



THE NATIONAL GAS COMPANY OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO LIMITED

PRESS RELEASE

**NGC CONTINUES ITS SUPPORT OF THE 39th CARIFTA GAMES TO THE
TUNE OF TT\$450,000**

The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (NGC) continues to support excellence in sport regionally, through its sponsorship of the 39th CARIFTA Games, which will be held in Montego Bay, Jamaica from April 23-25, 2011. NGC has sponsored CARIFTA Games since 2003 when Trinidad and Tobago played host.

The annual CARIFTA Games will bring together athletes from 26 Caribbean countries. Through NGC's sponsorship, the National Association of Athletic Administration of Trinidad and Tobago (NAAA) is able to meet its commitment to offer young athletes who qualify for the games the opportunity to participate. This year, the Trinidad and Tobago athletic contingent is 65, 30 female and 35 male, ages ranging from 14-19 years of age.

At home, NGC has maintained its support of the Ministry of Education's Primary Schools' Track and Field Games by sponsoring three district and zonal games for several years. These are the Caroni Education District Primary School Games, St. Patrick Education District Primary School Games and Moruga Zonal Games. NGC's sponsorship of the Caroni Games began in 1995. Moruga came on board in 2004 with St. Patrick joining the NGC family of sponsored games in 2006.

As a Company which has chosen youth development as one of its focus areas under its philanthropy programme, NGC sees its support to the CARIFTA Games as a natural extension to its signature Right on Track programme - the brainchild of Trinidad and Tobago's only Olympic gold medallist and NGC's former Community Relations Head, Hasely Crawford. Right on Track seeks to bridge the significant gap in track and field development by teaching sound athletic skills through a science-based methodology.

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