

HISTORY OF THE OCCUPATIONAL RESEARCH UNIT

- 1976 - Interministerial Manpower Planning Committee recommends introduction of a national occupational classification and research programme to satisfy need for comprehensive and reliable occupational data
- Around the same time work was already taking place in the MOE as an input into the preparation of curricula of Technical/Vocational subjects
- 1977 – Cabinet agreed that the National Training Board should be the Executing Agency for Project TRI/78/003-: Establishment of a National System of Occupational Classification and Coding
- 1978 – ILO Adviser (Jaswant Gulati) joins National Training Board and recommended the creation of an occupational research unit within NTB
- 1979 – Recommendation made for creation of ORU
- 1980 – Cabinet agreed that the NTB of the Ministry of Education and Culture assume responsibility for the implementation of the National Dictionary of Occupations
- Occupational Research Unit (ORU) formally established as a Unit
- 1982 – Appointment of full professional team of Occupational Analysts to conduct field and office research.
- 1992/1993 – Publication of Dictionary of Occupations for Trinidad and Tobago (DOTT)
- 1993 – Assignment to Retraining Programme *
- 2002 – Commencement of CLMIS/Updating of DOTT