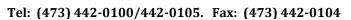
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## MAREP HANDS OVER RIF PACKAGES TO FOURTEEN (14) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015, marked a significant milestone for MAREP through its presentation of RIF packages to fourteen beneficiary organizations across Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique. The support will assist the groups to implement their respective projects within eleven of MAREP's targeted fifty communities.

The first tranche disbursement to the groups amounts to two hundred and fifty thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine dollars and fifteen cents (\$250,899.15). While MAREP's total contribution is eight hundred and thirty-six thousand three hundred and thirty dollars and forty-nine cents (\$836,330.49).

This second handing over ceremony within the year was held at the St. Patrick's GIDC Business Complex at 3:30 pm. In attendance was fifty-nine (59: 40 males and 19 females) of MAREP's direct beneficiaries, indirect beneficiaries from neighbouring communities, along with government officials such as Honorable Anthony Boatswain and Honorable Alvin Dabreo.

The communities and implementing organizations are as follows:

- 1. St. Patrick's Goat Farmers Association, Sauteurs, St. Patrick Goat Milk Production and Processing. The total cost of the project is \$104,600.00 XCD.
- 2. Rose Hill Fisher Folk Producer Group, Rose Hill, St. Patrick Fish Production & Processing. The total cost of the project is \$ 148,844.00 XCD.
- 3. Rose Hill Honey Producers Group, Rose Hill, St. Patrick Honey Production. The total cost of the project is \$78,120.00 XCD.
- 4. St. Patrick Environmental and Community Tourism Organization (SPECTO), Rose Hill, St. Patrick Eco Tourism. The total cost of the project is \$133,870 XCD.

- 5. Grenada Innovative Farmers Co-Operative Society Ltd, River Sallee, St. Patrick Renewable Energy for Agricultural Production. The total cost of the project is \$144,441.45 XCD.
- 6. Carriacou Farmers Association, Hillsborough, Carriacou Abattoir. The total cost of the project is \$ 57,850.00 XCD.
- 7. Harvey Vale/ L'Esterre Honey Organization, Harvey Vale, Carriacou Honey Production. The total cost of the project is \$80,213.55 XCD.
- 8. Big Bay Youth Ambassadors, Telescope, St. Andrew Aquaponics (Fish & Plant Production). The total cost of the project is \$99,832.21 XCD.
- 9. La Baye Alternative Livelihood Organization, Telescope, St. Andrew Sea Moss Production and Processing. The total cost of the project is \$ 80,642.00 XCD.
- 10. La Poterie Farmers Water Users Association, La Poterie, St. Andrew Irrigation. The total cost of the project is \$ \$21,150.00 XCD.
- 11. Morne Longue Productive Farmers Organization, Morne Longue, St. Andrew -Agricultural Input Supply Facility. The total cost of the project is \$ 50,320.00 XCD.
- 12. St. Andrew's Small Ruminant Farmers Association, Grenville, St. Andrew Goat Milk Production and Processing. The total cost of the project is \$ 178,166.16 XCD.
- 13. Local Community Organization for Development, Vincennes, St. David Poultry Production. The total cost of the project is \$210,692.09 XCD.
- 14. St. John & St. Mark Small Ruminant Organization, Gouyave, St. John Goat Milk Production and Processing. The total cost of the project is \$104,600.00 XCD.

MAREP is pleased to have reached this stage of implementation in the program. Organizations are now poised to begin their projects geared to reducing poverty and vulnerability in their respective communities.

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