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**Minister conducts site visit to drainage works in Barrackpore**

*August 7, 2019. Kent House, Maraval* – Senator the Honourable Kazim Hosein conducted a site visit to Nanan Trace North, Barrackpore today (Wednesday August 7, 2019) along with Chairman of the Rural Development Corporation (RDC) , Patricia Alexis, Chief Executive Officer, Jason Kissoon and officials of the Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government.

The Minister assessed approximately two hundred metres (200m) of drainage works completed by the RDC. This project was highlighted as essential by the Member of Parliament for the area, Rodney Charles, as Barrackpore was one of the regions severely affected by the 2018 floods.

Minister Hosein commended the Executive and Staff of the RDC for completing this project in a very timely manner; the work was completed in two weeks. Moreover, it was completed under budget.

Minister Hosein also reiterated, "I want to encourage residents to become more active in the development of their community. Under our Local Government Reform proposals, communities will have the opportunity to highlight priority projects in their area. In that way, they will contribute to the change they want to see."

The RDC is a special purpose company under the purview of the Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government. The Corporation has undertaken and completed several infrastructural development projects in rural communities throughout Trinidad.

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Minister Hosein inspects drainage works at Nanan Trace North, Barrackpore today (Wednesday August 7, 2019).

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Above: Minister Kazim Hosein and Chairman of the RDC, Ms Patricia Alexis, observe recently completed drainage works at Nanan Trace North, Barrackpore.

Left: Minister Hosein and RDC officials at Nanan Trace North, Barrackpore today.

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