



National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago

Financial Statements

30 September 2019

National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago

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THE NATIONAL TRUST OF TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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26th October 2020

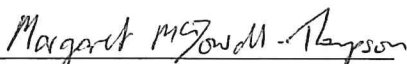
Management is responsible for the following:


- Preparing and fairly presenting the accompanying financial statements of National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 September 2019, the statements of comprehensive income and changes in general reserve fund, and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information;
- Ensuring that the Trust keeps proper accounting records;
- Selecting appropriate accounting policies and applying them in a consistent manner;
- Implementing, monitoring and evaluating the system of internal control that assures security of the Trust's assets, detection/prevention of fraud, and the achievement of the Trust's operational efficiencies;
- Ensuring that the system of internal controls operated effectively during the reporting period;
- Producing reliable financial reporting that complies with laws and regulations, including the Companies Act; and
- Using reasonable and prudent judgement in the determination of estimates.

In preparing these audited financial statements, management utilised the International Financial Reporting Standard for Small and Medium-sized Entities. Where the International Financial Reporting Standard for Small and Medium-sized Entities presented alternative accounting treatments, management chose those considered most appropriate in the circumstances.

Nothing has come to the attention of management to indicate that the Trust will not remain a going concern for the next twelve months from the reporting date, or up to the date the accompanying financial statements have been authorised for issue, if later.

Management affirms that it has carried out its responsibilities as outlined above.


Signed
Title: CHAIRMAN
Date: 26/10/2020


Signed
Title: TREASURER
Date: 02.11.2020

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Council of
National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 September, 2019, and the statement of comprehensive income and changes in general reserve fund and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago as at 30 September, 2019, of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standard for Small and Medium-sized Entities (IFRS for SMEs).

Basis for Qualified Opinion

We did not observe the counting of physical inventories at 30 September 2019. We were unable to satisfy ourselves by alternative means concerning the inventory quantities held at the year-end which are stated in the statement of financial position at 30 September 2019.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the entity in accordance with International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS for SMEs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process.



Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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Chartered Accountants
Port of Spain
Trinidad, West Indies
27 October 2020


National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago

Statement of financial position

		30 September	
	Notes	2019	2018
		\$	\$
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Plant and equipment	2	<u>112,917</u>	<u>111,076</u>
Current assets			
Inventories	3	94,614	101,697
Account receivables	4	33,870	185,047
Cash in hand and at bank	5	<u>1,946,201</u>	<u>1,249,271</u>
		<u>2,074,685</u>	<u>1,536,015</u>
Total assets		<u><u>2,187,602</u></u>	<u><u>1,647,091</u></u>
FUND AND LIABILITIES			
Fund			
Deficit in general reserves fund		<u>(801,583)</u>	<u>(686,422)</u>
Current liabilities			
Payables and accruals	6	194,864	263,709
Deferred income - Nelson island project - Prior year	7	1,581,091	1,581,091
Deferred income - Nelson island project - 2019	8	724,517	--
Deferred income - Operation reboot	9	<u>488,713</u>	<u>488,713</u>
		<u>2,989,185</u>	<u>2,333,513</u>
Total fund and liabilities		<u><u>2,187,602</u></u>	<u><u>1,647,091</u></u>

The accounting policies on pages 7 to 8 and the notes set out on pages 9 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

On 27th October 2020, the Council of National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago authorised these financial statements for issue.

 Margaret Mazon *Chairman*

 *Treasurer*

National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago

Statement of comprehensive income and changes in general reserve fund

	Notes	Year ended 30 September	
		2019	2018 Re-stated
		\$	\$
Income			
GORTT subvention - Operations		2,100,000	2,100,000
Trust generated income	10	738,296	565,382
GORTT PSIP funding	8	231,580	364,728
Corporate sponsorship		73,018	82,647
Public donations		1,333	--
		<u>3,144,227</u>	<u>3,112,757</u>
Direct costs	11	<u>(46,918)</u>	<u>(64,038)</u>
		<u>3,097,309</u>	<u>3,048,719</u>
Expenditure			
Salaries and other staff benefits	12	1,365,407	1,433,857
General and administrative expenses	13	1,338,158	995,157
Council members' fees and travel		334,700	334,200
PSIP project costs	8	231,580	364,728
Depreciation		32,442	37,026
		<u>3,302,287</u>	<u>3,164,968</u>
Total expenditure		<u>3,302,287</u>	<u>3,164,968</u>
Deficit for the year		(204,978)	(116,249)
Adjustment to General Reserve Fund	14	89,817	--
Deficit in the General Reserve Fund at beginning of year		<u>(686,422)</u>	<u>(570,173)</u>
Deficit in the General Reserve Fund at end of year		<u><u>(801,583)</u></u>	<u><u>(686,422)</u></u>

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Statement of cash flows

	Note	Year ended 30 September	
		2019 \$	2018 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Deficit for the year		(204,978)	(116,249)
Adjustments for items not requiring an outlay of funds:			
Depreciation		32,442	37,026
Non cash adjustment		89,817	--
Deficit before changes in working capital		<u>(82,719)</u>	<u>(79,223)</u>
Decrease in inventory		7,083	21,870
Decrease / (increase) in accounts receivable		151,177	(110,357)
(Decrease) / increase in accounts payable and accruals		<u>(68,845)</u>	<u>3,333</u>
Net cash generated from / (used in) operating activities		<u>6,696</u>	<u>(164,377)</u>
Investing activities			
Purchase of plant and equipment		<u>(34,283)</u>	<u>--</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(34,283)</u>	<u>--</u>
Financing activities			
Net change in PSIP grants		<u>724,517</u>	<u>--</u>
Net cash generated from financing activities		<u>724,517</u>	<u>--</u>
Increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		696,930	(164,377)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		<u>1,249,271</u>	<u>1,413,648</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	5	<u>1,946,201</u>	<u>1,249,271</u>

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Accounting policies

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The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below.

These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated below.

a Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standard for Small and Medium-sized Entities and under the historical cost convention.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the International Financial Reporting Standard for SMEs requires the use of accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results ultimately may differ from those estimates.

b Financial instruments

Financial instruments carried on the statement of financial position include cash and bank balances, accounts receivable and accounts payable and are stated at their approximate fair values determined in accordance with the policy statements disclosed.

c Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are stated at historical cost or valuation and are depreciated at rates estimated to write off the cost or valuation of each asset to their residual values over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Computer equipment	- 33.3%
Office furniture and equipment	- 25%

Profits or losses on disposals of plant and equipment are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount and are included in the statement of comprehensive income.

Plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment losses whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its recoverable amount which is the higher of an asset's net selling price and value in use.

d Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are carried in the statement of financial position at cost and comprise cash in hand and cash at bank.

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Accounting policies (continued)

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e Trade receivables

Trade receivables are carried at original invoice amount less provision made for impairment of these receivables. A provision for impairment of trade receivables is established when there is objective evidence that the Trust will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. The amount of the provision is the difference between the carrying amount and the recoverable amount.

f Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Trust has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate of the amount can be made.

g Accounts payable and accruals

Accounts payable are initially measured at cost, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

h Government subvention

Subventions from the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago are recognised when received at their fair values. Where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received as at the year-end, the subvention is recorded as a receivable in the statement of financial position.

Subventions relating to operating expenses are deferred and included in non-current liabilities. They are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income over the period necessary to match them with net expenses they are intended to compensate.

Subventions relating to certain projects for which the Trust is responsible for are deferred and included in non-current liabilities. They are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income over the period necessary to match them with net expenses they are intended to compensate.

i Income recognition

Income is accounted for on the accrual basis.

j Comparative information

Where necessary, comparative amounts have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation in the current year.

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Notes to the financial statements

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1 Incorporation and principal business activity

The National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago was established by Act of Parliament No. 11 of 1991 (the National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago Act, 1991). The Trust is dedicated to improving our communities through the preservation of our built and natural heritage.

2 Plant and equipment

	Office equipment \$	Computer equipment \$	Office furniture \$	Total \$
Year ended 30 September 2018				
Opening net book amount	72,381	3	75,718	148,102
Depreciation charge	(18,095)	(1)	(18,930)	(37,026)
Closing net book amount	54,286	2	56,788	111,076
At 30 September 2018				
Cost	123,876	96,305	112,428	332,609
Accumulated depreciation	(69,590)	(96,303)	(55,640)	(221,533)
Net book amount	54,286	2	56,788	111,076
Year ended 30 September 2019				
Opening net book amount	54,286	2	56,788	111,076
Additions	19,136	4,755	3,695	27,586
Reclassification of assets	7,850	6,605	(7,758)	6,697
Depreciation charge	(16,347)	(3,337)	(12,758)	(32,442)
Closing net book amount	64,925	8,025	39,967	112,917
At 30 September 2019				
Cost	150,862	107,665	108,365	366,892
Accumulated depreciation	(85,937)	(99,640)	(68,398)	(253,975)
Net book amount	64,925	8,025	39,967	112,917

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3 Inventories	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Books and publications	56,061	61,324
T-shirts	24,443	21,101
National Trust logo items	7,649	10,037
Local craft items	6,461	9,235
	<u>94,614</u>	<u>101,697</u>

In addition to these items, there are goods held on consignment, which as per accounting standards are not included in the value of Inventories of the Trust, as follows:

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Books and publications	<u>9,710</u>	<u>49,665</u>

4 Accounts receivables and prepayments	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Recoverable from line ministry	26,316	175,330
Refundable security deposit	4,000	--
Staff loan	2,500	9,000
Prepayments	1,054	717
	<u>33,870</u>	<u>185,047</u>

5 Cash and cash equivalents	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Cash at Bank - FCB - Acct # 1238698	1,943,445	1,247,081
Petty cash	2,456	2,190
Trust shop float	300	--
	<u>1,946,201</u>	<u>1,249,271</u>

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6	Trade and other payables	2019	2018
		\$	\$
	Trade payables	116,014	113,809
	Audit fees payable	78,750	78,750
	Prepaid membership dues	100	--
	Director fees and travel payable	--	33,300
	Stale dated cheques	--	27,459
	Nelson island expense payable	--	6,000
	Other accruals	--	4,391
		<u>194,864</u>	<u>263,709</u>
7	Deferred income – Nelson island project	2019	2018
		\$	\$
	Nelson island project	<u>1,581,091</u>	<u>1,581,091</u>

The balance includes \$1,581,091 which represents subventions received from the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the restoration of Nelson Island less related expenditure. The Council, at a meeting dated 25 July 2013, passed a resolution to transfer the funds held for the Nelson Island Project as at 30 September 2012 to the Trust's Recurrent Expenditure. Before the transfer was made, the Council was advised to seek approval from its line ministry, the Ministry of National Diversity and Social Integration. The ministry, in a letter dated 9 January 2014, indicated that the request had been referred to the Ministry of Arts and Multiculturalism for follow up action since the period during which the transfer was requested was concurrent with the period when the Trust fell under the remit of that ministry. During the month of September 2015, the Trust was transferred to the Ministry of Planning. There was no further update on the matter through this Ministry.

8 Deferred income – Nelson island project – 2019

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Nelson island project 2019	<u>724,517</u>	<u>--</u>

During the period February 2018 to September 2019, works were undertaken to conduct repairs to Building 1802, refurbishment of the toilets and plumbing system, as well as the construction of a Guard Booth and Kiosk on Nelson Island. The value of works undertaken as at September 2019 and the related recovery of funds via the PSIP program is indicated below.

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8 Deferred income – Nelson island project – 2019 (continued)

	March 2018 to September 2019
Cost of works to date	596,308
PSIP subventions received in relation to these works	<u>(1,320,825)</u>
Advanced sums for further work to be undertaken in FY 2020	<u>(724,517)</u>

Upgrade works on Nelson Island will continue into Fiscal year 2020, on item such as the security, air conditioning, desalination and solar panel systems and the battery bank. Estimated cost of additional works is to be undertaken in FY 2020 is \$750,000.

9 Deferred income – Operation reboot

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Operation reboot	<u>488,713</u>	<u>488,713</u>

The above balance represents funding received from the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (through allocations from the European Union) for the creation of an online revenue generating stream geared at improving competitiveness in the cultural heritage and eco-tourism industry.

10 Trust Generated Income

In the conduct of the Trust's mandate, it engages in cultural events, educational lectures, and tours. Other avenues of income include the collection of membership dues and sale of local books and craft at the Trust shop.

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Artefacts	60,650	--
Events	42,950	57,174
Lectures	4,700	6,775
Membership fees	46,045	36,335
Other	--	6,307
Tours	546,065	393,001
Trust shop	<u>37,886</u>	<u>65,790</u>
	<u>738,296</u>	<u>565,382</u>

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11 Direct costs

Direct costs are related to items sold at the Trust shop. The associated costs of other activities such as events, tours and lectures is included within Other Contracted Services and reported under General and Administrative expenses.

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Cost of goods purchased for resale	<u>46,918</u>	<u>64,038</u>

12 Salaries and other staff benefits

Salaries and other staff benefits include payments to and on behalf of staff.

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Salaries	1,269,477	1,322,086
Employee NIS Contributions	85,467	74,402
Training and Development	<u>10,463</u>	<u>37,369</u>
	<u>1,365,407</u>	<u>1,433,857</u>

13 General and administrative expenses

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Other contracted services	379,678	441,891
Repairs and maintenance - Equipment	311,090	126,512
Nelson island maintenance and security services	237,148	128,771
Janitorial	138,085	69,048
Office expenses	76,134	53,925
Water trucking	66,739	39,372
Fees	52,320	49,728
Rentals	32,516	58,139
Insurance	14,904	--
International bodies	11,881	2,555
Conferences and seminars	11,254	21,767
Travelling and subsistence	4,530	--
Books and periodicals	1,876	2,524
Postage	<u>3</u>	<u>925</u>
	<u>1,338,158</u>	<u>995,157</u>

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14 Prior year adjustment

Prior year adjustments include write off of incorrect accruals, adjustments for inaccurate depreciation calculations and unclaimed liabilities from prior years.

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Director fees and travel payable	33,300	--
Stale Dated Cheques	49,821	--
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>6,696</u>	<u>--</u>
	<u>89,817</u>	<u>--</u>

15. Going Concern

The Trust has generated a deficit for the year ended 30 September 2019 of \$204,978. This has resulted in an accumulated deficit in the general reserve fund balance of \$801,583 as at 30 September 2019. Also, at the year end, the Trust's liabilities exceeded its current assets by \$914,500.

Notwithstanding the facts stated above, these financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis. This basis has been deemed appropriate in view of the Trust's ability to continue its operations using internally generated cash flow and funding from its line Ministry of Planning and Development.

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16 Subsequent events

The COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 has adversely affected National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago.

As at 27 October 2020, the date in which the financial statements were approved by the Council of the National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago, there were no adjusting or non-adjusting events that materiality affected the financial statements.

National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago has been unable to operate tours and lectures in the same way and this will result in a short-term reduction of income. However, National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago has increased its digital presence, improved its payment options and begun a major membership drive that should place the organisation in a better financial position in the future.

Given the commitment to fund the core activities from the Government of Trinidad and Tobago, there is no anticipated effect from COVID-19 on the going concern of the Trust.