

OVER 6,800 TEACHERS TRAINED IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO UNDER THE MOE UNICEF- COL-NOTESMASTER INITIATIVE

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A free e-learning platform available to all teachers, students and parents. Read more

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OVER 2,600 DIGITAL RESOURCES

The digital resource's are the result of a partnership between the Ministry of Education, the Commonwealth of Learning, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and NotesMaster.

3,600 NEW DIGITAL RESOURCES COMING FOR SENIOR SECONDARY STUDENTS

Starting in May, NotesMaster will be supporting teachers in T&T to develop over 3,600 digital new resources for use in all schools.

MOET&T, UNICEF, COL & NOTESMASTER WORKING TO SUPPORT TEACHERS AND STUDENTS THROUGH COVID CLOSURES

Teachers across Trinidad and Tobago have been trained in how to access digital lessons in the MOE T&T Classes on NotesMaster. The lessons can be accessed on NotesMaster for best effect, or linked to other learning platforms, thereby widening their access. The classes are out fitted with interactive digital resources, authored by local teachers from across Trinidad and Tobago. The lessons are based on the local curricula and can be remixed and re-purposed to match individual teaching styles. The platform is free to all and there is no limit to the number of students who can be facilitated in a class. See survey results: [MOET&T Teachers' survey](#)





PREPARING TEACHERS AND STUDENTS FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING DURING A PANDEMIC AND BEYOND

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The Ministry of Education, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago is pleased to partner with Notesmaster, towards the production of high quality digital content for Primary and Junior Secondary levels of the education system. With the kind assistance of the Commonwealth of Learning, the MOE/Notesmaster Curriculum Writers Program undertook a content authoring process which led to the development of hundreds of digital resources in alignment with the curricula and made freely accessible to all stakeholders in Trinidad and Tobago on the Notesmaster e-Learning platform.

Through the benevolence of UNICEF, Notesmaster trained a select group of teachers who, in turn, conducted online training with teachers in all public primary and secondary schools in Trinidad and Tobago. The training sessions exposed teachers to hundreds of high quality lessons in 10 secondary and 2 primary subject areas. Teachers gained proficiency in optimizing the use of the Notesmaster Learning Management System as they utilized the pre-developed lessons or downloaded and manipulated them to suit the learning styles and multiple intelligences of their students.

The Ministry/ Notesmaster/UNICEF initiative could not be timelier as this country, like other countries in the Caribbean, has suspended in-school face-to-face teaching since February 2020 in response to protocols implemented to mitigate the spread of the Corona Virus, COVID-19.



The digital online resources support both synchronous and asynchronous teaching and learning in virtual environments enabling teachers and students to interact utilizing desktop/laptop computers, tablets and mobile phones.

The Ministry of Education welcomes the further assistance of UNICEF and Notesmaster towards the second phase of digital content development for students in Forms 4 and 5. While many teachers are already employing the benefits of eLearning, significant others have yet to embrace technology-enabled teaching and learning. The continued development of ICT-infused digital lessons empowers teachers to cope with the challenges posed by the ongoing pandemic and beyond.

-Gerard Phillip

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