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## **About this Guide**

This guide provides a summary of expenditure for the Ministry of National Security (MNS) for the period 2016-2022. It provides Members of Parliament and stakeholders with an overview of the Ministry's responsibilities. The primary purpose of this guide is to consolidate the information contained within the various Budget Documents pertaining to the Ministry of National Security, and provide readers with an analysis of same. This guide is based primarily on:

- Draft Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure;
- Draft Estimates of Development Programme;
- Public Sector Investment Programme 2022; and
- Auditor General's Report on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the fiscal year 2020.

## **Head 22: Ministry of National Security**

### **Ministry Overview**

#### **Mission**

To advance national development by creating a safer and more secure society through enhanced collaboration among all stakeholders, intelligence-based decision-making and strengthened inter-agency structures and systems.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Vision**

To be at the pinnacle of public safety and security delivery.<sup>2</sup>

**Minister:** The Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds, MP

**Permanent Secretary (Ag.) (Accounting Officer):** Mr. Gary Joseph

**Permanent Secretary (Ag):** Mrs. Nataki Atiba-Dilchan

The Ministry of National Security is among the largest and most complex public sector organizations. The Ministry has primary responsibility for ensuring and maintaining security of the nation, people, territory and national interests. It is primarily responsible for the maintenance of law, order, public safety and defence against aggression, management of disaster preparedness and relief, monitoring and control of the flow of persons into and out of the country<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> Ministry of National Security website. Accessed: September 22, 2021. Available: <http://www.nationalsecurity.gov.tt/About/Our-Mission-and-Mandate>

<sup>2</sup> Ministry of National Security website, accessed on September 22, 2021. Available: <http://www.nationalsecurity.gov.tt/About/Our-Mission-and-Mandate>

<sup>3</sup> Standing Finance Committee Hansard of Ministry of National Security 13Oct16. Available: <http://www.ttparliament.org/documents/2427.pdf>. Accessed: September 22, 2021.

In order to fulfill the diverse responsibilities that fall under the remit of the Ministry of National Security, there are ten (10) established Divisions:

### **General Administration**

“General Administration or Head Office is responsible for ensuring that the other Divisions of the Ministry are provided with the necessary resources to achieve their objectives.<sup>4</sup>”

### **Immigration Division**

The Immigration Division is responsible for the control of persons entering and leaving Trinidad and Tobago and the issue of travel documents both locally and at Trinidad and Tobago Missions overseas. The Immigration Division comprises approximately 500 members of staff who operate at offices throughout Trinidad and Tobago including national air and seaports.<sup>5</sup>”

The function of the Division is defined by the following Acts:

- Immigration Act
- Citizenship Act Chapter 1:50
- Former Constitution - Order in Council 1962
- Immigration (Caribbean Community Skilled Nationals) Act 26/96

### **The Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management (ODPM)**

The mission statement of the OPDM is to build national Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Adaptation capabilities with partners and coordinate response and recovery operations in order to protect the people, environment and economy and ensure a disaster resilient nation.<sup>6</sup>”

Currently the primary piece of legislation governing disaster management in Trinidad and Tobago is the Disasters Measures Act Chapter 16:50 (Act 47 of 1978).

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<sup>4</sup> Ministry of National Security Administrative Report, 2016. Pg. 9. Accessed September 22, 2021. Available: <http://parlcloud.ttparliament.org:8080/paperslaiddownloader/Default.aspx?path=DocumentsPapersLaid/Eleventh%20Parliament/4TH%20Session%20-%202011TH%20PARL/Administrative%20Reports/Ministry%20of%20National%20Security%20Administrative%20Report%202016.pdf>

<sup>5</sup> Ministry of National Security ‘Immigration Division’. Accessed: September 22, 2021. Available: <http://www.nationalsecurity.gov.tt/Divisions/The-Immigration-Division>

<sup>6</sup> Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management- A Division of the Ministry of National Security. ‘Vision and Mission.’ Accessed: August 24, 2021. Available: <http://www.odpm.gov.tt/node/4>

Several National Policies have been drafted for the disaster management system in Trinidad & Tobago including<sup>7</sup>:

- Crisis Communication, Guidelines and Response Plan
- National Earthquake Response Plan
- National Hurricane Response Plan
- Volunteer Policy

### **Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS)**

The TTPS is charged with<sup>8</sup>:

- The Maintenance of Law and Order.
- Prevention and Detection of Crime
- Apprehension of Offenders.

The Police Service functions in accordance with the Police Service Act Chapter 15:01

Unlike other Divisions under the Ministry of National Security, the TTPS has its own expenditure Head in the Budget and therefore will not be addressed in this guide.

### **Life Guard Services**

“The Lifeguard Service Division has the primary goal of ensuring the safety of individuals in aquatic environments. The personnel of this unit are highly skilled and trained professional swimmers.

This goal is approached through two main avenues. The first is by active protection on the nations beaches. The second, and probably more important, is through water safety training and education.<sup>9</sup>”

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<sup>7</sup> Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management- A Division of the Ministry of National Security- ‘Policies, Plans and Legislation.’ Accessed: August 24, 2021: <http://www.odpm.gov.tt/node/159>

<sup>8</sup> Ministry of National Security. ‘Trinidad and Tobago Police Service.’ Accessed: September 22, 2021. Available: <http://www.nationalsecurity.gov.tt/Divisions/Trinidad-and-Tobago-Police-Service-TTPS>

<sup>9</sup> Ministry of National Security. ‘Lifeguard Services.’ Accessed: September 22, 2021. Available: <http://www.nationalsecurity.gov.tt/Divisions/Lifeguard-Services>



## **Probation Services Division**

The Probation of Offenders Act of 1907 which brought about the birth of the Probation Service in Great Britain also provided for the establishment of a similar service here in the colonial territory.

### **Services Provided**

- Supervision of Probationers
- Preparation of Reports which include Criminal Matters, Family Matters, Civil Matters and Domestic Violence Matters
- Community Service Supervision
- Bail Supervision
- Counselling Matrimonial Matters
- Family Sessions
- Walk-in Clients (not referred to by the Court.)

### **Programmes carried out by Probation Services Division**

- Thinking for a Change Programme
- Remedial Therapy for Probationers<sup>10</sup>

## **Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service**

The Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service is an arm of the criminal justice system and a division of the Ministry of National Security. It currently has in its employ just over three thousand officers and civilian workers, who perform a range of tasks related to the fulfillment of its mandate of holding and treating of incarcerated persons. The Prison Service is A unique entity, in that it is neither fully military, nor civilian in its operations as it straddles both spheres in the course of its operations.<sup>11</sup>

The Prison Service functions in accordance with the:

- Prisons Act, 13.01
- Prison Service Act, 13.02

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<sup>10</sup> Ministry of National Security. 'The Probation Services Division.' Accessed: September 22, 2021. Available: <http://www.nationalsecurity.gov.tt/Divisions/Probation-Services-Division>

<sup>11</sup> Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service. 'About Us.' Accessed: August 24, 2021. Available: <https://tprisons.com/180/>

- Prison Rules

### **Trinidad and Tobago Fire Service (TTFS)**

“The Trinidad and Tobago Fire Service operates under the Fire Service Act Chapter 35:50 of the Laws of Trinidad and Tobago.<sup>12</sup>”

### **Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force (TTDF)**

The Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force was established in 1962 under the Defence Force Act 14:01 and was given the following responsibilities: To defend the sovereign good of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, to cooperate with and assist the civil power in maintaining law and order, to assist the civil authorities in times of crisis or disaster, to perform ceremonial functions on behalf of the State and to provide search and rescue services in keeping with national requirements and under international agreements (assist in the prevention of trafficking of narcotics and other illegal goods, monitor the safety of shipping waters and assist the development of the national community).

The following Specialised Youth Service Programmes fall under the remit of the TTDF<sup>13</sup>:

- **Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC)**

The Trinidad and Tobago Civilian Conservation Corps is a nationwide programme, with the mission to “positively alter attitudes and behaviours of socially marginalized young citizens of Trinidad and Tobago”.<sup>14</sup>

- **Military-led Academic Training (MILAT)**

MiLAT provides a Safe, Structured and Regulated setting within which at-risk young men interact with Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force personnel and non-military professionals, benefit from positive mentorship and reinforcement, and receive assistance rebuilding their ambitions, hopes and dreams. MiLAT’s ultimate goal is to help cadets to develop a

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<sup>12</sup> Ministry of National Security. ‘The Trinidad and Tobago Fire Service.’ Accessed: September 22, 2021. Available: <http://www.nationalsecurity.gov.tt/divisions/trinidad-and-tobago-fire-service-ttfs>

<sup>13</sup> Ministry of National Security. ‘Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force.’ Accessed: September 22, 2021. <http://www.nationalsecurity.gov.tt/Divisions/Trinidad-and-Tobago-Defence-Force-TTDF>

<sup>14</sup> Civilian Conservation Corps website: Accessed: September 22, 2021. Available: <https://ccc.sysptt.org/programme.html>

positive character, learn and enhance their vocational and para-military training skills, attain their academic certification in an alternative environment in order to improve their chances of attaining a better quality of life.<sup>15</sup>

### **Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force**

“The Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force is a Voluntary Youth Organisation that acquires its membership from secondary schools. The main objective of the Cadet Force is to train and inspire young men and women to be model citizens. Emphasis is placed on instilling in the Cadet qualities such as discipline, loyalty and duty.<sup>16</sup>”

In addition to the abovementioned Divisions, there are 15 “*specific mandate*” units that operate under the Ministry. They are as follow<sup>17</sup>:

- i. Citizenship and Immigration;
- ii. Work Permit Section;
- iii. National Drug Council;
- iv. Citizen Security Programme;
- v. Office of Law Enforcement Policy;
- vi. Anti-Money Laundering;
- vii. Combating the Financing of Terrorism;
- viii. Military Liaison Office;
- ix. HIV/ Aids Coordinating Unit;
- x. National Mentorship Programme;
- xi. Counter Trafficking Unit;
- xii. Probation Services;
- xiii. Penal Reform and Transformation Unit;
- xiv. Strategic Services Agency; and
- xv. Transnational Organized Crime Unit.

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<sup>15</sup> Milat website: ‘Positive Mentorship.’ Accessed: August 24, 2021. Available: <https://milat.sysppt.org/>

<sup>16</sup> Ministry of National Security. ‘Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force.’ Accessed: September 22, 2020.

Available: <http://www.nationalsecurity.gov.tt/Divisions/Trinidad-and-Tobago-Cadet-Force-TTCF>

<sup>17</sup> Standing Finance Committee Hansard of Ministry of National Security 14 Oct16, Accessed August 8, 2017

# Auditor General Report Findings for the financial year 2020<sup>18</sup>

## Ref: Auditor General's Report

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#### Accounting Unit 07 - General Administration pg. 102

3.32 The Reconciliation of Monthly Abstract of Payments and Unpaid Cheques received at the Auditor General's Department was a photocopied document and did not bear original signatures. In addition, it was not signed by the Accounting Officer nor was evidence seen that it was checked by Internal Audit. This was not in accordance with Comptroller of Accounts directives.

#### Accounting Unit 21- Defence Force pg. 102

3.33 A Statement of Reconciliation of Monthly Abstract of Payments and Unpaid Cheques was not signed by the Accounting Officer nor was evidence seen that it was checked by Internal Audit. This was not in accordance with Comptroller of Accounts directives.

#### Balances held for more than three (3) years pg. 138

4.30 The Accounting Officer should comply with Financial Instructions paragraphs

213 (1) and (2) which states: 213 (1) *"Unless the Treasury otherwise directs, all deposits which have remained unclaimed for three years shall be transferred to revenue."*

213 (2) *"Where an amount is allowed to remain on deposit for more than three years, the authority for retaining it on deposit must be stated on each subsequent analysis statement and the Treasury may, on written application by the claimant, refund any deposit transferred to revenue."*

4.33 An amount of \$6,997,299.10 was held in three (3) deposit accounts for a period greater than three (3) years as detailed below:

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<sup>18</sup> Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the Financial Year ended September 30, 2020, Accessed August 25, 2021. Available: <http://138.128.179.50/sites/default/files/Auditor-General-Report-2020.pdf>

<b>Head/ Sub-Head</b>	<b>Ending Balance \$</b>
112/20 - National Disaster Relief Fund	3,657,835.56
111/585 - N.E.M.A	35,363.54
111/640 - "Hoop of Life" Programme	3,304,100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,997,299.10</b>

## Public Sector Investment Programme 2021 Achievements<sup>19</sup>

### **Public Safety and Citizen Security**

Public safety and citizen security are of crucial concern to the citizenry of Trinidad and Tobago and continues to be a priority of Government. Fostering safety and security requires focus on crime detection and prevention, border security, cyber security, terrorism defence, intelligence gathering and disaster risk reduction to name a few. As such, in fiscal 2021, the Ministry of National Security continued to focus on:

- improving border security;
- enhancing the criminal justice system;
- supporting humanitarian assistance and disaster support and relief efforts;
- improving physical infrastructure and providing the necessary specialised equipment for the military; and
- providing support to the Government's response to managing the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### *Protecting our Nation's Borders - Maritime Formation*

The overall focus of the Ministry of National Security therefore is to ensure that security forces are equipped and mobile to respond to any challenges to the nation's borders.

The Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard (TTCG) has the responsibility of safety and security within the maritime borders of Trinidad and Tobago. In fiscal 2021, the TTCG expended the sum of \$17.5 million for the acquisition and maintenance of naval assets as well as the improvement and development of the infrastructure and utilities at the bases which support the operationalisation of the TTCG and the vessels.

The naval fleet was enhanced by the acquisition of two (2) Naval Cape Class Patrol Vessels which were launched in July 2021. The vessels will assist the TTCG in patrolling the nation's borders. Additionally, the TTCG has commenced procurement for the acquisition of four (4) high speed outboard interceptor vessels at a cost of \$11.0 million to further enhance the fleet. These interceptor are able to operate closer to shore as well as work alongside the larger naval crafts to increase the efficiency in monitoring and policing our territorial waters.

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<sup>19</sup> Public Sector Investment Programme 2022, October 2021 pg -127 - 130 accessed on 5 October 2021 <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Public-Sector-Investment-Programme-2022.pdf>

In order to support these newly acquired vessels and the existing fleet, the TTCG has upgraded the electrical system, potable water system, waste water treatment system and air conditioning systems at Staubles Bay.

Additionally, the TTCG commenced the development of preliminary designs for an Integrated Logistics Support Facility at the Heliport Base in Chaguaramas at a cost of \$1.5 million. The facility will be a centralised service and maintenance facility for the TTCG.

### *Strengthening our Military Capability*

The Trinidad and Tobago Regiment (TTR) focused on operational readiness and the improvement and maintenance of its existing infrastructure and equipment. An investment totalling \$38.5 million was allocated to the TTR, of which, \$17.7 million was utilised for the implementation of priority projects.

The TTR sought to increase the capacity and capability of the Engineering Battalion to respond to disasters by commencing the procurement of vehicles and equipment necessary to support its work. The TTR was provided with the sum of \$2.0 million to procure an excavator, a flatbed truck and a trailer.

Infrastructural works at the La Romain Base of the TTR advanced to ninety-five (95) percent completion in fiscal 2021. The TTR utilised the sum of \$11.5 million for the provision of preengineered structures, construction of roads and installation of utilities. The Second Infantry Battalion which is based at the Heliport Base in Chaguaramas will be relocated to the La Romain Base pending completion of the infrastructural works.

The main workshop at Camp Cumuto is being refurbished to increase the operational capacity of the facility and reduce the cost of vehicle maintenance and repairs. The tendering process was completed and a contractor was engaged. The sum of \$2.3 million was expended to initiate these works which commenced in April 2021. However, work was halted in May 2021 with the implementation of Government's COVID-19 restrictions. The refurbishment has resumed and are expected to continue into fiscal year 2022.

### *Ensuring Aviation Security*

The Trinidad and Tobago Air Guard (TTAG) is the agency responsible for providing aviation security to safeguard citizens, national resources and economic interests within national borders.

The TTAG, as well as other arms of the TTDF, provided support during the pandemic to the Ministry of Health by providing assistance in the transportation of COVID-19 positive patients.

The TTAG was allocated the sum \$2.0 million to continue the procurement process for the acquisition of the required vehicles.

### *Building our Fire Fighting Capability*

The Trinidad and Tobago Fire Service (TTFS) is responsible for fire and civil defence through the provision of fire and emergency response services to the nation. The TTFS has focused its development programme on:

- the upgrade of existing fire stations;
- the construction of new stations to serve new residential and commercial communities; and
- the acquisition of vehicles and equipment to ensure that each station has a first response appliance and an ambulance.

The TTFS has embarked on a programme to construct/reconstruct seventeen (17) stations across Trinidad and Tobago especially in rural and newly developing areas. The Mayaro, Penal and Roxborough Fire Stations have been completed and are operational.

The TTFS also entered into a design-build-equip arrangement for the construction of the Pont Fortin Fire Station which is estimated to cost \$39 million. In fiscal 2021, the sum of \$10.2 million was expended for the construction of the station which is 5 percent completed. The upgrade of the Scarborough Fire Station advanced to 60 percent completion with expenditure of \$0.3 million. The major achievements included roof works, electrical works and construction of the decking.

In addition, the TTFS sought to refurbish and recommission two (2) crash tenders in order to ensure optimal levels of firefighting capabilities. Of the \$2.0 million allocated for the project, a total of \$0.2 million was expended to extend the functionality of the tenders.

### *Rehabilitation of Offenders*

The Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service (TTPrS) is an arm of the criminal justice system and a division of the Ministry of National Security. The Prison Service is committed to the protection of society and crime prevention by facilitating opportunities for habitation/rehabilitation of offenders while maintaining control under safe, secure and humane conditions. In fiscal 2021, the TTPrS expended a total of \$23.7 million for the following activities related to the fulfilment of its mandate of holding and treating of incarcerated persons:

- installation of an alarm system at the Maximum Security Prison (MSP) which has advanced to forty (40) percent completion;
- design and installation of a CCTV system at the MSP which is 95 percent completed at a cost of \$0.7 million;
- upgrade of plumbing and electrical systems at the Remand Yard Prison which is 45 percent completed with expenditure in the sum of \$22.4 million; and
- establishment of a Community Residence/Rehabilitation Centre to accommodate female child offenders which advanced to 25 percent completion.



# **Consideration of Proposals for the Supplementation and Variation of Appropriation for the fiscal year 2021<sup>20</sup>**

During fiscal 2021, it was necessary to have a Supplementation of Appropriation of resources to fund urgent and critical Recurrent and Capital Expenditure to September 30, 2021 in areas where insufficient or no allocation was provided. The source of these additional funds was the Consolidated Fund.

- 01/001/05 – Government’s Contribution to NIS - \$20,240,060
- 02/001/13 – Maintenance of Vehicles - \$44,772,610
- 02/001/21 – Repairs and Maintenance – Buildings - \$18,162,310
- 02/001/36 – Extraordinary Expenditure - \$30,000,000
- 02/001/61 – Insurance - \$11, 693,780
- 04/005/02 – Vision on Mission - \$4,000,000
- 04/007/13 – Criminal Injuries Compensation - \$1,000,000
- 04/009/02 – Strategic Services Agency - \$188,500,000

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<sup>20</sup> REPORT OF THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES on the Consideration of Proposals for the Supplementation and Variation of Appropriation for the fiscal year 2021 Accessed August 25, 2021. Available: <http://www.tparliament.org/reports/p12-s1-H-20210609-SFC-r1.pdf>

**The Ministry's total allocation as a percentage of the National Budget for the period  
2014 to 2021.**

<b>Year<sup>21</sup></b>	<b>Total Allocation<sup>22</sup></b>	<b>National Budget<sup>23</sup></b>	<b>Percentage of National Budget</b>
2016	\$ 5,085,696,460.00	\$ 56,573,913,053.00	9.0%
2017	\$4,045,271,997.00	\$54,883,153,410.00	7.4%
2018	\$3,259,420,836.00	\$54,211,726,813.00	6.0%
2019	\$3,407,898,611.00	\$54,581,467,181.00	6.2%
2020	\$3,673,243,018.00	\$57,388,076,726.00	6.4%
2021	\$3,263,577,654.00	\$57,292,169,264.00	5.7%
2022	\$3,056,634,000.00	\$57,917,018,000.00	5.3%

- Total allocation for the Ministry of National Security as a percentage of the National Budget reflected a decrease of **0.5%** between the period **2020/2021** and **2021/2022**.

<sup>21</sup> For the Fiscal Years 2016-2020, actual figures were used to calculate the total allocation. However, estimates were used to calculate the total allocation for the Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022.

<sup>22</sup> Total Allocation for the Ministry of National Security = Recurrent Expenditure + Consolidated Fund Expenditure

<sup>23</sup> The National Budget = Total Recurrent Expenditure + Development Programme Expenditure: Consolidated Fund

## Where the Ministry spends its money

### 2021-2022 Estimates of Expenditure

The budget allocation of **\$3,128,652,000.00**<sup>24</sup> for the Ministry of National Security is comprised of:

- The Draft Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure in the sum of **\$2,953,450,000**;
- The Draft Estimates of Development Programme in the sum of **\$175,202,000.00**
  - Consolidated Fund in the sum of **\$103,184,000.00**; and
  - Infrastructure Development Fund<sup>25</sup> of the sum **\$72,018,000.00**.

The Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure include:

- 01 Personnel Expenditure - **\$2,097,340,680.00**;
- 02 Goods and Services - **\$441,575,830.00**;
- 03 Minor Equipment Purchases **\$15,534,360.00**; and
- 04 Current Transfers and Subsidies **\$398,999,130.00**.

The Ministry of National Security's:

- Total allocation as a percentage of National Budget = **5.3%**
- Recurrent Expenditure as a percentage of the total Recurrent Expenditure budget is = **5.3%**
- Consolidated Fund allocation as a percentage of the total Consolidated Fund allocation is = **4.1%**
- Infrastructure Development Fund allocation as a percentage of the total Infrastructure Development Fund is = **4.2%**

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<sup>24</sup> Draft Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure for the financial year 2022. Accessed: October 5, 2021. Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-Details-of-Recurrent-Expenditure-2022.pdf>

<sup>25</sup> Head 18 -Ministry of Finance, Sub-Head 04 - Current Transfers and Subsidies, Sub-Item 11- Infrastructure Development Fund (IDF) (Infrastructure Development Fund allocation is part of the Ministry of Finance allocation for the financial year. *Therefore, the total recurrent expenditure for the Ministry of National Security does not include IDF funding.*

## Summary of Recurrent Expenditure for the period 2016-2022

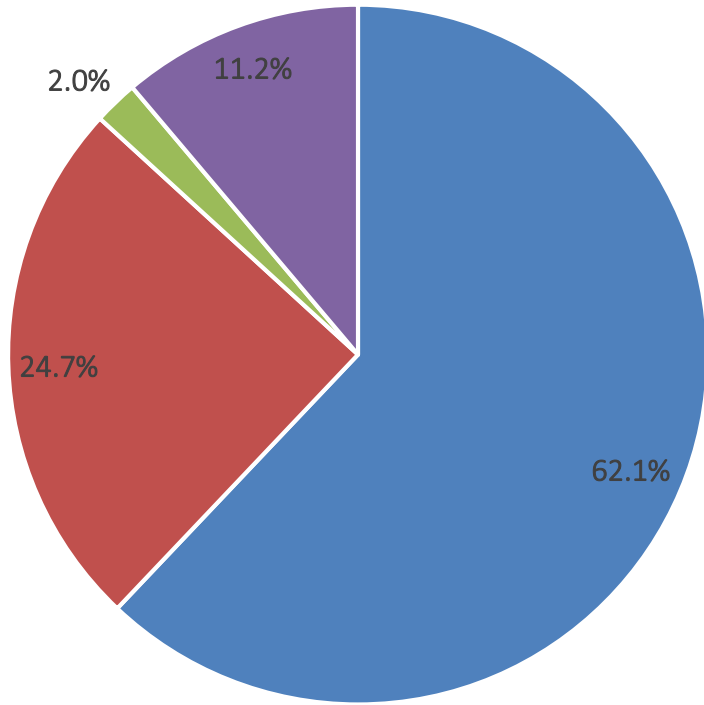


## Analysis of Recurrent Expenditure

Recurrent Expenditure refers to the payments for expenses which are incurred during the day-to-day operations of the Ministry for Personnel Expenditure, Goods and Services, Minor Equipment Purchases and Current Transfers and Subsidies. Estimated Recurrent Expenditure for Fiscal Year **2021/2022** is **\$2,953,450,000.00**.

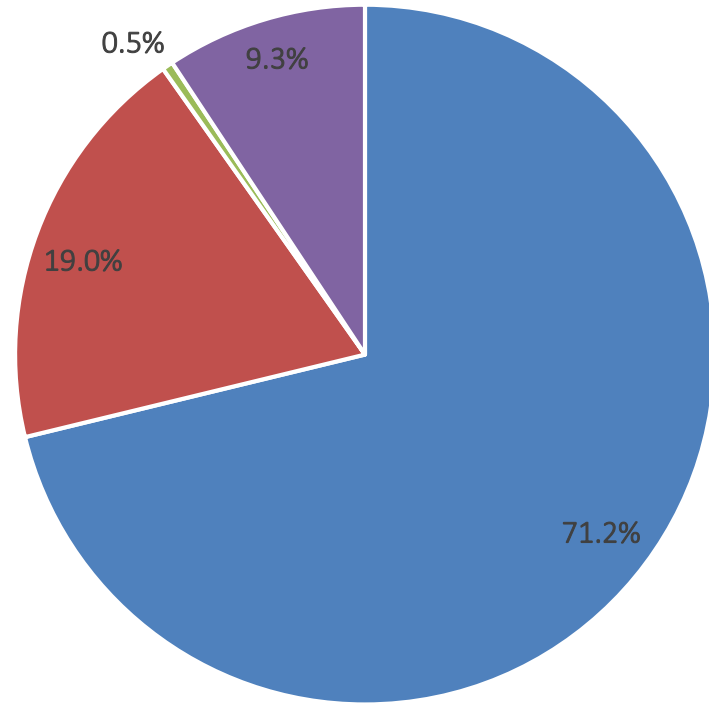
- The Revised Estimate of Recurrent Expenditure for Fiscal Year 2020/2021 was **\$3,226,260,701.00**. Therefore, in Fiscal Year **2021/2022**, there is a **decrease** in allocation of **(\$390,757,253)** or **(12.50%)**.
- The largest portion of the allocation has consistently gone to Sub-Head 01 Personnel Expenditure. This allocation accounts for approximately **71%** of total funding for the Ministry for Fiscal Year **2021/2022** with the Ministry receiving **\$2,097,340,680.00** for its day to day operations.
- Minor Equipment Purchases has consistently received the lowest portion of the total allocation for the Ministry over the period **2018 to 2022**. This allocation accounts for approximately **0.5%** of total funding for the Ministry for Fiscal Year **2021/2022**.
- Goods and Services received approximately **15%** of the allocation for **2021/2022** fiscal year (**\$441,575,830**).

2016 Actual =  
\$3,938,816,198



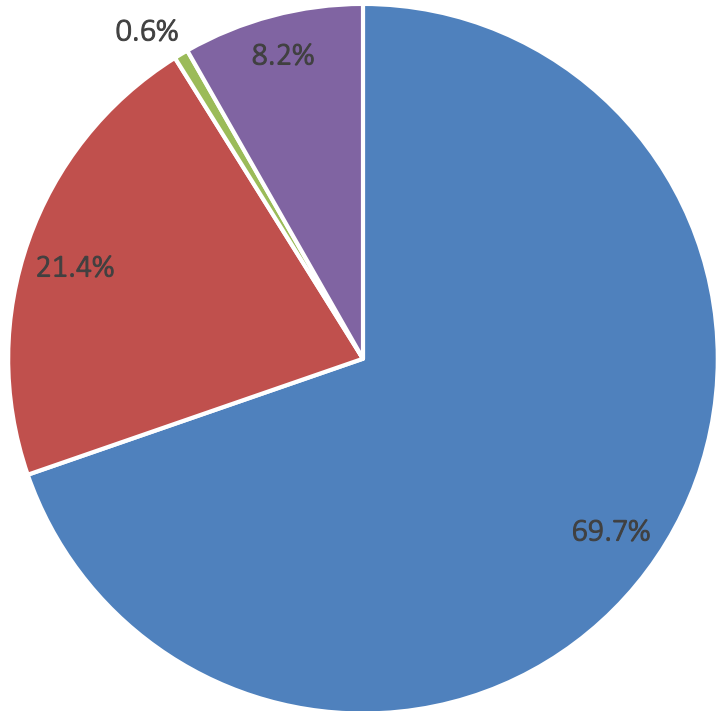
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■ 03 Minor Equipment Purchases      ■ 04 Current Transfers and Subsidies

2017 Actual =  
\$3,620,102,335



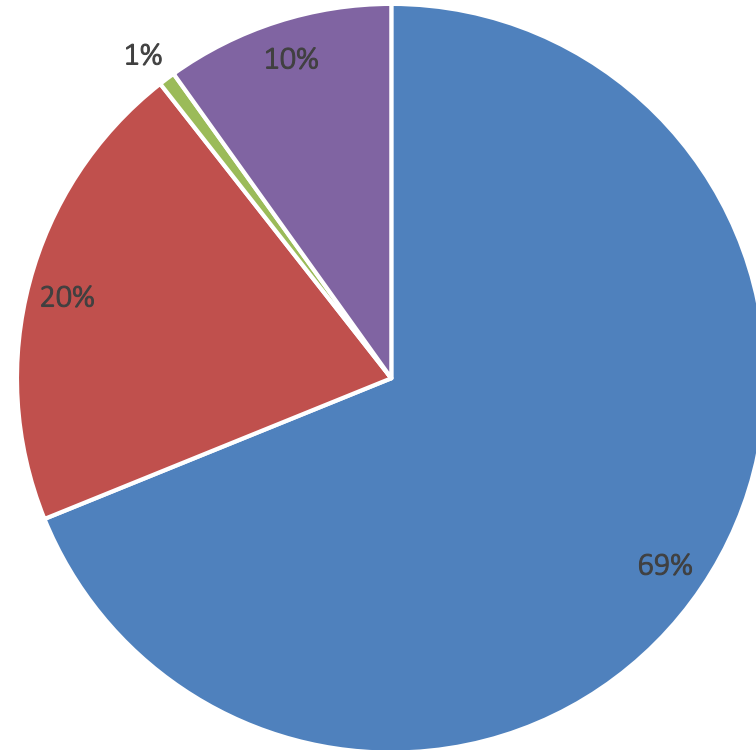
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2018 Actual =  
\$2,992,732,439



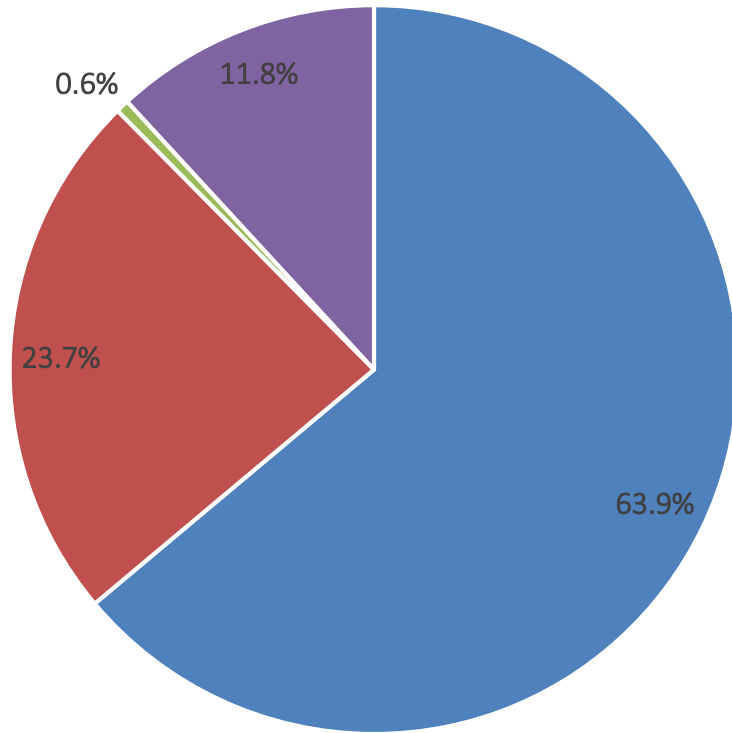
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2019 Actual =  
\$3,125,128,266



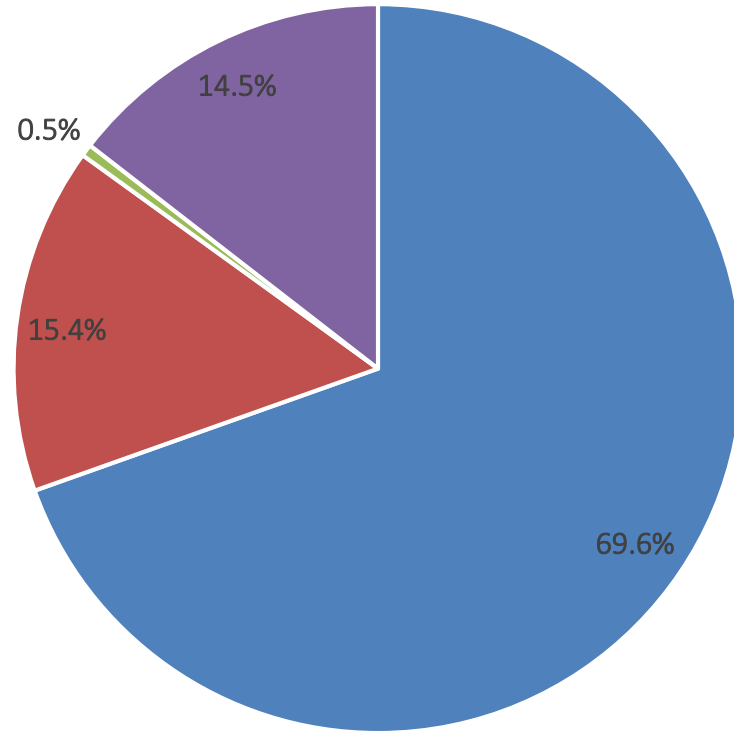
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2020 Actual =  
\$3,515,885,519



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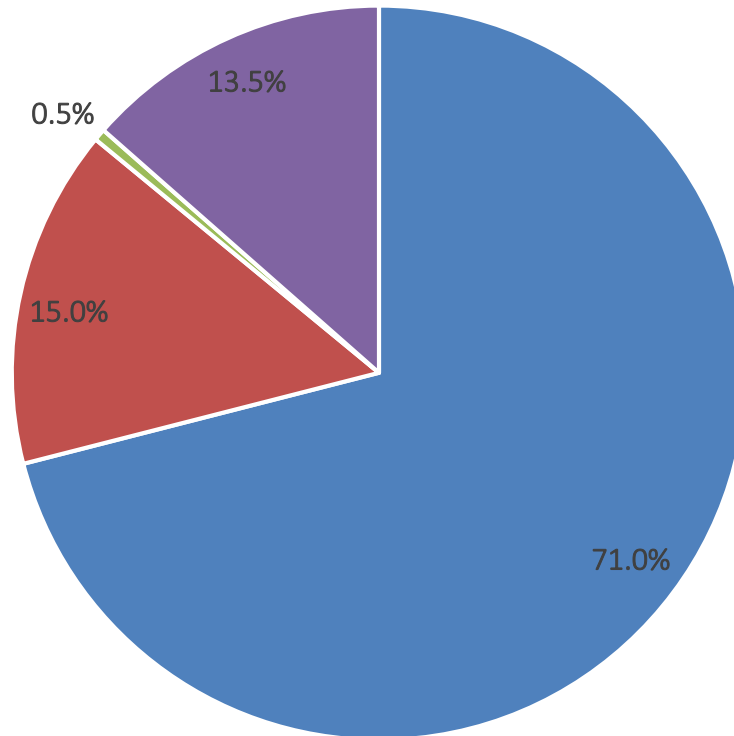
2021 Revised Estimates =  
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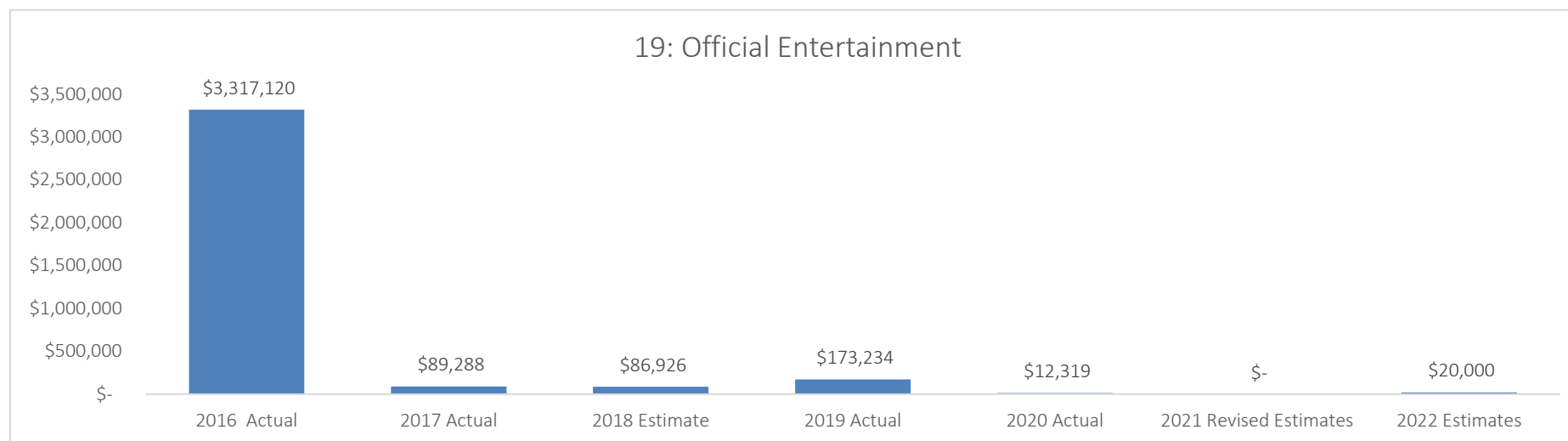
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## Analysis of Recurrent Expenditure Unique to the Ministry of National Security

Unique Expenditure refers to expenditure items incurred by the Ministry of National Security that may not feature in other Ministries or Departments.

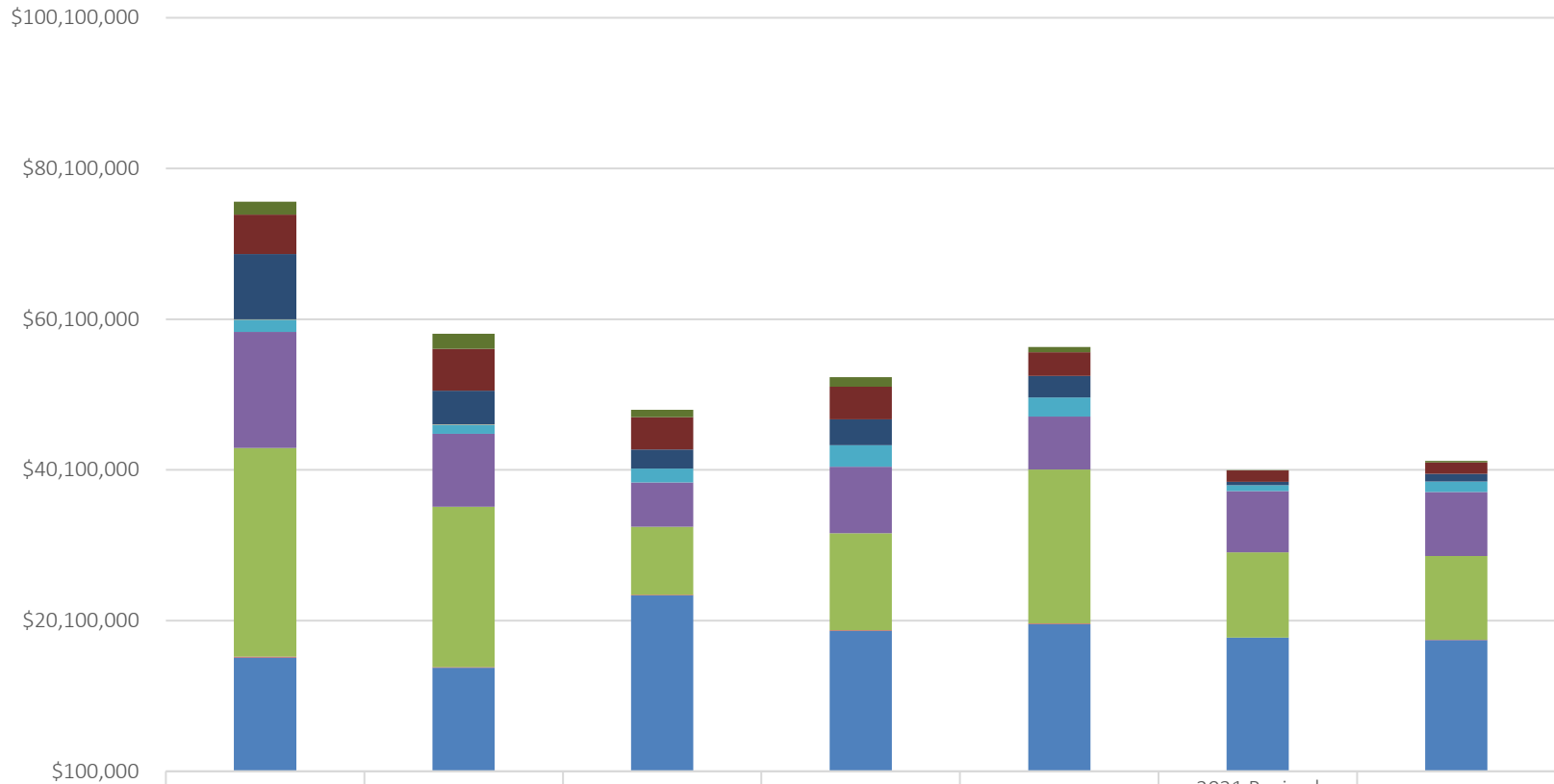


\*Official Entertainment – Provision of official entertainment for holders of certain Public Offices within the purview of the Salaries Review Commission. These include:

- Auditor General
- Top managers in the Public Service
- Senior Officers in the Protective Services and Defence Force
- Chairman and Members of Commissions and Boards
- The Judicial and Legal Service<sup>26</sup>

<sup>26</sup> Draft Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure for the financial year 2022. Accessed: October 5, 2021. Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Expenditure-2021-2022.pdf>

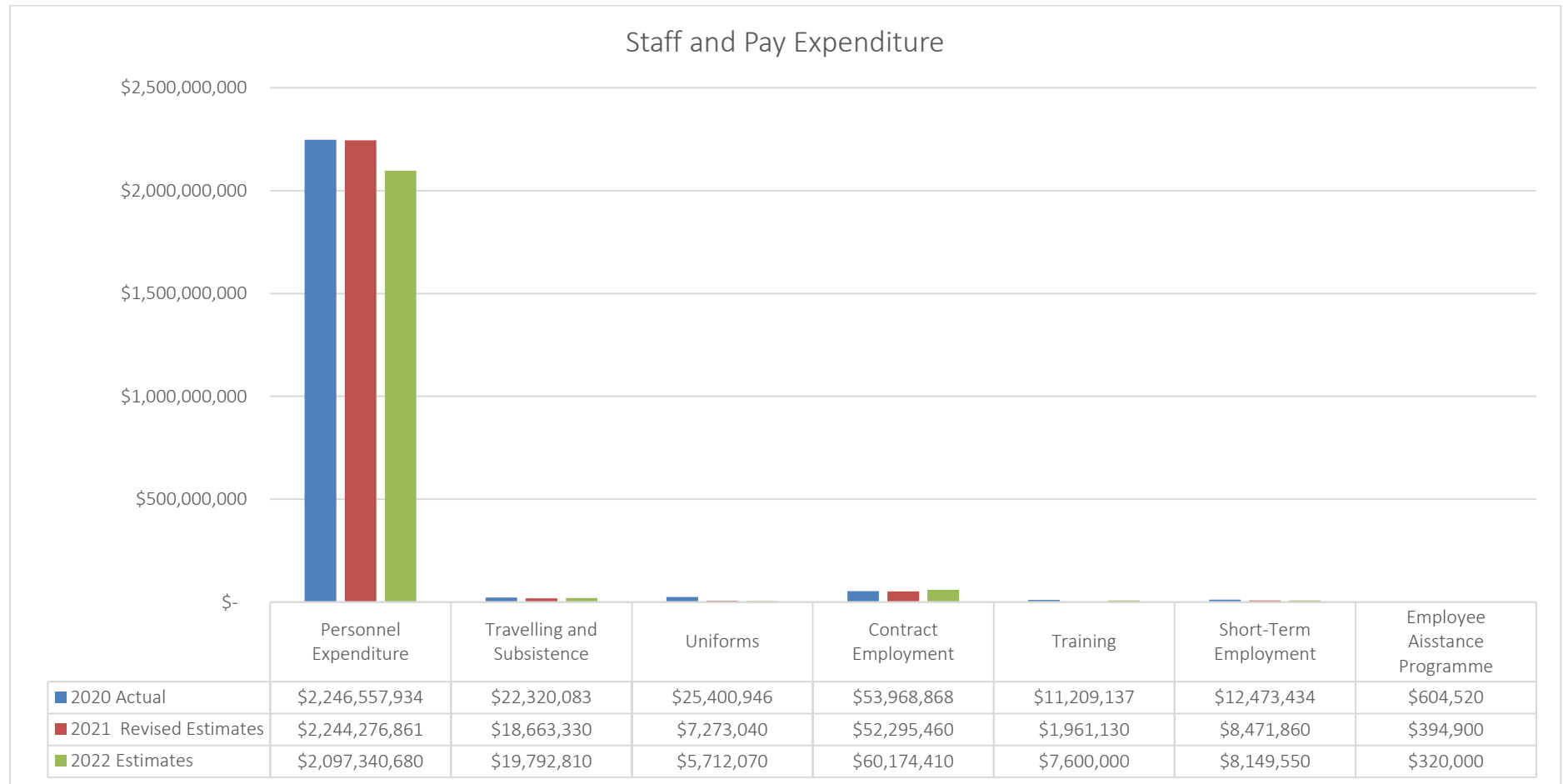
## Food at Institutions



	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Revised Estimates	2022 Estimates
Volunteer Defence Force	\$1,705,257	\$1,973,847	\$973,606	\$1,263,023	\$714,606	\$44,560	\$200,000
Immigration Detention	\$5,244,676	\$5,552,370	\$4,301,910	\$4,346,055	\$3,136,792	\$1,507,250	\$1,500,000
Air Guard	\$8,648,032	\$4,468,781	\$2,506,462	\$3,435,261	\$2,868,600	\$442,000	\$1,000,000
Cadet Force	\$28,158	\$39,185	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Defence Force	\$1,641,456	\$1,231,589	\$1,842,017	\$2,847,443	\$2,512,170	\$793,800	\$1,400,000
Coast Guard	\$15,407,551	\$9,685,098	\$5,871,539	\$8,815,228	\$7,014,675	\$8,140,370	\$8,500,000
Regiment	\$27,673,814	\$21,256,277	\$9,046,058	\$12,897,442	\$20,446,897	\$11,294,940	\$11,107,460
Prison Service (Tobago)	\$129,306	\$108,769	\$66,345	\$65,558	\$62,805	\$-	\$70,000
Prison Service	\$15,201,063	\$13,833,674	\$23,457,115	\$18,752,236	\$19,660,497	\$17,847,680	\$17,500,000

## Staff and Pay (Excluding Direct Charges<sup>27</sup>)

The allocation of staff expenditure for the fiscal year **2021/2022** was **\$2,199,089,520** which represents a **decrease** of approximately **5.7%** from the last fiscal year **2020/2021**. The following chart provides a breakdown of all expenditure related to staff from 2020-2022.



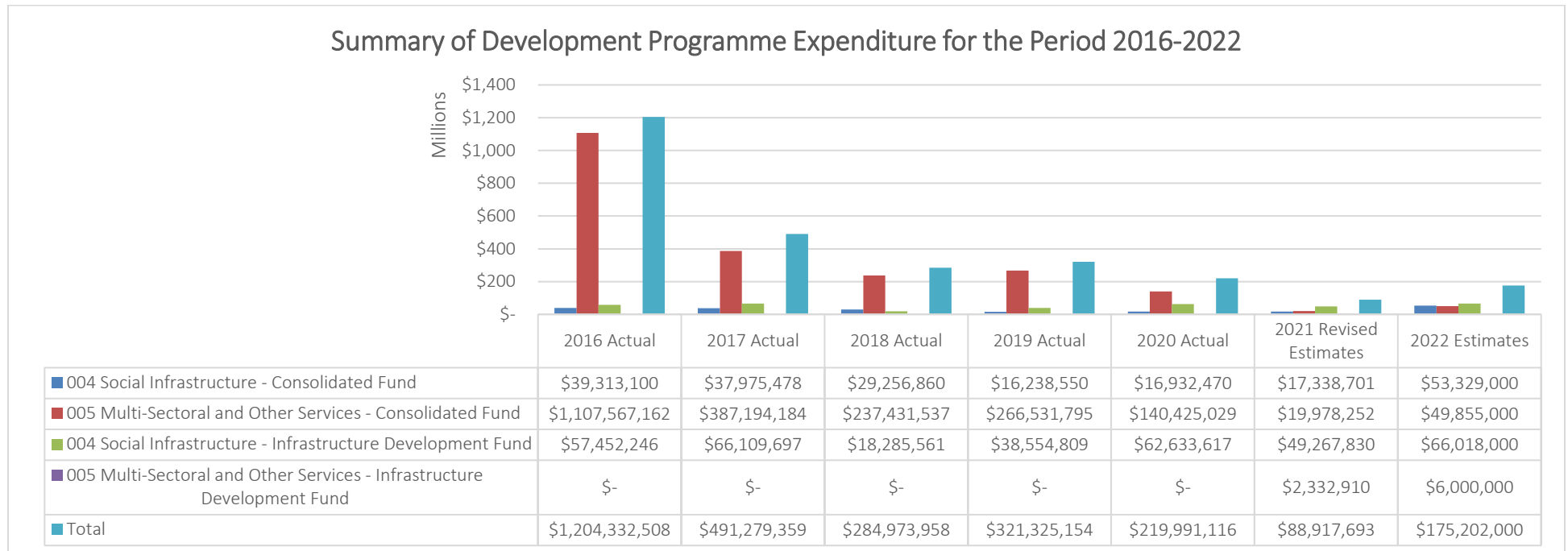
<sup>27</sup> Direct charges to the consolidated funds are not included in the appropriation bill. Direct charges are items of expenditure which are charged to the consolidated fund but not required to be included in the Appropriation Act. They are itemized in the draft estimates of expenditure and include salary and allowances of the Regiment, Coast Guard and the Air Guard. Therefore, total appropriation plus direct charges will constitute total budgeted expenditure for the year.

## Summary of Development Programme Expenditure for the period 2016-2022<sup>28</sup>

Development Programme is capital expenditure aimed at improving and enhancing development in different areas of Trinidad and Tobago which includes; human resources, economic and social development.

The allocation to the Ministry of National Security for development programmes and projects for fiscal year **2021/2022 = \$175,202,000.00**. These funds are presented in two parts as follows:

- Funds disbursed directly from the Consolidated Fund = **\$103,184,000.00** and represent **(59%)** of the total allocation to the Ministry; and
- Funds disbursed from the Infrastructure Development Fund = **\$72,018,000.00** and represent **(41%)** of the total allocation to the Ministry.



<sup>28</sup> Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2022. Accessed: October 05, 2021 Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2022.pdf>

## **Public Sector Investment Programme 2022 Projections**<sup>29</sup>

The Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP), which represents the capital expenditure component of the National Budget, is the instrument used by Government to effect its vision and policies. It is a budgeting and strategic planning tool made up of projects and programmes, designed to realise the goals set out in the Government's overarching policy.

The PSIP budget document provides a detailed description of the programmes and projects and includes a review of the implementation of projects and programmes in the previous financial year and highlights the major projects and programmes to be implemented in the upcoming financial year.

- The Public Sector Investment Programme is intended to achieve:
  - the country's social and economic development goals; and
  - enhance the quality of life of all citizens.

### **Public Safety and Citizens Security**

Public safety and citizen security in Trinidad and Tobago continue to be priority areas and key agenda items among Government's policies, since the proliferation of crime and criminality serves to impede the path towards sustainable development of the country. Given the multifaceted nature crime and criminality, Government has adopted a holistic and inter-agency approach across the various national security arms to foster public safety and security. Emphasis is being placed on strengthening the country's capacity to protect the nation's borders from illegal trafficking in its various forms as well as enhancing the coordination and cooperation among agencies.

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<sup>29</sup> Public Sector Investment Programme 2022, October 2021 pg. 261 - 265 accessed on 5 October 2021 <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Public-Sector-Investment-Programme-2022.pdf>

Another aspect of the country's national security strategy is the reform of the prison system to focus of rehabilitation of offenders in keeping restorative justice principles, such that inmates could be reintegrated into society and contribute to national development. In addition, fire-fighting capabilities will be enhanced in order to prevent the loss of lives and property through fires. In order to achieve these goals, in fiscal 2022 national security agencies will place emphasis on the acquisition of the requisite tools and equipment as well as the maintenance and upgrading of physical infrastructure and facilities throughout Trinidad and Tobago

### **Key Points**

In fiscal 2022, the focus of the national security agencies will continue to:

- i. Enhance border security;
- ii. Strengthen military capability;
- iii. Ensuring aviation security;
- iv. Improve fire- fighting capability;
- v. Prisoner rehabilitation and upgrading of prisoners' facilities.

## Noteworthy Development Programme Estimates in 2020-2021

The table below lists the projects that have been noted due to uncharacteristic variances in estimates for funding: <sup>30</sup>

Sub-head /Item /Sub-item /Group /Project Desc.	Project	2020 Actual	2021 Revised Estimates	2022 Estimate
09-005-06-A-045	Upgrade of Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) for Immigration Division	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,000,000.00
09-005-06-A-046	Upgrade of Machine Readable Passport (MRP) to e-passport	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,000,000.00

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<sup>30</sup> Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2022. Accessed: October 05, 2021 Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2022.pdf>



## Status of New Projects from the Financial Year 2016-2017

The following are projects identified as “New Projects” that received funding in the 2016/2017 financial year<sup>31</sup>:

<b>Sub-head/Item /Sub-item /Group/Project Desc.</b>	<b>Project -Item</b>	<b>2019 Actual</b>	<b>2020 Actual</b>	<b>2021 Revised Estimate</b>	<b>2022 Estimate</b>
<b>09-004-12-C-033</b>	Upgrade of Carrera Convict Prison: Installation of a direct Water Supply	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500,000
<b>22-004-12-C-008 (IDF)</b>	Upgrade of Plumbing and electrical systems at Remand Yard Prison – Golden Grove (IDF)	\$1,402,165.00	\$12,710,880.00	\$22,428,240.00	\$6,030,000.00

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<sup>31</sup> Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2022. Accessed: October 05, 2021 Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2022.pdf>

## Status of New Projects from the Financial Year 2017-2018

The following are projects identified as “New Projects” that received funding in the 2017/2018 financial year<sup>32</sup>:

Sub-head /Item /Sub-item /Group /Project Desc.	Project -Item	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Revised Estimate	2022 Estimates
09-004-02-B-173	Construction of a Retaining Wall and Drainage at Teteron Barracks	\$75,729.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09-004-02-B-174	Paving of Car Park and Access to Army Learning Centre (ALC) Training Building	\$923,072.00	Removed	Removed	Removed
09-004-02-B-175	Perimeter Lighting and Power Supply to ALC Training Building	\$253,845.00	Removed	Removed	Removed
09-004-02-B-176	Construction of a Quatermaster Stores at Teteron Barracks	\$0.00	Removed	Removed	Removed
09-004-02-B-177	Refurbishment of the Wastewater Treatment Plant at Teteron	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,500,000.00
09-004-02-B-178	Construction of Access Road and Drainage to Camp Omega	Removed	Removed	Removed	Removed
09-004-02-B-179	Upgrade of Perimeter Fencing and Gates	Removed	Removed	Removed	Removed

<sup>32</sup> Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2022. Accessed: October 05, 2021 Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2022.pdf>

<b>09-004-02-C-050</b>	Upgrade of Hanger two (2) Roof - Air Guard	Removed			
<b>09-005-06-A-050</b>	Upgrade of Computer Hardware, Software and Maintenance for Immigration Division	\$39,215,942.00	Removed	Removed	Removed
<b>09-005-06-G-007</b>	Acquisition of One (1) Multi-Purpose Vessel	\$14,651,969.00	Removed	Removed	Removed
<b>22-004-12-C-009 (IDF)</b>	Construction of Rehabilitation Centre for Girls at YTC (IDF)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>22-004-12-E-001 (IDF)</b>	Construction/ Acquisition of Immigration Building San Fernando (IDF)	\$0.00	Removed	Removed	Removed

## Status of New Projects from the Financial Year 2018-2019

The following are projects identified as “New Projects” that received funding in the 2018/2019 financial year<sup>33</sup>:

Sub-head /Item /Sub-item /Group /Project Desc.	Project -Item	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Revised Estimate	2022 Estimate
09-004-02-B-180	Upgrade of Fuel Station at Tetron Barracks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00
09-004-02-C-052	Upgrade of Fixed-Wing Fleet Surveillance Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09-005-06-A-059	Purchase of Installation of Harris Radios System	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000,000.00
09-005-06-G-009	Acquisition of two (2) Naval Patrol Vessels	\$161,777,170.00	\$111,422,185.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09-005-06-G-010	Acquisition of Vehicles for the Ministry of National Security	Removed	Removed	Removed	Removed

<sup>33</sup> Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2022. Accessed: October 05, 2021 Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2022.pdf>

## Status of New Projects from the Financial Year 2019-2020

The following are new projects that received funding in the 2019/2020 financial year<sup>34</sup>:

<b>Sub-head /Item/Sub- item/Group /Project Desc.</b>	<b>Project -Item</b>	<b>2019 Actual</b>	<b>2020 Actual</b>	<b>2021 Revised Estimates</b>	<b>2022 Estimates</b>
<b>09-004-02-B-181</b>	Refurbishment work to Main Workshop at Camp Cumuto	\$0.00	\$289,822.00	\$2,295,770.00	\$5,000,000.00
<b>09-004-02-B-182</b>	Upgrade of the Construction Squadron Barrack Accommodation and Administrative Bloack (Cumuto)	\$0.00	Removed	Removed	Removed
<b>09-004-12-C-034</b>	Community Residence/Rehabilitation on Centre to accommodate female child offenders	\$0.00	\$1,153,166.00	\$447,460.00	\$2,000,000
<b>09-005-06-A-060</b>	National Baseline Survey to measure public safety and security	\$0.00	\$145,148.00	\$96,770.00	\$355,000.00
<b>09-005-06-A-061</b>	Cure Violence	\$0.00	\$2,127,152.00	\$2,418,809.00	\$3,000,000.00
<b>22-004-02-A-043 (IDF)</b>	Upgrade utilities at Stoubles Bay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$5,000,000.00

<sup>34</sup> Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2022. Accessed: October 05, 2021 Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2022.pdf>

## Status of New Projects from the Financial Year 2020-2021<sup>35</sup>

The following are new projects that received funding in the 2020/2021 financial year:

<b>Sub-head/Item/Sub-item/Group/Project Desc.</b>	<b>Project -Item</b>	<b>2021 Revised Estimates</b>	<b>2022 Estimates</b>
09-004-12-C-036	Installation of CCTV system at YTC	\$0.00	\$200,000.00
09-004-12-C-037	Installation of CCTV system at Port of Spain Prison	\$0.00	\$200,000.00
09-005-06-A-011	Acquisition of interceptors for the Coast Guard	\$0.00	\$0.00
22-004-02-A-044 (IDF)	Construction of an Integrated Logistics Support Facility at Heliport Base	\$0.00	\$1,488,000.00
22-004-02-E-001 (IDF)	Construction of dining and kitchen facility at Tobago base	\$300,000.00	\$0.00
22-004-12-C-010 (IDF)	Installation of Perimeter Fence at Golden Grove Prison	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00
22-004-12-F-013 (IDF)	Construction of Belmont Fire Station	\$0.00	\$0.00
22-004-12-F-014 (IDF)	Relocation of the Fire Service Headquarters	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00

<sup>35</sup> Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2022. Accessed: October 05, 2021 Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2022.pdf>

<b>22-005-06-F-002 (IDF)</b>	Construction of a new Facility for Forensic Laboratory and Pathology Services	\$2,332,910.00	\$6,000,000.00
<b>22-005.06-F-003 (IDF)</b>	Acquisition and outfitting of a building for administrative purposes	\$0.00	\$0.00

## Major Programmes and Development for the Period 2019 to 2022

The following table shows a list of the significant expenditure items, based on the proportion of the budgetary allocation assigned<sup>36</sup>.

<b>Sub-head /Item /Sub-item /Group /Project Desc.</b>	<b>Projects</b>	<b>2019 Actual</b>	<b>2020 Actual</b>	<b>2021 Revised Estimate</b>	<b>2022 Estimate</b>
<b>09-004-02-B-165</b>	Base Infrastructure for Camps at La Romain (South) Felicity and Forres Park	\$178,722.00	\$8,963,372.00	\$11,499,070.00	\$5,000,000.00
<b>09-005-06-A-045</b>	Upgrade of Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) for Immigration Division	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,000,000.00
<b>09-005-06-A-046</b>	Upgrade of Machine Readable Passport (MRP) to e-passport	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,000,000.00

<sup>36</sup> Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2022. Accessed: October 05, 2021 Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2022.pdf>

09-005-06-A-050	Upgrade of Computer Hardware, Software and Maintenance for Immigration Division	Removed			
09-005-06-G-008	Acquisition of Naval Assets	\$34,587,428.00	\$19,526,392.00	\$15,043,612.00	\$0.00
09-005-06-G-009	Acquisition of two (2) Naval Patrol Vessels	\$161,777,170.00	\$111,422,185.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
22-004-02-C-008 (IDF)	Upgrade of Plumbing and electrical systems at Remand Yard Prison – Golden Grove (IDF)	\$1,402,165.00	\$12,710,880.00	\$22,428,240.00	\$6,030,000.00
22-004-02-F-008 (IDF)	Construction of Port Fortin Fire Station	\$0.00	\$198,621.00	\$10,159,890.00	\$18,000,000.00
22-004-02-F-009 (IDF)	Construction of Penal Fire Station	\$25,841,812.00	\$22,270,185.00	\$7,829,000.00	\$10,000,000.00
22-004-02-F-010 (IDF)	Construction of Black Rock Fire Station	\$0.00	Removed	Removed	Removed
22-004-02-F-012 (IDF)	Construction of the Fire Services Regional Headquarters at Roxborough Tobago	\$794,458.00	\$26,061,962.00	\$4,042,500.00	\$10,000,000.00



## New Projects from the Financial Year 2020-2021<sup>37</sup>

The following are new projects that received funding in the 2020/2021 financial year:

Sub-head /Item /Sub-item /Group /Project Desc.	Project -Item	2022 Estimates
09-004-12-F-192	Acquisition of Equipment for the Point Fortin Fire Station	\$5,000,000.00
09-004-12-F-192	Acquisition of Equipment for the Arouca Fire Station	\$5,000,000.00
09-005-06-A-062	Construction of a Media and Conference Centre at MNS Head Office	\$1,000,000.00
09-005-06-A-063	Enhancing the Technical Capacity and Capability of the TTFSC through acquisition of equipment	\$1,000,000.00
09-005-06-A-064	Provision of DNA profiles by the TTFSC to populate the DNA databank	\$2,000,000.00
09-005-06-A-065	ICT Upgrade for Cumuto Air Base	\$1,000,000.00
22-004-02-B-182 (IDF)	Construction of Combined Mess at Camp Signal Hill	\$1,000,000.00
22-004-02-B-183 (IDF)	Construction of Guard Room at Cumuto Barracks	\$500,000.00
22-004-02-C-002 (IDF)	Construction of a Logistic Stores Complex at Ulric Cross Air Station	\$1,000,000.00

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<sup>37</sup> Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2022. Accessed: October 05, 2021 Available: <https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Numbered-Draft-Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2022.pdf>

<b>22-004-12-C-012 (IDF)</b>	Construction of Safe House for Officers	\$500,000.00
<b>22-004-12-C-013 (IDF)</b>	Construction of a Programmes Building at the Golden Grove Remand Prison, North Airing Yard	\$500,000.00

## Committee Reports Related to the Ministry of National Security

### FIRST REPORT OF THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY

Inquiry Topic	Report Status	Ministerial Response	Recommendation No.	Report Recommendations
The Follow-Up Inquiry into the Status of the Investigation of the PCA and the TTPS into the Events Surrounding the Day of "Total Policing" on March 23, 2015	<a href="#">Presented</a>	Presented- TTPS <a href="http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R3-TTPS.pdf">http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R3-TTPS.pdf</a> <a href="http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R1-TTPS.pdf">http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R1-TTPS.pdf</a> Presented- MAGLA <a href="http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R1-MAGLA.pdf">http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R1-MAGLA.pdf</a>	3	The Committee further recommends that the line Ministry undertake an assessment of the resource needs of the PCA with a view to satisfying all critical needs in order to ensure that the work of the PCA is not hindered.

**SECOND REPORT OF THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY**

Inquiry Topic	Report Status	Ministerial Response	Recommendation No.	Report Recommendations
The Inquiry into the Practice whereby Prisoners are Granted Access to Services outside of the Prison Facilities	<a href="#">Presented</a>	Presented-MNS- <a href="http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R2-MNS.pdf">http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R2-MNS.pdf</a>	i	As an immediate measure, the Commissioner of Prisons should complete and implement the provisions of the Draft Policy on Inmates Leaving the Prison in Instances other than Court, Clinic and Programmes at the earliest occasion to prevent recurrence of the incident in question.
			ii	Prison Service Rules should include framework policy to allow for access to

				critically needed external services by prisoners who qualify. Such rules should be in keeping with best practice outlined in the United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners.
			v	Alternative arrangements for access to critically needed services by detainees/inmates in secured locations within prison facilities should also be considered.
			vi	The Prison Service should pursue discussions with the

				<p><b>relevant agencies/institutions with the aim of establishing the required protocols for the provision of such facilities within the prison facilities for inmates/detainees who do not qualify for external visits.</b></p>
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**THIRD REPORT OF THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY**

Inquiry Topic	Report Status	Ministerial Response	Recommendation No.	Report Recommendations
<p>An Inquiry into the Operations of the Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Centre and the Issue of DNA Sampling in Trinidad and Tobago</p>	<p><a href="#">Presented</a></p>	<p>Presented-TTPS-  <a href="http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R3-TTPS.pdf">http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20170908-NSEC-R3-TTPS.pdf</a></p> <p>Presented- MNS-  <a href="http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20171110-NSEC-R3-MNS.pdf">http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20171110-NSEC-R3-MNS.pdf</a></p> <p>Presented- MAGLA-  <a href="http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20171117-NSEC-R3-MAGLA.pdf">http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20171117-NSEC-R3-MAGLA.pdf</a></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>That the <u>TTFSC</u>:</p> <p>a) Continue to pursue measures to ensure that the Centre is accredited to ISO/IEC 17025 as soon as possible;</p> <p>b) Conduct periodic follow-up with the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of National Security toward operationalizing the comprehensive timeline for the implementation of solutions as identified by the Director, TTFSC, including:</p>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. the resources required by the TTFSC;</li> <li>ii. recommendations for the improvement of the operations of the TTFSC using current resources; and</li> </ul>
			2	That there be a review of the process for the granting of scholarships in the area of forensic pathology as well as the process for hiring internationally-based Forensic Pathologists with the objective of addressing the challenges in procuring qualified and experienced Forensic Pathologists;
			3	That the <u>Ministry of National Security</u> :



				<p>a) Assist the Custodian Manager to advance all efforts for the establishment, commencement and operationalization of the DNA Databank in accordance with the work programme outlined in the Permanent Secretary's submission to the Committee dated March 23, 2017;</p> <p>b) Assist the TTFSC in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. sourcing additional staff;</li><li>ii. filling the current vacancies;</li><li>iii. sourcing required equipment; and</li></ul>
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				iv. acquiring suitable accommodation.
			4	That the <u>Commissioner of Police</u> ensure that all Officers/Qualified Persons responsible for taking DNA samples be made aware of the provisions of the Administration of Justice (Deoxyribonucleic Acid) Act, 2012 regarding the taking of DNA samples whether non-intimate or otherwise.











**FOURTH REPORT OF THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY**

Inquiry Topic	Report Status	Ministerial Response	Recommendation No.	Report Recommendations
<p>An Inquiry into Prison Security and the Status of the Investigation into the Port-Of-Spain Prison Break of July 24, 2015</p>	<p><a href="#">Presented</a></p>	<p>Presented-MNS-  <a href="http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20171110-NSEC-R4-MNS.pdf">http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20171110-NSEC-R4-MNS.pdf</a>                      Presented- SCD-  <a href="http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20171110-NSEC-R4-SCD.pdf">http://www.ttparliament.org/reports/p11-s3-J-20171110-NSEC-R4-SCD.pdf</a></p>		<p>The Committee recommends that the:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>Ministry of National Security</u> give immediate attention to the recommendations made by the Commissioner of Prisons in relation to improvements in prison security.</li> </ol>

**FIFTH REPORT OF THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY**





Inquiry Topic	Report Status	Ministerial Response	Recommendation No.	Report Recommendations
On the Final Report of the Police Manpower Audit Committee	<a href="#">Presented</a>	Outstanding		Though recommendations apply primarily to the TTPS, there are potential spillover impacts on the Ministry of National Security, particularly in the area of Human Resource Management.

## Recent Legislative Developments<sup>3839</sup>

Act No.	Short Title	Status
5 of 2019	<a href="#">The Trespass (Amendment) Act, 2019</a> 	Date of Assent: 21-Mar-2019
17 of 2019	<a href="#">The Bail (Amendment) Act, 2019</a> 	Date of Assent: 5-Aug-2019
18 of 2019	<a href="#">The Firearms (Amendment) Act, 2019</a> 	Date of Assent: 19-Sep-2019
19 of 2019	<a href="#">The Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act, 2019</a> 	Date of Assent: 26-Sep-2019
25 of 2019	<a href="#">The Miscellaneous Provisions (Law Enforcement Officers) Act, 2019</a> 	Date of Assent: 18-Dec-2019
01 of 2020	<a href="#">The Administration of Justice (Indictable Proceedings) (Amendment) Act, 2020</a> 	Date of Assent: 08-Jan-2020
7/2020	<a href="#">The Evidence (Amendment) Bill, 2020</a>	 25-Feb-21 Assent: Awaiting Proclamation
10/2020	<a href="#">The Public Health (Amendment) Bill, 2020</a>	 29-Aug-20 Assent
11 of 2020	<a href="#">The Administration of Justice (Electronic Monitoring) (Amendment) Act, 2020</a> 	Date of Assent 12-May-2020
12/2020	<a href="#">The Cannabis Control Bill, 2020</a>	 09-Jun-21 Committee Report Presented

<sup>38</sup> Acts of Parliament, 2020. Accessed: August 25, 2021. Available: <http://www.ttparliament.org/publications.php?mid=29>

<sup>39</sup> Bills of Parliament, 2020. Accessed: August 25, 2021.. Available: <http://www.ttparliament.org/publications.php?mid=28>

13 of 2020	<a href="#">The Interception of Communications (Amendment) Act, 2020</a> 	Date of Assent 15-Jun-2020
18 of 2020	<a href="#">The Domestic Violence (Amendment) Act, 2020</a> 	Date of Assent 03-Jul-2020
18/2020	<a href="#">The Miscellaneous Provisions [2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV)] (No. 2) Bill, 2020</a>	 18-Dec-20 Assent: Awaiting Proclamation
21/2020	<a href="#">The Miscellaneous Provisions (Administration of Justice) Bill, 2020</a>	 24-Dec-20 Proclamation
23/2020	<a href="#">The Miscellaneous Provisions (Special Reserve Police and Police Complaints Authority) Bill, 2020</a>	 19-Jul-21 Assent: Awaiting Proclamation
2/2021	<a href="#">The Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (Amendment) Bill, 2021</a>	 19-Jul-21 Assent
3/2021	<a href="#">The Anti-Gang Bill, 2021</a>	 27-Apr-21 Assent: Awaiting Proclamation
5/2021	<a href="#">The Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, 2021</a>	 19-Jul-21 Assent: Awaiting Proclamation
6/2021	<a href="#">The Firearms (Amendment) Bill, 2021</a>	 06-Jul-21 Assent