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Banana Sector Retraining Project

**Update #1**

## **Skills retraining to start in April**

The project received 791 applications from the Career Counselling Workshops held in six targeted parishes: St. James, St. Thomas, St. Catherine, Portland and Clarendon between December 2008 and January 2009. From this list, 320 persons will participate in skills and pre-vocational training at various HEART NTA or partner institutions across the island, starting in April; formal Training Needs Assessment and Program Evaluation is also scheduled to start at this time.

The project hopes to get the same enthusiasm from beneficiaries in training sessions as it did during the workshops that were successful in kick starting the 15-month long initiative.

### **BSRP Quick Facts**

Who?	Banana/Plantain farmers, labourers, port workers, immediate family members and members of targeted communities
Where?	Clarendon, Portland, St. Catherine, St. James, St. Mary and St. Thomas
What?	Career counselling workshops, skills and pre-vocational training
When?	October 2008 to December 2009
Why?	Change in preferential treatment from the European Union and anticipated loss of income in the banana/plantain industry

Please click on the link below to view our photos taken from the first two Career Counselling Workshops. You can also email this message and/or link to others.

### **Banana Sector Retraining Project Photostream**

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### **Some of our recent uploads**



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