

1. QUESTION No. 63

Question 63 reads as follows:

“A. With respect to the construction of Early Childhood Education Centres and Schools, could the Minister inform the Senate:

- (i) How many have been completed during the period January 01, 2002 to December 31, 2006;**
- (ii) In what areas have these schools been completed;**
- (iii) How many have been started but not yet completed; and**
- (iv) In what areas are these buildings yet to be completed?**

B. Could the Minister also provide the Senate with the names of all the Contractors and their Board of Directors who were engaged by the Ministry for the construction of these schools?”

RESPONSE:

Madam President, I am to inform this Honourable House as follows:

The philosophy underlying Early Childhood Care and Education in Trinidad and Tobago is that all children can learn and each child, regardless of economic status, physical or emotional challenges or gender has a right to high quality education in order to realize his/her full potential.

Parallel with the development of administrative structures, agreements with partnering stakeholders (e.g. Servol), staffing improvements and quality assurance provisions, the Ministry of Education has been conducting its research to allow the placement of its new and reconstructed ECCE Centres to be informed by the relevant demographics, data and social needs.

To date 110 sites distributed over all seven (7) Educational Districts have been identified. In selection of the sites for ECCE Centres, the government has ensured wide spread and national coverage as another measure of our commitment to guarantee equal access and to address poverty alleviation.

We have also researched and formulated a user brief which has informed the new design for these ECCE Centres. This new design reflects a major improvement over centres that were built under the previous administration. Today's ECCE Centres are designed to be aesthetically pleasing. They consist of a well laid out single story building

which, inter alia, are built to up-to-date structural standards, accessible by the physically challenged and allow for visual permeability to support monitoring of the children. On completion the centres will be outfitted with modern facilities for enhanced interactive learning for our young citizens.

With respect to parts (i) and (ii) of part A of the question, whereas no centres were completed during the period January 01, 2002 to December 31, 2006, development of the new brief and related designs were completed by 2005. Following the establishment of the Education Facilities Company Limited (EFCL), construction of ECCE centres commenced in 2006.

With respect to parts (iii) and (iv) of Part A of the question, Madam President, construction of eighteen (18) centres was started by the EFCL in 2006. The centres are being handed over to the Ministry of Education as they reach completion, including outfitting with specialized furniture and equipment.

Completed are:

No.	ECCE CENTRES	ADDRESSES
1	La Romaine	Church Street, La Romain
2	Santa Rosa	Shaddock Circle, Santa Rosa Heights, Arima

The following seven (7) centres are nearing completion and are expected to be delivered within this quarter:

No.	ECCE CENTRES	ADDRESSES
1	St Augustine South	Bedassie Street, St. Augustine
2	El Socorro South	Kamal Avenue, El Socorro Extension #2, San Juan
3	Mayaro	Pierreville, Mayaro
4	Tacarigua	17 Back Street, Tacarigua
5	Valsayn	Old Southern Main Road, Valsayn
6	San Pedro	460 Tabaquite Rio Claro Road, San Pedro
7	Petit Valley	Quarry Road, Petit Valley

The following nine (9) Centres are also under construction and are projected to be completed after June 2007:

No.	ECCE CENTRES	ADDRESSES
1	Sangre Grande	Oropouche Road, Sangre Grande
2	La Puerta	Broome Street, Four Roads, Diego Martin
3	Little Gems Pentecostal	148 Saddle Road, Santa Cruz
4	El Socorro North	Lootoo Street, El Socorro
5	Chinapoo	Laventille Road, Chinapoo Village
6	St. Sylvan's Anglican	St. Mary's Junction, Carapichaima
7	Lopinot/La Pastora	Lopinot Road, La Pastora, Lopinot
8	Tulsi Manaas	Cunapo Southern Road, Sangre Grande
9	Ortoire RC	Manzanilla Road, Ortoire Village, Mayaro

Contracts have recently been awarded for construction of a further seven (7) ECCE centres as the rollout process continues. These centres are:

Model Nursery ECCE Centre

Monroe Road ECCE Centre

Raghunanan ECCE Centre

Strange Village ECCE Centre

North Trace ECCE Centre

Santa Flora ECCE Centre

Salybia ECCE Centre

The above mentioned twenty five (25) ECCE Centres Madame President, are on sites which form part of the first 110 new ECCE buildings for which sites have been identified. The process of land assembly to support the programme continues. The following is the list of the 110 sites which have been selected to date:

No.	ECCE CENTRES	ADDRESSES
1	La Romaine ECCEC	Church Street, La Romaine (La Romaine Gov't. Primary)
2	Santa Rosa ECCEC	Shaddock Circle, Santa Rosa Heights , Arima - (Santa Rosa Gov't. Primary).
3	St Augustine South ECCEC	Bedassie Street, St. Augustine

4	El Socorro South ECCEC	Kamal Avenue, El Socorro Extension 2, San Juan (El Socorro South Gov't. Primary).
5	Sangre Grande ECCEC	Oropouche Road, Sangre Grande - (Sangre Grande Gov't. Primary).
6	Petit Valley ECCEC	Quarry Road, Petit Valley
7	San Pedro ECCEC	460 Tabaquite Rio Claro Road, San Pedro
8	Mayaro ECCEC	Pierreville, Mayaro (Mayaro Gov't. Primary).
9	La Puerta ECCEC	Broome Street, Four Roads, Diego Martin - (La Puerta Gov't. Primary).
10	Valsayn Teachers' College ECCEC	Old Southern Main Road, Valsayn (Valsayn Teachers College)
11	Tacarigua ECCEC	17 Back Street, Tacarigua
No.	ECCE CENTRES	ADDRESSES
12	St. Sylvan's Anglican ECCEC	St. Mary's Junction, Carapichaima
13	El Socorro North ECCEC	Lootoo Street, El Socorro (El Socorro Gov't. Primary)
14	Little Gems Pentecostal ECCEC	148 Saddle Road, Santa Cruz

15	Chinapoo ECCEC	Laventille Road, Chinapoo Village
16	Lopinot/La Pastora Govt ECCEC	La Pastora, Lopinot Road, Lopinot.
17	Ortoire RC ECCEC	Manzanilla Road, Ortoire Village Mayaro.
18	Tulsi Manaas SWAHA ECCEC	Cunapo Southern Main Road, Sangre Grande
19	Salibya ECCEC	Toco Main Road, Salybia (Salybia Gov't Primary)
20	Model Nursery School ECCEC	Ruth Avenue, Les Efforts West, San Fernando
21	Monroe Road ECCEC	Monroe Road, Cunupia (Monroe Road Gov't. Primary)
22	Raghunanan Road ECCEC	Ragoonanan Road Enterprise.
23	Santa Flora ECCEC	Santa Flora Road, Erin Village, Santa Flora.
24	Strange Village ECCEC	529 Cumuto Road, Barrackpore
25	North Trace ECCEC	Naparima / Mayaro Road, New Grant (North Trace Gov't. Primary)
26	Kilimanjaro ECCEC	Leari Place, Laventille.
27	Tarouba North ECCEC	H.D.C Site Tarouba North Land Development.
28	Tarouba South ECCEC	H.D.C Site Tarouba South Land Development.
29	Edinburgh South ECCEC	Coral Street and Poui Blvd. Edinburgh South Land Development.
30	Belmont Wesleyan Holiness	51-59 Belmont Circular Road, Belmont

	ECCEC	
31	Cocoyea ECCEC	31 Andrews Park - East Cocoyea
32	Patna/ Bagatelle ECCEC	Patna Village
33	Belle View ECCEC	Belle View Long Circular St. James
No.	ECCE CENTRES	ADDRESSES
34	San Francique ECCEC	2 mile mark San Francique Road, Penal
35	Siparia SDMS ECCEC	Seegobin Drive, Siparia
36	Lawrencia Motas ECCEC	Southern Gardens, New Village, Point Fortin
37	Mendez ECCEC	Mendez Village, Siparia
38	I Am Special ECCEC (S)	Abdool Village, Penal (Penal Gov't Primary)
39	St Christopher's ECCEC (S)	St. Clair Street, Longdenville Road, Longdenville
40	Basse Terre ECCEC (S)	Basse Terre Road, Moruga
41	Moruga ECCEC (S)	2303 Gran Chemin, Moruga
42	Child Welfare League - Chaguanas ECCEC	Corner Darling Street and Chaguanas Main Road, Chaguanas.
43	Pleasantville ECCEC	Prince Albert Street, Pleasantville (Pleasantville Gov't Primary)
44	Sevilla ECCEC	C/O Sevilla School Brechin Castle, Couva.

45	Child Welfare League - St James ECCEC	1 Agra Street, St. James
46	Diego Martin ECCEC	#1 Jerry Street, Green Hill Village, Diego Martin (Diego Martin Gov't. Primary)
47	Caura Royal Road ECCEC	Corner Caura Royal Road and Karamath Street.
48	Corinth ECCEC	Corinth Teacher's Training College, Corinth Road.
49	Pioneer Drive ECCEC	H.D.C Site Pioneer Drive, Mount Hope.
50	Southern Gardens ECCEC	H.D.C Site Southern Gardens, Land Development.
51	Bien Venue ECCEC	La Romaine Government Primary Eastern Main Road, Church Street La Romaine.
52	Bon Air West ECCEC	Bon Air Government Primary Eastern Main Road, D'Abadie.
53	Buen Intento ECCEC	H.D.C. Site Buen Intento.
54	Carlsen Field ECCEC	H.D.C Site Carlsen Field Housing Development.
55	Caroni Village ECCEC	Ibis Gardens, Caroni.
No.	ECCE CENTRES	ADDRESSES
56	Maloney Gardens ECCEC	Maloney Government Primary School,

		Flamingo Blvd. Maloney Housing Estate.
57	Pleasantville ECCEC	Pleasantville Government Primary, Prince Albert Street, Pleasantville.
58	Edinburgh 500 ECCEC	Kestral Boulevard, Edinburgh 500 Chaguanas (Edinburgh Gov't Primary)
59	Golconda ECCEC	H.D.C Site Golconda Development.
60	Harmony Hall ECCEC	H.D.C Site Harmony Hall.
61	La Horquetta South ECCEC	La Horquetta South Government Primary, Gladiola Crescent, La Horquetta
62	Retrench ECCEC	H.D.C Site Retrench Housing Development.
63	Wellington Road ECCEC	H.D.C Site Wellington Road. Debe
64	Wallerfield ECCEC	Land Settlement Agency
65	Malabar ECCEC	Malabar Government Primary Pommegranate Avenue, Malabar
66	Brothers Road ECCEC	73 Garth Road, Williamsville Brothers Road Presbyterian
67	Christian Union ECCEC	Egypt Avenue, Egypt Village, Pt. Fortin
68	Clarke Rochard ECCEC	(Clarke Rochard Gov't. Primary)
69	Corinth Teachers College ECCEC	Corinth Road, (Corinth Teachers College)
70	Iere Village ECCEC	Naparima / Mayaro Road, Iere Village Princes Town.
71	Macaulay ECCEC	Hermitage Road, Claxton Bay (Macaulay

		Gov't. Primary)
72	Madras ECCEC	Madras Settlement Road via Cunupia (Madras Gov't. Primary)
73	Marabella ECCEC	Fahey Avenue, Union Park East, Marabella (Marabella Gov't. Primary)
74	Edinburgh ECCE	Kestral Boulevard, Edinburgh 500 Chaguanas (Edinburgh Gov't Primary
75	Coterie of Social Workers ECCE (SF)	3 Longden Street
76	Fanny Village ECCE	G. Street, via Dam Road, Fanny Village, Point Fortin.
77	Penal Quinam ECCEC	Mendez Village, Siparia (Penal Quinam Gov't Primary)
No.	ECCE CENTRES	ADDRESSES
78	Ste. Madeleine ECCEC	Manahambre Road, Ste. Madeline
79	Wesleyan Holiness ECCEC -Diego Martin	Covigne Road, Diego Martin.

80	Cap-de-Ville ECCEC	Guapo Cap-de-ville Main Road, Pt. Fortin (Cap-de-ville Gov't Primary)
81	Cushe ECCEC	Balata Trace, Rio Claro (Cushe Gov't Primary)
82	Fun-time ECCEC	34, New Colonial Road, Barrackpore
83	La Paille ECCEC	Tulloch Street, La Paille Village, Caroni
84	Maraval ECCEC	Maraval
85	Mayo ECCEC	C/o Community Centre, 1 Palm Street West, Mayo Village, Williamsville
86	North Manzanilla ECCEC	#4 North Manzanilla Community Centre, Manzanilla P.O. Box 181, LP # 57
87	Tarouba Pentecostal ECCEC	Tarouba
88	La Horquetta North ECCEC	Lady Bird Avenue, La Horquetta (La Horquetta Gov't. Primary)
89	Lower Cumuto ECCEC	Cumuto Main Road, Cumuto (Lower Cumuto Gov't. Primary)
90	Mt. D'Or ECCEC	Mt. D'Or Government Primary
91	Preysal ECCEC	Preysal Village, Couva (Preysal Gov't. Primary)
92	Pine Settlement Sangre Grande 1 ECCEC	Land Settlement Agency
93	Pine Settlement Sangre Grande 2 ECCEC	Land Settlement Agency

94	Samaroo Village Arima ECCEC	Land Settlement Agency
95	Caparo ECCEC	121 Main Road, Caparo
96	Monroe Road Little Hearts ECCEC (S)	School Street, Munroe Road, Cunupia
97	Rampanalgas ECCEC (S)	Jerome Street, Rampanalgas Village, Balandra
98	Union Hall ECCEC (S)	Union Hall Gardens, San Fernando
99	Bon Air North Arouca 1 ECCEC	Bon Air, Arouca
No.	ECCE CENTRES	ADDRESSES
100	Bon Air North Arouca 2 ECCEC	Bon Air, Arouca
101	Bon Air North Arouca 3 ECCEC	Bon Air, Arouca
102	Bon Air North Arouca 4 ECCEC	Bon Air, Arouca
103	Picton Road Ext. Sangre Grande ECCEC	Picton Rd. Extension, Sangre Grande
104	Race Course Road Arima 1 ECCEC	Arima
105	Race Course Road Arima 2 ECCEC	Arima
106	Race Course Road Arima 3 ECCEC	Arima
107	Race Course Road Arima 4 ECCEC	Arima
108	Paramin ECCEC	Paramin Village

109	River Estate/Blue Basin ECCEC	River Estate
110	Upper Bournes Road, St James ECCEC	St. James

With respect to Part B of the question, Madame President, the following is the list of names of all the contractors who are engaged by the Ministry of Education for the construction of schools.

Names of Contractors

United Supplies and Services Limited

Tripple Bique Company Limited

Crown J's Limited

Geo Services

Amalgamated Engineering Services Limited

Ragbir & Deonarine Construction Company Limited

Bowain Contracting Limited

Double H Construction and Supplies Limited

R2K Engineering Services Limited

SL Limited

Skylon Construction Limited

The companies are all registered companies and accordingly, the names of the Boards of Directors are in the public domain and can be obtained from the Registrar of Companies in the normal manner.