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Trinidad and Tobago COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) Update # 34

Port-of-Spain, March 18, 2020: The Ministry of Health, Trinidad and Tobago, advises the population of two additional confirmed cases of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). One patient is a male and the other a female.

Both of the persons who have tested positive for COVID-19 have recent travel histories. The cases are unrelated.

Currently, in total, nine persons have tested positive for COVID-19 in Trinidad and Tobago.

Thus far, all positive COVID-19 cases in Trinidad and Tobago have been imported.

Members of the public are reminded that personal protective measures are the most effective tools against COVID-19. One of the ways that persons may avoid getting sick is by washing their hands:

- after using the bathroom
- before, during and after preparing food
- after coughing or sneezing
- when caring for persons who are sick
- before eating
- after handling animal waste
- when hands are dirty

The Ministry will continue to provide accurate information to the public in a timely manner. The public is therefore urged to disregard and avoid sharing all unconfirmed, misleading and/or false information about COVID-19

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