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## NIHERST Launches Nationwide Research Initiative to Analyse Academic Performance in Primary and Secondary Schools

**Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago** – The National Institute of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST) has launched a new national research initiative titled "Analysis of Academic Performance of Students Across Primary and Secondary Schools in Trinidad and Tobago."

This critical project seeks to:

- Uncover the key factors affecting student outcomes and contribute to informed education policy and programme development.
- Improve the administration and governance of the education and training system.
- Provide data-driven insights into the challenges and opportunities influencing student performance.
- Inform evidence-based policy development to address academic performance issues more effectively.
- Guide future programme implementation to ensure improved student learning outcomes.

NIHERST is encouraging all stakeholders, including teachers, parents, students, and the wider public to take part in the **online survey** by **July 31**<sup>st</sup>, **2025** to share personal experiences and insights: <a href="https://bit.ly/Academic\_Performance">https://bit.ly/Academic\_Performance</a>

"We invite all citizens to actively participate in this national effort," said Ms. Julie David (President Ag., NIHERST). Ms. David continued, that "By working together, we can build a stronger, more equitable and responsive education system."

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## **About NIHERST:**

The National Institute of Higher Education, Research, Science, and Technology (NIHERST) has been instrumental in advancing science, technology, and education in Trinidad and Tobago for over 40 years. NIHERST remains committed to building a knowledge-driven society by supporting educational initiatives that empower teachers, engage students, and inspire a culture of innovation.