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**The Law Reform (Zones of Special Operations) (Special Security
and
Community Development Measures)**

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Social Intervention**

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Social Intervention Report

(as at August 9, 2020)

This Honourable House is being requested to note that after the enactment of the Law Reform (Zones of Special Operations) (Special Security and Community Development Measures) Act, the Prime Minister on the advice of the National Security Council, declared the Denham Town Community as the second Zone of Special Operations (ZOSO) on October 16, 2017.

The Zones of Special Operations (ZOSO) combine a robust security approach led by the Jamaica Constabulary Force (JCF) and Jamaica Defence Force (JDF). The Social Intervention Committee (SIC) coordinates and implements social development measures by the various agencies, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and the private sector.

The Social Intervention support, which is coordinated by the gazetted Social Intervention Committee comprises social programmes that focus on two key strategies: Crime Prevention Through Social Development (CPTSD) and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED).

A key objective of the interventions and programmes is to ensure that the community is reconnected to the key agencies of government that deliver each programme thus engendering sustainability and credibility among the citizens.

The Social Intervention Committee (SIC) is guided by an SIC framework comprising of seven development areas:

- Physical Environment;
- Land Tenure, Community Safety;
- Human and Community Development and Employment;
- Business and Economic Development;
- Spiritual and Faith Based Intervention; and
- Leadership.

The ZOSO is built around the approach of Clear, Hold and Build, whereby long-term institutions are developed within the community. Denham Town has been in the Build Phase since March 2018. Since the ZOSO was declared in Denham Town, over thirty (30) unique social interventions initiatives have been completed, benefitting over 2,500 residents directly and over 8,000 residents indirectly. These include health services, infrastructure upgrades, educational based interventions, youth development, behavior modification and entrepreneurship.

Among the major achievements in Denham Town since the ZOSO have been:

- Large investments in physical infrastructure (Roads, Solid Waste Systems and Water)
- Significant investments in a suite of livelihood development programmes inclusive of parenting support, skills training in areas such as the Blue Economy, and Entrepreneurship which have benefitted over 250 individuals in the community.
- Improvement in citizen participation including safety and security initiatives including a curfew monitor programme and capacity building of youth clubs.

The GOJ through the various agencies has spent over J\$ 320 million for the implementation of the suite of interventions and providing recurrent services in the community.

These are captured in the following summary:

Infrastructure Interventions

PROJECT	AGENCIES	# OF BENEFICIARIES	SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES	STATUS
Road, water and Sewage etc.)	JSIF/NWA/NWC	Total population of 8,000 residents	- 3km of roadway - 6.9km of pipeline works	Works completed and connections to household ongoing
Zinc Fence Substitution	JSIF/Denham Town CDC	1,200 residents	- 950 metres of zinc fence substituted	Completed
Solid Waste Management	NSWMA	Total Population of 8,000 residents	- Ongoing collection of garbage	Recurrent per schedule for the community.
Community entrance and Beautification	JSIF/Denham Town CDC	Total Population of 8,000 residents	- Entrance Signs and greenspaces	Completed

Social Development Interventions

PROJECT	AGENCIES	# OF BENEFICIARIES	SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES	STATUS
Livelihood Programmes	JSIF/MOE/ HEART NSTA Trust and HOPE	Approx. 3,500 beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Academic support - Remedial Programmes 	Ongoing
Parenting Support	National Parent Support Commission	150 parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training and counseling 	Ongoing
Health/ Wellness and Community Engagement	Joint Force/ MOH/SDC/MNS/ Ministry of Tourism/ JSIF/	Estimated 3000 residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fun runs - Medical checks - Unity concert 	Completed
Civil Registration	RGD/ Tax Admin/ NIS	Estimated 300 residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Birth Certificates - TRN - Other civil documents 	Completed
Economic Development Programmes	JSIF	23 Entrepreneurs received training and scheduled for Equipment support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training - Equipment 	Training completed and equipment support ongoing
Governance, Youth Engagement and Community Safety	JSIF/ MNS/ Joint Force and the Denham Town CDC	Total Population of 8,000 residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leadership Capacity building of the CDC - Support to the Youth Groups in the Community - Community Safety Initiatives 	Training activities completed and the other initiatives such as the curfew programme and youth grants are ongoing.

The Tables below provide an outline of the progress of the social intervention components in the Zone, as well as the various agencies that have marshalled or contributed to the delivery of the components, notably the following:

The Jamaica Social Investment Fund (JSIF)
The Registrar General's Department (RGD)
The Social Development Commission (SDC)
The Jamaica Constabulary Force (JCF)
The Jamaica Defence Force (JDF)
Denham Town Community Development Centre (CDC)
The Ministry of Education, Youth and Information (MEYI)
The Ministry of National Security (MNS)
The Ministry of Labour and Social Security (MLSS)
The Ministry of Tourism
The HEART NSTA Trust
The Housing Opportunity Production and Employment (HOPE) Programme
Peace Management Initiative
Fight for Peace
Denham Town Community Development Centre (CDC)
J. Wray & Nephew

TABLE 1: DENHAM TOWN - NEW ACTIVITIES EXECUTED DURING OCTOBER 11, 2019 – JULY 20, 2020

<p>Physical Infrastructure Upgrade</p>	<p>Denham Town Integrated Infrastructure Project (IIP)</p>	<p>JSIF</p>	<p>Works are ongoing in the execution of the Denham Town IIP to date to execute the following scope of activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rehabilitation of 3.05 km of roadway 2. Installation of 6.99 km of new water pipelines in the community 3. Upgrade to sewage system 4. Upgrade to drainage system 5. Installation of fire hydrants <p>Update: Works are now completed, and the project is in the six months defects liability period.</p>
<p>Community Safety</p>	<p>Community Safety Initiatives</p>	<p>JSIF, Joint Force & Denham Town CDC</p>	<p>Since April 2019, the Joint Force, JSIF and the CDC have been doing a number of initiatives including a base line service with the youth and other stakeholders in Denham Town, to determine the issues that most impact them with respect to security. It also includes a number of information sessions. Following these sessions, the Denham Town Youth Forum was held on June 20, 2019, where the issues and findings have now resulted in the development of a plan to introduce the five pillars of the JCF community safety plans:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Curfew Programme for youth 2. Mentorship programme 3. Safe Schools programme 4. Youth Clubs 5. Consultative committee

<p>Human and Community Development & Employment</p>	<p>Parenting Development</p>	<p>National Parent Support Commission and JSIF</p>	<p>A total of 24 volunteer Curfew monitors were trained and have been working within the zone to support the Youth curfew programme. They have been ensuring the youth are off the street by 8 p.m. each evening within the zone.</p> <p>Status: Remains under active implementation with oversight and operational support from the Kingston Western Police Division. JSIF also continues to give support to the programme.</p>
			<p>14 parents participated in training involving a parenting development series. Programme will target a total of 90 parents from select schools in the Denham Town community receiving parent development training.</p> <p>Status: Activities cancelled due to the COVID 19 restrictions. The National Parent Support Commissions Parenting Hotline supports parents from the community.</p>

TABLE 2: SOCIAL INTERVENTIONS COMPLETED IN THE ZONE SINCE OCTOBER 2017

THEMATIC AREAS	ACTIVITY	AGENCIES	OUTPUT
Academic Development: (Children & Youth)	Summer Camps – 2	JSIF /Peace Management Initiative, Fight for Peace, Denham Community Development	2 summer camps were held between July and August 2018: (a)Camp #1 - 165 children and youth aged 6-16 yrs. old (b)Camp #2 – 43 male youth from Denham Town, Rema and adjoining communities, were exposed to a one-week residential retreat, and behavior change and motivational training.
Alternative Livelihood Development	Skills Training and Alternative Livelihood	JSIF	55 students completed training at four institutions in programmes ranging from Business Processing, Software Development and Online Entrepreneurship.
Academic Development	GSAT Classes & Science Quiz	JSIF	235 students engaged in Life skills Project from the following Schools: Chetolah Park & Mel Nathan, Denham Town Primary and St. Annes
Civil Registration	Civil Documentation	JSIF & RGD	200 Residents issued with Birth Certificates
Wellness and Community integration	ZOSO Labor Day Project - St Albans Primary	Joint Force/ Denham Town CDC & JSIF	Members of the security forces and the community painted five classrooms and other external areas of the St Albans Primary school on May 23, 2019 through a joint project. Over 30 gallons of paint and other supplies were provided for the intervention.

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Wellness and Community integration	ZOSO Fun run	Joint Force/ CBOs & JSIF	Over 2,500 residents and visitors took part in an exciting run through Denham Town. They also had opportunities to interact with residents and enjoy local cuisine prepared by residents.
Joint Social Welfare Engagement	Under the leadership of the Ministry of Tourism, a number of Agencies are mobilized to provide the following services to the community: - Health Screenings - Recreation - Career Services - Cultural showcase	Ministry of Tourism/ Other SIC Agencies and Community Based Organizations.	Event executed on September 23, 2018 Over 300 residents attended and benefitted from the services. The evenings also included live performances from groups in Denham Town, and headline act Agent Sasco.
Health	Community Health Clinic	150 Residents	Over 300 residents received medical following the intervention of the Kingston Public Health Department. Residents were able to access basic primary medical care, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Childcare • Treatment for basic wounds • Curative Care
Infrastructure Development	Zinc Fence Substitution	JSIF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 923 meters of zinc fence removed and replaced with concrete fencing • 200 households directly benefiting

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Social Welfare	Community Social Services Fair	SIC Agencies: JSIF SDC MNS MLSS HEART NSTA Trust	Over 300 services provided to residents in the community including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Registration for Skills Training ▪ Civil documentation ▪ Dental checks ▪ Medical checks

TABLE 3: INTERVENTIONS IN ACTIVE IMPLEMENTATION IN DENHAM TOWN ZOSO.

Intervention	Activity	Number of Beneficiaries	Implementation Timeline
Academic Development	Behavior Modification programme (Ministry of Education, Youth and Information) using the School Wide Positive Behavior Intervention Support Framework	Over 3,000 students to be supported with a 12 month programme to adopt positive behavior among children in the Zone	<p>Ongoing - MOE Regional 1 team leading initiatives, including conducting Behavior Change workshops using the School Wide Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (SWPBIS) with schools including Denham Town High, Denham Town Primary and St. Anne's CAP. Final workshop for the schools was concluded on January 15-17, 2020.</p> <p>Update: Activities achieved 80 per cent completion prior to cancellations due to the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>
Parental Support Programme	Parenting training to parents of students attending schools within the zone	Approximately 300 parents to benefit	<p>National Parent Support Commission with funding from JSIF would implement the Parent Place Capacity Development initiative that included workshops and provision of literature on effective parenting.</p> <p>Update: Activities cancelled due to the COVID-19.</p>
Academic Support Programme	Providing remote learning to students displaced from school by the COVID-19 pandemic	Over 15,000 students from the Community received printed material to supplement their online teaching experience through a programme implemented in	<p>Programme is ongoing and is intended to ensure the children remain engaged for the period that schools are out of session.</p>

		<p>partnership with the Jamaica Constabulary Force (JCF), Jamaica Defence Force (JDF), Ministry of Education Youth and Information (MOEYI), Jamaica Alumni Association of High Schools (JAAHS), Jamaica Social Investment Fund (SIF), Ministry of Health and Wellness (MOHW) and the Denham Town Community Development Committee (DTCCDC).</p>	
<p>Civil Registration</p>	<p>Civil documentation</p>	<p>Provisions are in place to support at least 200 more residents.</p>	<p>Ongoing - Residents are able to apply to JSIF for birth certificates, however activities are on pause now due to the COVID-19 restrictions.</p>
<p>Human and Community Development and Employment</p>	<p>Enterprise Development</p>	<p>Twenty-three (23) Entrepreneurs selected and are being trained to become entrepreneurs.</p>	<p>Ongoing: Equipment are to be delivered following delays brought or by the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, the anticipated total disbursement should be done by September 30, 2020.</p>


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 Prime Minister

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