



Manifesto *of* **THE NEW NATIONAL PARTY**

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1 Our Manifesto in a “nut”shell

- ▶ **Grenada's economy was rescued by the NNP (2013-2018)**
- ▶ **NNP provides strong, unified and dynamic leadership that is transformational**
- ▶ **Grenada's economic management over the last five years has resulted in significant economic growth and development by way of:**
 - ▶ Investor confidence
 - ▶ Inward investment
 - ▶ Significant job creation
- ▶ **The NNP's vision and plan for social and economic development will continue to deliver positive results in every sector whilst protecting our heritage and values. Area of focus includes:**
 - ▶ Agriculture, fisheries and agri-business
 - ▶ Tourism and hospitality;
 - ▶ Education;
 - ▶ Health care;
 - ▶ Housing;
 - ▶ The development of our youth;
 - ▶ Lowering the cost of electricity;
 - ▶ Implementation of a comprehensive Pension Plan for workers;
 - ▶ Implementation of a National Health Insurance Scheme for all

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2 Message from Our Political Leader

Fellow Citizens of Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique,

At this time our country has reached the cross-roads on the way to substantial economic growth and development. The choice is now ours to make as to whether we “keep moving” forward positively with the New National Party building on our 2025 vision or whether we take a back road to uncertainty.

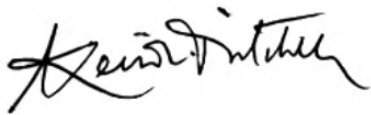
When the NNP took the driver's seat in the year 2013, we met an economy that was in free fall, experiencing average annual negative growth of -2%. Since then, with prudent fiscal management, the cooperation from our social partners and the subsequent stimulation of investor confidence, the country has been able to experience growth averaging approximately 5% over the last five years – today, Grenada is the fastest growing economy in the region. Our national debt has been substantially reduced from 108% of Gross Domestic Product **down to 69%**. Our unemployment levels have been substantially lowered moving from over 40% in 2013 to **24%** at the end of 2017 – the lowest unemployment rate in over a decade.

Unlike what happened during the 2008 to 2013 Government, this NNP administration has always been able to pay salaries to public workers on time at the end of every month over the last five years. Moreover, we did not have to sell government assets to be able to do so. In fact, our administration has been able to provide public officers back-pay, increments and salary increases in the amount of over \$110 Million during this period. The International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank, the Caribbean Development Bank and other regional and international financial institutions have **lauded Grenada for the way in which we were able to skillfully manage our economy thereby alleviating the financial disaster we inherited. Today Grenada is seen as a model for economic management for other countries to follow.**

Our manifesto outlines our plans for the holistic and inclusive future development of Grenada,

Carriacou and Petite Martinique. It contains ambitious but achievable strategic initiatives to guide the development of our priority sectors including agriculture, fisheries & agri-business, tourism & hospitality, education, health care, youths, housing, sports, arts and culture among others. In particular, our NNP administration is steadfast in its commitment on the responsible commercialization of the potential hydrocarbon resources within our waters for which success in this area will transform the standard of living of every citizen within our beautiful tri-island state especially those residing within our rural economy. A natural outcome of this important initiative will be a drastic reduction in the cost of electricity to all domestic, commercial and industrial consumers in our country, a benefit already being felt. In this regard, I therefore invite you to review our plans as presented for the future development of our country.

Following your review, I am confident you will be convinced more than ever, that our country is in safe hands with the leadership of the NNP. It is most important therefore that we do not deviate and take any backroad to uncertainty but that we “**Keep Moving**” forward positively with the NNP team. As Political Leader of the NNP I invite you to join in support of our vision for Grenada and vote for the NNP candidate in your constituency on Election Day



Keith Claudius Mitchell, PhD
Political Leader of the New
National Party





3 Vision of the New National Party

In keeping with the sentiments of our party's motto "Working in Unity for our Nation's Prosperity" the New National Party as a political organisation and as a government is dedicated to keep moving our country forward and to do so commits to:

1. Continue to provide a strong, unified party with dynamic and transformational leadership

2. Transform our society into one that:

- ▶ Places people at the centre of development with equal opportunities for all
- ▶ Encourages dialogue with all Social Partners as key contributors in our developmental process.
- ▶ Encourages entrepreneurship, innovation and creativity
- ▶ Is committed to sound moral values, professional ethics and respect for divergent views

- ▶ Respects the rule of law fighting criminality in all its forms
- ▶ Is committed to the defense of democracy, sound governance and accountability

3. Continue the responsible fiscal management of the economy by way of:

- ▶ Adhering to legislative provisions such as the Fiscal Responsibility and Public Procurement Acts which were initiated by the NNP Administration
- ▶ Initiating new legislative measures to further bolster growth while ensuring administrative compliance

4. Continue to build the economy so that:

- ▶ Job creating economic growth and sustainable development will be guaranteed
- ▶ Investor confidence will be continuously encouraged
- ▶ Standard of living is improved to the level where every family is decently housed with adequate access to health care.
- ▶ Every child will have the opportunity to have quality primary, secondary and tertiary education that is relevant
- ▶ Social security safeguards are maintained for the most vulnerable

4 Our Past Economic Record Speaks for Itself

The rescue of the economy by the New National Party (2013-2018)

During its present term in office (2013-2018) the NNP administration has been able to make salary payments to all public workers ON TIME. This was not the case during the last administration of 2008-2013. Moreover, that administration had to resort to the selling of government assets simply to pay salaries and payments were MOST OFTEN LATE.

Unlike what occurred during the previous administration, over the past few years the NNP administration paid over

\$110M in back-pay, incentives and salary increases and did not resort to retrenching even a single public officer;

Investor confidence has been restored with over \$1Billion in project investment during the period 2013-2018 with the creation of thousands of jobs.

From Negative Growth to Positive Growth



Decline in Unemployment



Decrease Debt to GDP (Gross Domestic Product) Ratio

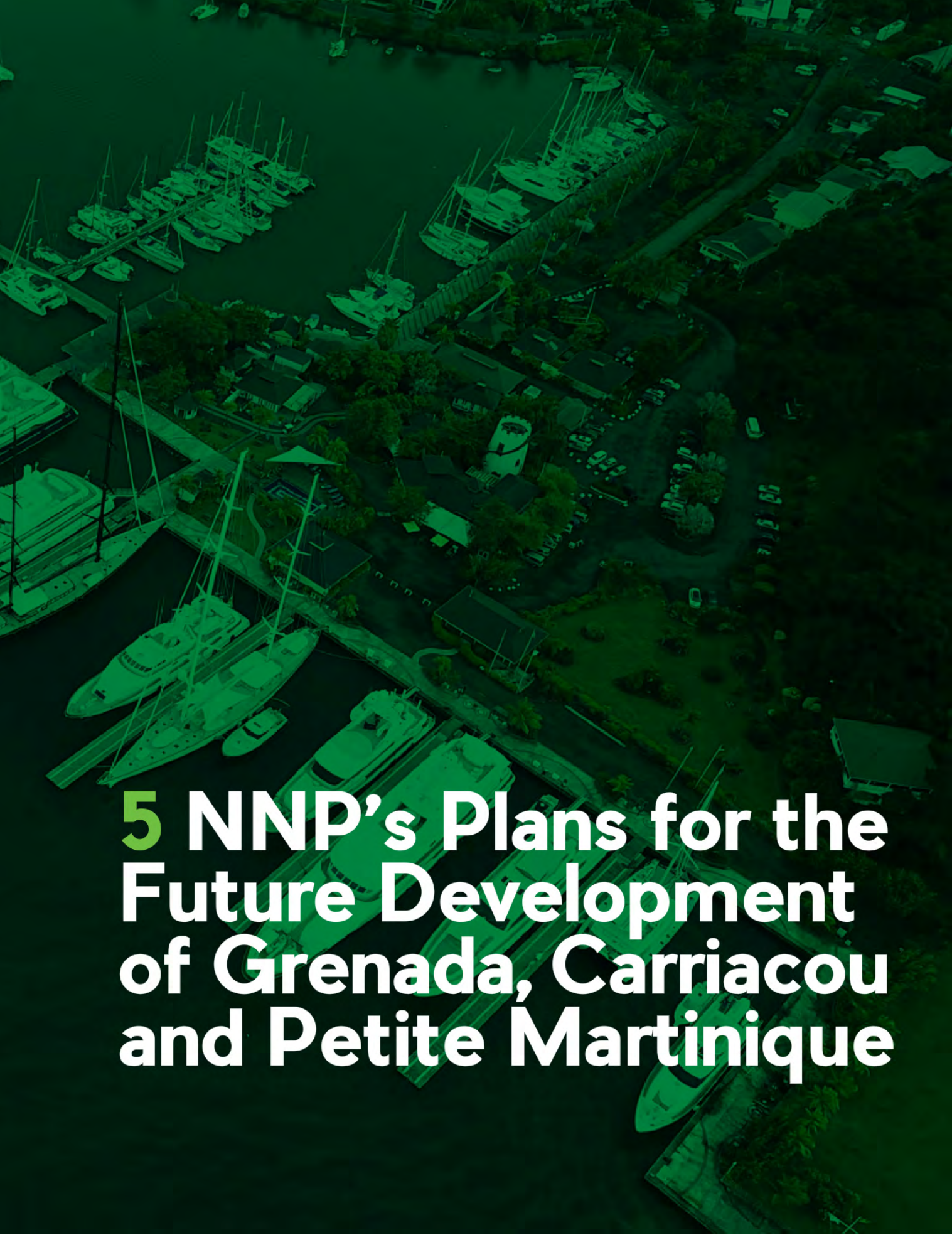




Other positive moves made by the NNP administration

- ▶ 350 low income homes handed over and the construction of 650 more about to start
- ▶ Over 1,500 university scholarships awarded to our youth
- ▶ Over 2,000 youth trained and CVQ certified
- ▶ Extra support for the elderly
- ▶ Provided financing to over 750 entrepreneurs for small business start ups
- ▶ Unprecedented investment in school infrastructure
- ▶ Improvements in health care – more doctors and nurses and further investment in hospital infrastructure
- ▶ Growth in Agriculture
- ▶ Growth in Tourism - more visitors, more airlift, more cruise ships, more yachts and more room stock
- ▶ Significant public Infrastructural investment – Kirani James Athletics Stadium, New Parliament Building, Phase 2 General Hospital, Grenville Bus Terminus, 30 major school upgrades, roads, bridges, and more





5 NNP's Plans for the Future Development of Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique

1. PLANS FOR THE ECONOMY

NNP's Vision for the Economy

Grenada's economy must provide job opportunities for those who desire to work; business opportunities for those who choose to invest; fuelled by an educated society that is capable of producing high-quality goods and services that are competitive in a diverse and forever evolving global economy.

Our economic model is one that will:

▶ **Continue to grow the Economy**

- ▶ To remain one of the fastest growing economies within the OECS sub-region
- ▶ To achieve broad based growth across all the productive sectors
- ▶ To expand export through the implementation of the National Export Strategy
- ▶ Through the introduction of a Small, Micro and Medium Sized Enterprise (MSME's) Development Act and accompanying Incentives regime

▶ **Continue to reduce and manage Debt**

- ▶ To achieve a Debt to GDP ratio of 60% in keeping with the ECCU target

▶ **Continue to significantly reduce Unemployment** with specific emphasis on

- ▶ Reducing Youth unemployment
- ▶ Creating more job opportunities in our rural communities

▶ **Continue to grow Investor Confidence based on the**

- ▶ Continued attraction of significant **domestic**, regional and international investment in our priority sectors
- ▶ Full implementation of the Fiscal Incentives Regime
- ▶ Continued investment in infrastructure to include ICT interwoven in every sector of the economy.

▶ **Continued responsible Fiscal Management** by

- ▶ Adherence to Fiscal Responsibility legislation
- ▶ Prudent management of revenues and expenditure

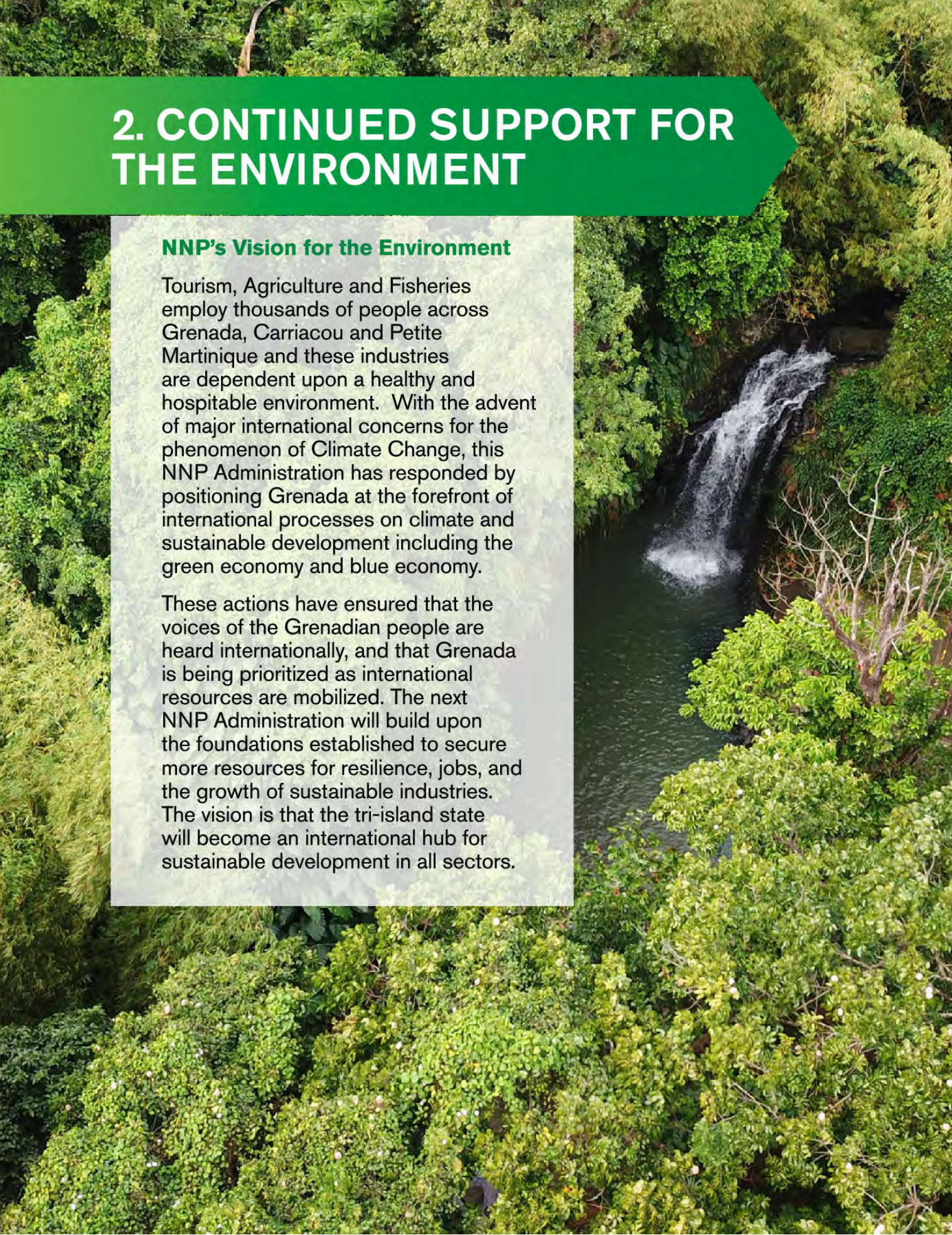
▶ **Continued engagement with the Social Partners** with full commitment on the implementation of the **Social Compact**

2. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

NNP's Vision for the Environment

Tourism, Agriculture and Fisheries employ thousands of people across Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique and these industries are dependent upon a healthy and hospitable environment. With the advent of major international concerns for the phenomenon of Climate Change, this NNP Administration has responded by positioning Grenada at the forefront of international processes on climate and sustainable development including the green economy and blue economy.

These actions have ensured that the voices of the Grenadian people are heard internationally, and that Grenada is being prioritized as international resources are mobilized. The next NNP Administration will build upon the foundations established to secure more resources for resilience, jobs, and the growth of sustainable industries. The vision is that the tri-island state will become an international hub for sustainable development in all sectors.



NNP's Plans for the Future of the Environment

To preserve and create significant job opportunities in key sectors reliant on a healthy environment including agriculture, agro-processing, agri-tourism, horticulture, coastal tourism and fisheries. To do so an NNP Administration through its local expertise and Grenada's international leadership on climate change, environment and small states will:

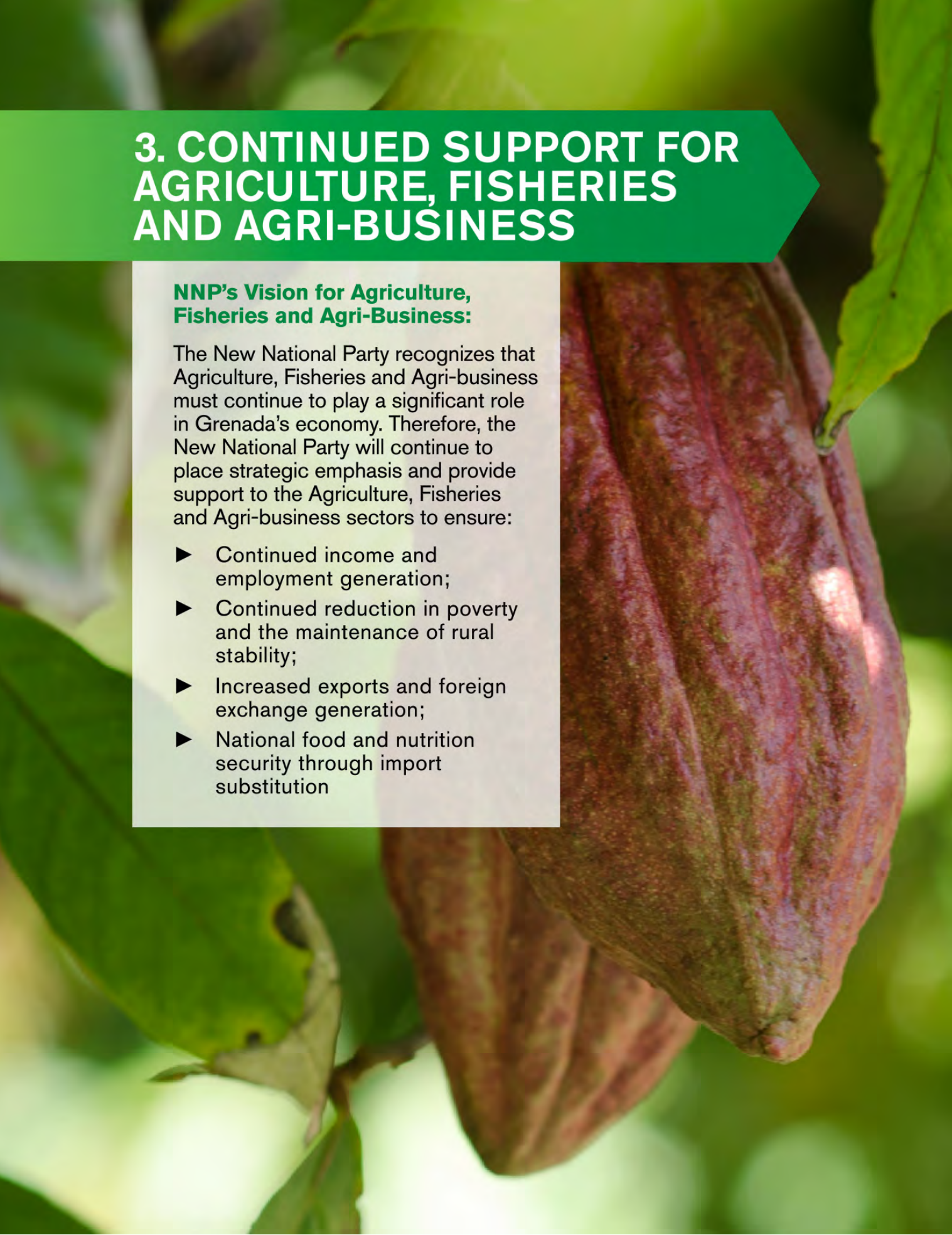
- ▶ Create new sustainable industries and expand existing industries along Grenada's coastal towns and communities demonstrated through blue growth clusters such as fisheries, aquaculture, sustainable and community tourism, dive tourism, yachting, marina services, heritage boat building etc.
- ▶ Establish Grenada as an international hub for learning, training and education on climate change and sustainable development while building greater nationwide resilience to climate change. This will include areas such as organic farming, climate-smart agriculture, horticulture, health & wellness and medicinal agriculture which has the potential to create high income jobs across the entire value chain.
- ▶ To move to cheaper and cleaner energy by continuing efforts to liberalize the electricity sector while transitioning to renewable energy sources and boosting job-creating activities in energy efficiency.
- ▶ Create the environment for reducing waste and pollution while boosting entrepreneurship and jobs in recycling and up-cycling.
- ▶ Upgrade the water and sewage system in the South of the Island with support from the Green Climate Fund.
- ▶ Review, update and implement a national forestry management plan to encourage the preservation of our forest reserves and the enhancement of the eco-systems' biodiversity.

3. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND AGRI-BUSINESS

NNP's Vision for Agriculture, Fisheries and Agri-Business:

The New National Party recognizes that Agriculture, Fisheries and Agri-business must continue to play a significant role in Grenada's economy. Therefore, the New National Party will continue to place strategic emphasis and provide support to the Agriculture, Fisheries and Agri-business sectors to ensure:

- ▶ Continued income and employment generation;
- ▶ Continued reduction in poverty and the maintenance of rural stability;
- ▶ Increased exports and foreign exchange generation;
- ▶ National food and nutrition security through import substitution



NNP's Plans for the Future of Agriculture, Fisheries and Agri-Business:

AGRICULTURE

Increase agricultural production and capacity to further its contribution to national economic growth, employment creation and poverty alleviation by:

- ▶ Accelerating the Youth in Agriculture programme
- ▶ Implementing the strategic reforms for the nutmeg and cocoa industries
- ▶ Significantly reducing the food import bill through:
 - ▶ Fully implementing policies to support poultry and small ruminants development.
 - ▶ Expanding the Eat Local Buy Local concept
- ▶ Improving Grenada's food and nutrition security by
 - ▶ Fostering greater collaboration of the school feeding programs to the domestic agri-food system through the participation of multiple stakeholders in the process.
 - ▶ The development of an Agriculture food recovery plan in the event of a natural disaster
- ▶ Improving productivity through greater mechanization, use of appropriate technology and improved farming techniques
- ▶ Providing greater support for farmers and farming communities
 - ▶ Modernisation of propagation stations
 - ▶ Strengthening of Farm Labour and other support services
 - ▶ Taking a regional approach, seek to introduce a comprehensive crop insurance programme
 - ▶ Strengthening Extension Services
 - ▶ Greater Pest Management Support
 - ▶ Promote Climate Smart Agriculture – better adaptation and mitigation practices
 - ▶ Fully implement the Grenada National Agricultural Plan 2015 – 2030
- ▶ Take further steps to address the scourge of Praedial Larceny
 - ▶ Further strengthen the Praedial Larceny Task Force
 - ▶ Review and update the Praedial Larceny legislation

AGRI-BUSINESS

To harness the economic potential of agri-business as a contributor to rural employment by:

- ▶ Developing and implementing an Agri-business Policy
- ▶ Investing more in research and development to provide support along the value-chain for key crops such as Nutmeg, Cocoa, Minor Spices, Soursop, etc.
- ▶ Providing further support to the formation of agri-business clusters
- ▶ Continuing to support small business development in the sector
- ▶ Continuing to attract and support private sector investment in light manufacturing processes.





FISHERIES

- ▶ To promote the sustainable growth of the fisheries sector by:
 - ▶ Supporting further training and capacity building for fisherfolk including the attainment of NVQ/CVQ certification
 - ▶ Promote and further support safety at sea programmes for fisherfolk
 - ▶ Stimulate further investment and development of the Aquaculture sub-sector
 - ▶ Advance policies and legislation that foster sustainable use and expand marine protected areas.
 - ▶ Make greater use of technology, scientific information and management practices for the promotion of the industry's development
- ▶ Developing additional export markets for fish products
 - ▶ Improve logistics and airlift for Grenada's fisheries produce
 - ▶ Continue to promote the certification for fish handling and process management to improve quality assurance
- ▶ Intensify attracting private sector investment in the fisheries sector to encourage greater value-addition
- ▶ The ongoing upgrades and maintenance of critical fisheries infrastructure – markets, cold storage, jetties etc. Island wide.





4. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY

NNP's Vision for Tourism and Hospitality

The New National Party values the important role that the tourism and hospitality sector of Grenada plays as a major source of employment and primary foreign exchange earner. Having regard to the linkages that tourism and hospitality have with other sectors, an NNP administration will seek to establish Grenada as a world-class tourism and hospitality destination with emphasis on high-end visitors.



NNP's Plans for the Future of Tourism and Hospitality:

- ▶ Increase Grenada's regional market share through:
 - ▶ Continued dynamic and targeted destination marketing
 - ▶ Expansion in both existing and new markets
 - ▶ More aggressive promotion of the "Pure Grenada" brand
 - ▶ Focused development on sports and medical tourism
 - ▶ Further the expansion of Grenada's Marine and Yachting sub-sector
- ▶ Increase Grenada's quality and quantity of room stock
 - ▶ Continue to mobilize investments to further the development of the high-end accommodation sector
 - ▶ Apply the Fiscal Incentives Regime to attract greater accommodation development in the rural communities
- ▶ Increase airlift to Grenada
 - ▶ Address the current regional transportation challenges – high cost and quality of service
 - ▶ Fully exploit the "open skies" policy to attract additional carriers to Grenada and the region
 - ▶ Expansion and redevelopment of the Maurice Bishop International Airport
- ▶ Product Development
 - ▶ Continued commercialization of our sites and attractions
 - ▶ Encourage further advancement and creativity in our Arts and Crafts sector
 - ▶ More aggressively pursue Community Based Tourism as a model for rural economic development
- ▶ Better exploit the linkages between Tourism and Agriculture & light manufacturing through policies that support the procurement of local foods and supplies.



5. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

NNP's Vision for Education

The New National Party recognizes that a well-educated and skilled workforce is the pathway to building Grenada's capacity to attract investment, further grow the economy, generate jobs, and create wealth for all. The NNP believes that education is a gateway for the eradication of poverty and supports the roles of parents in the effective delivery of an educated population and that the Grenada education experience should be delivered through an integrated education system from pre-primary to tertiary level using the Triple Helix Model of Innovation (Government, Academia and Industry).

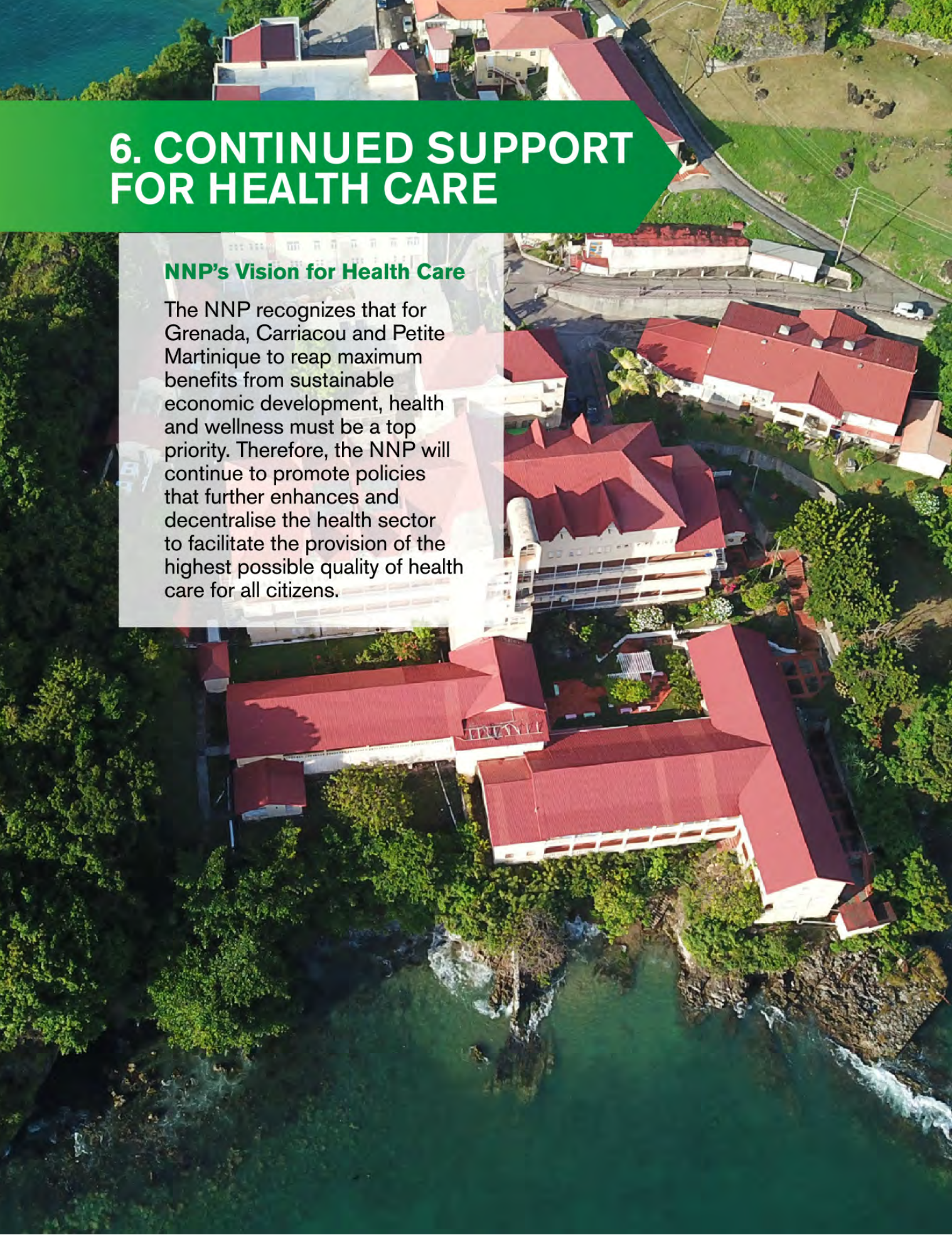


NNP's Plans for the Future of Education and Human Resource Development

- ▶ Continue to significantly invest in the upgrading and modernization of our school infrastructure that is inclusive and caters for the differently-abled.
 - ▶ The construction of additional technical wings to support Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET)
 - ▶ The major upgrading and renovation of 6 schools over the next 5 years
 - ▶ ICT enabled classrooms - Broadband internet access to every school
 - ▶ New libraries in every primary school
 - ▶ Implement a more efficient and responsive maintenance and minor repair programme for all schools' infrastructure.
- ▶ Continue to significantly invest in professionalization of teaching as a career.
 - ▶ Implement a teacher development and certification programme to address the issue of the high number of untrained teachers at the pre-primary, primary and secondary school levels
 - ▶ Implement a leadership programme for school principals
 - ▶ Increase the number of scholarship awarded to teaching professionals in educational development
 - ▶ Continue the process of regularizing temporary teachers
 - ▶ To implement an assessment unit in the Ministry of Education to monitor and evaluate the learning environment within all schools.
 - ▶ To promote differentiated education model of learning to cater for students with diverse learning styles.
- ▶ Continued investment in School Support Services
 - ▶ School Books Programme
 - ▶ School Transportation
 - ▶ School Feeding Programme
 - ▶ Student Counselling and Support Services
- ▶ Continued investment in Special Education
 - ▶ Develop a special needs education policy, which recognizes the needs of the differently-abled and which maximizes their potential as productive members of society.
 - ▶ Provide appropriate learning tools, including ICT, for the delivery of the teaching curriculum.
- ▶ Better align the National Curriculum to Grenada's developmental needs
 - ▶ Increased emphasis on addressing literacy and numeracy challenges including adult literacy.
 - ▶ To strengthen the relationship between government and the various foreign language institutions having regard to Grenada being a tourist destination.
 - ▶ A greater focus on skills training and development
 - ▶ Expand TVET throughout secondary schools
 - ▶ Expand TVET at the tertiary level recognizing the need to better address our national skills shortages to further support job creation
- ▶ Continue to deepen the strategic relationship with St George's University
 - ▶ Partnering with SGU in the development of Grenada's health care service
 - ▶ Developing other areas of educational/sectoral partnerships including Tourism & Hospitality and Agricultural Education
- ▶ Transform TAMCC into the premier tertiary education institution in the region

- ▶ Curriculum development – to ensure the programmes offered are relevant to Grenada's current and future developmental needs
- ▶ Infrastructural renewal of all campus sites including Carriacou
- ▶ Mirabeau Farm School to be redeveloped for greater support to the Agribusiness sector and expand to support the Fisheries sector
- ▶ Faculty development – building teaching capacity through continued professional development
- ▶ Greater linkages with other institutions within the regional and international market place.
- ▶ To develop a Research, Innovation and Business Consultancy unit
- ▶ Strengthen the management and administrative functions to bring greater efficiency and effectiveness to TAMCC's operations
- ▶ Establish Grenada as an "Education Hub" in the region by attracting other universities in new areas of study.
- ▶ Continued support for the National Training Agency and NEWLO in promoting and providing adult skills development
- ▶ Update the Education Act to better reflect the changing dynamics of the education sector
- ▶ Continue to secure as many university scholarships for our young men and women that are aligned with the national development agenda or priority sectors and the promotion of greater research and development.



An aerial photograph of a coastal town, likely in Grenada, showing a cluster of buildings with prominent red-tiled roofs. The town is situated on a hillside overlooking a turquoise ocean with white waves crashing against the shore. Lush green trees and vegetation surround the buildings. A road with a few vehicles is visible in the upper right. A semi-transparent white box containing text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

6. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR HEALTH CARE

NNP's Vision for Health Care

The NNP recognizes that for Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique to reap maximum benefits from sustainable economic development, health and wellness must be a top priority. Therefore, the NNP will continue to promote policies that further enhances and decentralise the health sector to facilitate the provision of the highest possible quality of health care for all citizens.

NNP's Plans for the Future of Health Care

- ▶ Full implementation of the National Health Insurance
- ▶ Introduce the National Teaching Hospital
 - ▶ Collaborate with our Premier University to create a Knowledge zone to attract spin off businesses within the health and wellness sector
 - ▶ Facilitate the development of a nursing school with international accreditation
 - ▶ Expand and develop the range of medical services available to the local population
 - ▶ Become a center of excellence for one specialised area of care e.g stroke management.
- ▶ Aggressive promotion of preventive care through healthy eating and lifestyle
- ▶ Establishing efficient and effective dialysis and oncology services to cater to the needs of the population
- ▶ Continue the development of the primary health care system through the expansion of the number of services offered.
 - ▶ Decentralization of minor surgeries to Princess Alice and Princess Royal Hospitals.
- ▶ Equipment and other infrastructure support to conduct preliminary screening and assessment of mental health cases at the community level.
- ▶ Administrative / Efficiency Improvements
 - ▶ Computerization of patient and other records
 - ▶ Implementation of a national health policy
 - ▶ Regularly conduct audits and public stakeholder engagement on health care delivery.
- ▶ Establishment of an endoscopy unit
- ▶ Continue the provision of the basic pharmaceuticals/medications to all the health facilities
- ▶ Develop policy and service modality to address the challenges of mental health through:
 - ▶ Programs to address stigma of mental health
 - ▶ Development of community support programs

7. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR YOUTH

NNP's Vision for Youth

The NNP Government is committed to the continued development of the youth, as it sees youth as representing the future of the nation. In this regard, we would continue to focus on programmes for preparing the future leaders, workforce, educators and entrepreneurs and for them to aptly contribute to national development.



NNP's Plans for Youth

- ▶ **To continue to provide significant opportunities for job creation and educational and social development**
 - ▶ Continue to strengthen and develop the IMANI programme to achieve greater private sector linkages
 - ▶ Continue to provide hundreds of university scholarships and financial support for study every year to our youth population with greater linkage to the priority sectors.
 - ▶ Focus on expansion of the Youth Enterprise programme to provide more young people with training in small business enterprise development and easy access to finance to start and expand their businesses.
 - ▶ Establish a business support center in every parish to guide and mentor young people who want to get into small business.
 - ▶ Provide life skills, leadership and civic awareness training to all young people through a youth service programme aimed at promoting discipline, voluntarism and patriotism.
- ▶ Establish a youth mentorship programme aimed at providing guidance and support to young people 10-21 years old.
 - ▶ Establish national skills and technical training programmes in every parish leading to the Caribbean Vocational Qualification (CVQ).
 - ▶ Set up a National Committee of stakeholders including Churches, NGOs etc. to assist the Government to address concerns of declining morals and values among young people and to recommend measures and programmes to address such social challenges.
 - ▶ Implement Programmes directed at young men to assist them to play a more effective role in National development.
 - ▶ To ensure that at least one youth is represented on each State-Owned Enterprise aimed at training future leaders.



8. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR INFORMATION COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

Vision for ICT

NNP sees ICT as a major initiative to spur improvement in productivity and competitiveness of the Grenadian economy.



NNP's Plans for ICT

To this end, an NNP administration will:

- ▶ Review and update the ICT policy to ensure that it creates the right enabling environment which is reflective of the potential of our people in the formation of cottage industries influenced by digital transformation.
- ▶ Engage the Private Sector seeking collaboration to implement an e-commerce policy to promote financial and business transactions in a safe and secure digital environment.
- ▶ Through the National Telecommunications Regulatory Commission facilitate the development of affordable broadband access and 'hot spots' especially at our rural communities.
- ▶ Facilitate the development of an ICT development center to act as a safe zone for business ideas generation and upskilling of programmers, website and app developers among others.
- ▶ Implement legislation that spurs competition and lowers the cost of ICT access for businesses and the Grenadian household.



9. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR SOCIAL CARE AND DEVELOPMENT

NNP's Vision for Social Care and Development

The NNP's vision for social care and development centers around the fundamental principle of inclusivity. That all members of the Grenadian society including vulnerable groups - our senior citizens, the needy, persons with disabilities, and women - should NOT be left behind.



NNP's Plans for The Future of Social Care and Development

- ▶ Implement a comprehensive programme of activities more closely aligned to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's) covering a broad range of social development issues including; poverty, hunger, health, education, gender equality, water, sanitation, energy, environment, social justice and climate change.
- ▶ Strengthen legislation, enforcement and other interventions to combat domestic violence and child abuse. These include:
 - ▶ Ongoing support for the National Committee for the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse
 - ▶ The establishment of a Special Victims Unit to provide counseling and other services to victims and their families
- ▶ A special Hot Line to provide advice, guidance and other services
- ▶ The introduction of a Sex Offenders Register
- ▶ Implement the **comprehensive Pensions Scheme reform**
- ▶ Streamline the public assistance programme for more targeted and effective support to the poor and vulnerable
- ▶ Ensure that other safety net programmes are properly designed, implemented and monitored.



10. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR SPORTS

NNP's Vision for Sports

An NNP Government will develop an even more structured and coordinated approach to sports development than prior years. We will continue to partner with organizations locally, regionally and internationally to improve and implement a modernized sports product. Sports must be seen in the context of its impact on health and wellness, social, academic, and economic contribution to national development.



NNP's Plans for the Future of Sports

- ▶ Developing a comprehensive community sports programme ensuring that the Ministry of Sports provides greater support to the administration and management of sporting clubs.
 - ▶ Ensure the continuation of improvement to sporting facilities around the Nation and to put in place a more robust management plan for these facilities
 - ▶ Installation of lighting and seating for all major sporting facilities throughout Grenada
 - ▶ Develop a National calendar of sporting activities in every community and a detailed data base of talents and activities.
 - ▶ Train coaches and physical education teachers who will work with students at all levels of the education system and communities in different sporting disciplines
 - ▶ Strengthen the relationship with sports associations and sport promoters to organize major sporting meets in Grenada
- ▶ Encourage the development of new sports programmes at the primary and secondary schools
 - ▶ Review of the incentive regime to harness the potential of sports contribution to national economic growth and development, conflict resolution and promotion of healthy lifestyles.
 - ▶ Encourage the integration of sports into schools' curricula and youth groups aimed at fostering the development of leadership and social skills, team work and national pride.
 - ▶ We will pay particular attention to the areas of cricket, athletics, swimming, football, and netball etc.
 - ▶ We will sponsor a programme of training, coaching, nutrition, and psychology that within five years, will see Grenadian sportsmen and women dominating in such disciplines as football, cricket and athletics



11. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS

NNP's Vision for Culture and the Arts

The NNP's strategic vision for culture and the arts embraces the many developmental opportunities that exist. The NNP is of the view that all citizens should have full access to our cultural heritage as embodied in our way of life, our traditions, our festivals, our music, our literary and our culinary arts. To this end, NNP recognises the important role of culture and arts in creating a balanced, vibrant, and healthy society.



NNP's Plans for the Future of Culture and the Arts

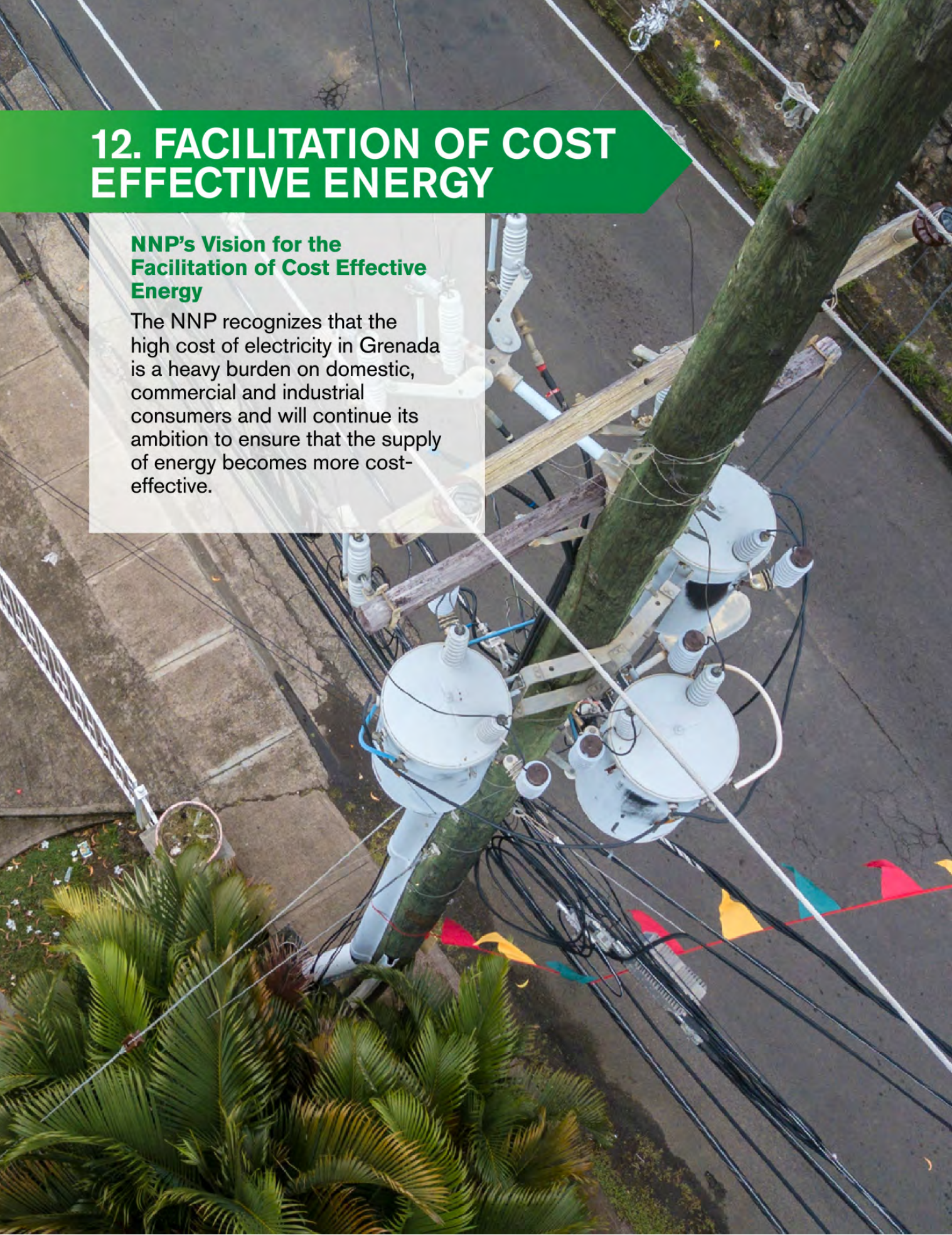
- ▶ To improve the commercial value of the industry
 - ▶ Engage in human capital development initiatives
 - ▶ To continue to provide ongoing support to the School Orchestra, pan and other such initiatives
 - ▶ Development of standards and certification programs to encourage the enabling environment for the industry's economic and social exploitation.
 - ▶ Enforcement of the intellectual property laws
 - ▶ Assist writers and authors in sourcing funding for publishing and dissemination of works including educational journals.
 - ▶ Encourage the patenting and protection of our traditional mas and mas costumes and to facilitate the reproduction of these products for commercial purposes for sale to tourists, local and diaspora markets etc.
 - ▶ Revamping of the young authors programme
- ▶ To undertake the development of critical Infrastructure in support of culture and arts industry
 - ▶ To rebuild the Seamount Cultural Complex
 - ▶ Conduct a feasibility study in exploring the Carenage as a District of Culture
 - ▶ Formation of a Cultural Industries Policy
- ▶ Preservation of our heritage
 - ▶ Better protocols will be developed to ensure the maintenance and protection of our heritage sites.
 - ▶ The National Trust Legislation will be reviewed and revised to give greater substance to its functions
 - ▶ Pursue the reintegration of Grenada's patois into our music, speech, writing etc
- ▶ Build on a genuine entertainment industry where young people can make a living and earn an income as writers, singers, producers, engineers, studio support staff and the like.
- ▶ Through the Ministry of Culture and supporting agencies, as well as the private sector, we will develop a system that will encourage, mentor, help package, promote and export our talent
- ▶ We will explore the possibility of developing a programme of excellence that will seek to take raw talent and mold them into diamonds for the world stage.



12. FACILITATION OF COST EFFECTIVE ENERGY

NNP's Vision for the Facilitation of Cost Effective Energy

The NNP recognizes that the high cost of electricity in Grenada is a heavy burden on domestic, commercial and industrial consumers and will continue its ambition to ensure that the supply of energy becomes more cost-effective.



NNP's Plans for the Future Facilitation of Cost Effective Energy

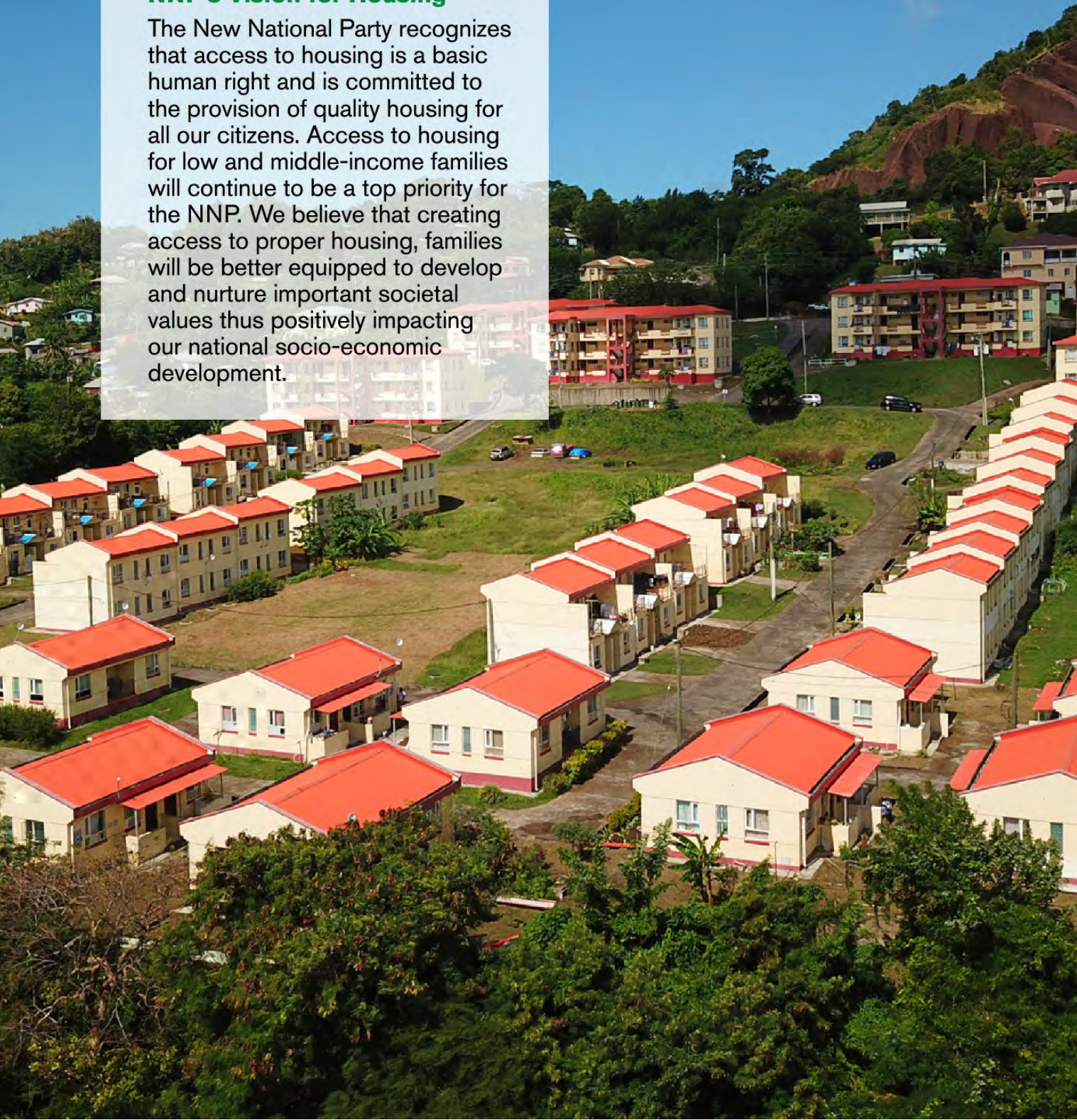
- ▶ Continue the reforms to the sector through the full implementation of the Electricity Supply Act of 2016 and the Public Utilities Commission Act of 2016.
- ▶ Through adequate incentives encourage the development of alternative sources of energy such as wind, geothermal and solar power production and consumption



13. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR HOUSING

NNP's Vision for Housing

The New National Party recognizes that access to housing is a basic human right and is committed to the provision of quality housing for all our citizens. Access to housing for low and middle-income families will continue to be a top priority for the NNP. We believe that creating access to proper housing, families will be better equipped to develop and nurture important societal values thus positively impacting our national socio-economic development.



NNP's Plans for the Future of Housing

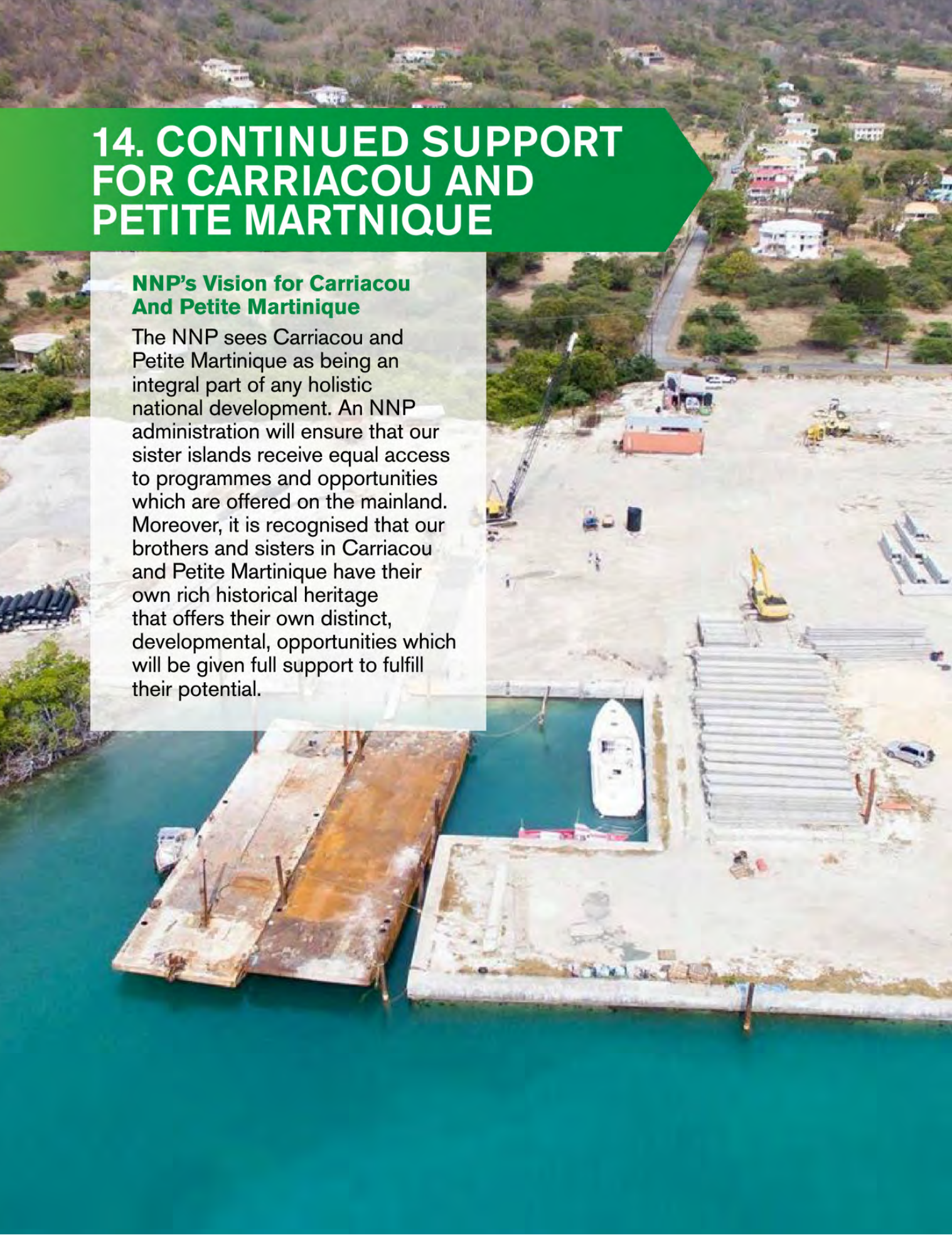
- ▶ Will support special financing arrangements to assist with housing for low income families
- ▶ To construct a further 647 new homes for low income families
- ▶ Continue to support the Soft Loan and Home Improvement Programmes
- ▶ Commits to reviewing ways to lower the cost of materials for house construction
- ▶ Develop Grenada as a model for climate-smart housing specifically targeting low income housing (resilience and electricity cost)
- ▶ Further improve the operations of the house repair program to ensure greater access for all Grenadians
- ▶ Continue to offer low interest rate mortgages to Public Workers



14. CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR CARRIACOU AND PETITE MARTINIQUE

NNP's Vision for Carriacou And Petite Martinique

The NNP sees Carriacou and Petite Martinique as being an integral part of any holistic national development. An NNP administration will ensure that our sister islands receive equal access to programmes and opportunities which are offered on the mainland. Moreover, it is recognised that our brothers and sisters in Carriacou and Petite Martinique have their own rich historical heritage that offers their own distinct, developmental, opportunities which will be given full support to fulfill their potential.



NNP's Plans for the Future of Carriacou And Petite Martinique

- ▶ Improve air and sea transportation links between Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique
 - ▶ Increase regularity of service to minimize the need for overnighting in Grenada
 - ▶ Engage the transportation operators to bring down service costs and fares where possible
 - ▶ The transfer of patients to the General Hospital on the mainland will be given special attention
 - ▶ Seek funding for the relocation of the Lauriston Airport to facilitate the increased airlift into Carriacou
 - ▶ Implement the Ministry of Health/Ministry of Carriacou and Petite Martinique Affairs MoU to improve health care provision in Carriacou and Petite Martinique
 - ▶ As part of the TAMCC transformation programme, upgrade and modernize the Six Roads Campus
 - ▶ Strengthen the programmes of study offered to better reflect the skills development needs of our young men and women in Carriacou and Petite Martinique
- including the areas of:
- ▶ Boat building
 - ▶ Marine and Yachting service training
 - ▶ Agriculture and Fisheries
 - ▶ Tourism and Hospitality
- ▶ Completion of the desalination water distribution projects in Carriacou and Petite Martinique
 - ▶ Ensure Carriacou and Petite Martinique continues to receive its fair share of university scholarships
 - ▶ Complete the upgrade of Bishop's College
 - ▶ All sporting facilities including the Lauriston Mini Stadium will be upgraded;
 - ▶ The lighting of Petite Martinique's tennis/ basketball court;
 - ▶ Installation of cold storage facilities for agro-processing farmers and vendors;
 - ▶ A modern abattoir is to be constructed for the healthy handling of meats;
 - ▶ Continued safety at sea training for fisherfolk;
 - ▶ Designate Carriacou and Petite Martinique for Dive and cultural tourism

15. FACILITATION OF OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Vision of the NNP for the Exploration and Development of Oil and Gas

The NNP envisages that the energy sector can become one of the most important elements to engineer a higher standard of living and a better quality of life for all Grenadians. An NNP administration believes that a vibrant oil and gas sector can lower the cost of energy thus providing an enormous boost to the productive sector.



Plans for the Future of Oil and Gas Exploration and Development

- ▶ Examine the experiences of our CARICOM neighbours to the south and other global developments to ensure that Grenada is best positioned in a competitive global landscape;
- ▶ To actively work to attract additional investments in this sector with a very strong due diligence process for selection
- ▶ Will engage with qualified international parties with broad based consultation on creating a well-defined framework to establish strong legislation, reliable and forward-thinking policies;
- ▶ Will ensure the equitable and social distribution of ALL income derived from the energy sector
- ▶ Will ensure responsible and sustainable environmental measures are put in place to protect Grenada's natural assets throughout the development and potential production phases

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A group of seven people, four men and three women, are posing together on a grassy field. They are all wearing bright green long-sleeved shirts with "NNP" logos on the left chest. Some are also wearing dark trousers. They are smiling and looking towards the camera. The background shows a large stadium with tiered seating, suggesting an outdoor sports venue. The entire image has a green color overlay.

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