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NAVIS TRAINING CONTINUES

Within recent times, 'NAVIS' has been the buzz word around the Port of Port of Spain, and while stakeholders are aware that this is the soon-to-be implemented terminal operating system, many are still not familiar as to exactly what will be required of them when the new system is introduced.

In light of this, the Port's Information Technology Department has been holding a series of on-going training sessions designed to ensure that when the system goes live on April 10th, all Port users are on board with the new technology. Training began on March 6th and Hugh Gibson, PATT's IT Manager, is happy to report that to date approximately 85% of employees have been trained. Training for other stakeholders continues: Customs, Haulers, Agents, Brokers and Truckers commenced March 12th and 70% of Truckers have attended training sessions to date.

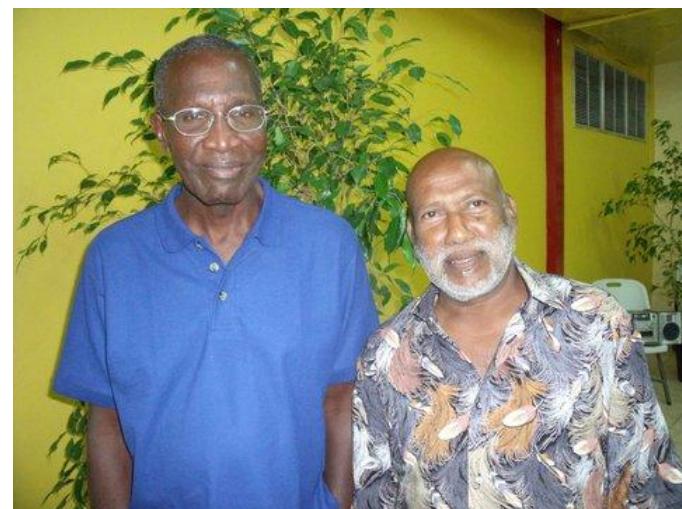
"The exercise is quite demanding," says Mr. Gibson "but with the co-operation of the staff of the IT Department and our stakeholders, we are well on the way to meeting the April 10th launch date."

SOP FOR FUMIGATION PROCESS

The Safety Department is developing a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for PATT, regarding the fumigation of freight containers and cargo.

This will require the identification of a controlled area, for the fumigation of freight containers and cargo, with the necessary signage prohibiting Port users and employees from entry. Security personnel will also ensure all fumigated containers exiting the Port have the necessary 'dangerous goods' stickers attached to the fumigation certificate on the container or cargo.

Neil Bridgelal, Safety Manager, is hopeful that the SOP will be adopted as the industry standard locally, and by the Occupational Safety and Health Agency, when completed.



Trevor St. John and Ronald Sammy at pre-retirement function

FAREWELL TO ST. JOHN AND SAMMY

In an informal setting at the Barrel Shop, employees came together to bid farewell to their colleagues, Trevor St. John and Ronald Sammy, as they proceeded on pre-retirement leave. While the atmosphere was one of merriment and celebration, a tinge of sadness came over the gathering as employees took centre stage to reminisce about the friendships and relationships established over the years.

Port Superintendent - Lythe Datoo, Assistant Manager Operations - Ricardo Gonzales, and Executive Manager Human Resources - Lyrine Lewis represented the Senior Management Team, and expressed appreciation for the retirees' 82 years cumulative service with the Authority.

Portside extends best wishes to the duo for a happy and healthy retirement.