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National Clean-Up Campaign continues in Port-of-Spain

January 22, 2017, Kent House, Maraval – The National Clean-Up Campaign continued today in Port of Spain with private contractors, volunteer groups, and residents teaming up to clean up the capital city. Works were undertaken across the entire city to clear overgrown lots and grass along the roadways, trim trees, remove derelict vehicles, collect bulk and white waste, clean drains and break down dilapidated structures.

Inclement weather for the second day in a row failed to dampen the spirits of the volunteers who remained dedicated to getting as much done as possible. Work will continue in the city during the week as the “Port of Spain Clean-Up POSse” ensures that all remaining bulk and white waste is collected. Minister Kazim Hosein gave an update on the achievements of the day saying, “We are delighted with the efforts we have seen in Port of Spain, and are deeply grateful to our corporate volunteers and the residents who braved the rain and continued working. Today over 230 truckloads of bulk and white waste were taken to the landfill, with 50 more going to the transfer station to be taken tomorrow, more than 20 overgrown lots were cut and we cleared roadsides across the city, we also removed derelict vehicles and broke down dilapidated walls that have been eyesores to the community for many years.”

Corporate volunteers such as Namalco, Kallco, Laing, Jusamco, KJS, T.N. Ramnauth, Central Equipment Rentals, Carl King, Singh’s Group of Companies, and Coosal’s were back out in force today to aid in the successful efforts. The Civilian Conservation Corps, CEPEP, residents and employees of the Port of Spain City Corporation were on hand to clear grass and litter, and to load the trucks as they passed.

Minister Kazim Hosein is looking forward to the coming weeks as the National Clean-Up Campaign continues to move across Trinidad corporation by corporation. “We have been getting a fantastic response from the communities we have gone to, and I urge the rest of citizens to follow the example they have set, and volunteer when we get to your area. Assist in the loading of the trucks, help your neighbours carry out their bulk and white waste to the roadside, and work together to build up the community spirit and restore the national pride in our country.”

The National Clean-Up Campaign will move into the San Juan/Laventille region next Saturday 28th of January 2017, with a launch at the Morvant Junction at 9:00am. San Juan/Laventille residents are asked to put out bulk/white waste, old tyres and other items for collection on Friday 27th January 2017. Let’s Team Up to Clean Up!

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