



The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

**MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

**2018 INDUCTION PROGRAMME GRADUATION**

***(VIRTUAL ADDRESS)***

**Message By**

**The Honourable Nyan Gadsby-Dolly**

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## **SALUTATIONS:**

- Permanent Secretaries and other Executives of the Ministry of Education
- **Dr. Amia Kimoy Conrad Christopher** - Director, Teacher Education, Performance and Development Division, Ministry of Education.
- Our honoured guests – the graduating class
- Family, friends, and well-wishers looking on today
- Ladies and gentlemen

Good morning,

Congratulations to this cohort of graduates of the Ministry of Education Induction Programme!

It is an honour to address you at your graduation ceremony today. Every teacher here has successfully completed this programme, which will help you to better serve the needs of your students in a rapidly evolving digital environment. Every teacher here represents at least one school that will benefit from the knowledge gained.

At the Ministry of Education, one of my roles and that of the executive and staff, is to facilitate the professional development of our teachers so that their competency and pedagogical skills are current, robust and world class. Our teachers need to master content delivery and student engagement using different modalities, whether online, hybrid or in-person. As such, you are our ambassadors as you return to your respective schools and share what you have learned during this programme with your colleagues.

Being teachers, you are well aware of the instrumental role that you play in positively shaping the lives of every student that sits in your classroom. Teachers literally have the power to change lives, and this labour of love that you have embarked upon not only impacts the lives of the students who cross your path but their siblings, parents and by extension, communities.

The Teacher Education, Performance and Professional Development Division (TEPPDD) is committed to providing you with quality professional development at all levels through a comprehensive two-year continuous programme.

We at the MOE understand that as we fill your cup, you will use the knowledge to fill those of your students. It is a synergistic relationship that can only redound to the benefit of our students, and Trinidad and Tobago.

I thank Dr. Amia Kimoy Conrad Christopher, Director of the Teacher Education, Performance and Professional Development Division (TEPPDD) of the Ministry of Education. Your commitment to excellence, and that of your team, has made this training programme a success.

At the Ministry of Education, we greatly value our educators and the contributions that these phenomenal professionals make to the delivery of quality education throughout Trinidad and Tobago's education sector. We are proud of you, and your efforts have by no means gone unnoticed. Thank you for your honourable service.

Congratulations to the graduates on your achievements, and may God continue to bless you.