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MEDIA RELEASE

**OJT E-SERVICE PILOT PROJECT – WORKING TOWARDS
IMPROVING ACCESS AND CONVENIENCE**

The Ministry of Labour (MOL) in collaboration with the National Information and Communication Technology Company Limited (iGovTT) is currently in the testing phase of an Online Registration Portal for the On-the-Job-Training Programme (OJTP). The objective of this Pilot Project is to establish an online registration portal which facilitates increased accessibility, connectivity and efficiency for applicants of the Programme, which is scheduled to be launched in 2021.

This testing phase will take place over a three (3) month period; from August to October 2020 and targets a specific participant group of applicants.

Director of the OJT Programme, Ms. Joann David explains “This target group comprises approximately 500 applicants of the OJT Programme prior to 2020, from all five (5) Regions of the country (East, West, South, Central and Tobago). These applicants were randomly selected and invited to test this online Portal.”

The new Minister of Labour, the Honourable Stephen Mc Clashie MP endorses this Pilot Project reiterating its timeliness, given that the global pandemic calls for greater accessibility to the Ministry’s services using online tools. Minister Mc Clashie says the OJT Division remains committed to improving service delivery and efficiency to its stakeholders.

Business Development-Team Lead at iGOVTT, Ms. Dawn Nelson says, one of the key objectives of iGovTT is to provide Government Ministries and Agencies with assistance to develop and expand their E-Services



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portfolio, thus iGovTT is pleased to collaborate with the Ministry of Labour on this flagship initiative.

This testing phase would enable the team at iGovTT to analyze how the OJT applications are being processed through the system, to determine what the fully operational online portal would require in order to facilitate the development of an efficient online registration portal for the OJT Programme in 2021.

The Ministry anticipates that iGovtt's involvement in this Pilot Project would yield the desired results of enhancing the efficiency of the OJT Division and reducing operational costs.

Following the launch of this Online Registration Portal in 2021, Trinidad and Tobago nationals can look forward to:

- Applying to the Programme from the comfort and safety of their homes;
- Receiving notifications via email when applications have been submitted;
- Checking on their application status;
- Receiving notifications of their interview appointments and placement details.

ALL New Applicants to the OJT Programme are reminded that they are still required to visit the various offices to submit their completed applications at this time.

Completed applications must include the following:

- Academic Certificates (i.e. CSEC, CAPE, Associate Degree, Diploma, TVET, Bachelor's or Master's/PhD)
- National Identification Card
- Birth Certificate
- Resume



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- Utility Bill (no more than 2 months old) for proof of address. If the utility bill is in another person's name, a Letter of Authorization is required.

Currently, the OJT Programme provides practical training opportunities for Four thousand nine hundred and fifty-three (4953) Trainees from both private and public sector organisations.

The Ministry of Labour remains committed to encouraging Decent Work, Industrial Peace and Opportunity for All.

For further information please visit the New Trainee Registration Page, at our website: www.molsed.gov.tt or our Social Media pages; Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. You can also contact the ojthelpdesk@ojt.gov.tt or Corporate Communications Unit of the Ministry of Labour at Tel: 625-8478 ext. 1203.

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