

SIXTH ADVISORY GROUP ON STATISTICS (AGS) MEETING – 19 – 21 JULY 2010**PROPOSED LIST OF ACTIVITIES TO BE IMPLEMENTED FOR CARIBBEAN
STATISTICS DAY (15TH OCTOBER 2010) AND WORLD STATISTICS DAY
(20TH OCTOBER 2010) BY THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY STATISTICAL AGENCIES**

- (i) The establishment of Planning Committees comprising key resource personnel of the National Statistical Systems of Member States to plan the way forward and enhance the dual commemoration. Preparation of a timetable with realistic deadlines for the execution of activities. Individuals on the planning committees should be allocated an area of responsibility for the execution of activities;
- (ii) The theme for World Statistics Day - **Celebrating the Many Achievements of Official Statistics** - should be also used for Caribbean Statistics Day.
- (iii) There should be at least one common activity that will be executed by all countries. It was proposed that a speech by the Secretary-General of CARICOM be recorded and played by all countries when launching their activities;
- (iv) Financial provisions should be allocated in the budgets of the National Statistical Offices (NSOs) to cover the additional expenditure for the planned activities. Where possible NSOs should find mechanisms to observe both World and Caribbean Statistics Days without any significant budgetary implications;
- (v) At least two (2) current or updated publications should be made available for release on Caribbean /World Statistics Day;
- (vi) A web page should be dedicated to Caribbean/World Statistics Day by all countries, where an official statistics website for countries are not available, a page can be created on the official government website;
- (vii) There should be video presentations on DEVINFO adaptations and on the National Strategies for the Development of Statistics (NSDS) of the NSOs. All countries should prepare a brochure on their NSDS using Barbados' NSDS brochure as best practice. This will be done at both the National and Regional Level. Barbados will share the copies of the NSDS brochures to all AGS Members;
- (viii) The printing of badges, t-shirts, cups, pens, pencils and bookmarks and a banner with the logos and theme for World /Caribbean Statistics Day;
- (ix) The involvement of additional resource persons/stakeholders i.e. the media, respected persons in society to assist and help to increase advocacy.

- (x) Sharing of information on new or proposed programme for upcoming Statistics Day (Ensure programmes differ from year-to-year to gain the public's interest);
- (xi) Statistics lectures on the role of statistics in socio-economic planning and policy formulation;
- (xii) Flyers and posters showing themed charts, line graphs to depict the trends in statistics on demographic, social and health issues, etc;
- (xiii) The census activities should be incorporated into the statistics day celebration. This could include sensitising the community, schools, businesses etc. for those countries conducting enumeration in 2011 onwards, as well as an update on the progress of the dissemination of preliminary results for those countries that have already completed enumeration.
- (xiv) Where possible in terms of publicity, countries can organize seminars or workshops, and participate in/host special events;
- (xv) Creating public awareness among the people of the respective countries, especially the younger generation through essay, jingle competitions, quiz for schools; and
- (xvi) A Walk/Motorcade on Caribbean /World Statistics Day is another activity to be considered.