

CABINET AGENDA ISSUES – 30 NOVEMBER 2015

The House is asked to note the following matters which were considered by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 30 November 2015:

1. Contracts;
2. Annual Reports; and
3. Board Appointments.

Each matter shall be elaborated on in turn.

1. Contracts

(i) Farm Roads Rehabilitation Project in St James and Westmoreland – Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries

Cabinet approved the award of a contract in the amount of \$76,412,870.92 to Black Brothers Incorporated Limited for the Farm Roads Rehabilitation Project in the parishes of St. James and Westmoreland.

The road rehabilitation is being carried out to provide improved access for farmers, whilst catering to the needs of the general population in the communities along the affected roads.

(ii) Rehabilitation of the Road House to White House Parish Council (PC) Road, St. Catherine – National Works Agency

Cabinet approved the award of a contract in the amount of \$47,972,000.00 to Microsurfacing Limited for the rehabilitation of the Road House to White House Parish Council road in the parish of St. Catherine.

The roadway, which is approximately seven (7) km in length, serves several residential communities and is in urgent need of repair, as it poses a danger to motorists and pedestrians.

(iii) Provision of Security Services at all the Locations of the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority

Cabinet approved the award of a contract in the amount of \$133,998,300.00 to Guardsman Limited for the provision of security services for the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority (JCAA), for the period 1 November 2015 to 30 September 2018.

The JCAA is required to maintain international standards of security and adhere to standards set by the International Civil Aviation Organisation. In order to achieve these standards, the contractor will supply armed, unarmed and canine security and other support security services at six locations of the JCAA.

(iv) Construction of the Papine to Mona Sewerage Project (Phase 1) – National Water Commission

Cabinet approved the award of a contract in the amount of \$51,342,257.54 to Surrey Paving and Aggregate Company Limited by the National Water Commission for the construction of the Papine - Mona Sewerage Project (Phase 1).

The project, which is being conducted in collaboration with the University of Technology, Jamaica, involves the construction of 1.5km of trunk sewers from the University of Technology, Jamaica, through the Mona/Papine area, to the Hope Potable Water Treatment Plant.

(v) Emergency Procurement of Equipment for the Emergency Repairs and Renewal Programme for the Soapberry Treatment Plant

The Cabinet approved the award of three contracts, under emergency circumstances, for the supply of equipment needed by the Central Wastewater Treatment Company Limited, for emergency repairs at the Soapberry Treatment Plant and at the transfer stations at Nanse Pen and Greenwich as follows, to:

- 1) Hameechadesh Industries- Kaman (2006) Israel, for the supply of four 16VPO/HP/rpm Vertical Propeller pumps in the sum of \$69,769,350.00;
- 2) Amity Technical Supply and Machinery Limited (Grundos, Italy), for the supply of three submersible wage pumps in the sum of \$28,893,095.00; and
- 3) Xylem Water Solutions USA Inc., for the supply of filter media and support silica sand in the sum of \$64,439,232.00.

The Soapberry Treatment Plan, which handles the collection and processing of sewerage from Kingston and St Andrew, commenced operation in 2008. The emergency repairs are necessary to ensure the continued operation of the plant.

2. Annual Reports

Cabinet considered the Annual Reports of the:

- (i) Banana Board for the 2014 calendar year;
- (ii) Coconut Industry Board for the 2014 calendar year;
- (iii) Management Institute for National Development for the 2005/2006, 2006/2007 and 2007/2008 financial years;
- (iv) Transport Authority for the 2014/2015 financial year;

The Reports will be tabled in Parliament at a later date.

3. Board Appointments

(i) PetroCaribe Development Fund

Cabinet noted that Ambassador the Honourable Douglas Saunders, OJ, CD, JP, had been appointed as the Deputy Chairman of the Board of the PetroCaribe Development Fund.

(ii) Jamaica Foundation for Lifelong Learning

Cabinet gave approval for the appointment of the following persons to the Board of Directors of the Jamaica Foundation for Lifelong Learning, with effect from 30 November 2015 to 28 June 2018, when the tenure of the Board will expire:

- 1) Ms. Rachel McLarty;
- 2) Mrs. Faith McFarquhar-Gordon;
- 3) Mr. Everton Morgan; and
- 4) Mr. Worrel Hibbert.

(iii) National Works Agency

Cabinet gave approval for the appointment of the following persons to the Advisory Board of the National Works Agency for a period of three years, with effect from 30 November 2015 to 29 November 2018:

- 1) Dr. Parris Lyew-Ayee – **Chairman**;
- 2) Mr. Ian Kerr;
- 3) Ms. Rochelle Dacres;
- 4) Mr. Dwight Wilson;
- 5) Councillor Yvonne McCormack;
- 6) Mrs. Janet Coleman-Howlett; and
- 7) Mr. O.D. Ramtallie.

(iv) Social Development Commission

Cabinet gave approval for the appointment of the following persons to the Board of Directors of the Social Development Commission for a period of three years, with effect from 30 November 2015 to 29 November 2018:

- 1) Mr. James Walsh – **Chair**;
- 2) Mr. Paul Arscott;
- 3) Mr. Denworth Finnikin;
- 4) Dr. Jane Dodman;
- 5) Mr. Radcliffe Goulbourne;
- 6) Mr. Cedric McCulloch;
- 7) Ms. Dian Fenton-Thompson;
- 8) Councillor Yvonne McCormack;
- 9) Mr. Ricardo James; and
- 10) Dr. Eris Schoburgh.

The Honourable House is asked to note the foregoing.



Portia Simpson Miller, MP  
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