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World Day for Safety and Health at Work 2022 (MSDFS)

Port-of-Spain --- In commemoration of World Day for Safety and Health at Work on April 28, 2022, the Ministry of Social Development and Family Services (MSDFS) joined the international community in marking the occasion, by setting up an information and display booth at the Ministry's Head Office on St Vincent Street, Port of Spain. The World Day for Safety and Health at Work promotes the prevention of occupational accidents and diseases globally. This year the theme "Act together to build a positive safety and health culture" places focus on enhancing social dialogue towards a culture of safety and health.

Among other things, the display showcases brochures on health and safety in the workplace, as well as samples of safety equipment and personal protective gear. According to Ms June Ali, Chairperson of the Ministry's Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Committee, the objective of the OSH Committee, inter alia, is to comply with the Occupational Safety and Health Act, and to prepare employees for dealing with emergency situations. She indicated that the Ministry's initiative is designed to minimize injury, loss of human life, and to manage Ministry resources by training employees, procuring and maintaining necessary equipment, and assigning responsibilities in the event of an emergency.

Staff members were invited to view the display and ask questions to members of the OSH committee, present. From the feedback received Committee members expressed satisfaction with the level of interest shown.

The Ministry is committed to engendering a safe and secure environment for all of its employees and clients, and congratulates the OSH Committee on this and other initiatives geared towards building a positive safety and health culture throughout the Ministry.

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OSH Committee members at the Ministry's information and display booth



Ministry staff learn more information on the prevention of occupational accidents



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Ministry of Social Development and Family Services' OSH information and display booth