

# **The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited**

## **Press Release**

### **NGC SUPPORTS GIFTED SCIENCE TEEN**

A Curepe teenager with a passion for science is currently in Barbados at a highly respected youth science programme courtesy the National Gas Company (NGC). Yavniel Yatali of Norton Street, Curepe has been selected as the NGC 2012 SPISE Scholar. SPISE, acronym for the Student Program for Innovation in Science and Engineering, is a one-month enrichment residential programme for gifted Caribbean high school students between the ages of 15 to 17 who are considering studies leading to a career in science and engineering.

NGC's support for Yatali followed an invitation from the Caribbean Science Foundation (CSF), organizer of the SPISE initiative. CSF is based at the Cave Hill campus in Barbados.

According to CRF, the aim of SPISE is to "help address the low numbers of Caribbean students pursuing advanced degrees in science and engineering". CSF's long-term objective is to help diversify the economies of the Caribbean by stimulating more technology-based entrepreneurship within the region.

As an employer of choice for many top science graduates in Trinidad and Tobago, NGC has embraced the SPISE programme as a worthy initiative. The programme began on August 06 at the Cave Hill Campus and continues until September 01.

**Yavniel Yatali , Norton St, Curepe, NGC 2012 SPISE SCHOLAR**