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Minister Hosein leads distribution of 100 State Grants, advancing Land Ownership and Economic Opportunity

The Honourable Saddam Hosein, Minister of Land and Legal Affairs and Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, today led the distribution of 100 State Grants to citizens across Trinidad and Tobago, marking another significant step in Government's ongoing effort to regularise land ownership and empower citizens.

The distribution ceremony brought together His Worship, Faaq Mohammed, Mayor of Chaguanas, senior officials of the Ministry of Land and Legal Affairs, including Acting Permanent Secretary Mrs. Nela Dwarika-Ali and Mr. Ric Javed Ali and the Registrar General.

In his address, Minister Hosein expressed the importance of land ownership, noting that while beneficiaries have long occupied and paid for these lands, many originally acquired through Caroni (1975) Limited, the issuance of legal title now provides them with full and indisputable ownership.

Minister Hosein stated, "with your title in hand, you now have the power to build, to grow, and to pass on something meaningful to your children and grandchildren."

Minister Hosein also addressed longstanding delays in the processing of State Grants, revealing that many beneficiaries had completed payments nearly a decade ago but were still awaiting documentation. Upon assuming office, he made the acceleration of title distribution a priority, introducing a more efficient and streamlined process that has significantly reduced turnaround times and improved the overall pace of grant delivery.

Minister Hosein closed by encouraging recipients to safeguard their Certificates of Title and to celebrate the milestone with their families.

"This is a proud moment. You are finally receiving what you have long paid for and rightfully deserve. Today is about putting ownership in your hands and securing your future."

The Ministry of Land and Legal Affairs remains committed to improving access to land, modernising its systems, and ensuring that citizens receive timely and efficient service.

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