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PRESS STATEMENT

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CIRCULATION OF DOCUMENTS ON REOPENING OF SCHOOLS

It has come to the attention of the Ministry of Education that there is a document in circulation on social media platforms which is a draft copy of the ongoing discussions concerning the reopening of schools.

Having noted this, the Ministry of Education would like to convey to the general public that, school readiness assessments are now underway and will feed into the school re-opening roadmap which will, in turn, be submitted to the Presidential Committee on Covid 19.

I would like to request that the public remain patient as Government is working tirelessly to effectively handle this pandemic.

As we all know, Covid-19 is a disease that has affected the whole world, in turn crippling education systems. The Government is doing its level best to listen to the concerns of all stakeholders. Once all the due processes are completed, the ministry will officially announce the reopening of education institutions, the academic and Examination calendars and the accompanying COVID-19 assessment guidelines and measures.

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