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**MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

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Dear Editor / Head of Department,

## **Cabinet Approves TVET Rationalization at Public Post Secondary & Tertiary Institutions**

One of the eight pillars of the National Education Policy 2023-2027 is the Revitalization of TVET or Technical Vocational Education and Training, in support of sustainable development. Revitalization of TVET across the education sector, however, requires rationalization and standardization of the myriad TVET programmes and courses available at public post-secondary and tertiary institutions.

The programme offerings of Trinidad and Tobago's five main public TVET institutions have increased over time, resulting in significant duplication and non-standardization of course content. This rationalization exercise will increase ease of articulation between institutions, maximize the Government's investment and provide the widest range of options for TVET study to the citizens of Trinidad and Tobago.

To facilitate this, Cabinet approved the alignment of existing TVET institutions, MIC-IT, UTT, NESCC, YTEPP and COSTAATT, to nineteen (19) sectors for national development based on the conduct of a comprehensive evaluation of each TVET provider's institutional capacity and capabilities. The five existing TVET institutions have been authorized to offer TVET courses in their specifically assigned sector or sub sector for sustainable development, using standards to design curricula with continuous external monitoring by the National Training Agency (NTA).

The areas of specialization of each institution can be accessed on the MoE's website at the following link: <https://moe.gov.tt/agencies/#tvet>

The MoE continues to refine and develop TVET education in an effort to provide clarity with respect to progressive training opportunities for students desirous of a professional career in the Technical and Vocational Sector.

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