

Brief for Annual Report with reference to Department of Energy, Community Engagements

The Department of Energy began a series of Interactive Sessions in the Administrative Regions of Guyana, in March 2019 designed to assist stakeholders with an understanding and appreciation of the oil and gas sector in Guyana. Placing emphasis on the mandate of the Department of Energy, the sessions were aimed at sensitizing the population on the opportunities that are available in the sector and to discuss the kind of preparation required to be able to meaningfully participate. Information on the benefits streams (direct and indirect) formed a central aspect of the presentations. In an effort to reach the youth population, some of the sessions were held in collaboration with the Council for Technical Vocational Education and Training as well as the Department of Social Cohesion, Culture Youth and Sport.

The Interactive sessions targeted Members of Regional Democratic Councils (RDCs), Community Development Councils(CDCs), Neighbourhood Democratic Councils(NDCs), sporting and cultural groups, youth groups, Faith Based Organizations, political parties, Chambers of Commerce and other members of the business community. Students pursuing technical and vocational education, secondary school students and teachers were also invited to participate.

The Department was able to undertake sessions in seven (7) of the ten (10) Administrative Regions. Outside of information dissemination, one outcome of the interactive sessions is followup by stakeholder groups with C-TVET in order to acquire requisite knowledge and skills to increase their levels of productivity

Regions visited and the locations of sessions held include:

	Region	Location	Stakeholders
1	2	Essequibo Technical Institute	Students, Teachers, Regional and Municipal Officials
2		Umana Yana	

3	4	National Sports Hall	Youths from a cross section of the Region, members of the Public, Business community, Faith Based Organizations, sporting fraternity and political parties.
4	4	Heavenly Light Full Gospel Church, Albouystown	Members of public and congregants
5		Revealed Word Christian Centre, Kitty	
6		Government Technical Institute, Georgetown	Students and Lecturers of GTI and GITC
7		Regional Democratic Council, Beterverwagting, ECD	Regional Councillors and staff of the RDC
8		Department of Public Service, Vlissengen Road Georgetown	Senior Officers of the Department of Public Service
9	6	Berbice Technical Institute	Students of BTI, Community leaders, Religious and Business community members, officials of the RDC and NDCs, Region 6
10		Upper Corentyne Training Centre	Students, lecturers and members of the Board of UCTC
11	6	Berbice High School	Teachers, Students and PTA members, BHS

12	7	Bartica Community Centre	Senior Secondary school Students of Bartica and its environs, Teachers, RDC members, business and religious community members.
13	8	Mahdia Secondary School	Students of Mahdia Secondary School, Officials of RDC Region 8, cross section of stakeholders from Mahdia, El Paso and Campbelltown
14	9	Indigenous Peoples Conference Hall	Students of St. Ignatius Secondary School, members of RDC, business, sporting and religious communities
15	10	Kwakwani Workers Club	Cross section of Stakeholders from Kwakwani, Aranka and neighbouring communities
16		Egbert Benjamin Hall	Students of McKenzie High School, New Silver City Secondary School, Linden Technical Institute, teachers and lecturers of the Institutions
17		Calvary Temple Assembly of God Church, Retrieve Linden	Congregants of Calvary Temple Assembly of God Church and sister Churches