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MORANT BAY URBAN CENTRE IS ON COURSE FOR SEPTEMBER COMPLETION

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Morant Bay Urban Centre is on course for completion by September 2024.

Overall construction is approximately 45% complete, however within the next month that percentage will increase significantly to approximately 80%.

This is due to the arrival of long-awaited material which caused a delay in the construction's progress. With the material now on site, there has been an increase in manpower and all blocks are currently being worked on.

Of the fourteen (14) blocks being constructed, one (1) is ahead of schedule, seven (7) are on schedule and six (6) are slightly behind schedule.



The St Thomas Municipal Corporation building located on Block B – 55% complete.

The development was announced by Prime Minister, the Most Honourable, Andrew Holness in June 2018. Groundbreaking took place a year later in June 2019, however, construction did not commence until October 2022.

The development is being undertaken through a Joint Venture Agreement among Factories Corporation of Jamaica Limited (FCJ), China Harbour Engineering Company Limited (CHEC) and the National Commercial Bank (NCB).

Seventy-eight (78) public and private sector entities have submitted documents requesting a space in the 436,000 sq. ft. development. That represents a demand for over 550,000 sq. ft. of

space. In the meantime, FCJ continues to accept requests for space at the development.

The Morant Bay Urban Centre will see the amalgamation of services provided by the Government of Jamaica and the Private Sector. Among the entities to occupy space at the development are the St Thomas Municipal Corporation, the Ministry of Justice through the St Thomas Parish Court, other government entities located in Morant Bay and several private sector companies including fast food establishments, a prominent university and Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) companies to name a few.



The NCB building located on Block A – 75% complete.



The KFC building located on Block K – 60% complete.



University

Warehouses



Courthouse & Justice Square

Main Building

