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LANDSLIP REPAIR WORKS AT THE S.S. ERIN ROAD, 16.5 KM MARK, SIPARIA

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Works to repair and stabilise the site of a major landslip on the S.S. Erin Road, 16.5 km Mark, Siparia have begun. While temporary road works were recently undertaken on the landslip, inclement weather has contributed to additional damage causing a complete closure of the roadway. On Monday 16th August, 2021, Senator Rohan Sinanan, Minister of Works and Transport, participated in a site inspection with a team of officials from the Highways Division who provided an overview of the required technical work plan.



Senator the Honourable Rohan Sinanan Minister of Works and Transport (right) speaks with a member of the technical team on repairs to the landslip on the S.S. Erin Road, 16.5 km Mark, Siparia.

Minister Sinanan stated that "while previous work to stabilize and restore the roadway was expected to commence on 18th August 2021, due to the severity and magnitude of the landslip, immediate intervention is underway to retain the failed slope and restore single lane traffic. This is expected to take approximately two weeks. Further geotechnical investigations are also in progress to determine a permanent solution to fully restore the roadway."





Director of the Highways Division explained that "while the on-going closure of the roadway poses several challenges for persons in the community, it is critical that adequate investigative works be conducted to determine the full extent of the slope failure and any underlying geotechnical factors. This approach will ensure that a technically sound design solution is implemented to provide a long term solution that is stable and based on engineering best practices."



Motorists are reminded to proceed with extreme caution and observe all directional signs while traversing this area.

The Ministry of Works and Transport regrets any inconvenience caused and thanks the public for its cooperation.







