

## REHAB FOR 'CLAUDE NOEL'

**A** two-kilometre stretch of the Claude Noel Highway will be rehabilitated in fiscal 2018.

The first phase of works will include the expansion of the highway between the Rockly Vale Traffic Light and the Orange Hill Traffic Light. The project has been listed as a priority of the Division of Infrastructure, Quarries and the Environment.

The project will be completed in an

estimated four years' time.

Infrastructure Secretary Kwesi Des Vignes said there are visible cracks all along the highway, which is in need of urgent repair.

The Secretary said Scarborough Traffic Study 2015 data revealed that the intersection of Wilson Road and Claude Noel Highway encountered just over 31,500 vehicles per day.

Des Vignes said here is only one allocation

for road resurfacing so this also had to be considered.

"The focused attention to the Claude Noel major thoroughfare would mean therefore, that some areas may have to suffer until the Assembly is able to reallocate or secure additional resources to treat with other areas," the Secretary said earlier today via media release.

The Claude Noel Highway was last resurfaced in 2007.

## 'PARA' COACHES TO GET CERTIFIED

**T**obago is focused on building on the successes of star para athlete, Akeem Stewart. Stewart is the defending World and Olympic javelin champ, and also won shot put gold at 'Worlds'. He is the world record holder in both events.

Coaches with interest in training athletes with disabilities are being invited to earn their Level One certificate at an upcoming workshop. The workshop, entitled "Introduction to Para Sports", will run from July 31 to August 2.

Coaches who attend the session will put what they've learned at a subsequent free two-day camp, where they'll also be evaluated. The children in the camp will have an opportunity to learn several sports, including seated volleyball, wheelchair basketball, wheelchair tennis, goalball, field athletics and bocci.

The camp is will be held at the Mt Pleasant Recreation Ground from August 3-4, and run from 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day, and will be open to the public.

Participants must be between the ages of 11-35 and have a disability.



**NEWLY APPOINTED:** Secretary of Health, Wellness and Family Development Dr Agatha Carrington, right, sits with the new Realisation for Economic Achievement (R.E.A.C.H.) Committee. Seated left is chairman Kareesa Wilson. Standing, from left, are Lois Martin Chance, Merete Douglas, Jerren Martin, Liselle Anthony Douglas and Nigel Phillip.

## WILSON HEADS NEW R.E.A.C.H. COMMITTEE

**K**areesa Wilson will head the newly appointed committee for Tobago's Realisation for Economic Achievement (REACH) Unit.

The Unit helps Tobagonians in need gain economic independence, and works to empower communities and eradicate poverty.

The other members of the committee are Lois Martin Chance, Merete Douglas, Jerren Martin, Liselle Anthony Douglas and Nigel Phillip.

The committee received their instruments of appointment from Secretary Dr. Agatha Carrington at the Division of Health's office, Glen Road on Tuesday (July 25, 2017).