

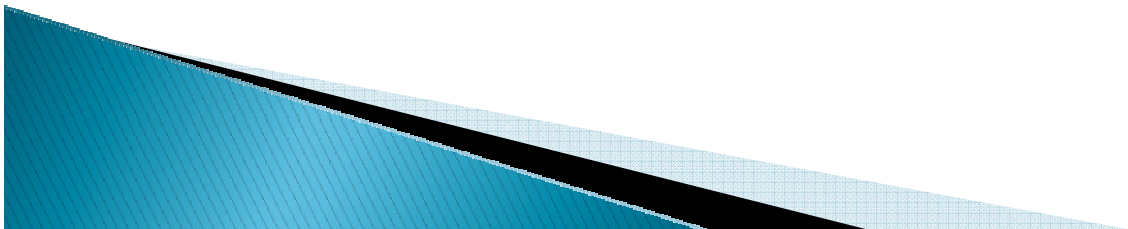
Infrastructural Issues in addressing Poverty:

- ▶ For proper planning we need adequate evidence based data that is accessible from the community level to the policy level.

INFO DATABASE established in T&T: DevInfo and CTTInfo

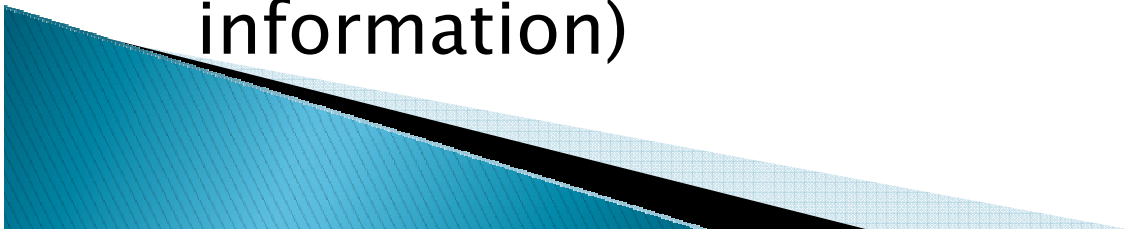
Suggestions:

- ▶ Training should continue till reaching a critical mass of users into the ministries,
- ▶ Training into other not pub. adm. Institutions
- ▶ Nominate Focal Points into each Ministry to update the Database
- ▶ Necessity of integrating/coordinating responsibilities among different ministries
- ▶ Spread the best practices (ex: Tobago)



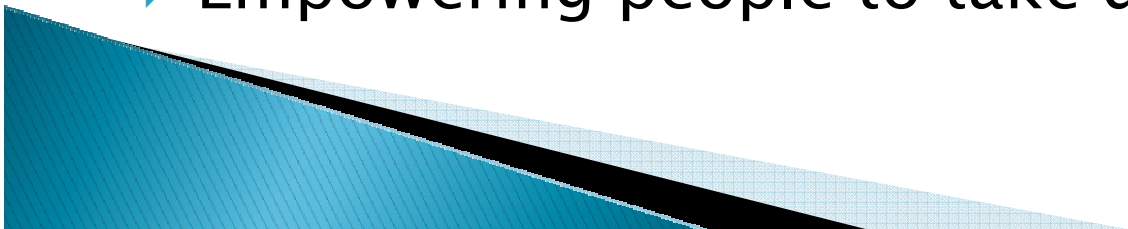
INFO DATABASE: DevInfo (2)

- ▶ Promote a culture of using information to take decisions: Evidence Based Policy Making and Decision Taking
- ▶ Popularize the use of quantitative data: also among communities and local actors in a user friendly manner
- ▶ Strengthening communities' capacities to propose interventions and projects that respond to objective necessities
- ▶ Fostering national capacities to recollect and spread sector information (labour market information)



INFO DATABASE: DevInfo (3)

- ▶ Use DevInfo as the Core of statistical sharing – M&E Units should be linked to this tool
- ▶ Strengthening the recollection of administrative data and the use of this info
- ▶ Decentralizing the use of information to help the decentralization of decision making / local planning
- ▶ Intangible factors: communication campaign, champion,
- ▶ Resolve a mapping problem regarding administration and information
- ▶ Empowering people to take decisions

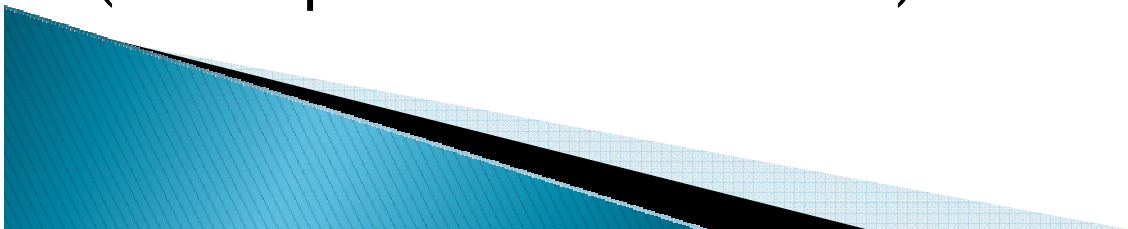


National Strategy to Reduce Poverty (present situation)

This strategy is expected to bring focus and structure to all national efforts towards poverty reduction.

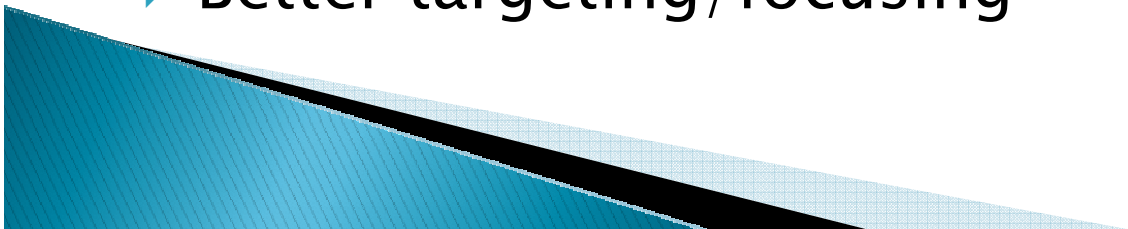
Suggestion for improving the current document:

- ▶ High cost of Poverty Reduction during the past vs What results we are expecting from it
- ▶ Articulating a Policy is attributing responsibilities to different sectors / determine costs / establishing concrete steps
- ▶ Role of private sector into Poverty Reduction:
- ▶ Project: definition of poverty and measure poverty in T&T.
- ▶ Use a participatory process to formulate the Policy
- ▶ Necessity of comparability with international standards (data updated and relevant)



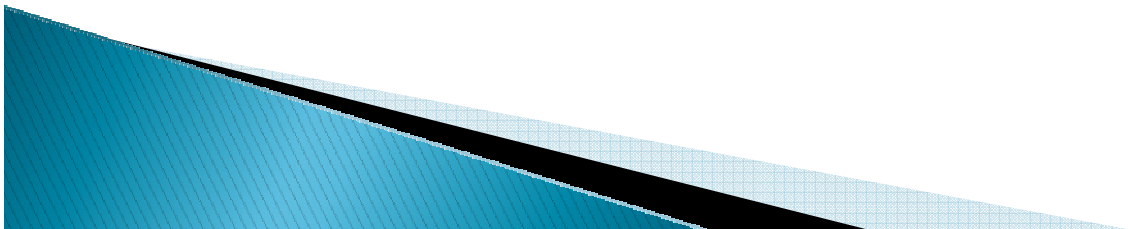
National Strategy to Reduce Poverty (proposals)

- ▶ Business of innovation (proj 1.)
- ▶ Necessity for collaboration in a meaningful way:
RSHDC – Civil Society – Private Sector
- ▶ Building capabilities among poor household
- ▶ Shift the psycho social attitude in front of poverty
/ As a component of Social Safety Nets
(Assessment to beneficiaries to have an exit strategy)
- ▶ Articulate the Poverty Reduction Strategy not as a permanent policy: recognize the ones that graduate under the program
- ▶ Better targeting/focusing



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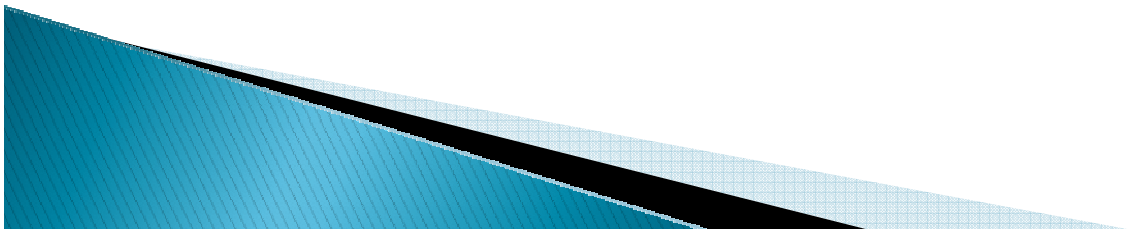
- ▶ Best practices and successful models – transfer knowledge and adapt it to national context
- ▶ Marketing programs to promote the contents of existing initiatives: linking what is available to the way to get out of poverty
- ▶ Preventive strategy targeting especially children & youth
- ▶ Rationalization of intervention / Avoiding duplication
- ▶ Emphasis on health to formulate interventions



Health Sector

Part of bring persons out of poverty is an improved health care service. We are working with PAHO to these address issues and the following are areas for further development:

- ▶ UNDP Doctor Project to foster sector national capacities to provide high quality services
- ▶ Provision of specialised human resources in determined areas
- ▶ Health Service Planning... appropriate supplies to target populations
- ▶ Improve south-south cooperation: attracting HRs and retaining them
- ▶ Education campaign

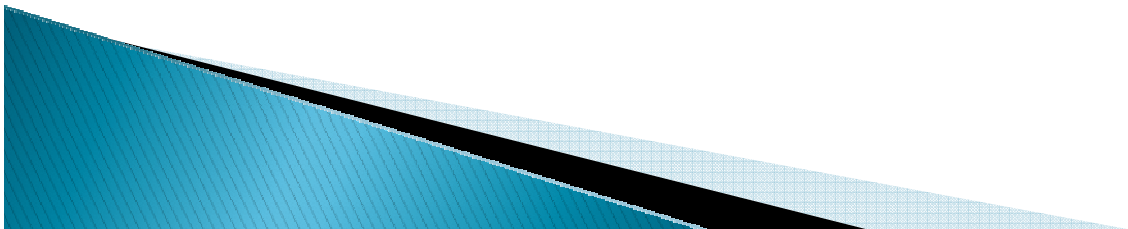


Education Sector

- ▶ UNDP assistance in Statistics: databases, HR qualification/evaluation
- ▶ GIS Map

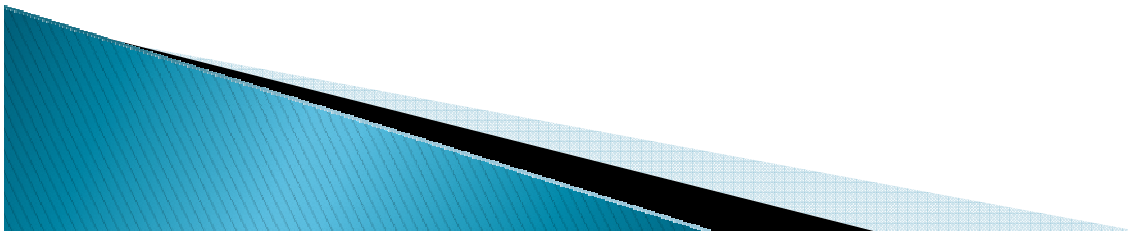
To do:

- ▶ M&E has to be strengthened
- ▶ TecVoc & linking with Poverty Reduction
- ▶ Sensitization campaign to promote TecVoc



Support Policy Formulation for SME sector

- ▶ Link about demand and supplies
- ▶ National Incubation Program: best practices, lessons learned, linkages with innovation,
- ▶ Work with Ministry of Labour to formulate a National policy to link credit / education / communities / poverty reduction



Institutional Strengthening RBM & Planning

- ▶ Prince-2 is a methodology that UNDP has been promoting into M Local Government
- ▶ Lessons learned: People trained / IT system working and standardized/ User manual for new comers
- ▶ Linkage with Ministry of Public Admin who will be responsible to build the capacities
- ▶ Include population to monitor and make the government accountability.
- ▶ Educate population in monitoring /indicators/measurement

