

NEWS RELEASE.

**INTEGRITY COMMISSION TO MEET WITH REGIONAL
CORPORATIONS AND STATE ENTERPRISE
AT THE CARA SUITES HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTRE
SEPTEMBER 12, 2011**

Mayors, Chairman, Councilors, Aldermen, Chief Executive Officers and directors of State Enterprise in South Trinidad that report to the Minister of Local Government will meet with members of the Integrity Commission in a half-day briefing session at the Cara Suites Hotel and Conference Centre at Claxton Bay on Monday, September 12, 2011 from 9 a.m.

Discussions will focus on obligations under the Integrity in Public Life Act; issues related to Conflict of Interest, Business Ethics and the requirements for Persons in Public Life.

Dr. Eric St. Cyr, Chairman, Integrity Commission will welcome participants and there will be addresses by the Hon. Chandresh Sharma, Minister of Local Government; Mr. Seunarine Jokhoo and Mr. Neil Rolingson, members of the Integrity Commission.

Among those invited:

- San Fernando City Corporation
- Point Fortin Borough Corporation
- Chaguanas Borough Council
- Mayaro-Rio Claro Regional Corporation
- Penal-Debe Regional Corporation
- Siparia Regional Corporation
- Couva/Tabaquite/Talparo Regional Corporation

- Community Improvement Services Limited
- Rural Development Company
- Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited

The 76 members of Statutory Boards and the State Enterprise that report to the Minister of Labour, Small and Micro Enterprise Development held a similar briefing session with members of the Integrity Commission at the Trinidad Hilton on August 12. That meeting was attended by Hon. Errol McLeod, Minister of Labour, Small and Micro Enterprise Development who commended the Board Members.

He said: “I was very careful and meticulous and still am, in the selection of persons with high calibre and professional dedication to serve as chairpersons and members of the six Statutory Bodies and one State Enterprise under my purview.

“I have not had cause to question the integrity of any Board Member in the Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development.

“I see our discussions on integrity as one that can only serve to strengthen and validate our inner value system and deepen our understanding of the framework within which we are required to govern”.

The participants at that meeting included members from the following:

- The Minimum Wages Board
- The Registration, Recognition and Certification Board
- The Occupational Safety and Health Authority
- The Cipriani College of Labour and Co-operative Studies
- The Boiler Examiners Board
- The Advisory Friendly Societies Council
- The National Entrepreneurship Development Company.

September 9, 2011

*Commissioners: Dr. Eric St. Cyr, Chairman; Madam Justice Gladys Gafoor, Deputy Chairman;
Mr. Neil Rolinson; Professor Ann-Marie Bissessar; Mr. Seunarine Jokhoo*