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Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government

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Minister Hosein Congratulates Newly-Appointed Board of the Rural Development Company

February 11^h, 2021, Kent House, Maraval. In a brief ceremony on February 8th, 2021 Senator the Honourable Minister Haji Kazim Hosein delivered instruments of appointment to the new Board of Directors of the Rural Development Company (RDC).

Minister Hosein congratulated the new members for taking up the responsibility to serve the people of the country and reminded them of their purpose at the State Enterprise saying, "I want to personally welcome each one of you to the team. Some of you have served before and I don't need to remind you that the Rural Development Company plays a pivotal role in the development of rural communities across our country."

Minister Hosein further affirmed "You have a statutory and fiduciary responsibility to report on the operations of the RDC to the Parliament. Each one of you plays an important role in the success of this company and the fulfilment of the goals set out by the Government. The Ministry looks forward to working closely with you as we envision that the RDC will continue to be a successful, service-oriented company".

In accepting chairmanship of the new Board, Mrs. Patricia Alexis expressed her gratitude to the Minister and the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Rural Development and Local government for their continued support during her last term. She continued "It is humbling to be reappointed to the Board of the RDC and I look forward to working with our new members. We will endeavor to uphold the highest standards of integrity and we look forward to executing projects efficiently."

Other members of the board include: Mr. Augustus Thomas - Deputy chairman, Dr. Daynish Maharaj, Mr. Ashmead Ali, Mr. Jonathan Boos, Mr. Richard Dowridge and Mr. Jameel Chadee-Ameeral.

The Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government looks forward to the continued collaboration with the Rural Development Company to bring much-needed goods and services closer to the people as we remain committed to *Putting People First*.

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Above: Minister of Rural Development and Local Government, the Honourable Kazim Hosein, and Permanent Secretary Desdra Bascombe with the CEO and newly appointed Board of Directors of the Rural Development Company.



Left: Minister Kazim Hosein, along with Permanent Secretary Desdra Bascombe confers instrument of appointment to Mrs. Patricia Alexis, Chairman of the RDC Board.



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