



**Joint Select Committee on Finance
and Legal Affairs**

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Trade, Tobago Affairs, OPM,
Attorney General, Justice and
Legal Affairs)**

**Inquiry into the Adequacy of
Magistrates' Courts Facilities**

Written Response

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NO.	DATE OF INSPECTION/ RE-INSPECTION	SITE/ LOCATION	FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF INSPECTIONS
	Re-Inspection November 5th 2019		No Electrical certificate (Section 6 (2)) No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) No Safety and Health Policy (Section 8(2)(a)) No evidence that Fire extinguishers were serviced (Section 6 (2) (a)) No documentary evidence of a functional safety and health committee (Section 25E)
3.	July 23 rd , 2019 Re-Inspection November 18th, 2019	Rio Claro/ Princes Town Magistrate Court	No Safety and Health Policy (Section 6(1) and 8(2)(a)) No Electrical certificate (Section 6 (2)) No evidence of a functional Safety and Health Committee (Section 25E) No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) No Safety and Health Policy (Section 6(1) and 8(2)(a)) No Electrical certificate (Section 6 (2)) No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2))
4.	July 23 rd , 2019 Re-Inspection November 05th, 2019	Arima Magistrate Court	No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) No documentation to verify that the premises was certified by the Electrical Inspectorate (Section 6 (2) (a)) No health and safety policy and statement (Section 6(7) & 8(2)(a)) Doors/doorknobs within the industrial establishment due for maintenance or replacement, open electrical sockets, evidence of a mold-like substance (Section 6 (2) (a)) Fire extinguishers were due for servicing (Section 29) Female bathroom stalls without receptacles or disposal units (Section 41 (b)) No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) No Electrical certificate (Section 6 (2)) No evidence that Fire extinguishers were serviced (Section 6 (2) (a))
5.	July 24 th 2019	Siparia Magistrate Court	No Safety and Health Policy (Section 8(2)(a)) No records of internal Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) inspections (Section (6) (2) (a)) No evidence of a functional Safety and Health Committee (Section 25E) A fire certificate was not acquired for the facility (Section 26(2)) No record of drills conducted (Section 29)

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	Re-Inspection November 20th, 2019		<p>Inaccurate signage for the public washroom to identify the washroom gender users (Section 6(2)(d) and 41(a))</p> <p>No traffic management plan for the industrial establishment (Section 6(2) (a) & 7(1))</p> <p>No Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) (Section 6(2) (d))</p> <p>No evidence of a policy for pregnant employees (Section 6 (1))</p> <p>Floor tile that was broken (Section 6 (2) (a))</p> <p>No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2))</p>
6.	July 24 th , 2019 Re-Inspection November 5th, 2019	Tunapuna Magistrate Court	<p>No electrical certificate, open electrical panels and exposed wires in the Air Handler room on the ground floor (Section 6 (2) (a))</p> <p>No documentary evidence of a functional safety and health committee (Section 25E)</p> <p>No available record of a Fire Certificate (Section 26(2))</p> <p>Inspection record for the fire extinguishers and hose reels in the facility were not up to date (Section 29)</p> <p>No electrical certificate, open electrical panels and exposed wires in the Air Handler room on the ground floor (Section 6 (2) (a))</p> <p>No available record of a Fire Certificate (Section 26(2))</p> <p>Inspection record for the fire extinguishers and hose reels in the facility were not up to date (Section 29)</p>
7.	July 25 th , 2019 Re-Inspection October 24th 2019	Couva Magistrate Court	<p>No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2))</p> <p>No Electrical Certificate (Section 6(1))</p> <p>Toilets and the premises were not designed to facilitate wheelchair users (Section 6(2)(e))</p> <p>Expired items in the First Aid Kit (Section 43(1))</p> <p>Female public toilet and the police officers toilets were not mechanically or naturally ventilated, failed to provide and maintain a suitable receptacle or disposal unit for use by women, damaged toilet seat (Section 41(a)41(b) 41(c))</p> <p>No records of health surveillance being conducted for persons working in this facility (Section 25 K)</p> <p>No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2))</p> <p>No Electrical Certificate (Section 6(1))</p>

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			<p>No Generator License issued by the Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T&TEC) (Section 6(2)(b)) No Safety and Health Policy (Section 8(2)(a)); Emergency Response Plan was not implemented (Section 8 (2) (b))</p>
8.	<p>July 25th, 2019</p> <p>Re-Inspection November 4th, 2019</p>	<p>Chaguanas Magistrate Court</p>	<p>No documentary evidence of a functional safety and health committee (Section 25E) No documentary evidence of Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) No documentary evidence of Health and Safety policy (Section 8 (2) (a))</p> <p>No documentary evidence of Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) No documentary evidence of Health and Safety policy (Section 8 (2) (a))</p>
9.	<p>July 23rd, 2019</p> <p>Re-Inspection December 17th, 2019</p>	<p>St George West Magistrates Court</p>	<p>No approved Safety and Health Policy (Section 6 (7)); risk assessment 13(a)(1) No Electrical certificate (Section 6 (2)); Electrical work to be conducted ; No emergency plan (Section 6(2)(a)) No pest control management plan, missing breaker filler plates, no handrails along the prisoner’s staircase; air condition maintenance (Section 6 (2) (a)) Unsatisfactory housekeeping as boxes, water bottles and derelict items such as computers, chairs, printers etc. were stored haphazardly (Section 6(2)(b), 6(2)(e) and 31 (c)) No documented evidence indicating a functioning Safety and Health Committee (Section 25E and 25F) Fire extinguishers throughout the establishment were in need of servicing (Section 29)</p> <p>No approved Safety and Health Policy (Section 6 (7)); No Electrical certificate; Electrical work to be conducted; no access to panel box (Section 6 (2)) No handrails along the prisoner’s staircase; air condition maintenance (Section 6 (2) (a)) No documented evidence indicating a functioning Safety and Health Committee (Section 25E and 25F) Fire extinguishers throughout the establishment were in need of servicing (Section 29)</p>

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10.	July 30 th , 2019 Re-Inspection November 12, 2019	San Fernando Magistrate Court	<p>No documentary evidence of a functional safety and health committee (Section 25E) Ceiling Leaks (Section (6) (2) (a)) No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) Emergency Response Plan was not implemented (Section 8 (2) (b)) No Electrical Certificate (Section 6(1))</p> <p>No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) Emergency Response Plan was not implemented (Section 8 (2) (b)) No Electrical Certificate (Section 6(1))</p>
11.	July 24 th , 2019 Re-Inspection October 25th, 2019	Point Fortin Magistrate Court	<p>Safety and Health Policy was not produced (Section 8(2)(a)) No evidence of Risk assessment (Section 13A) No documentary evidence of training in areas fire safety, first aid (Section 13A) Emergency Response Plan was not implemented (Section 8 (2) (b)) Records of building inspected by the Government Electrical Inspectorate was not produced (Section (6) (a)) No documentary evidence of a functional Safety and Health Committee (Section 25E and 25F.) Poor housekeeping, Chemical Storage Room and Electrical Room, items were stored haphazardly section 6(1). No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) No Electrical Certificate (Section 6(1)) Fire extinguishers throughout the establishment were in need of servicing (Section 29)</p> <p>Air conditioning system was non-functional (Section 6(2)(a)) Lack of identification of tripping hazards, covers on the electrical receptacles were dislodged, loose cords and boxes (Section 6(2)(e) 6(2)(d) 6(1)) No Electrical Certificate (Section 6(1)) No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2)) No documentary evidence of a functional safety and health committee (Section 25E)</p>
12.	July 30 th 2019	Scarborough Magistrate Court	<p>Safety and Health Policy was not produced (Section 8(2)(a)) Item identified in Emergency Response Plan was not implemented (Section 8 (2) (b)) Fire certificate was not produced (Section 26(2)) Records of building inspected by the Government Electrical Inspectorate was not produced (Section (6) (a))</p>

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	<p align="center">Re-Inspection December 03, 2019</p>		<p>No evidence of a functional Safety and Health Committee (Section 25E)</p> <p>Lack of identification of tripping hazards, covers on the electrical receptacles were dislodged, loose cords and boxes (Section 6(2)(e) 6(2)(d) 6(1))</p> <p>No Electrical Certificate (Section 6(1))</p> <p>No Fire Certificate (Section 26(2))</p> <p>No documentary evidence of a functional safety and health committee (Section 25E)</p>

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