the laying of new water lines for fire fighting in Port of Spain

345. In fiscal year 2009, the allocation for improvements by the Prisons Services Division is \$20.1 million. The activities planned for implementation include:

- installation of electrical underground ducting, at a cost of \$2.5 million for the Port of Spain Prison
- purchase of 2 Panel Vans, 2 dump trucks, 1 Vibrator Roller and 1 flat bed truck, at a total cost of \$2 million
- commencement of construction of a perimeter fence at a cost of \$8 million, for the Maximum Security Prison
- completion of vocational workshop at Golden Grove Prison at a cost of \$8 million
- continuation of refurbishment of main prison buildings, superintendent quarters and construction of docking facilities for the Carrera Convict Prison Facility
- completion of construction of quarters for senior prison officers
- continuation of the refurbishment of Youth Training Centre

346. Three new projects are scheduled to commence with an overall allocation of \$1.5 million, as follows:

- commencement of construction of a nursery at the Women's Prison
- establishment of a female juvenile centre
- establishment of a centre to house prohibited immigrants

347. The sum of \$47.5 million has been provided for institutional strengthening at the Ministry of National Security. This will involve the following activities:

- training of personnel in project management
- specialized training for all Divisions
- continuation of the Anti-Crime Communications Support Plan under the Strategic Communication Programme
- establishment of a CCTV Network System and
- engagement of a Fireman and Tool mark Examiner for the Forensic Science Centre

Law Administration and Legal Affairs

348. The initial sum of \$1.5 million has been provided in 2009 for the completion of the updating and amendments of all laws from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2007. Provision has also been made for the printing of these laws and to have them available in CD ROM, as well as for warehousing and storage. The objective of the law revision project is to produce a revised edition of all Acts and Subsidiary Legislation of the laws of Trinidad and Tobago and to update that database and to allow for annual publications.

Governance and Institutional Structures for Development

349. The upgrade of the physical infrastructure of the Eric Williams Finance Building will continue in 2009 with an allocation of \$15 million towards making the building OSHA compliant and more comfortable. The following activities are to be undertaken:

- commencement of refurbishment of levels 2, 7 and 19 with partitioning and furnishing
- air condition duct cleaning and refurbishment of glass seals throughout the building
- installation of a cooling tower, replacement of chill water pipes and electrical system and AC upgraded

- ground floor refurbishment and upgrade of washrooms

350. New City Mall (formerly Tent City) has received an allocation of \$4 million for the continuation of renovation works which will benefit approximately 121 tenants and customers by providing a safe and comfortable environment in which to conduct business. The renovations include the replacement of the roof and A/C units, the installation of an escalator and an elevator, the procurement of a standby generator and installation of security measures.

351. The sum of \$2.5 million is provided for the continuing upgrade of the East Side Plaza in Port of Spain. This is intended to provide a safe, comfortable and attractive environment for its 156 tenants who are small business owners and customers. Work to be done includes:-

- tiling of the rear façade upper and ground floors and upper floor shops
- construction of 12 shops and conference room and offices on the top floor
- painting of the metal works and installation of an AC unit

352. Funding in the sum of \$8 million has been provided for the completion of Phase 1 and commencement of Phase 2 construction of the new Institute of Marine Affairs facilities. Works include building and outfitting a state-of-the-art laboratory facility to enhance the Institute's ability to monitor fisheries and the marine environment, completion of an Information Centre building, Marine Education Centre and Operations Centre.

353. The programme of construction and renovation of Administrative Complexes for the Municipal Corporations, has received an allocation of \$25 million. The role of the Corporation in the community has increased over the years, with the attendant need for additional space in order for the Corporations to effectively discharge their duties. This project would create a safe and healthy OSHA compliant environment for both staff and members of the public to interact. Construction of new buildings for the Chaguanas and Arima Borough Corporations and the Diego Martin Regional Corporation is scheduled to commence using the design/build approach. Designs for new buildings for the San Juan/Laventille, Princes Town, Mayaro/Rio Claro, Penal/Debe, Sangre Grande and Siparia Regional Corporations are to be prepared, and provision is also made for the upgrading of existing buildings at the Point Fortin Borough, San Fernando and Port of Spain City Corporations, and Couva/Tabaquite/Talparo Regional Corporation.

354. An allocation of \$15 million is provided to continue infrastructural improvements to the Cipriani College of Labour and Co-operative Studies, in keeping

with Government's objective of providing increased access to tertiary level education. Work will include:

- construction of upper East Wing classrooms a perimeter wall with lighting
- supply and installation of a waste water treatment plant and standby generator
- refurbishment of car park on the southern end of College

355. The Ministry of Legal Affairs is provided with an allocation of \$5 million to continue efforts to establish a Population Registration System and the implementation of the KE Vitalware application software. The system will provide for the automation of reporting, sorting and retrieving civil information, and will supply users with specific kinds of data efficiently and in a flexible manner.

356. The focus of the Town and Country Planning Division of the Ministry of Planning, Housing and the Environment for fiscal year 2009, will be the implementation of several development planning projects that will enable the Division to reduce the response time in the delivery of services offered to the public. These include:

- completion of the reproduction of the updated Guide For Developers both digitally and in print
- a review of the National Physical Development Plan, (1975) and preparation of a new Plan to guide the physical development of Trinidad and Tobago
- Review of the T&CP Act to ensure relevance to current planning situations and the preparation of a Draft Bill
- development of a Plan document for a National Spatial Strategy for Trinidad and Tobago
- hosting of public consultations with key stakeholders to inform the development of local area plans and regional development plans

357. The Public Sector Reform Computerization Programme will continue with the development and modernization of the information technology infrastructure in the Public Sector. An overall \$270.5 million is allocated for a wide array of projects to be implemented as follows:

- purchase of specialized hardware and software for the Police Service to upgrade the entire network including expansion of the automated fingerprint system and the Closed Circuit Television Project
- continuation of the computerization of the Judiciary focusing on the upgrading of the Case Management Hardware and Software and the installation of the Audio Digital Court Recording System in all courtrooms and training for transcriptions and court reporters
- continuation of information technology upgrade at the Inland Revenue Division with an allocation of \$20.5 million for the final phase of the Integrated Tax Processing system
- continuation of the development of the Communications Backbone with an allocation of \$30 million for establishment of the Data Centre and installation of communications links
- construction of the upgrade of the Voter Registration and Election Management System, including the expansion to offices and the purchase of hardware
- upgrade to ASYCUDA ++ in the Customs and Excise Division through the purchase of equipment operating system software, technical services, remuneration for the IT project team and training of staff

358. The Computerization Programme Tobago, has been allocated \$3.3 million for the networking of various divisions of the THA, including Finance and Planning and Education, Youth Affairs and Culture. Computerization of CAST's General Administration Division will also commence.

359. In fiscal year 2009, the sum of \$93.9 million has been earmarked to be invested in the continuation of institutional strengthening initiatives of the Ministries and Departments of Central Government and the Tobago House of Assembly.

360. The IDB-assisted Public Sector Reform Initiation Programme (PSRIP) will continue with funding of \$10 million. To support public service-wide initiatives the transformation agenda is to be implemented through reform projects in the areas of communications, customer service, human resource management and monitoring and evaluation systems, encapsulated under the National Public Service Transformation Programme.

361. The Ministry of Local Government will continue is rollout of the Local Government Reform Programme with an allocation of \$8 million. Activities to be undertaken include:

- a public exposition of the White Paper on Local Government Reform
- establishment of approved core staff establishments in Municipal Corporations
- establishment and expansion of the Municipal Police Service along with new/revised operational framework, procedures, regulations and systems
- establishment and operationalization of (ICT) IT and Communications systems within the e-government platform as proposed in vision 2020
- establishment and operation of monitoring, evaluation and review systems for the core staff
- capacity building and institutional strengthening initiatives in both the Municipal Corporations and the Ministry of Local Government
- public awareness and sensitization programmes on the reformed Local Government Structures, systems, roles, functions, responsibilities and services

362. Other significant initiatives which will be undertaken in 2009 include:

- commencement of a consultancy to Review the Classification and Compensation System in the Civil Service and Statutory Authorities for which \$6 million is allocated
- continuation of the Institutional Strengthening of the Auditor General's Department with \$3 million
- commencement of the Re-engineering of the Public Service Commissions Department, for which \$4 million is allocated
- continuation of the initiative to build capacity through implementation of the Performance Management Framework for Permanent Secretaries
- continuation of the strengthening of the Records Management in the Judiciary
- continuation of the implementation of an Employee Assistance Programme

Administration of Justice

363. An allocation of \$18 million has been provided for the continuation of operations of the Family Court Pilot project. Plans are in train for the acquisition of the NIB Building to facilitate expansion of the Family Court and acquisition of property at Tobago to facilitate roll-out of the Family Court.

364. Resources totaling \$22.7 million have been provided for the Improvement/Refurbishment to Court Facilities. Projects to be implemented include:

- expansion of the Couva Magistrates' Court and major upgrades at the Princes Town, Point Fortin, Cedros, La Brea, Moruga and St. George West Magistrates' Courts
- implementation of Integrated Security Management Systems in the Judiciary through procurement of baggage and walk-through scanners, security tools and equipment, and vehicles
- continuation of the rehabilitation works including installation of access for the physically challenged, replacement of elevators and stand-by generator in Trinidad and completion of expansion of Lobby area and perimeter fencing in Tobago
- expansion of Rio Claro Magistrates' Court to accommodate an additional court, and general upgrade including partitioning, and installation of air-conditioning
- provision of accommodation for five civil court rooms and customization at Pembroke Street
- improvement works and furnishing of the Industrial Court
- acquisition of display items and refurbishment of the old Cabildo to house the Law Museum
- preparation of designs and outfitting of accommodation for the Establishment of the Equal Opportunities Commission and Tribunal

365. Construction of new Court Facilities is scheduled to commence with an allocation of \$5.5 million. Activities include preparation of designs and surveys for the Arima Judicial Complex, the Sangre Grande Magistrates' Court and the Special Criminal Court; and outfitting of the Anti-Corruption Investigations Bureau and the Environmental Commission. Work will commence on the Chaguanas and Siparia Magistrates' Courts with IDF resources of \$14 million.

ENABLING COMPETITIVE BUSINESS

366. Resources totaling \$1,454.7 million have been allocated to continue the expansion and diversification of the productive base of the economy, and to support the growth of globally competitive businesses.

Macroeconomy and Finance

367. The sum of \$6 million is allocated for the continuation of the IDB assisted Trade Sector Support Programme of institutional strengthening and support to the Ministry of Trade and Industry. Activities planned include development of the Trade Integrated Information System, specialised technical training and implementation of the Ministry's Strategic and restructuring plans. Work on procuring the Trade Licensing System will continue, as well as studies on competitiveness of the services and non-oil manufacturing sectors in Trinidad and Tobago. The Trade Assistance component will facilitate the participation of local companies in the Non-oil sectors at Trade Fairs and Expos.

368. The Secretariat for the Implementation of Spanish (SIS) will continue to carry out its mandate to coordinate, support and facilitate the introduction of Spanish as a second language in Trinidad and Tobago and the creation of a bilingual society. The sum of \$2 million has been provided for media and public awareness programmes, conduct of Spanish classes for staff of government Ministries, private companies and communities and the promotion of dual signage. SIS will also continue to provide translation services for the Government.

369. The Government's 2020 vision for Agriculture includes enhancing the marketability of agri-based products through the development of marketing initiatives and infrastructure. The project of Support to Agribusiness will therefore continue with an allocation of \$4 million for improvements in the regulatory, institutional and competitive environment of the food and beverage, and fish processing industries. Activities will involve legislative updates, training workshops on food safety, implementation of a Food Safety Awareness Programme and building capacity among industry stakeholders. The Seafood Industry Development Company will also partner with the Institute of Marine Affairs to develop a pilot commercial aquaculture system.

370. The CARICOM Trade Support Programme which aims to assist member states in developing production and trade capacity, will continue with an allocation of \$6 million. Promotion of the Programme will continue in the CARICOM States to encourage firms to apply for technical and loan assistance that will facilitate their access to consultancy services and machinery and equipment. Monitoring of approved loans will continue.

Industry and Entrepreneurship

371. In fiscal year 2009, the Government will continue to pursue economic diversification in the non-oil manufacturing and service sectors. An allocation of \$183.9 million has been provided to continue efforts to promote competition and enhance the business climate.

372. An allocation of \$80 million will be provided under the Infrastructure Development Fund to continue infrastructural works and construction of the Flagship Complex at the Tamana InTech Park. The Complex will include a Tenant Building, eTeck Signature Building, Utilities Building, CATI Building, an Auditorium and Conference Center. The Flagship building will be the first LEED Certified and Smart Green Building in Trinidad and Tobago. Infrastructure works will also commence on the Linear Park designated for recreational facilities and historical centers. The Park is intended to provide facilities for the development of new industries to drive the growth of the non-energy sector in Trinidad and Tobago.

373. The programme of Development Works on Industrial Estates will continue with the start of construction of industrial parks at Dow Village (170 acres) and Endeavour Road (222 acres). Construction is also scheduled to commence on Phase I of the Fredrick Settlement Estate (110 acres). The Parks are intended to provide light industrial space for manufacturers and thereby assist in the diversification of the economy. The sum of \$50 million will be provided for the programme in fiscal year 2009.

374. Government will continue to provide support to the local film industry in fiscal year 2009 with funding of \$3 million for the Trinidad and Tobago Film Co. Ltd. Activities planned include training workshops, hosting and participation in Film festivals, provision of film scholarships, assistance to local film makers in developing film and television production, and continuation of the Production Assistance and Script Development Programme. This project is intended to establish Trinidad and Tobago as the premier Caribbean film location and production center.

375. The sum of \$8 million will be provided for the purchase of equipment for the Caribbean Industrial Research Institute (CARIRI) and the upgrade of physical infrastructure to enhance the operational capacity of the Institute and meet OSHA requirements.

376. In fiscal year 2009, an allocation of \$8 million will also be provided under the Infrastructure Development Fund for the Business Investment project being implemented by Evolving Technologies and Enterprise Development Company Limited. The funding will allow eTeck to continue to source potential business via trade missions, conferences and advertising, and conduct due diligence on business opportunities. Work will also continue on the development and implementation of the Tamana In Tech Park Marketing Plan and Phase II of the ICT Cluster project.

377. The sum of \$2 million has been provided in fiscal year 2009 for the TTBS to continue the establishment of a National Meteorological System for Trinidad and Tobago, with the conduct of an outreach programme and the purchase of equipment. The system is intended to ensure the traceability of all significant measurements to the International System of Units, and ensure that measurements conducted in Trinidad and Tobago are of the required accuracy to serve the purposes for which they are intended. The sum of \$0.3 million will also be provided to the TTBS to continue the strengthening and expansion of the Accreditation System under the programme of Providing Reliability to Quality Infrastructure. The project will also offer assistance to laboratories with an interest in accreditation which have limited access to expertise and training.

Business Development

378. The Investment Promotion and Facilitation Initiatives Programme has been allocated \$4 million for continued support to the implementation of a comprehensive Strategy for Direct Foreign Investment Promotion, as a means of attracting and facilitating increased levels of Foreign and Domestic Investment in Trinidad and Tobago. Activities planned include a Public Relations Campaign, advertising in foreign publications, Brand Development, and the production of promotional materials. International marketing missions are also planned as well as inward investor missions.

379. The Fair Share Programme aims to promote the development of Small and Micro Enterprises and assist in their growth into larger businesses through access to government contracts. This initiative involves setting aside and establishing preferential arrangements for public sector contracts up to the sum of \$1 million. for qualifying Small and Micro Enterprises (SMEs) and qualifying Co-operatives up to a limit of 10 per cent of all contracts awarded by the government. The activities scheduled for implementation with an allocation of \$0.7 million in fiscal year 2009 includes:

- development, marketing and maintenance of a list of available procurement opportunities which will serve as a gateway to accessing contracts
- facilitation of sub-contracting opportunities through large contractors
- maintenance of a Register of Small and Micro Enterprises (Small Business Register) that facilitates easy identification of possible contractors
- development and maintenance of a monitoring and information system

- establishment of a Complaints and Disputes Resolution Mechanism
- conduct of a training programme for small and micro entrepreneurs to facilitate their successful participation in the programme

380. Resources of \$21.5 million have been allocated for development of small businesses, by way of assistance to entrepreneurs and provision of capital. The THA, with an allocation of \$15 million will continue infrastructural works at the Cove Eco-Industrial Park being developed on 148 acres of the Cove Estate, including a five acre archaeological site. In fiscal year 2009 work will focus on completion of access roads and drainage, the laying of waterlines, communication lines, an electric power plant and the installation of a natural gas pipeline originating offshore from Trinidad.

381. Provision has been made for the Enterprise Development project and the Business Incubator Programme to continue support for the development of the Small Business Sector in Tobago. The THA will continue with an allocation of \$3 million to engage CARIRI to promote Enterprise Development by rendering assistance to small and medium enterprises engaged in industrial and business activities. Plans for fiscal year 2009 include procurement of a deep sea fishing vessel through the Enterprise Assistance fund for cooperative use. The Business Incubator Programme will continue with an allocation of \$2 million to provide assistance for the development of entrepreneurs. The new Venture Capital Programme with an allocation of \$0.5 million will assist in providing seed capital funding in Equity Partnerships.

382. Under the Pigeon Point Enterprise Initiative, the construction of facilities for artisanal and other vendors will continue with an allocation of \$0.5 million. Phase II of the construction of the Scarborough Esplanade is also allocated \$0.5 million to commence construction of additional vendor's booths.

383. The Government has provided \$4 million for the continuation of non-petroleum initiatives aimed at fostering the development of globally competitive domestic Maritime, Yachting and Printing & Packaging Industries. The potential of the maritime industry to become a significant driver for industrial development will continue to be explored. In fiscal 2009, focus will continue to be placed on the development of four key strategic areas:

- development of four sub-sectors - ship building, marine construction, ship ownership and transshipment - to produce economically viable and competitive industries
- improvement of the legislative and regulatory environment to eliminate obstacles

- mentorship programme and conduct of specialized training workshops and seminars to enhance the quality and quantity of human resources available to the sector
- promotion of the maritime industry through local fairs and participation at international and regional events

384. The implementation of projects outlined in the Strategic Plan for the development of the Yachting Industry will continue to be overseen by the Yachting Steering Committee. These include research and development, competitive analysis and economic impact assessments, comprehensive promotion through marketing and attendance at trade fairs, human resource development, and security improvements in the Chaguaramas area via financial assistance to Yachting Services Association of Trinidad and Tobago (YSATT) for harbour patrols.

385. Efforts to enhance the competitiveness of the Printing and Packaging Industry (PPI) will continue to be pursued by the Business Development Co. Ltd. Since 1999, this industry has been contributing an estimated 3 percent annually to GDP. There is therefore potential for growth of the PPI, given developments in the energy sector with the move to petro-chemicals that will provide sources of raw materials at competitive prices to the local PPI. In fiscal year 2009, focus will continue to be placed on the development of alliances for cooperation, implementation of the competitive programme, and market research and development. Planned activities include maintenance of the web site, development of a PPI database, and training to develop entrepreneurial business and managerial skills for the industry.

Energy

386. The National Petroleum Company has been allocated the sum of \$30 million under the Consolidated Fund to continue its Upgrade of Service Stations throughout Trinidad and Tobago. In fiscal year 2009, the following activities will be undertaken:

- commencement of upgrade of seven gasoline service stations including those located at: Morne Coco Road, Manahambre Road, Maracas Bay and Marabella
- continuation of construction of LPG storage facility in Tobago
- remediation programme at 13 sites including three in Barataria, one in La Brea, one in Princes Town and one in Arima

387. The National Energy Corporation was incorporated in the year 1979 to assist in facilitating and promoting the development and sustainable management of the

hydrocarbon resources of Trinidad and Tobago, operate world class ports and marine infrastructure and provide marine support services. For fiscal year 2009, the NEC has been allocated the sum of \$280 million for the following works:

- continuation of the design work, and commencement of dredging and construction of the port at Point Lisas south and east to cater to petrochemical and heavy metal cargoes of iron ore and other raw materials for production of steel urea and ammonia
- completion of design and commencement of construction of Galeota Port to serve the offshore gas and oil exploration companies as well as to provide a fishing facility in Mayaro
- continue the designs and expansion of the Brighton Port and Alutrint Pier and Wharf which will service the Alutrint Aluminium Smelter and the multi-user petrochemical complex

388. The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago has been provided with \$80 million under the Infrastructure Development Fund to continue work on the construction of a twelve (12) inch diameter natural gas pipeline to Tobago. The sub-sea pipeline will run from the BHP Billiton Kariri Central Processing Platform in the Angostura field Trinidad to Cove Point, Tobago. The installation of the pipeline will meet the fuel requirements of T&TEC for the new dual fuel generating plant to serve industrial consumers of the Cove Eco-Industrial and Business Park in Tobago. The revised completion date for commissioning of the pipeline is December 2009.

389. The sum of \$55 million has been allocated under the Infrastructure Development Fund for the continuation of work on the National Gas Company Multifuel (automotive and aviation fuels) Pipeline. The project involves construction of a ten (10) inch diameter multi-product pipeline from Pointe-a-Pierre to the Blue River Interchange, Caroni and an 8 inch pipeline to Piarco. A loading rack is also to be constructed south of the Caroni River into the Blue River Interchange. At present, all liquid fuels are transported from the Petrotrin Refinery at Pointe-a-Pierre to Sea Lots via ocean tanker. The tankers are obsolete and the fuel loading gantries at Sea Lots and Pointe-a-Pierre are aged and require replacement to ensure efficient operations. The commissioning of the project (Loading Rack & Pipeline) is expected to take place in June 2009.

Tourism

390. An overall allocation of \$54.4 million has been provided to various public and private sector agencies for the continuation of developmental works and institutional support to the tourism sector. Efforts will be continued towards

improvements in the sector through product development, training and education, provision of services, and information technology.

391. The Tourism Development Company, with an allocation of \$13.6 million, will focus on product enhancement through the Tourism Development Support, Additional Support and the Tourism Action Programmes. The main activities will include:

- provision of technical advice under the OAS/USAID Caribbean Small Tourism Enterprise Projects (STEP), to small tourism operators and human resource development
- accommodation registration and inspection
- development of national tourism standards, certification of tourism operators
- participation in local and international workshops and conferences
- implementation of eco-tourism projects to develop forest canopy infrastructure and improve environmental sustainability
- conduct of local tourism awareness campaigns to encourage participation in tourism activities
- upgrade of beaches and sites and attractions at Maracas, Las Cuevas, Manzanilla, Vessigny and the La Brea Pitch Lake

392. The Maracas Beach Redevelopment Project will be continued with an allocation of \$15 million under the IDF. A design and build contract is to be awarded in fiscal 2009 for project. Demolition and civil infrastructure works will continue, as well as installation of temporary facilities for food vending, and public conveniences. Planned works also include construction of a timber structure for sand retention, installation of a waste treatment plant.

393. An allocation of \$17.1 million has been provided for the THA to implement its Tourism Programme. New initiatives will commence with construction of a Lookout and Visitor Centre at Speyside; acquisition and installation of playground equipment at Fort Granby Beach Facility; and perimeter fencing and site development at Cove Estate Historical Site. The programme of works planned for implementation includes:

- commencement of Phase III upgrades at the Fort King George Heritage Park

- extension of the Food Court at the Storebay Beach Facility
- construction of a new facility at Buccoo and a dining area at King's Bay
- construction of a board walk as part of the Scarborough Beautification Project, Lay Bys at Roxborough
- purchase of Plymouth Tombstone and restorative works at the Mt. St. George Sugar Mill, Fort Monk and Highland Waterfall historical sites
- completion of a visitor facility at Bloody Bay and commencement of construction of a facility at Argyle waterfall
- construction of lifeguard towers at Grafton, Courland Bay, Grange Bay, Bloody Bay and Bacolet; and lifeguard facilities at Pigeon Point

394. The 2009 allocation to the Chaguaramas Development Authority (CDA) is \$17.3 million. The 2009 capital programme will focus on enhancing the capacity of the Authority to effectively and efficiently manage new business ventures through five areas - revenue generation, productivity enhancement, research and development studies, infrastructure works and corporate branding.

395. The design and installation of an Electronic Surveillance System throughout the Peninsula and the off-shore islands will be implemented as a top priority. It is needed to provide greater protection of CDA's property assets and effectively treat with the preservation of law and order in the Peninsula. The system is estimated to cost \$5.8 million. The project involves the procurement of equipment to be housed at the Welcome Centre, CDA Administration Building and other selected areas. Other activities in the Chaguaramas Peninsula include:

- upgrade of Chagville Beach facility including the installation of wave breakers
- improvement to Macqueripe Beach facilities to include a paved roadway access to the beach
- upgrade works of tees and greens at the Chaguaramas Golf Course
- continuation of refurbishment works to the Chaguaramas Hotel and Convention Centre
- commencement of work on the Welcome Centre

- historical restoration of the Old Tracking Station and the St. Chad's Church

Agriculture

396. In fiscal year 2009, Government will continue to pursue one of its primary policy objectives of improving food security and reducing the food import bill. Efforts will be intensified to increase the availability of adequate and affordable food which meets nutritional requirements.

397. The Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources (MALMR) will be allocated of \$198.2 million to implement several projects and programmes. The Water Management and Flood Control programme will continue with funding in the sum of \$25 million. Infrastructure works are planned at Plum Mitan, Kernahan, Poodai Lagoon, Moruga and R.E. Road. In addition, new infrastructure will be constructed at Fishing Pond, Guayaguayare, Platinite, Cungal, WITCO Lands and Macoya.

398. The Agricultural Access Roads programme, with an allocation investment of \$25 million will continue to support the rehabilitative maintenance of approximately 29.8km of roads and 8 bridges in the counties of Caroni, Nariva, St. Patrick and Victoria.

399. The fisheries Development Programme has been allocated \$36.2 million overall. The following main initiatives are to be pursued:

- funding of \$4.5 million will be utilized for the continuation of the construction of a fishing complex at Las Cuevas, the upgrade of facilities at Brickfield, drainage improvements at Port of Spain Wholesale Fish Market, fabrication of stainless steel tables at Orange Valley Wholesale Fish Market and construction of market stalls for the Southern Wholesale Market
- commencement with an allocation of \$30 million, of construction of a fishing port and associated facilities at Grand Chemin, Moruga is scheduled to begin in fiscal year 2009 at an estimated cost of \$90 million under the IDF

400. The sum of \$4.2 million has been allocated for the Youth Apprenticeship Programme in Agriculture (YAPA) to continue to provide assistance to young entrepreneurs in establishing agricultural enterprises. In fiscal year 2009, a total of 100 persons are targeted for training in areas of crop agronomy, animal husbandry, maintenance and repair to farming tools and equipment, project management principles

and computer literacy. Due to heightened interest, the grow box project will be expanded.

401. Under the IDF, the establishment of large commercial farms is one of the principal strategies intended to move the agricultural sector forward and assist in the diversification of the economy. For fiscal year 2009, \$10.0 million has been allocated for completion of infrastructure works, including construction of roads, drains and supply of potable water, on farm sites in Orange Grove, Caroni, Jerningham, Picton North and South, Edinburgh and La Gloria.

402. For fiscal year 2009, the forestry development programme has been allocated funding in the sum of \$18.6 million. Initiatives to be pursued include the following:

- rehabilitation of 142 hectares of natural forest and rehabilitation of Forestry Access Roads
- publication of brochures and posters on forest fire prevention
- upgrade of national heritage sites in Aripo, Cleaver Woods and Caroni Swamp

403. The sum of \$19.8 million has been allocated in support of research and development activities in the sector. The main projects to be implemented include:

- installation of a perimeter fence for the St. Augustine Nurseries
- completion of construction and equipping of Citrus laboratory/office building for the Mandatory Citrus Programme
- refurbishment of irrigation facilities at La Reunion Plant Propagation Station
- improvement of testing capabilities and purchase of testing kits under the programme entitled 'Strategies for the Management of Avian Influenza'
- implementation of the programme Strategies for Management and Control of Infectious diseases, to assist in controlling and managing livestock diseases that are transmissible to man
- establishment of mobile farmers market
- construction of an office, refurbishment of propagation facilities, construction of a solar drying unit, and the conduct of Black Pod disease

resistance studies under the Programme for the rehabilitation of the Cocoa Industry

- strengthening of the Plant Quarantine Services, and attendance at Sanitary, Phytosanitary (SPS) and Food Safety conferences and workshops
- training of staff in germ-plasm database design, plant morphological characterization, and conservation under the Comprehensive Crop Biodiversity Conservation Programme
- construction of a perimeter fence, and security lighting under the establishment of a mandatory citrus quality programme

404. The sum of \$8.1 million has been provided for the Agricultural Land Development Programme. Activities will be focused on:

- provision of roads, drains, electricity, water and other physical infrastructure for the establishment of Agricultural Settlements in Trinidad
- the purchase and installation of a trickle irrigation system and computer equipment for data analysis under the programme of ‘Sustainable Management of Agriculture Water-On Farm Irrigation’

405. For fiscal year 2009, the sum of \$25 million will be provided for the acquisition of sites for non-agricultural development purposes. This programme covers the state acquisition of private owned land for public non-agricultural use.

Labour and Co-operatives

406. The sum of \$8 million has been earmarked for the advancement of capacity building initiatives in the Labour and Cooperatives sector in fiscal year 2009. Priority attention will be given to Occupational Safety and Health (OSH). Provision is made for the OSH Authority and Agency to be established fully established to enable the effective implementation of the 2009 work programme. Clear targets have been set for monitoring the impacts of OSH interventions in the workplace, including the reduction in the rate of OSH accidents and in fatality rates, and the increase in the number of its programmes the become operational. The following activities are scheduled to be undertaken in fiscal year 2009 with an allocation of \$5 million:

- forging of strategic alliances with Industry Partners, including the EMA, Ministry of Health, Fire Services, Police Services, Ministry of Works and Transport, Ministry of Education and the (THA)
- decentralization of OSH functions with the establishment of satellite offices to serve the Tunapuna-Arima area, Chaguanas and Rio Claro
- hosting of public consultations focusing on the regulations on Pressure Vessels, Electricity at Work, Construction Safety and Health and Safety
- continuation of the annual reward system for safe practices in the workplace

407. The Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro-enterprise Development will also undertake the following activities in fiscal year 2009, with an initial allocation of \$3 million:

- review by the National Employment Service (NES) of national employment practices, and the establishment of an Integrated Data Bank and Placement Agency
- conduct of a baseline survey of the Labour Market, focusing on jobs in demand, terms and conditions of work by industry group, and occupational health and safety aspects
- development of an outreach programme by the Conciliation Unit focusing on building awareness on rights, responsibilities and industrial relations targeting 20 SMEs
- establishment of a National Productivity Centre
- completion of preparatory activities for the establishment of an Entrepreneurship Development Centre pilot project

INVESTING IN SOUND INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT

408. The sum of \$1,867.3 million has been provided for upgrading the infrastructure base of the country, in order to facilitate economic development of the economy and the protection and conservation of the environment.

Drainage & Irrigation

409. In fiscal year 2009 an overall sum of \$202.5 million has been allocated to facilitate improvements in drainage and irrigation infrastructure and to control flooding in low-lying areas. The activities planned center around the construction and rehabilitation of water channels, and coastal protection works.

410. Work is scheduled to commence on the construction of the Mamoral Dam and Flood Detention Reservoir, to be located at the immediate downstream confluence of the Mamoral and Caparo Rivers, 1 km upstream of the Caparo River. The project is intended to alleviate flooding and erosion in the Caparo River Basin and surrounding areas thereby reducing damage to private and public property. The sum of \$50 million has been provided under the Infrastructure Development Fund to undertake these activities in fiscal year 2009.

411. The Major River Clearing Programme will, in fiscal year 2009, include new projects for which an allocation of \$18.3 million has been provided. Work will commence on the construction of 830 linear metres of walling and paving on both sides of the Richplain Ravine. The project is estimated to cost \$27.6 million. Work will also commence on the Poole River Improvement Works project, which is estimated to cost \$12 million and is located within the Ortoire River Catchment. The objective of the project is to alleviate flooding and maintain the banks of this natural watercourse. Construction estimated to cost \$8 million is also scheduled in respect of reinforced concrete walling and paving at Alley's Creek, which is located at Bamboo Village, La Romain. The areas of Palmiste, Bamboo Village and Gulf View are expected to benefit.

412. Work will also commence on the Ortoire Improvement project with the construction of berms and an embankment along the Ortoire River from New Grant to Rio Claro. The project is estimated to cost \$15 million over a two-year period and is intended to provide protection to residential and commercial properties from erosion and flooding.

413. Under the Infrastructure Rehabilitation and Flood Mitigation Programme, the South Oropouche River Improvement project is scheduled for completion and the Blackman Ravine Flood Reduction, Santa Cruz River Flood Reduction and Dunder Hill Improvement projects are scheduled to commence. The sum of \$14.8 has been provided for these projects in fiscal year 2009.

414. Work will commence on the Dunder Hill Improvement project located along the Dunder Hill Ravine in Arouca. The project will involve the construction of 1000 meters of walling and paving in an effort to alleviate flooding and provide structural protection to adjacent residential and commercial properties. The project is estimated to cost \$21 million over a two-year period. Work will also commence on the Blackman Ravine Flood Reduction project which will involve the construction of a series of

detention systems at the Blackman Ravine, routing of flows into an existing underground concrete drain, and upgrade of three bridges between the Priority Bus Route and the Southern Main Road.

415. Work will continue on Phase II of the Caroni River Improvement project, estimated to cost \$12 million over a two-year period. Construction of the berm and embankment will continue in an effort to reduce flooding and property losses in the low-lying areas of the Caroni River Basin.

416. The Comprehensive National Drainage Development Study is scheduled to commence in fiscal year 2009. The study will entail the conduct of feasibility studies and preparation of detailed designs for the North Oropouche River Basin, Caroni River Basin, South Oropouche River Basin, Laventille Basin, Port of Spain and Environs and Coastal Protection Works at Matelot, Toco, Blanchisseuse, Grande Riviere and San Souci. The study is estimated to cost \$39 million. The allocation for fiscal year 2009 is \$12 million.

417. An allocation of \$40.1 million has also been provided to fund the continuation of drainage and irrigation programmes implemented by the Regional Corporations. These programmes will involve mainly the construction of box drains and retaining walls, culverts and other rehabilitative works in local communities throughout Trinidad.

418. The sum of \$17.3 million has been provided to facilitate improvements in the drainage and irrigation infrastructure in Tobago. An allocation of \$1 million has been provided for the continuation of the Milford Coastal Protection Project, and work will also continue on the construction of box drains, culverts and retaining walls at Providence Road, Darrel Spring Drain, Buccoo Drain, Bacolet Point and selected streets in Plymouth with an allocation of \$3.5 million. Embankment work and paving is also planned for execution with an allocation of \$0.5 million. The sum of \$1 million has been provided for the continuation of Phase II of the construction of major sea defence walls at Black Bay, Plymouth, and Black Rock.

Roads & Bridges

419. Resources totaling \$859.7 million have been allocated for the upgrading and improvement of the roads and bridges network throughout Trinidad and Tobago.

420. The IDB assisted National Highways Programme (NHP) will come to a close with the completion of 73.4 km of outstanding roads at Rio Claro along the Naparima Mayaro Road, Princes Town, Moruga, Calder Hall, Mt. Pleasant and Shirvan Roads in Tobago, and 11 bridges, 10 in Trinidad and one in Tobago. The sum of \$218.8 million has been provided.

421. The Interchange at the intersection of the Churchill Roosevelt and Uriah Butler Highways is scheduled to be completed within the first quarter of 2009. The sum of \$249 million has been provided under the IDF for this project. When completed, traffic congestion at the CRH/UBH intersection is expected to be reduced significantly. In support of this development, work is scheduled to commence on the construction of vehicular overpasses at the Aranguéz and El Socorro intersections.

422. The Programme for Upgrading Roads Efficiency (PURE) has been allocated \$300 million under the IDF for the continuation of road construction, and major road rehabilitation, and improved traffic safety measures aimed at reducing travel time, traffic congestion and vehicle operating costs.

- widening of the Churchill Roosevelt Highway to 3 lanes from Macoya to Golden Grove (East Bound) and Golden Grove to U.W.I. (West Bound); and Uriah Butler Highway – North Bound from Munroe Road to Radio Beacon to facilitate the increased volumes expected with commissioning of the interchange at the intersection of the UBH/CRH
- widening of the Beetham Highway West Bound to three lanes on from Beetham Market to Wrightson Road, St. Vincent Street
- improvement to Maraval Access, Saddle Road from Gittens to Valleton Avenue & Rapsey Street to Anderson Terrace
- widening of the Solomon Hochoy Highway South Bound to 3 lanes from the Chaguanas Overpass to the Chase Village Overpass
- dualling of the South Trunk Road (Dumfries Road to Paria Suite), including widening of bridge and construction of retaining walls
- improvement works on the Churchill Roosevelt Highway, from the Pillars to Antigua Road
- continuation of the construction of new exit ramps and other structures to facilitate egress from the Solomon Hochoy Highway
- provision of alternative access routes on M2 Corinth Connector Road, Off M2 Ring Road bridge construction and roadworks, Laventille Road, San Juan to Lady Young Road, Daisey Road, Off M1 Tasker Road, M1 Tasker Road to Garth Road
- reconstruction and repairs to bridges B1/4 on Freeport Mission Road and B1/4 at Manuel Congo

423. The programme of local roads and bridges rehabilitation and stabilization of landslips in the 14 Regional Corporations will continue under the Ministry of Local Government with an allocation of \$59.9 million. Major improvements on secondary roads including construction of bridges and retaining walls throughout the island of Tobago will continue under the Tobago House of Assembly with an allocation of \$32.3 million for priority projects.

Electricity

424. In fiscal year 2009, the Electricity Programme will continue to focus on the National Street Lighting Programme, and the lighting of parks and public spaces. Resources totaling \$55 million have been allocated for the National Streetlighting Programme to continue with the installation of additional streetlights and the upgrading of streetlights from 70 W to 150 W throughout the country. The programme will also include the upgrading of streetlights to 250W on the nation's Main Roads and Highways. Plans are in place for the illumination of Health Facilities, transit hubs and Police Station grounds to commence. Approximately 19 recreation grounds are planned to be lit, including St. Benedict Recreational Ground, La Romain, Crescent Gardens Playfield, Mausica, Troumacaque Recreational Grounds, Laventille and Sixth Company Recreational Grounds, Moruga. Discussions will continue with Municipal Corporations and THA to ensure that areas prone to criminal activities are adequately lit.

425. The National Street Lighting Programme will also continue in Tobago in targeted communities, highways and major roadways, including areas of Pigeon Point, Scarborough, Signal Hill, Plymouth, Mt. Irvine and Mason Hall. Main roads and highways to be lit with the 250W high pressure sodium lights for more illumination and safer driving at nights include Arnos Vale via Moriah to Castara, Parlatuvier into Bloody Bay and from Charlotteville to L'anse Fourmi. The lighting of the Claude Noel Highway from Crown Point to Auschenkeogh will continue with an upgrade from 150W to the 250W high pressure sodium lights. The parks and recreational grounds targeted for lighting in Tobago are Signal Hill Recreational Ground, Bloody Bay, Calder Hall, Louis Dor, Mt. Plaisance and Durity Park.

Water & Sewerage

426. Overall investments in water and sewerage infrastructure of \$122.3 million are planned for fiscal year 2009. The Water Sector Modernization Programme will continue to support efforts to meet the urgent and critical demands for an increased and efficient water supply. Works planned for the fiscal year include the design and construction of water treatment plants at Salybia, Matura, Yarra and Louis D'or,

refurbishment of the Courland and Bloody Bay water treatment plant, Tobago, installation of transmission pipelines for Cumuto, Salybia and Matura, upgrade of Tortuga Booster Station, pipeline replacement in Tucker Valley and the design and equipping of wells at Bacolet and Hermitage.

427. The consultancy for the Water and Wastewater Master Plan is expected to be completed by October 2008. In order to ensure that the full objective of the Master Plan is realized, critical components of the project including a WASA GIS Review, stakeholder consultations and technology transfer will be undertaken. The sum of \$29 million is allocated for this project.

428. The sum of \$47 million under the IDF will be utilized to continue works related to the replacement of 35 km of the Navet Trunk Main. Work is expected to resume in fiscal year 2009 following delays experienced in 2008. The project also includes the upgrade of 193km of critical segments of the transmission and distribution networks.

429. Rehabilitation works will continue at the EL Socorro booster pumping station and construction works at French Fort and Calder Hall booster pumping stations in Tobago. Activities aimed at improving the water quality at Daniel Trace Well will be undertaken in addition to the refurbishment of Water Treatment Plants at Caroni, Petrotrin, Techier and Fyzabad.

430. An amount of \$5 million is provided under the Short Term Investment Programme for the installation of 11km of new transmission pipeline which will facilitate the improvement of the level of service to several areas in Oropouche West and Siparia without a pipe borne water supply.

431. A three year programme of work for the desilting and rehabilitation of the Hillsborough Dam in Tobago is scheduled to be implemented by WASA during fiscal year 2009. The project is estimated to cost \$75 million. The sum of \$4.3 million has been provided for the commencement of Phase I of the works.

432. In order to facilitate the supply of potable water to housing developments constructed by the Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (HDC), WASA will be provided with the sum of \$25 million for the projects, including the following:

- installation of pipelines at Bregon Park
- construction of Boosters at Longdenville to improve the supply to residents of Edinburgh South and environs
- upgrade of Boosters at Gordon Street to improve the supply to residents of Fidelis Heights and environs

- drilling of wells at Cleaver Road to provide a source of supply to pipelaying projects being undertaken in the area
- drilling of wells to increase production to the Carlsen Field water supply

433. Other priority pipeline projects will continue in 2009 with an allocation of \$10 million to support increases in water supply, reduction in the number of areas without pipe borne water, improvement in levels of service with the aim of a reduction in interruptions of supply to customers. Areas targeted include the installation of 5km of DI pipeline from Marabella to String Land Booster in Gasparillo.

Transport

434. In continuance of the goal to modernize the transportation sector, the sum of \$240 million has been allocated for investments in air, land and sea transport in fiscal year 2009.

435. The Public Transport Service Corporation (PTSC) has been allocated \$39.5 million for fleet expansion and renewal through the acquisition of approximately 102 buses to respond effectively to increasing commuter demand for safe, reliable, and comfortable public transportation.

436. Improvements in air safety will continue to be pursued by the Airports Authority. An overall sum of \$36 million is budgeted for work to continue on the modification and expansion of terminal facilities at Crown Point International Airport, rehabilitation of the runway and installation of the incinerator. At Piarco, work is scheduled to continue on repairs on the Taxiway, upgrade of the security system to meet specifications of the Airport and National Security, and installation of emergency backup power to the North Terminal.

437. The Highways Division of the Ministry of Works and Transport has been provided with an allocation of \$19.8 million to enhance road safety, with the installation of New Jersey barriers on highway medians, zebra crossings, backup power supplies for signalized intersection and gantry/overhead directional signs on highways.

438. The Maritime Services Division has been allocated \$3.5 million for the upgrading and modernization of navigational aids, construction of a gear repair facility at the Maritime and Fisheries Institute and acquisition of a Buoy Tender Vessel.

439. The Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago will continue implementation of 3 projects with an allocation of \$6.6 million. Provision is made for the acquisition of prefabricated containerized offices to house Caricom Staff and the current occupants to

be relocated from Marine Building. In compliance with the requirements of the ISPSS pavement of a 3m strip and replacement of the perimeter fence will be undertaken at Caricom Wharf.

440. Further upgrades of the Government Shipment Service facilities at Port of Spain and Scarborough will be done to provide increased storage for cargo and vehicles, and restructuring of the Scarborough terminal building to create a larger holding area for passengers.

441. The sum of \$35 million is provided in fiscal year 2009 for commencement of the operation of the Water Taxi Service, between San Fernando and Port of Spain. Four new vessels will be purchased and work will also commence on the design and construction of terminal facilities at Point Fortin, Port of Spain, Chaguanas, Invaders Bay and Pt. Cumana as part of the planned expansion of the Water Taxi Service.

442. The introduction of the Rapid Rail Project (TRRP) will be advanced with and allocation of \$80 million for the implementation of a Design, Build, Operate and Maintain (DBOM) contract for Phase 1, and Programme Management Consultancy services.

Social and Cultural Infrastructure

443. In fiscal 2009, the sum of \$1,104.5 million has been allocated for developing the required infrastructure to facilitate delivery of social and community services as the government will continue to focus on the alleviation and eradication of poverty.

444. An allocation of \$10 million has been made for the implementation of the Community Development Fund (CDF) Programme. The following activities are planned for implementation:

- provision of small grants for one-off activities and seed funding to CBOs and NGOs, for agriculture and aquaculture projects, and skills development
- provision of technical assistance to strengthen and build capacity of organizations (NGOs, CBOs) in various disciplines
- continuation of the National Mentoring programme to provide opportunities for NGOs and CBOs to access technical expertise in project management and organizational development
- continuation infrastructure projects in collaboration with the National Commission for Self-Help

- the Community Enhancement and Regeneration programme (CERP) to be completed in John John, continue at Sea Lots and commence at Train Line, Marabella, Enterprise, Korea Village, Manohar Trace in Barrackpore and Betsy's Hope in Tobago
- institutional strengthening of the CDF Secretariat through training programmes, seminars, conferences to enhance delivery and performance
- development and implementation of the CDF Management Information system and CDF Intranet

445. The Community Development Programme has been allocated a total of \$4.6 million to continue Expansion of the Community-based Micro-Credit System and Telecentres projects and to implement new initiatives in community disaster preparedness, management and response through all the Municipal and Regional Corporations.

446. The overall sum of \$3.2 million has been provided for the Improvement to Community Facilities to facilitate the modernization of the Sangre Grande Civic Centre and refurbishment of Export Centres at Bon Air, Mausica, Tunapuna and demolition and rebuilding of the Maraval Centre.

447. Construction and upgrade of Community Facilities in Trinidad will receive an overall sum of \$95.5 million. The focus will be continuing construction and facilities upgrade as follows:

- completion of new community centres at Beetham Gardens, Maracas, Preysal and Pelican Extension
- commencement of construction of 3 new community centres at La Seiva in Maraval, Morvant and Enterprise

448. Plans are also in train for the commencement of construction of 25 community centres by e-TecK 25 new community centres under the NCSH and modernization and enhancement of 30 existing community centres in areas including Febeau, La Pastora, La Brea, Sobo Viilage, La Lune, also under the NCSH.

449. An allocation of \$13.6 million has been provided to continue the Programme, Construction and Upgrading of Community Facilities in Tobago. Two new projects, construction of community centre at Studley Park and construction of a Pan Theatre at Mason Hall will commence with an allocation of \$0.6 million for site clearance and designs. Other activities will continue as follows:

- site preparation and foundation works at Betsy's Hope, the Women's Federation Headquarters at Signal Hill and the Roxborough multi-purpose Facility
- installation of security lighting, fencing, landscaping, etc. at community centres at Glen Road, Parlatuvier, Mt. Grace, Delaford, Scarborough, Hope, Bloody Bay, Plymouth, Mason Hall, Moriah, Speyside, Castara and Pembroke, and the Orange Hill Art Gallery
- construction of pan theatres at Black Rock and Pembroke
- construction works at Whim and Glamorgan community centres including a computer room, a gazebo, stairway, retaining wall, drainage, and installation of security lights
- construction of Goat Race Facility, race track, VIP pavilion, vendors' booths and bleachers at the Buccoo Integrated Community Development Centre
- completion of phase II works at the Boy Scout Headquarters at Bacolet St. and at Pembroke Heritage Park
- renovations to Belle Garden and Carnbee/Mt. Pleasant community centres; and the Fairfield and Black Rock Complexes

450. The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago will be hosting the Summit of the Americas in fiscal 2009 and has provided an overall \$152.1 million to complete and continue projects under the Restoration of Historic Buildings Programme. IDF resources of \$109 million will facilitate completion of construction of the south link chamber and designs for the Red House Building and restorative works at White Hall, Stollmeyers Castle and Mille Fleur building. A total of \$43.1 million of consolidated funds will facilitate:

- extensive renovations and extension to Knowsley Building with an allocation of \$26 million
- completion of Queen's Royal College with funding of \$9.6 million
- restoration of President's Residence and Cottage
- restorative works at Trinity Cathedral, 1798 Fort Picton – St. David's Tower and Comte de Lopinot's Estate House

451. The Programme, Upgrading of Overseas Missions will receive an allocation of \$23.4 million to continue projects and initiate a new undertaking, refurbishment of Chancery and Residence, Ottawa, Canada. Projects include:

- renovation of the Ambassador's Residence, New York
- refurbishment of the Chancery, Embassy in Washington, D.C. and 8 GORTT-owned properties in Washington
- provision of new residence for the High Commissioner and refurbishment of residence of the First Secretary in Jamaica
- refurbishment of Consul General's Residence, New York and the Chancery and Residence in Caracas

Information & Communication Infrastructure

452. The Government will continue to assist the Trinidad and Tobago Postal Corporation (TTPost) in sustaining a high level of service. For fiscal year 2009, the Postal Sector Reform project has been allocated \$10 million for the continuation of refurbishment of its facilities, including the commencement of the extension of the National Mail Centre at Piarco, to house a modern storage facility for equipment and supplies. In addition, the Airmail Facility at the Piarco International Airport will be upgraded. TTPost will commission a feasibility study into the construction of a bonded warehouse and logistic centre as a possible source of additional revenue for the corporation.

Environment

453. In recognition of the importance of the environment to the health, wealth and wellbeing of the country and its citizens, an initial allocation of \$18.9 million has been provided for the implementation of the 2009 work programme. The goal is to ensure sustainable development by balancing development and conservation needs to create a strong economy and a clean and healthy environment.

454. Of this amount, the EMA has been allocated \$4.3 million to continue its focus on five strategic priority areas of Clean Air, Clean Water, Waste Management, Noise Management and Healthy Ecosystems. The projects to be undertaken in 2009 will include:

- completion of the 2006 and 2007 State of the Environment Reports (SOERs)
- completion of studies by the UWI on the Aripo Savannas Scientific Reserve (ASSR) and the hydrological resources of the Nariva Swamp at a cost of approximately \$1.2 million
- completion of the process of designation of Maracas Beach and Main Ridge in Tobago, as Sensitive Areas
- implementation of the updated management plan for the Aripo Environmentally Sensitive Area and
- design and implementation of education and public awareness programmes

455. The initial sum of \$0.5 million will fund the completion of the Revised Forest and Protected Areas Policies and the Inventory of Chemical and Hazardous Waste, the latter to meet international obligations under the Stockholm and Basel Conventions.

456. Additionally, the sum of \$14.1 million has been allocated for the advancement of the solid waste management programme. Among the most significant activities to be undertaken by SWMCOL will be:

- continuation of the E-Waste Management project focusing on the rental of the warehouse for the storage and dismantling of E-Waste and the development of the workshop
- completion of designs for the Bio-Medical Waste Collection facility in Claxton Bay and the commencement of construction
- remediation of closed landfill sites throughout Trinidad and
- procurement of a tyre shredder, sludge-separation vehicle for waste water collection, and a mobile paper shredder at an estimated total cost of \$13 million

457. The Ministry of Local Government has been allocated the sum of \$0.5 million for the commencement of a consultancy to develop a Solid Waste Management Policy for the cities, boroughs and regional corporations in Trinidad.

Chart 1
Public Sector Investment Programme 2009
by Development Pillar
(TT\$ millions)

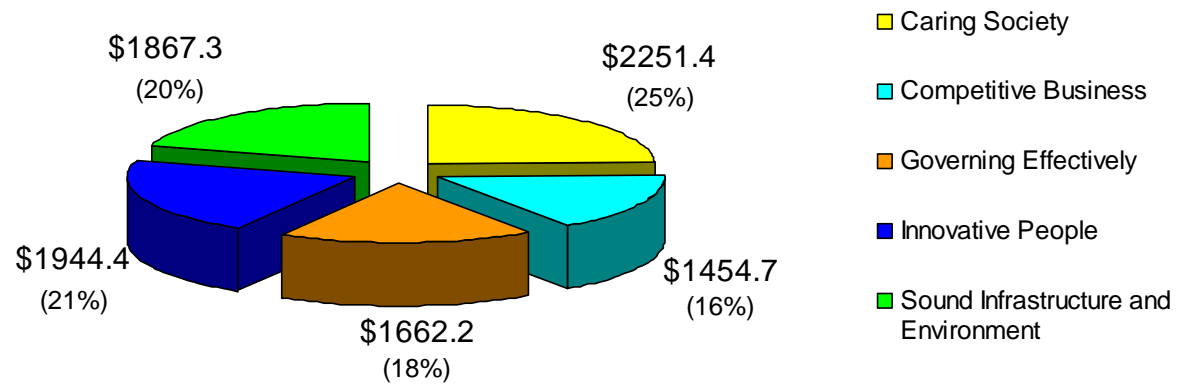


Chart 2
Capital Programme 2009 by Source of Financing
(TT\$ millions)

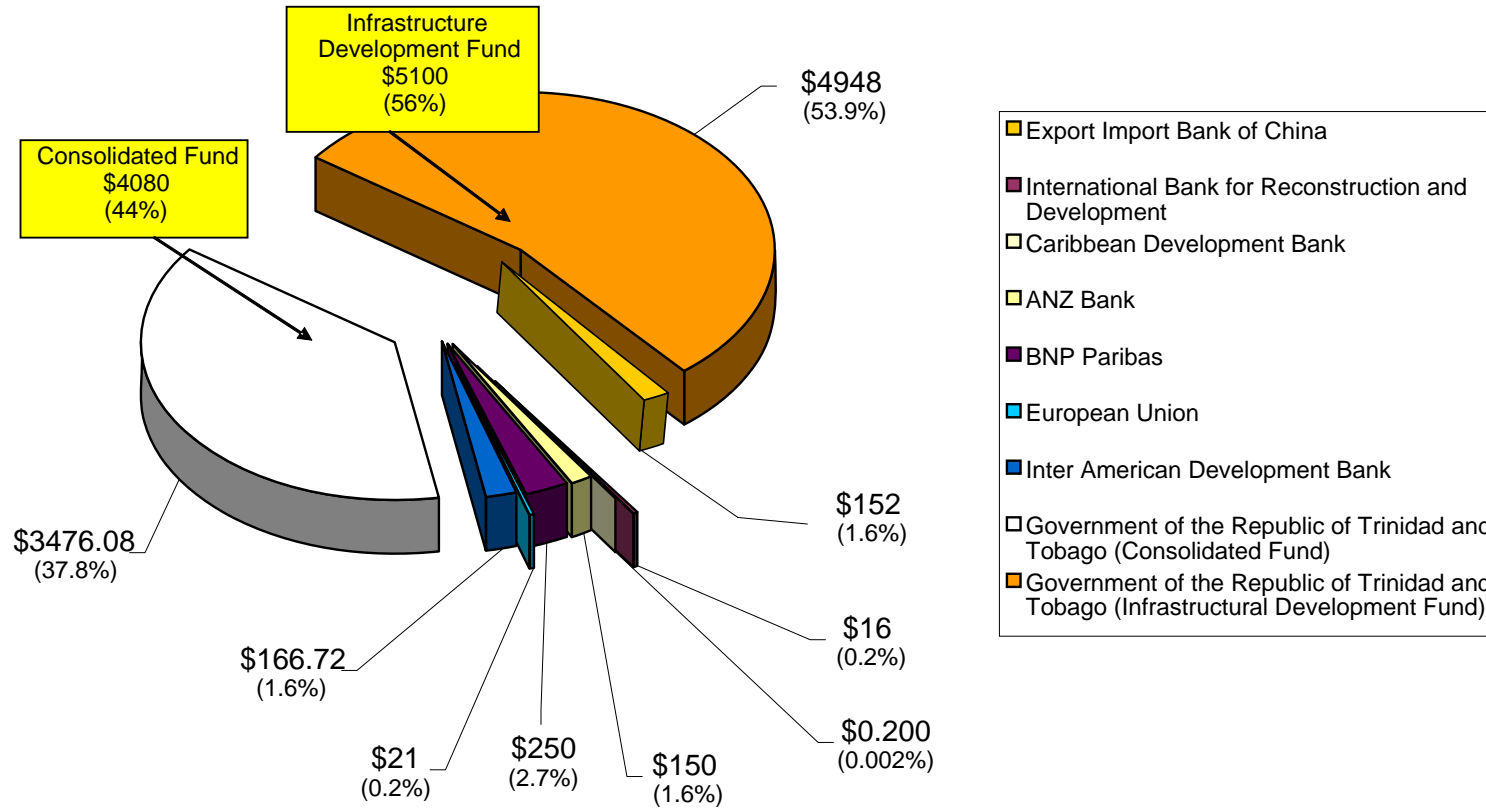
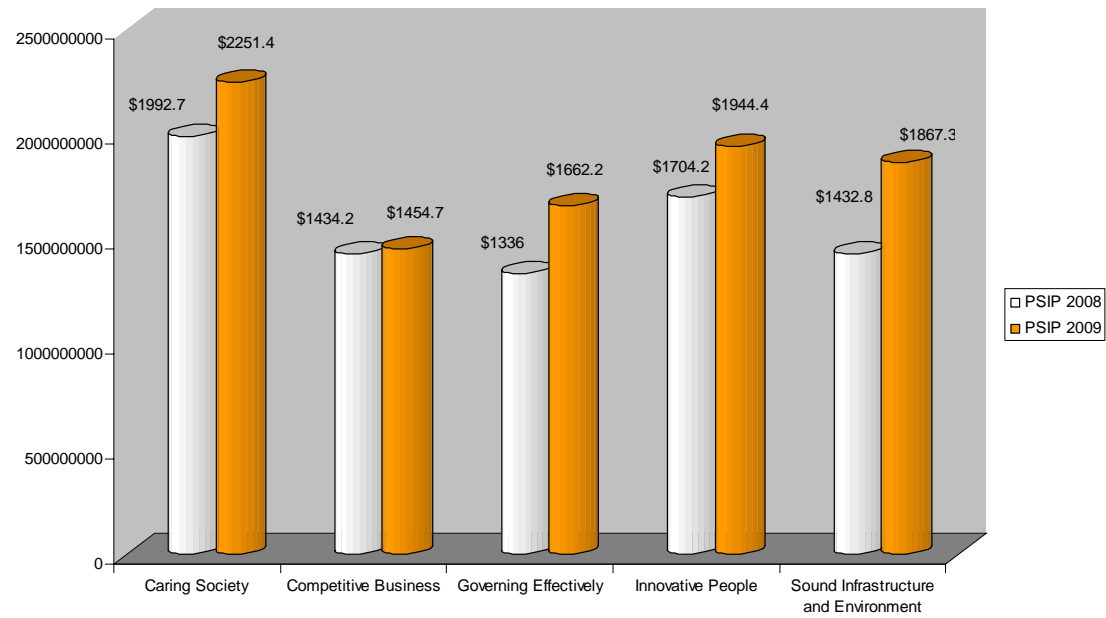


Chart 3
Comparison of Development Pillar Allocations 2008 - 2009
(TT\$ millions)



APPENDIX I
PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME (PSIP) 2008
ALLOCATION BY DEVELOPMENT PILLAR

PILLAR	Total Revised Expenditure	Budgeted Expenditure Consolidated Fund	Revised Expenditure Consolidated Fund	Budgeted Expenditure IDF	Revised Expenditure IDF
CARING SOCIETY	2809.416	979.910	1050.912	1008.000	1758.504
Health	519.027	358.400	429.041	69.000	89.986
HIV/AIDS	62.772	73.200	62.772	0.000	0.000
Housing	1790.162	363.280	370.162	700.000	1420.000
Poverty Alleviation & Social Services	68.702	46.500	38.702	30.000	30.000
Sustainable Communities	108.470	71.315	61.804	20.000	46.666
Youth, Sport & Recreation	260.283	67.215	88.431	189	171.852
COMPETITIVE BUSINESS	1422.878	314.148	274.014	1117.000	1148.864
Agriculture	629.693	143.457	119.693	407.000	510.000
Construction, Upgrade & Rehabilitation of Buildings	7.816	7.500	7.816	0.000	0.000
Energy	558.000	46.900	20.000	450.000	538.000
Industry & Entrepreneurship	155.393	47.006	54.529	255.000	100.864
Macroeconomy & Finance	23.180	26.530	23.180	0.000	0.000
Tourism	48.796	42.755	48.796	5.000	0.000
GOVERNING EFFECTIVELY	2188.450	932.436	1488.742	421.000	699.708
Administration of Justice	32.586	40.670	32.586	14.000	0.000
Governance & Institutional Structures for Development	971.927	592.368	549.983	164.000	421.944
Law Administration & Legal Affairs	2.882	3.000	2.882	0.000	0.000
National Security & Public Safety	856.265	268.028	851.101	55.000	5.164
Regional Development	324.790	28.370	52.190	188.000	272.600
INNOVATIVE PEOPLE	1870.515	820.190	928.771	880.000	941.744
Construction, Upgrade & Rehabilitation of Buildings	69.700	31.100	39.700	50.000	30.000
Culture	274.004	12.400	15.260	255.000	258.744
Pre Primary, Primary & Secondary Education	889.676	340.390	396.676	415.000	493.000
Science, Technology & Innovation	12.141	7.500	12.141	0.000	0.000
Skills Development & Training	72.507	61.200	72.507	0.000	0.000
Tertiary Education	552.487	367.600	392.487	160.000	160.000
SOUND INFRASTRUCTURE	1737.531	853.316	712.031	574.000	1025.500
Construction, Upgrade & Rehabilitation of Buildings	25.109	50.350	25.109	0.000	0.000
Drainage & Irrigation	75.828	84.700	53.328	58.000	22.500
Electricity	115.200	115.200	115.200	0.000	0.000
Environment	13.366	19.526	13.366	0.000	0.000
Information & Communication	24.326	59.300	24.326	0.000	0.000
Roads & Bridges	1081.462	298.350	272.462	342.000	809.000
Transport	262.100	125.900	112.100	130.000	150.000
Water & Sewerage	140.140	99.990	96.140	44.000	44.000
GRAND TOTAL	10028.790	3900.000	4454.470	4000.000	5574.320

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PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME - 2009

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PROJECTS WITH FUNDING FROM MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL EXTERNAL SOURCES	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF PROJECT TT\$ Mn.	YEAR OF COMMENCEMENT	FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS	PROJECTED EXPENDITURE 2009 TT\$ Mn.	GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	LOAN/GRANT DRAWDOWNS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	DETAILS OF ACTIVITY 2009
Caring Society				180.660	142.660	38.000	
Health							
Support for the HIV/AIDS Strategic Plan	162.000	2006	EU Grant- Euro 7.130 Mn	20.000	0.000	20.000	Support to the NACC for the implementation of the National HIV/AIDS Strategic Plan including implementation of initiatives related to Prevention, Treatment, Care and Support and Advocacy.
Health Sector Reform Programme	1,253.165	1991	IDB Grant -US\$5.19 Mn; IDB Loan - US\$134.0 Mn; GORTT- US\$59.725 Mn	160.660	142.660	18.000	Upgrading, construction and refurbishment works at hospitals, health facilities and health centres nationwide; continuation of training of medical personnel and implementation of the National Health Information System.
HIV/AIDS				20.000	4.000	16.000	
HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Project	992.250	2003	IBRD: US\$20.0 Mn; GORTT:US\$5.0 Mn	20.000	4.000	16.000	Continuation of initiatives related to Prevention, Treatment, Care and Support Advocacy, Surveillance and Research and the continued operation of the National AIDS Coordinating Committee.
Housing				49.500	4.500	45.000	
Second Settlements Programme	252.000	2002	IDB Loan -US\$32.0 Mn; GORTT- US\$8.0 Mn	49.500	4.500	45.000	Improvement of existing housing stock; provision of legal title to low-income earners of serviced lots; disbursement of housing subsidies for home improvement, procurement of new homes and for squatters relocated for public purpose; and for strengthening the institutional capacity of the Housing Division.

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PROJECTS WITH FUNDING FROM MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL EXTERNAL SOURCES	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF PROJECT TT\$ Mn.	YEAR OF COMMENCEMENT	FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS	PROJECTED EXPENDITURE 2009 TT\$ Mn.	GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	LOAN/GRANT DRAWDOWNS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	DETAILS OF ACTIVITY 2009
<u>Sustainable Communities</u> Buccoo Integrated Community Development Programme	5.319	2005	CDB Loan - US\$0.506 Mn; GORTT/THA - US\$0.338 Mn	0.500 0.500	0.400 0.400	0.100 0.100	Commencement of feasibility studies for the construction of an integrated facility for goat racing, beach and fishing facilities and recreational jetties at Buccoo.
<u>Competitive Business</u> <u>Macroeconomy & Finance</u> Trade Sector Support Programme	44.730	2003	IDB Loan - US\$5.0 mn GORTT - US\$2.1 MN	6.000 6.000	1.000 1.000	5.000 5.000	Institutional strengthening of the Ministry of Trade and Industry, establishment of an Integrated Information System, provision of specialized technical training, trade assistance programme and continuation of technical studies.
<u>Governing Effectively</u> <u>Governance & Institutional Structures</u> Land Adjudication and Registration Programme	44.093	2006	IDB Loan - US\$5.6 Mn GORTT - US\$1.4 Mn. (To be arranged)	12.000 0.700	1.430 0.230	10.570 0.470	Establishment of the Project Implementation and Monitoring Unit to facilitate the Land Adjudication and Registration Programme.
Institutional Strengthening Programme of the THA	1.700	2005	CDB Loan - US\$0.600 Mn; GORTT/THA - US\$0.258 Mn	0.300	0.200	0.100	Commencement of consultancies to improve the project cycle management framework, facilitate the establishment of a Treasury Management Unit to manage financial affairs; and enhance operational and institutional capabilities in the areas of procurement and contract negotiations.

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PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME - 2009

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PROJECTS WITH FUNDING FROM MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL EXTERNAL SOURCES	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF PROJECT TT\$ Mn.	YEAR OF COMMENCEMENT	FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS	PROJECTED EXPENDITURE 2009 TT\$ Mn.	GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	LOAN/GRANT DRAWDOWNS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	DETAILS OF ACTIVITY 2009
Public Sector Reform Initiation Programme	39.060	2003	IDB - US\$5 Mn. GORTT- US\$1.2 Mn.	10.000	1.000	9.000	Continuation of financial and technical assistance geared towards the preparation and commencement of implementation of a national public sector transformation programme; and development of capacity to steer the reform process.
Institutional Strengthening of the Ministry of Planning and Development - Technical Co-operation Facility	1.000	1996	EU Grant - Euro 0.544 Mn	1.000	0.000	1.000	Provision of technical assistance for short and medium term studies, conferences, seminars and staff training to support the formulation and implementation of EDF funded projects.
<u>National Security & Public Safety</u> Acquisition of Patrol Vessels	2,600.000	2008	BNP PARIBAS - GBP 160.8 Mn, US \$28.4 Mn, ANZ Bank- AU 75.3 Mn, GORTT- \$143.9 Mn	445.000 440.000	41.500 40.000	403.500 400.000	Acquisition of 3 Offshore Patrol Vessels, 6 Fast Patrol Crafts and provision of logistic support.
Citizen Security Programme	126.000	2005	IDB - US\$ 24.5 Mn; GORTT - \$US\$10.5 Mn PPF - US\$0.75Mn	5.000	1.500	3.500	Institutional strengthening of the Ministry of National Security and co-ordination and implementation of community-based proactive and restorative strategies including public education and media engagement.

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PROJECTS WITH FUNDING FROM MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL EXTERNAL SOURCES	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF PROJECT TT\$ Mn.	YEAR OF COMMENCEMENT	FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS	PROJECTED EXPENDITURE 2009 TT\$ Mn.	GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	LOAN/GRANT DRAWDOWNS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	DETAILS OF ACTIVITY 2009
Innovative People <u>Pre Primary, Primary & Secondary Ed</u> Secondary Education Modernisation Programme	31.750	1998	IDB Loan - US\$105.0 Mn; GORTT - US\$45.0 Mn	31.750	4.000	27.750	Continuation of projects/programmes in the areas of curriculum development, teaching and learning strategies (including the textbook rental programme), testing and assessment, professional development and institutional strengthening; development of the Seamless Education System Programme.
Sound Infrastructure & Environment <u>Roads & Bridges</u> National Highway Programme	1,935.549	1996	IDB Loan - US\$120.0 Mn; JSFGrant - US\$0.68 Mn; IDB Grant - US\$0.15 Mn; GORTT - US\$ 186.4 Mn	218.840	168.840	50.000	Continuation of roads and bridges rehabilitation; completion of feasibility studies and designs for new trunk roads.
<u>Transport</u> E-Government and Knowledge Brokering Programme	220.500	2008	IDB Loan US\$28.0mn; GORTT US\$7.0mn	10.000	2.000	8.000	Development and implementation of e-government solutions through the transfer of knowledge (knowledge brokering).
Total for Tranche				974.250	370.330	603.920	

TRANCHE II

PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME - 2009

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PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES IN THE COURSE OF IMPLEMENTATION AND/OR ENTAILING FIRM COMMITMENTS	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF PROJECT TT\$ Mn.	YEAR OF COMMENCEMENT	FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS	PROJECTED EXPENDITURE 2009 TT\$ Mn.	GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	LOAN/GRANT DRAWDOWNS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	DETAILS OF ACTIVITY 2009
Caring Society							
Housing				140.000	140.000	0.000	
Community Facilities on Housing Estates	100.000	Annual	General Revenue	39.500	39.500	0.000	Continuation of construction works at the La Horquetta and Bon Air Multi Purpose Complexes; remedial infrastructural works at government-owned housing settlements and general refurbishment of apartment complexes in Port of Spain and surrounding areas.
HDC Settlement Programme	200.000	1987	General Revenue	50.000	50.000	0.000	Continuation of the housing grants programme for low income earners; ongoing construction works; acquisition of additional state lands; and continuation of Emergency Shelter Relief Programmes.
Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Committee, Housing Development Programme	20.000	Annual	General Revenue	10.500	10.500	0.000	Completion of infrastructure works including roads, drainage, water, sewerage and electricity at the Tarouba Central, Cedar Hill, La Fortune Housing Developments and Frederick Settlement, Caroni; and construction of a sewage treatment plant at Brothers Garth.
Accelerated High Density Housing Programme	131.000	2002	General Revenue	40.000	40.000	0.000	Continuation of infrastructure works for urban renewal and development of South East POS, Clifton Hill, Malick and Observatory St., Belmont.

TRANCHE II

PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME - 2009

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PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES IN THE COURSE OF IMPLEMENTATION AND/OR ENTAILING FIRM COMMITMENTS	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF PROJECT TT\$ Mn.	YEAR OF COMMENCEMENT	FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS	PROJECTED EXPENDITURE 2009 TT\$ Mn.	GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	LOAN/GRANT DRAWDOWNS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	DETAILS OF ACTIVITY 2009
Sustainable Communities				10.000	10.000	0.000	
Community Development Fund Programme	14.000	Annual	General Revenue	10.000	10.000	0.000	Continuation of the Community Enhancement and Regeneration Programme; assistance to the Basket of Funding initiative; and implementation of infrastructure projects for poverty alleviation.
Competitive Business				36.200	36.200	0.000	
Agriculture							
Upgrade of Fishing Facilities, Trinidad	9.750	Annual	General Revenue	4.500	4.500	0.000	Upgrade of infrastructure at the Las Cuevas, Port of Spain and Orange Valley Fishing Facilities.
Fisheries Development Programme, Tobago	6.700	Annual	General Revenue	6.700	6.700	0.000	Upgrading of beach and landing facilities in Tobago along with fishing centres at Delaford, Pigeon Point and Belle Garden according to HACCP standards including improvements to reefs at Buccoo and Speyside and the establishment of the Buccoo Reef Management and Ecological Monitoring Unit.
Water Management and Flood Control Programme	35.000	Annual	General Revenue	25.000	25.000	0.000	Continuation of water management infrastructural works at Plum Mitan, Kernahan, Poodai Lagoon, Moruga and R.E. Road, Fishing Pond, Guayaguayare, Platinite, Cunjal, WITCO Lands and Macoya.

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Macroeconomy & Finance				16.800	16.800	0.000	
Household and Population Census	24.600	1999	General Revenue	13.800	13.800	0.000	Continuation of Restratification of the Sampling Frame and Revision of the Food Crop Survey; Enumeration Strategy for Special Listing and Redrawing/Delineation and commencement of Population and Housing Census by the Central Statistical Office.
Investment Sector Reform Programme	3.000	Annual	General Revenue	3.000	3.000	0.000	Outfitting and installation of a Records Management System for the Securities and Exchange Commission; modernization and computerization of the Companies Registry and Land Registry.
Governing Effectively							
Administration of Justice				18.000	18.000	0.000	
Establishment of a Family Court	235.266	2003	General Revenue	18.000	18.000	0.000	Acquisition of the NIB Building to facilitate expansion of the Family Court Programme.
Governance & Institutional Structures				13.000	13.000	0.000	
Implementation of the National Strategic Development Plan - Vision 2020	1.000	2004	General Revenue	1.000	1.000	0.000	Continued monitoring of the implementation of the Operational Plan by the Project Management Office of the Ministry of Planning Housing and the Environment.

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Implementation of a New Payroll System for the Public Service	26.000	2001	General Revenue	1.000	1.000	0.000	Roll out of a new Payroll Application to Ministries and Departments.
Review of the Classification and Compensation System in the Civil Service and Statutory Authorities	6.000	2000	General Revenue	6.000	6.000	0.000	Completion of the Diagnostic Study that will eventually inform the development of the updated Classification and Compensation System.
National Surveys	7.000	Annual	General Revenue	5.000	5.000	0.000	Conduct and analysis of the Household Budgetary Survey.
<u>National Security & Public Safety</u>				64.200	64.200	0.000	
Construction of Police Stations	14.000	Annual	General Revenue	1.000	1.000	0.000	Purchase of Equipment for Digital Map upgrade/GIS implementation; and establishment of a Transit Police Unit.
Improvement to Defence Force Facilities	10.500	Annual	General Revenue	4.500	4.500	0.000	Continuation of upgrading of Facilities at Camp Omega; commencement of improvement works for Defence Force at Granwood ; resurfacing of carriageway at Teteron; purchase of vehicles and equipment for Engineering Corps; and refurbishment works to Regiment Headquarters.

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Equipping of Coast Guard	1,104.700	Annual	General Revenue	58.700	58.700	0.000	Procurement of six (6) interceptor vessels and launches; purchase of vehicles and equipment; purchase of a Marine Travel Lift; procurement of furniture and furnishings; refurbishment of the C26 Aircraft; and establishment of Marine Ship Safety and Port Facility Unit.
Regional Development				17.400	17.400	0.000	
Urban Redevelopment Programme	17.400	1996	General Revenue	17.400	17.400	0.000	The development and implementation of Local Area and Regional Development Plans; development of a Municipal Social and Physical Infrastructure Database with Geographic Information System capacity; development of a policy on local infrastructure, management, operations and access by users.
Innovative People							
Tertiary Education				139.000	139.000	0.000	
Scholarship and Advanced Training Programme	139.000	Annual	General Revenue	139.000	139.000	0.000	Continuation of the national scholarship awards programme based on Advanced Level Examination results; and continuation of the Annual Scholarship and Technical Assistance Programme to continue the development of the human capital of the country.
Sound Infrastructure & Environment							
Information & Communication Infrastr				12.000	12.000	0.000	
Postal Sector Reform Project	12.000	1998	General Revenue	12.000	12.000	0.000	Conduct of Equipment and System Upgrades in the areas of Processing, Courier Services, Retail Network, Communication and Information Technology.

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Transport				15.600	15.600	0.000	
Upgrading & Modernization of Navigational Aids	5.800	1995	General Revenue	0.500	0.500	0.000	Continuation of refurbishment of three major beacons at Galeota Point, Galeota; La Lune Point, Moruga; Chupara Point, Las Cuevas; replacement of navigational aid structure at Teteron Rock, Chaguaramas; and upgrade of lighthouse lanterns at Fort George, Tobago and Galeota Point, Toco.
Construction of Jetties, Tobago	8.200	1994	General Revenue	7.500	7.500	0.000	Continuation of refurbishment of landing jetties at Scarborough, Studley Park and Charlotteville.
Development of Marine Industry Infrastructure	218.000	1999	General Revenue	7.600	7.600	0.000	Continuation of construction of a gear repair facility at the Maritime and Fisheries Institute of Trinidad and Tobago; continued implementation of International Ship and Port Facility Security code and upgrade of Government Shipping Facilities at the port of Port of Spain.
Total for Tranche				482.200	482.200	0.000	

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Caring Society						
Health				212.940	212.940	
Medical Facilities Upgrading Programme, Tobago	20.000	Annual	General Revenue	15.500	15.500	Procurement and installation of medical equipment at the Hospital and establishment of an integrated data network to link health facilities.
Establishment of National Oncology Programme/Centre	143.090	2002	General Revenue	30.000	30.000	Continuation of construction of the National Oncology Centre.
Special Programmes for Chronic Diseases	159.000	2001	General Revenue	111.000	111.000	Continuation of treatment programmes for Renal Dialysis, Adult Cardiac Disease, and other Chronic Diseases; the continuation of Tissue Transplants and reduction of waiting list for surgeries.
Infrastructure Improvements at Regional Health Authorities	50.000	Annual	General Revenue	35.340	35.340	Purchase of equipment for major hospitals in all four Regional Health Authorities in Trinidad.

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Public Health Facilities, Tobago	20.000	Annual	General Revenue	17.100	17.100	Upgrading of Waste Facility at Studley Park: expansion of Primary Health Care and continuation of other priority areas.
Community Medicine Programme	31.222	2006	General Revenue	4.000	4.000	Purchase of additional Mobile Units for the Regional Health Authorities.
HIV/AIDS Implementation of HIV/AIDS Programmes	500.000	2003	General Revenue	18.665	18.665	Purchase of Anti-Retro Viral (ARV) Drugs for use in the treatment of HIV/AIDS patients.
Housing Construction of Public Buildings, Trinidad	4.350	Annual	General Revenue	4.350	4.350	Construction of Head Office, Ministry of Planning, Housing and Environment and HDC; construction of Ministry of Works and Transport South Regional Head Office, San Fernando and Furniture Branch at Laventille.
Housing and Settlements Expansion Programme, Tobago	75.000	Annual	General Revenue	55.515	55.515	Reimbursement to HDC for construction of houses at Castara, Roxborough and Blenheim; infrastructure development works at Adventure, Belle Garden, Speyside, Signal Hill and Windward Tobago; consultancy services for Charlotteville Expansion, Courland Estate, Adelphi, Mt. Irvine and Shirvan Road; and disbursement of Home Improvement Grants and Subsidies.

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<u>Institutional Structures for Developm</u>				4.300	4.300	
Institutional Strengthening of Ministries and Departments	4.300	2006	General Revenue	4.300	4.300	Institutional Strengthening of the Ministries of Works and Transport ,Sports and Youth Affairs, Labour and Small and Micro Enterprises Development, the Attorney General and Planning, Housing and the Environment.
<u>Poverty Alleviation & Social Services</u>				59.600	59.600	
Establishment of Facilities for the Socially Displaced	40.000	Annual	General Revenue	35.200	35.200	Upgrade works for the Remand Home for Male Offenders, St. Michael's School for Boys, St. Dominic's Home and Josephine Shaw House for Women and construction of a Remand Home for Female Offenders, Halfway House for Ex-prisoners and Social Displacement Centres at Aripo, Port of Spain and Piparo.
Social Services Programme, Tobago	5.500	Annual	General Revenue	4.100	4.100	Establishment of probation hostels; provision of home care services for the elderly under the Golden Apple/Adolescents Partnership Programme and establishment of four Senior Citizen Centres; training in technical skills and provision of education for Adolescent Mothers; provision of training and assistance to micro-enterprise entrepreneurs and the unemployed and provision of assistance to ex-prisoners.
Social Services Programmes, Trinidad	57.550	2006	General Revenue	20.300	20.300	Continuation of the previously funded EU Poverty Alleviation Programme, Community Outreach and Scholarship Programmes; establishment of a Children's Authority.

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Sustainable Communities				70.363	70.363	
Consultancy Services	5.000	2005	General Revenue	3.500	3.500	Commencement of procurement of a feasibility study for the Penal Debe Region.
Development of Recreational Facilities	25.520	Annual	General Revenue	21.563	21.563	Continuation of improvement works on recreational facilities throughout Trinidad by Local Government Authorities; commencement of development of a Policy and Programme of Action; and upgrade works to the Botanic Gardens and Queen's Park Savannah.
Construction and Upgrading of Community Facilities, Tobago	15.400	Annual	General Revenue	13.600	13.600	Continuation of improvement works on community centres including Scarborough, Belle Garden, and Speyside; and construction works on community centres including Hope, Glamorgan, Jubilee Park, Parlatuvier and Studley Park; and construction of Pan Theatre at Mason Hall.
Construction and Upgrade of Community Facilities	2.000	Annual	General Revenue	0.500	0.500	Relocation of the Community Education Training, Information and Resource Centre.
Public Baths	2.400	2005	General Revenue	0.900	0.900	Continuation of development of a National Policy and Programme of Action with regard to Public Conveniences by Local Government authorities.

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Cultural Programmes and Facilities, Tobago	12.350	2002	General Revenue	7.000	7.000	Completion of design works and site preparation for the construction of a Tobago Heritage Village, Performing Arts Centre and School for the Performing Arts; extension of the Art Gallery and Screw Pine Workshop at Orange Hill and refurbishment of historical homes.
Improvement to Community Facilities, Trinidad	6.395	2005	General Revenue	3.200	3.200	Improvement of Export Centres and Civic Centres and Complexes in communities throughout the country.
Public Health Facilities, Trinidad	20.000	Annual	General Revenue	15.500	15.500	Procurement of heavy equipment and vehicles by local government authorities for waste collection and disposal.
Community Development Programme	200.000	Annual	General Revenue	4.600	4.600	Establishment of Multipurpose Telecentres in municipal regions of Rio Claro/Mayaro, Tunapuna/Piarco, Sangre Grande and Diego Martin; and continuation of the Micro Credit Enterprise lending programmes; and initiation of community disaster preparedness projects in Municipal and Regional Corporations.
Youth, Sport & Recreation				57.000	57.000	
Construction/Upgrade of Sport and Youth Facilities, Tobago	25.000	Annual	General Revenue	22.000	22.000	Continuation of construction of Shaw Park Regional Ground and Cultural Complex; upgrade of Roxborough Sport and Cultural Complex as well as hard courts and recreation grounds; construction of Community Swimming Pools; establishment of a Youth Empowerment Centre at Betsy's Hope; expansion of the Apprenticeship Service Programme; continuation of the Mobile Youth Health Centre project and expansion of the Mardon House Youth Development Centre.

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Construction/Upgrade of Sport and Youth Facilities, Trinidad	22.770	Annual	General Revenue	18.000	18.000	Refurbishment of Youth Development and Apprenticeship Centres and Youth Training Facilities; and upgrade works to the Jean Pierre Complex and Hasely Crawford Stadium, Hard Surface Court Programme, Indoor Sporting Facilities and Swimming Pools.
Youth Programme, Trinidad	100.000	2003	General Revenue	17.000	17.000	Conduct of Youth Needs Assessments in 4 communities under the Save the Youth in Marginalized Communities project and Youth Health Caravans and under the Youth Health Programme; operational costs of the Project Implementation Unit and implementation of 5 programmes; Establishment of a Youth Council and commencement of the Youth RISE Project.
Competitive Business						
<u>Agriculture</u>				114.000	114.000	
Land Administration Programme	10.000	1999	General Revenue	8.100	8.100	Continuation of the preservation, restoration and storage activities for cadastral land records and development of electronic protection devices for map products of the Lands and Surveys Division.
Cocoa Rehabilitation Programme (Phase I)	4.000	2003	General Revenue	1.500	1.500	Completion of construction of Cocoa Processing Unit, refurbishment of propagation facilities and construction of solar drying unit.

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Agriculture, Fishing and Forestry Development Programme, Trinidad	123.000	2006	General Revenues	25.000	25.000	The upgrade of approximately 29.82 km of agriculture access roads in Trinidad, aimed at boosting agricultural production.
Agricultural Youth Apprenticeship Programme	9.000	2003	General Revenue	4.200	4.200	Training of 17 - 25 year-old trainees in agri-business and continuation of the Grow Box Project.
Research and Development Programme	15.800	Annual	General Revenue	14.100	14.100	Continuation of programme of livestock improvement and research at Sugarcane Feeds Centre; enhancement of artificial breeding service capabilities; management and control of infectious diseases; facilities upgrade including the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory and integrated pest management strategies and expansion of the Sanitary, Phytosanitary and Food Safety Capabilities of Trinidad & Tobago and strategies for the management of Avian Influenza; and refurbishment of irrigation facilities at La Reunion.
Agricultural Land Development, Trinidad	9.500	Annual	General Revenue	8.100	8.100	Establishment of agricultural settlements; Continuation of survey and subdivision of state lands, a national agricultural land information system and inventory of state lands; and the development of sustainable management of agricultural water-on farm irrigation.
Fisheries Development Programme, Trinidad	3.000	Annual	General Revenue	1.700	1.700	Continuation of the Trinidad and Tobago Marine Fisheries Research Project; Community-based Aquaculture programmes; research on the inshore/coastal fisheries; and the reconstruction of the Slipway at the Caribbean Fisheries, Training and Development Industries.

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Forestry Development Programme	19.223	Annual	General Revenue	18.600	18.600	Continuation of forestry regeneration in all conservancies; reforestation of the Northern Range; production of pine seedlings & teak nursery; continuation of community-based Forestry & Agro-forestry Programme and community empowerment; wetlands management project; national parks and watershed management; improvement of forest fire protection capability; rehabilitation of access roads; and development of Caura River Facilities.
Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry Development Programme, Tobago	35.484	Annual	General Revenue	32.700	32.700	Establishment of an agricultural land information system; continuation of sub-division of estates; improvement of Roxborough Market; development of training centre at Goldsborough; continuation of Crops & Livestock Research ; construction of a Marine Research Centre in Tobago; and a jetty at Roxborough.
Construction, Upgrade & Rehabilitation				7.200	7.200	
Rehabilitation of Public Buildings, Trinidad and Tobago	7.500	Annual	General Revenue	7.200	7.200	Continuation of refurbishment to East Side Plaza top floors including construction of new booths; renovation to New City Mall including roof works; refurbishment of the Business Development Company Offices including structural works and construction of a car park at TTBS.
Energy				30.000	30.000	
NPMC Infrastructure Upgrade Programme	46.900	2006	General Revenue	30.000	30.000	Upgrading of Service Stations; construction of new service stations; remediation and tank replacement; storage of white oils.

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Industry & Entrepreneurship				45.900	45.900	
Development of Small Business Sector, Tobago	10.000	2002	General Revenue	10.000	10.000	Continuation with CARIRI to promote and render assistance to the private small and medium enterprises engaged in industrial and other business activity in Agriculture, Pre-school, Fishing, Computer Services, Restaurants, Furniture Manufacturing, Transportation Services, and Retail (mini marts); provision of assistance for the development of entrepreneurs in Tobago.
Development of Standards	0.306	1999	General Revenue	0.200	0.200	Continuation of testing and rating of selected consumer products and services for electrical bulbs, Architectural Paint and Corned Beef for dissemination to stakeholders.
Accreditation of Laboratories	0.400	2003	General Revenue	0.300	0.300	Training of Accreditation Body and National Experts and assessment of laboratories.
CARICOM Trade Support Programme	33.000	2004	General Revenue	6.000	6.000	Provision of Technical Assistance and Capital loan funding to be disbursed to qualified large, medium and small firms of Caricom Member States.
Non-Petroleum Sector Development	18.621	2005	General Revenue	4.000	4.000	Updating of legislation, creating and updating institutional structure, development of business plans and building awareness for the new industry sectors - Maritime, Yachting, Printing and Packaging.

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Upgrading and Equipping of TTBS Laboratories	5.200	Annual	General Revenue	2.400	2.400	Training activities and procurement of equipment and materials for the TTBS.
Training for Industrial Development	6.000	Annual	General Revenue	5.000	5.000	Continuation of the programme of industrial training at Metal Industries Company (MIC).
Refurbishment of CARIRI	12.000	Annual	General Revenue	8.000	8.000	Continuation of improvement of existing infrastructure and purchase of equipment for laboratories in the following areas: Environment, Chemistry, Petroleum, Industrial Material, Calibration, Bio-Technology Unit, and Computer System Upgrade.
Bilingualism Development Programme	5.000	2004	General Revenue	2.000	2.000	Continuation of provision of bilingual street signage; promotional and educational activities via the media and the hosting of competitions; initiation of creation of Spanish village/immersion environment; grant of scholarships to primary, secondary and tertiary level students. Conduct of Spanish Classes at various levels in all Ministries and Departments and private companies.
Development of Industry	105.200	2006	General Revenue	8.000	8.000	Support to the T & T Film Co. for the hosting of film festivals; conduct of training workshops; film scholarships and production assistance. Sourcing and analysis of potential new businesses.

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<u>Institutional Structures for Developm</u>				5.300	5.300	
Institutional Strengthening of Ministries and Departments	5.300	2006	GORTT	5.300	5.300	Strengthening of the Ministry of Agriculture Land and Marine Resources and the Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development to effectively perform their functions.
<u>Macroeconomy & Finance</u>				13.900	13.900	
Support to Industrial Development Initiatives	8.000	Annual	General Revenue	6.700	6.700	Continuation of training and conduct of seminars; participation in international trade fairs; production of cultural shows ; provision for training in quality control and assurance; developing market intelligence capability for the Food and Beverage Industry. Consultation on the Fish and Fish Processing Industry and building capacity among industry stakeholders.
Trade Promotion Programme	1.500	Annual	General Revenue	1.500	1.500	Continuation of international market development t; development of Trade Promotional Materials; training in export marketing and development of a Trade Information Facility.
Development of Small Businesses Programme	2.200	2003	General Revenue	1.700	1.700	Continuation of trade assistance projects for development of small businesses. Sectors include: Food and Beverage ,Printing and Packaging, Construction Leisure marine, Merchant Marine, Information and Communication Technology (ICT), Music and Entertainment, Services . Continuation of a fairshare programme to assist small entrepreneurs.
Investment Promotion Programme	4.000	Annual	General Revenue	4.000	4.000	Continuation of country promotion internationally; provision of promotional materials; market intelligence gathering.

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<p><u>Tourism</u></p> <p>Chaguaramas Area Development</p>	25.000	Annual	General Revenue	56.700 17.300	56.700 17.300	Upgrading of vehicle and equipment; rehabilitation of the Peninsula's forest reserves; improvement works to Chagville and Macqueripe Beach facilities; improvement of Chaguaramas Golf Course; improvement of nature trails/signage/parks; renovations to the Chaguaramas Hotel and Convention Centre; installation of surveillance system in the Chaguaramas Peninsula and establishment of farms at Tucker Valley.
Tourism Development Programme	40.000	Annual	General Revenue	17.350	17.350	Continuation of tourism development support programmes and additional support projects by TDC, strategic planning for the tourism sector, institutional strengthening; development of facilities, sites and attractions at popular tourist destinations; and implementation of Local Government Tourism Programme and the Turtle Village Awareness Programme.
Improvement in Basic Tourism Infrastructure, Tobago	20.050	Annual	General Revenue	17.050	17.050	Continuation of community awareness programmes, rehabilitation of the TTHTI campus; upgrade of Fort King George Heritage Park, Storebay and Mount Irvine Beach Facilities; provision of assistance to traumatized visitors; restoration of historical sites; preparation of regulatory and legal framework; provision of a playground at Fort Granby Beach facility, construction of facilities at King's Bay, and a Lookout and Visitor centre at Speyside; and infrastructural repairs to Milford Road Explanade.
Tourism Action Programme	8.300	Annual	General Revenue	5.000	5.000	Improvement works at Maracas, Manzanilla, Las Cuevas and Vessigny Beach Facilities; provision of signage at various sites and attractions; and refurbishment of Museum/Info Centre at La Brea Pitch Lake.

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Governing Effectively						
<u>Administration of Justice</u>				28.210	28.210	
Construction of Court Facilities	90.300	2006	General Revenues	5.510	5.510	Commencement of construction of Magistrates' courts in Arima and Sangre Grande and the provision of accommodation for the Special Criminal Court, the Anti-Corruption Bureau and the Environmental Commission.
Improvement/Refurbishment to Court Facilities	25.000	Annual	General Revenue	22.700	22.700	Rehabilitation of both Halls of Justice, installation of security systems, refurbishment of Magistrates' Courts, provision of accommodation for the existing Arima Magistrates' Court and expansion of the Rio Claro Magistrates' Court, establishment of a Law Museum and the Equal Opportunities Commission and Tribunal.
<u>Governance & Institutional Structures</u>				538.564	538.564	
Institutional Strengthening of Public Sector Administrative Services	22.885	Annual	General Revenue	22.885	22.885	Commencement of consultancy to establish Employee Assistance Programmes in the Public Service; continuation of the establishment of Occupational Safety and Health Authority and Water Resources Management Authority; strengthening of records management in the Judiciary; implementation of the Dangerous Dogs Act 2000 and Freedom of Information Act 2001 by Municipal Corporations.
Improvement/Refurbishment of Public Buildings, Tobago	3.710	Annual	General Revenue	3.500	3.500	Establishment of an office for the Prime Minister in Tobago; acquisition of Educational Administrative Complex and refurbishment of Windward Meeting and Conference Centre.

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Construction of Public Buildings, Trinidad	6.000	Annual	General Revenue	2.100	2.100	Preparation of final designs and purchase of standby generator for the Forensic Science Centre DNA LAB; Customisation of Official Residence of the Chief Justice; preparation of designs for Transport Depot, Princes Town and a Central Licensing Division in Chaguanas; and construction of Customs Facilities at Hart's Cut.
Upgrading of Overseas Missions	43.285	2001	General Revenue	23.500	23.500	Refurbishment of Ambassador's Residence, United Nations; Chancery and 8 GORTT-owned properties in Washington, Consul General's residence, NY, Chanceries and residences in Caracas and Ottawa, Canada; provision of new residence for High Commissioner, Jamaica and refurbishment of residence of First Secretary, Jamaica.
Institutional Strengthening of the Ministry of National Security	47.500	Annual	General Revenue	7.500	7.500	Continuation of projects that support institutional strengthening of the Ministry of National Security and Acquisition of Closed Circuit Television System.
Establishment of a Population Statistical Database	8.000	1997	General Revenue	5.000	5.000	Establishment of an electronic register of the entire population.
Construction of Public Buildings, Tobago	47.132	Annual	General Revenue	16.595	16.595	Continuation of construction of Scarborough Financial Complex and vendors mall, Education Head Office; completion of upgrades at the Licensing Main Office, Works Main Office and the District Office at Moriah, construction of Settlements Head Office, restoration of Old Administrative Building, construction of Prime Minister's Residence, Tobago Emergency Operation Centre and Botanic Station Administrative Block.

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Purchase of Vehicles and Equipment, Trinidad	27.555	Annual	General Revenue	10.400	10.400	Continuation of Procurement of Critical Heavy Equipment for Emergency Response and Flood Relief and Emergency Response Vehicles for Ministry of Works and replacement of MOW old equipment.
Restoration of Historic Buildings III	45.000	1998	General Revenue	26.500	26.500	Restoration works to Count de Lopinot Estate House and extension of Knowsley Building.
Institutional Strengthening of Ministries and Departments	37.700	Annual	General Revenue	37.700	37.700	Continuation of training and capacity building activities in Ministries/Departments including Service Commissions, Personnel Development, Planning, Housing and the Environment, Public Administration, Tourism, Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development, Local Government and Science, Technology and Tertiary Education; and Operationalisation of the Programme Management Office.
Acquisition of Sites for the Construction of Public Facilities	40.000	Annual	General Revenue	25.000	25.000	Acquisition of Sites to facilitate the construction of Public Facilities.
Institutional Strengthening of the Protective Services	18.950	Annual	General Revenue	18.950	18.950	Continuation of projects that support institutional strengthening of Protective Services.

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Computerisation Programme, Tobago	2.400	Annual	General Revenue	2.400	2.400	Establishment of a geographic information system platform; networking of various Divisions of the Tobago House of Assembly; purchase of computer hardware and software.
Rehabilitation of Public Buildings, Trinidad	100.000	Annual	General Revenue	57.914	57.914	Continuation of the renovation and refurbishment of public buildings including Trinidad House, Treasury Building, District Revenue Offices, Finance Building, North and South Forestry Offices, Works offices, PTSC Compound, Licensing Office, San Fernando and King's Wharf building; Customisation of Accommodation for Tax Appeal Board, Upgrade of Physical Amenities of Red House, renovation of Second Floor of E.F. 'Telly' Paul Building to accommodate the Environmental Commission.
Public Sector Reform Computerisation	270.520	Annual	General Revenue	270.520	270.520	Continuation of computerization projects throughout the public sector in Trinidad; automation of passports; upgrade of ASCUYDA software by the Customs and Excise Division; introduction of the Electronic Voter Registration and Election Management System, and computerization of the Police Service, the Judiciary and the Inland Revenue Department; and outfitting of the Tax Appeal Board.
Planning and Pre-Investment Studies, Trinidad and Tobago	10.000	Annual	General Revenue	8.100	8.100	Preparation of National Pre-Investment Support Programme; planning studies and land use surveys; National Survey of Youth Activity; physical planning studies and designs; establishment of a National Land/Geographic Information System.
<p><u>Law Administration & Legal Affairs</u></p> <p>Revision and Printing of the Laws of Trinidad and Tobago</p>	26.000	2000	General Revenue	1.500	1.500	Completion of update of Laws to December 31, 2007 and storage and warehousing of document.

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<u>National Security & Public Safety</u>				124.450	124.450	
Improvements to Customs and Excise Division	1.000	Annual	General Revenue	0.500	0.500	Continuation of acquisition of trained drug detection dogs for drug interdiction.
Improvements to Defence Force Facilities	50.000	Annual	General Revenues	42.200	42.200	Purchase and installation of maritime and land surveillance equipment, upgrade of Piarco and Carlsen Field Air Guard Base, purchase of vehicle and equipment for Regiment, Defence Force Headquarters, Air Guard and Defence Force Reserves, upgrade of Training Facility and Heliport.
Construction of Prison Facilities	5.000	2006	General Revenues	4.000	4.000	Development of an Emergency Response Unit, construction of a Nursery, construction of Quarters for Senior Officers, and Senior Officers' Mess.
Establishment of Mediation Centres	5.000	Annual	General Revenue	2.000	2.000	Conduct of skills enhancement programmes for mediators and mediation staff; upgrade of the mediation drama/therapy public education project; launch of programmes for restorative justice week; and continuation of social support programmes for clients of mediation centres.
Improvement to Defence Force Facilities	23.000	Annual	General Revenues	5.000	5.000	Completion of medical inspection room for the Regiment; continuation of refurbishment works at Camp Cumuto, La Romain, Felicity and Forres Park and Defence Force Headquarters; upgrade of the electrical system and installation of Standby Generator at Camp Ogden.

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Construction of Facilities for the Defence Force	6.000	Annual	General Revenues	3.000	3.000	Construction and outfitting of Support and Services Battalion at Teteron and Officers' Mess at Teteron Barracks.
Construction of Facilities for T&T Regiment	26.000	Annual	General Revenue	13.000	13.000	Construction works at Camp Ogden, Camp Cumuto and at Teteron Bay; and the Dormitory and Detachment Headquarters at Camp Signal Hill and Camp Omega.
Construction of Fire Stations	6.000	2002	General Revenues	2.200	2.200	Payment for final works undertaken at the Sangre Grande and Couva South Fire Stations.
Improvement/Refurbishment to Police and Fire Stations	82.500	Annual	General Revenue	34.000	34.000	Ongoing improvement works to Police Stations - Mounted Branch, Traffic Branch, Police Administration Building, Central Police Station, St. James and Fire Stations in Arima, Chaguanas and Couva North; Refurbishment of Scarborough Police Station; Purchase of vehicles and equipment for the Police and Fire Services and upgrade of the Water Distribution System.
Establishment of Municipal Police Units	5.000	Annual	General Revenue	2.450	2.450	Equipping of the Municipal Police Service of the Local Government Authorities.

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Improvement to Prison Facilities	20.000	Annual	General Revenue	15.500	15.500	Continuation of improvement works at the POS Prison, the Maximum Security Complex, Carrera Convict Prison; and upgrades to Animal Husbandry, the Workshop at Golden Grove and the Youth Training Centre.
Equipping of the Prison Service	1.000	2000	General Revenue	0.600	0.600	Purchase of launches for the Prison Service to and from the prison island of Carrera.
Regional Development				44.720	44.720	
Construction of Markets and Abattoirs	9.000	Annual	General Revenue	7.800	7.800	Continuation of construction of markets and abattoirs by Local Government Authorities at Chaguanas, SanJuan/Laventille, Tunapuna/Piarco and Penal/Debe.
Upgrading of Cemeteries and Cremation Facilities	8.000	Annual	General Revenue	6.650	6.650	Development of a national policy and programme of action with regard to burial grounds, cremation sites and crematoria and upgrade of existing cemeteries and cremation sites.
Development of Industrial Estate, Tobago	30.000	2006	General Revenue	15.200	15.200	Continuation of infrastructure works at Cove Industrial Estate including the provision of access roads, the laying of waterlines, communication lines and the supply of electricity; and construction of ninety factory shells over an area of 140 acres.

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Improvements to Markets and Abattoirs, Trinidad	5.020	Annual	General Revenue	8.070	8.070	Upgrade of markets and abattoirs by Local Government Authorities and development of a national policy on markets and slaughterhouses.
Improvement in Administrative Services, Tobago	10.000	Annual	General Revenue	7.000	7.000	Provision of scholarships and loans in the academic and vocational fields; and training for staff of THA Works, Labour, Tourism, Agriculture, Finance and Planning Divisions.
Innovative People				28.360	28.360	
<u>Construction, Upgrade & Rehabilitatio</u> Restoration of Historic Buildings	34.500	2006	General Revenue	16.560	16.560	Refurbishment of President's Residence, completion of restorative works at QRC, and consultancy services for works at Trinity Cathedral and Fort Picton.
Rehabilitation of Public Buildings, Trinidad	13.100	Annual	General Revenue	11.800	11.800	Continuation of outfitting of the Ministry of Education Annex Building (ARCON); refurbishment of the Head Office and QRC flats including the cafeteria and relocation of the Head Office to the Campus; upgrading of Ministry of Agriculture North and South Offices; establishment of a Packing House Facility for fresh produce; continuation of construction of a Citrus Laboratory; establishment of a wholesale market at Macoya and Compost Marketing Facility at Debe.

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Culture				11.750	11.750	
Construction and Upgrade of Cultural Facilities, Trinidad	19.000	2006	General Revenue	11.750	11.750	Continuation of construction of a Storage Facility building at Queen's Hall; furnishing of Naipaul House - House for Mr. Biswas; acquisition of exhibits for the Sugar Museum, Community Museum, City of San Fernando Museum and National Museum; establishment of a National Heritage site at Nelson Island, conversion of the Little Carib Theatre to a Black Box and establishment of the Military, Steelpan and Virtual Museums, Carnival Museum of the Americas and Cultural Industries.
Institutional Structures for Developm				3.250	3.250	
Institutional Strengthening of Ministries and Departments	3.250	2006	General Revenue	3.250	3.250	Continuation of implementation of a Comprehensive Crop Biodiversity Conservation Programme for Trinidad and Tobago, reconstruction of Slipway for the Caribbean Fisheries Training and Development Industries and the development of Tech-Packs for New Product Development Using Locally Grown Crops.
Pre Primary, Primary & Secondary Ed				60.540	60.540	
Upgrade of Facilities for Special Education Programmes	2.000	Annual	General Revenue	2.000	2.000	Continuation of comprehensive refurbishment works at 10 schools for Special Education including the Wharton/Patrick School; Princess Elizabeth Home; School for the Blind, Santa Cruz, School for the Deaf, Cascade, Audrey Jeffers School for the Deaf, Lady Hochoy Centres at Cocorite, Gasparillo and Heights of Guanapo.
Primary Schools Programme, Trinidad	3.100	Annual	General Revenue	3.100	3.100	Continuation of construction at St. Paul's A.C. and the survey of school sites at Corinth A. C., Mt. Pleasant Gov't., and at the South Eastern and St. Patrick District Offices.

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Special Education Programme, Tobago	17.140	Annual	General Revenue	16.940	16.940	Upgrade of the Happy Haven School for the Physically Challenged and the School for the Deaf in Tobago.
Secondary Schools Programme, Trinidad	81.000	Annual	General Revenue	14.500	14.500	Construction of additional blocks; physical security of schools; school intervention strategies and the upgrade of sporting facilities in secondary schools.
Secondary Schools Programme, Tobago	10.400	Annual	General Revenue	10.400	10.400	Continuation of works at Roxborough Composite, Bishop's High, Scarborough Secondary and Signal Hill Senior Comprehensive; construction of technical vocational skills training centre at Tobago Education Complex.
Primary Schools Programme, Tobago	10.100	Annual	General Revenue	10.000	10.000	Continuation of works at Scarborough R.C., Scarborough Methodist, Bon Accord and Plymouth Anglican; continuation of school grant programme and health and wellness programme.
Early Childhood Education Programme, Tobago	3.600	Annual	General Revenues	3.600	3.600	The establishment of an ECCE Unit, the establishment of ECCE Centers and the extension and improvement to existing centres.

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<u>Science, Technology & Innovation</u>				7.350	7.350	
Science and Technology Development	7.500	Annual	General Revenue	7.350	7.350	Popularisation of science and technology through the staging of Sci-TechKnoFest; promotion of the Inventors and Innovators Prime Minister's Award; continuation of the Research and Development Foresighting exercise, continuation of the Exhibitions on the Environment project; presentation of NIHERST's President's Award.
<u>Skills Development & Training</u>				79.700	79.700	
Skills Development Programme	80.000	Annual	General Revenue	79.700	79.700	Completion of designs and commencement of construction of Head Office for the NESC; purchase of Macoya Centre; refurbishment of YTEPP Centres, MIC and NESC Skills Technology Centres and the acquisition of tools and equipment for Technology Centres.
<u>Tertiary Education</u>				231.320	231.320	
Establishment of the University of Trinidad and Tobago	140.220	2004	General Revenue	140.220	140.220	Expansion and upgrading of UTT Campuses and continuation of construction of the UTT Main Campus at Tamana E-Teck Park, Wallerfield.
Refurbishment of Technical Institutes	174.750	Annual	General Revenue	33.000	33.000	Improvement works at ECIAF, John Donaldson and San Fernando Technical Institutes.

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Refurbishment of Teachers' Training Colleges	2.000	Annual	General Revenue	1.000	1.000	Continuation of upgrade works, acquisition of furniture and equipment for the Rudranath Capildeo Learning Resource Centre.
Development Works at the University of the West Indies	214.418	Annual	General Revenue	22.000	22.000	Comencement of construction at the Teaching and Learning Complex and completion of St. John's Road Hall of Residence.
Establishment of a National Accreditation Council	2.000	2004	General Revenue	1.000	1.000	Continuation of staff development and training programmes.
Scholarship Programmes	0.500	Annual	General Revenue	0.500	0.500	Provision of scholarships to residents of Government sanctioned homes and orphanages.
Libraries Programme, Trinidad	15.000	Annual	General Revenue	14.900	14.900	Upgrading of public libraries, purchase of books and materials for the National Library, the RCLRC and other public libraries; and acquisition of mobile libraries.

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Establishment of a National Community College - COSTAATT	16.000	1999	General Revenue	16.000	16.000	Training of Faculty and Administrative staff of COSTAATT; continued provision of financial aid to COSTAATT students, expansion of tertiary level training programmes.
Libraries Programme, Tobago	2.700	Annual	General Revenue	2.700	2.700	Completion of repairs to the Roxborough, Scarborough and Charlotteville Libraries.
Sound Infrastructure & Environment <u>Construction, Upgrade & Rehabilitatio</u> Rehabilitation of Public Buildings, Trinidad and Tobago	29.200	2006	General Revenue	24.690	24.690	Continuation of works on Local Government Buildings; construction of new buildings for T&T Hospitality and Tourism Institute; refurbishment of GIS Building, modernisation of Government Printery and outfitting of Ministry of Information Offices.
Construction of Public Buildings, Trinidad and Tobago	40.861	2006	General Revenues	25.000	25.000	Commencement of phase II construction of Institute of Marine Affairs; construction of the Ministry of Local Government Administrative Complex, and of the NTA Headquarters; construction of Accreditation Council of T&T Headquarters; and relocation & outfitting of Divisions of Ministry of Public Administration.
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<u>Drainage & Irrigation</u> Drainage Works, Tobago	15.000	Annual	General Revenue	93.527 13.600	93.527 13.600	Continuation of improvements to the drainage and irrigation infrastructure in Tobago in areas including Plymouth, Carnbee, Page Gully-Mason Hall, Buccoo and Milford Court.
Drainage improvements, Trinidad	50.000	Annual	General Revenue	40.100	40.100	Upgrading of drainage and irrigation systems in local communities throughout Trinidad by Local Government Authorities.
Major Drainage Works, Trinidad	41.000	2006	General Revenue	36.127	36.127	Completion of the New Cut Channel - South Oropouche project and commencement of Alley's Creek and Mosquito Creek improvement works.
Major Drainage Rehabilitation Works, Tobago	5.000	2006	General Revenue	3.700	3.700	Continuation of the Milford Coastal Protection Project.
<u>Electricity</u> Electricity Programme	121.605	2006	General Revenue	122.700 67.700	122.700 67.700	Continuation of lighting of parks and recreational grounds in communities; illumination of taxi stands and transit hubs; lighting of Police Compounds, RHA facilities and public spaces; acquisition of equipment for disaster preparedness.

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National Street Lighting Programme	626.927	2005	General Revenue	55.000	55.000	Continuation of the National Street Lighting Programme which includes the installation of new streetlights, upgrading of lamps to 150 Watts, illumination of new highways, primary roads and new housing developments throughout the country.
Environment				22.100	22.100	
Solid Waste Management Programme	15.000	2004	General Revenue	13.600	13.600	Collection, storage and disposal of E-Waste; conduct of study to evaluate the hazardous chemicals in schools; completion of designs for a Bio-Medical Waste Facility in Claxton Bay; and procurement of a Sludge Separation Vehicle for Waste Water Collection, a tyre-shredder and mobile paper shredder.
Establishment of Environmental Management System for the Water and Sewerage Sector	0.500	2004	General Revenue	0.500	0.500	Continuation of improvements to Hollis Dam.
Development of Infrastructure for installation of Meteorological Equipment	5.500	Annual	General Revenue	3.600	3.600	Completion of construction of 100-metre access road and bridge at the Brasso Venado site of the Doppler weather radar.
Environmental Conservation & Management Programme	11,726.000	Annual	General Revenue	4.400	4.400	Provision of funding for the work programme of the EMA in the priority areas including Clean Air, Clean Water, and Healthy Ecosystems, and completion of the Forest and Protected Areas Policies.

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<u>Information & Communication Infrastr</u>				25.000	25.000	
Upgrading of Radio and Tele Communication Systems	5.200	Annual	General Revenue	3.000	3.000	Continuation of expansion and upgrade of telecommunications infrastructure at the Ministries of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources, Public Utilities and Community Development. Implementation of a Radio Frequency Identification system at Ministry of the Attorney General.
Information and Communications Technology Support Programme	492.000	2003	General Revenue	20.000	20.000	Implementation of ICT projects to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of government services; technical assistance to line ministries to build human capital and management skills in order to improve performance and service delivery and to facilitate their use of ICT.
Liberalization of the Telecommunications Sector Programme	12.000	2004	General Revenue	2.000	2.000	Continuation of the development of IT support systems, an Advanced Automated Spectrum Management System, and a Universal Service Policy and implementation plan for the Telecommunications Authority.
<u>Institutional Structures for Developm</u>				0.850	0.850	
Institutional Strengthening of Ministries and Departments	0.850	2006	GORTT	0.850	0.850	Institutional Strengthening of the Water Sector, continuation of establishment of the Government Information Services and the development of a Disaster Management capability among Local Government Authorities.

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Roads & Bridges				91.850	91.850	
Road Infrastructure Improvement Programme, Tobago	15.000	2006	General Revenue	10.000	10.000	Continuation of Major Improvement Works on Secondary Roads and the Windward Road Special Development Programme.
Roads and Bridges Development, Tobago	33.800	Annual	General Revenue	22.300	22.300	Completion of construction of Northside Road, Gardenside Street, Scarborough, Milford Road Bridges; and continuation of Resurfacing Programme.
Road Infrastructure Improvement Programme, Trinidad	15.650	Annual	General Revenue	6.650	6.650	Commencement of designs for improvement to Maraval Access Road (Saddle Road from Rapsey Street to Valleton Avenue) and Diego Martin Valley Access; redefinition of highway reserves.
Upgrading & Improvement of Local Roads & Bridges, Trinidad	85.000	Annual	General Revenue	52.900	52.900	Upgrading of priority secondary roads, bridges and landslips throughout Trinidad by Local Government Authorities.
Transport				125.857	125.857	
Airport Infrastructure Development	55.000	1997	General Revenue	36.057	36.057	Continuation of upgrade works at Piarco and Crown Point International Airports; installation of Computerised Maintenance Management System and Security Systems (CCTV and Access Control Systems).

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PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES RECOMMENDED FOR PRIORITY FUNDING UNDER CORE PSIP	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF PROJECT TT\$ Mn.	YEAR OF COMMENCE- MENT	FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS	PROJECTED EXPENDITURE 2009 TT\$ Mn.	GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	DETAILS OF ACTIVITY 2009
Upgrading of Berths, Port of Spain	10.400	1995	General Revenue	2.000	2.000	Continued upgrade to facilities for PATT, Customs and Plant Quarantine; acquisition of equipment to improve the efficiency of cargo handling operations.
Implementation of Traffic Management Measures	29.400	2001	General Revenue	19.800	19.800	Continued installation of New Jersey Type barriers, bilingual signs, gantry/overhead directional signs, backup power supply for signalized traffic intersections along major highways.
National Transportation Study	28.000	2003	General Revenue	12.500	12.500	Continuation of study to develop a comprehensive national transportation sectoral policy encompassing the land, sea and air sectors.
Purchase of Vehicles and Equipment, Tobago	13.000	1997	General Revenue	13.000	13.000	Purchase of vehicles and equipment for various Divisions of the THA including Infrastructure and Public Utilities, Public Health, Public Administration and Community Development; and purchase of fishing boat for Enterprise Assistance Fund.
VMCOTT Capital Works Programme	15.000	2006	General Revenue	3.000	3.000	Continued expansion of facilities at San Fernando and Tobago.

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Improvement in Public Transportation Services	52.000	1998	General Revenue	39.500	39.500	Completion of designs and commencement of construction of Passenger Facility at Arima; continued refurbishment of Port of Spain Maxi Taxi Facility; and purchase of passenger buses by PTSC.
Water & Sewerage				176.529	176.529	
Water and Sewerage Improvements, Tobago	0.700	Annual	General Revenue	0.700	0.700	Continuation of rehabilitation works at Sewerage Treatment Plant at Buccoo in Tobago.
Water Supply Improvements, Tobago	8.000	Annual	General Revenue	5.250	5.250	Continuation of desilting and rehabilitation of the Hillsborough Dam in Tobago and of the Main Extensions and Replacement programme.
Short Term Water Investment Programme	551.100	2002	General Revenue	5.000	5.000	Continuation of pipeline replacement, installation and rehabilitation/construction of booster stations throughout Trinidad and Tobago.
Upgrading of Water Distribution Systems	90.000	Annual	General Revenue	62.329	62.329	Continuation of rehabilitation of booster pumping stations and service reservoirs; continuation of laying of pipelines in selected areas in north and south Trinidad; the continuation of the Leakage Management Programme; the drilling and equipping of new wells; continuation of the water quality improvement programme in selected areas; the improvement of water supply to Moruga and the supply of water to housing developments constructed by the HDC.

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PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES RECOMMENDED FOR PRIORITY FUNDING UNDER CORE PSIP	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF PROJECT TT\$ Mn.	YEAR OF COMMENCEMENT	FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS	PROJECTED EXPENDITURE 2009 TT\$ Mn.	GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	DETAILS OF ACTIVITY 2009
Water and Sewerage Sector: Reseach and Development	43.000	2007	General Revenue	29.000	29.000	Completion of development of the Water and Wastewater Master Plan.
Laying of Water Mains Programme	5.000	Annual	General Revenue	2.750	2.750	Continuation of expansion of the water distribution system by the local government authorities at Diego Martin, Chaguanas, Arima, Point Fortin, Princes Town, and Sangre Grande.
Improvements to Sewerage Systems, Trinidad	63.000	Annual	General Revenue	58.000	58.000	Continuation of initiatives to rehabilitate the facilities in Greater Port of Spain.
Water and Sewerage Sector: Administrative Services	11.000	Annual	General Revenue	11.000	11.000	Continuation of the refurbishment of WASA's regional offices at San Fernando.
Upgrading of Sewer Treatment System, Scarborough - Phase III	2.000	1996	General Revenue	2.000	2.000	Extension of the system to include Dutch Fort and environs and other unserved areas of Scarborough.

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Rehabilitation of South West Tobago Sewer System	1.000	2002	General Revenue	0.500	0.500	Completion of three outstanding studies and commencement of designs for the Wastewater Project for South West Tobago.
Total for Tranche				2,623.550	2,623.550	

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PROJECTS WITH FUNDING FROM MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL EXTERNAL SOURCES	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF PROJECT \$TT Mn.	YEAR OF COMMENCEMENT	FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS	PROJECTED EXPENDITURE 2009 \$TT Mn.	GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	LOAN/GRANT DRAWDOWNS 2009 TT\$ Mn.	DETAILS OF ACTIVITY 2009
Caring Society							
Health				350.000	350.000	0.000	
Health Sector Reform Programme T5	350.000	2006	General Revenue	350.000	350.000	0.000	Commencement of construction of the Sangre Grande Hospital and Point Fortin Hospital.
Housing				800.000	800.000	0.000	
Accelerated High Density Housing Programme T5	1,600.000	2002	General Revenue	800.000	800.000	0.000	Continuation of construction of single and multiple family units through the Joint Venture and Infill Programmes and development of New Towns at La Brea and Princes Town.
Poverty Alleviation & Social Services				30.000	30.000	0.000	
Implementation of Self Help Programmes	100.000	Annual	General Revenues	30.000	30.000	0.000	Provision of funding for the implementation of self-help infrastructure projects including construction and refurbishment of community centres, playfields and recreational facilities; pipe borne water distribution, extension of electricity supply, improvement of minor roads, small bridges and drainage projects.
Sustainable Communities				295.000	143.000	152.000	
Construction and Upgrade of Community Facilities, Trinidad T5	120.000	Annual	General Revenue	95.000	95.000	0.000	Continuation of construction and rehabilitation of community facilities throughout Trinidad.

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Academy for Performing Arts	500.000	Annual	EXIM Bank China-RMB\$812 Mn; GORTT-\$198 Mn	200.000	48.000	152.000	Construction of 2 Academies of the Performing Arts at Port of Spain and San Fernando.
<u>Youth, Sport & Recreation</u>				97.280	97.280	0.000	
Improvements to Recreational, Sport and Youth Facilities, Trinidad T5	1,000.000	Annual	General Revenues	97.280	97.280	0.000	Continuation of construction of the Brian Lara Cricket Academy, Tarouba and Sport /Youth Facilities at Mayaro, Arima, Sangre Grande and Diego Martin, upgrading of Corporation Grounds and commencement of the Development of Regional and Sub- Regional Grounds at Yolande Pompey Recreation Ground as well as implementation of phase 1 of a Master Plan for the Emperor Valley Zoo.
<u>Competitive Business</u>							
<u>Agriculture</u>				520.000	520.000	0.000	
Agricultural Land Development T5	20.000	2007	General Revenue	10.000	10.000	0.000	Establishment of fifteen large commercial farms in Trinidad.
Caroni Lands Development Programme	1,000.000	2003	General Revenue	480.000	480.000	0.000	Continuation of the development of lands at Caroni and Orange Grove by the Estate Management and Business Development Company Limited.

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Fisheries Development Programme, Trinidad T5	95.000	2006	General Revenue	30.000	30.000	0.000	Commencement of construction of fishing port and complex at Moruga.
Energy NEC- Capital Works Programme	500.000	2007	General Revenue	455.000	455.000	0.000	Development of world -class ports to support downstream industries established by Essar and Alutrint, and a new industrial site.
Industry & Entrepreneurship Development of Industry T5	1,109.000	2006	General Revenue	138.000	138.000	0.000	Continuation of construction of the Flagship Complex and infrastructure development at the Tamana InTech Park; construction of new industrial parks and extension of existing parks.
Tourism Tourism Action Programme T5	25.000	Annual	General Revenue	15.000	15.000	0.000	Re-development of Maracas Bay Beach Facility.

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Governing Effectively							
<u>Administration of Justice</u> Construction of Court Facilities T5	14.000	2005	General Revenue	14.000	14.000	0.000	Provision of Accommodation for the Chaguanas Magistrates' Court and the Siparia Magistrates' Court.
<u>Governance & Institutional Structures</u> Construction and Rehabilitation of Public Buildings, Trinidad T5	200.000	Annual	General Revenue	122.500	122.500	0.000	Completion of construction of Administration and service buildings at the Prime Minister's Residence; Modernisation of Registration Offices; continuation of infrastructural works to Cipriani Labour College and C40 building Chaguaramas; Refurbishment of NBN building; Property at Temple Court; Hilton Hotel Tobago Renovation, commencement of construction of Administrative Complexes for 4 Municipal Corporations; the construction of south and Tobago offices of the Ministry of the Attorney General as well as establishment of a Tobago office.
<u>National Security & Public Safety</u> Construction and Upgrade of Police Stations T5	8.000	Annual	General Revenues	5.000	5.000	0.000	Commencement of construction of a Telecommunications Facility in Tobago.
<u>Regional Development</u> Community Development T5	330.000	2005	General Revenue	200.000	200.000	0.000	Management and implementation of large-scale rural and urban development projects.

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Innovative People							
<u>Construction, Upgrade & Rehabilitatio</u> Restoration of Historic Buildings T5	200.000	2006	General Revenue	109.000	109.000	0.000	Restoration of the Red House, Mille Fleur Building, Stollmeyer Castle and Whitehall.
<u>Culture</u> Construction and Upgrade of Cultural Facilities, Trinidad T5	1,550.000	Annual	General Revenue	270.000	270.000	0.000	Commencement of construction of the National Carnival Entertainment Centre, renovations to Naparima Bowl, commencement of construction of the Pan Chroming Factory and completion of Pan Trinbago.
<u>Pre Primary, Primary & Secondary Ed</u> Secondary Schools Programme, Trinidad	233.170	Annual	General Revenue	233.170	233.170	0.000	Continuation of construction programme for Secondary Schools throughout Trinidad and Tobago; procurement of furniture and equipment; improvement/refurbishment/extension to secondary schools; emergency upgrade to secondary schools.
Primary Schools Programme, Trinidad	248.950	Annual	General Revenue	248.950	248.950	0.000	Continuation of refurbishment and reconstruction works to Primary Schools.

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Early Childhood Education Programme	193.500	Annual	General Revenue	193.500	193.500	0.000	Continuation of construction programme for early childhood centres throughout Trinidad and Tobago including San Fernando Model Nursery and Monroe Road Government.
<u>Tertiary Education</u> Establishment of the University of Trinidad and Tobago T5	100.000	2004	General Revenue	100.000	100.000	0.000	Establishment of the Main Campus of UTT at Tamana.
<u>Sound Infrastructure & Environment</u> <u>Drainage & Irrigation</u> Major Drainage Works, Trinidad T5	70.000	2006	General Revenue	109.000 59.000	109.000 59.000	0.000 0.000	Continuation of the National Programme for the Upgrade of Drainage Channels and commencement of the Comprehensive Drainage Development Study.
Comprehensive Drainage Development Programme	137.000	1994	General Revenue	50.000	50.000	0.000	Commencement of construction of the Mamoral Dam and Flood Detention Reservoir including the construction of embankment, dikes and chute channel.

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Roads & Bridges				549.000	549.000	0.000	
Road Infrastructure Improvement Programme	700.000	2006	General Revenue	549.000	549.000	0.000	Continuation of construction works on the UBH-CRH Interchange; construction of an additional lane from CRH to Chaguanas; continued rehabilitation of roads and bridges, implementation of traffic management measures and alternative access routes.
Transport				115.000	115.000	0.000	
Rail Transport	373.234	2007	General Revenue	80.000	80.000	0.000	Commencement of construction of Rapid Rail System.
Sea Transport	408.127	2007	General Revenue	35.000	35.000	0.000	Upgrade of existing facilities to accommodate water taxis at Port of Spain, San Fernando and Pt. Fortin.
Water & Sewerage				130.600	130.600	0.000	
Water Supply Projects	135.000	2006	General Revenue	130.600	130.600	0.000	Construction of water treatment plants, refurbishment of water treatment systems, construction of booster pumping stations and wells, installation of pipelines, construction of service reservoirs, implementation of water reuse programme at the Beetham Wastewater Treatment Facility.
Total for Tranche				5,100.000	4,948.000	152.000	

APPENDIX III
PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME (PSIP) 2009
ALLOCATION BY DEVELOPMENT PILLAR

PILLAR	Total Allocation 2009	Consolidated Fund	%	IDF	%
INNOVATIVE PEOPLE	1944.390	649.770	15.9	1294.620	25.4
Culture	481.750	11.750	0.3	470.000	9.2
Construction, Upgrade & Rehabilitation of Buildings	137.360	88.360	2.2	49.000	1.0
Pre Primary, Primary & Secondary Education	767.910	92.290	2.3	675.620	13.2
Science, Technology & Innovation	7.350	7.350	0.2	-	0.0
Skills Development & Training	79.700	79.700	2.0	-	0.0
Tertiary Education	470.320	370.320	9.1	100.000	2.0
CARING SOCIETY	2251.373	879.093	21.5	1372.280	26.9
Health	743.600	393.600	9.6	350.000	6.9
HIV/AIDS	38.665	38.665	0.9	-	0.0
Housing	1049.365	249.365	6.1	800.000	15.7
Poverty Alleviation & Social Services	89.600	59.600	1.5	30.000	0.6
Sustainable Communities	175.863	80.863	2.0	95.000	1.9
Youth, Sport & Recreation	154.280	57.000	1.4	97.280	1.9
GOVERNING EFFECTIVELY	1662.244	1260.744	30.9	401.500	7.9
Administration of Justice	60.210	46.210	1.1	14.000	0.3
Governance & Institutional Structures for Development	739.764	557.264	13.7	182.500	3.6
Law Administration & Legal Affairs	1.500	1.500	0.0	-	0.0
National Security & Public Safety	598.650	593.650	14.6	5.000	0.1
Regional Development	262.120	62.120	1.5	200.000	3.9
COMPETITIVE BUSINESS	1454.700	326.700	8.0	1128.000	22.1
Agriculture	670.200	150.200	3.7	520.000	10.2
Energy	485.000	30.000	0.7	455.000	8.9
Construction Upgrade & Rehabilitation of Buildings	7.200	7.200	0.2	-	0.0
Industry & Entrepreneurship	183.900	45.900	1.1	138.000	2.7
Macroeconomy & Finance	36.700	36.700	0.9	-	0.0
Tourism	71.700	56.700	1.4	15.000	0.3
SOUND INFRASTRUCTURE	1867.293	963.693	23.6	903.600	17.7
Drainage & Irrigation	202.527	93.527	2.3	109.000	2.1
Electricity	122.700	122.700	3.0	-	0.0
Environment	22.100	22.100	0.5	-	0.0
Construction Upgrade & Rehabilitation of Buildings	49.690	49.690	1.2	-	0.0
Information & Communication	37.000	37.000	0.9	-	0.0
Roads & Bridges	859.690	310.690	7.6	549.000	10.8
Transport	266.457	151.457	3.7	115.000	2.3
Water & Sewerage	307.129	176.529	4.3	130.600	2.6
GRAND TOTAL	9180.000	4080.000	100.0	5100.000	100.0