



USAID/JAMAICA— WEEKLY REPORT

June 5, 2012 Highlights:



Denise A. Herbol, Mission Director, of USAID/Jamaica (right) is engaged in a colorful discussion with Ms. Paula Llewellyn, Director of Public Prosecution at the TI of the Americas 2012 Regional Conference held at the Breezes Runaway Bay Hotel in St. Ann from May 30— June 1, 2012 .

- ◆ **TI of the Americas 2012 Regional Conference:** Transparency International of the Americas hosted its first regional conference in Jamaica from Wednesday May 30—June 1, 2012 at the Breezes Runaway Bay Hotel in St. Ann. USAID/Jamaica’s Mission Director, Denise Herbol brought greetings on behalf of the Mission at the Opening Ceremony held on May 30.
- ◆ **Education Community of Practice (CoP):** CoP hosted a Workshop on "Overcoming the Challenges of a Multi-grade Classroom" on June 1, 2012 at the Knutsford Court Hotel. This workshop provided training for approximately 20 teachers from 15 primary schools in Regions 1 and 2 with multi-grade classrooms.
- ◆ **GCC Team Visit:** Global Climate Change team members John Furlow and Mike Hanowsky are visiting from USAID’s E3 Bureau (Economic Growth, Education, and Environment) to support the Mission’s development of its new strategy, and more importantly to meet with GOJ, donors, and other stakeholders to confirm the GCC Policy Framework Workshop, to be held the last week of July.

Upcoming Events:

- ◆ **Mr. Kris Martin – Deaf Race Car Driver Visit:** The USAID-sponsored Junior Achievement Jamaica “Supporting Workforce Training and Development for the Deaf Community in Jamaica” project hosts 25-year old deaf Canadian stock race car driver, Kris Martin. Mr. Martin will be on the island between June 2 and 9, 2012 sharing his story, successes and achievements as a deaf race car driver with deaf and hard of hearing students from several schools for the deaf participating in the USAID-sponsored program. Kris strongly believes that even though he was born profoundly deaf he could achieve his dream to become a race car driver. He regularly serves as a role model for the deaf, hard of hearing and even hearing worldwide, mentoring them toward their own future successes. Mr. Martin’s visit is geared toward achieving one of the objectives of the deaf component of the program which is to have successful deaf persons provide mentorship to deaf students in Jamaica.
- ◆ **PEPFAR Semi Annual Meeting:** PEPFAR Jamaica will be hosting its semi-annual meeting with its implementing partners on June 7, 2012 at the U.S. Embassy’s Multi-Purpose Room. The meeting will highlight and share information about the impact and results of the PEPFAR program in Jamaica.
- ◆ **AAAS Fellows Visit:** Two AAAS (American Association for the Advancement of Science) Fellows from E3 (Economic Growth, Education, and Environment; formerly EGAT), Paul Rivera and Esther Zeledon, are providing assistance to USAID/Jamaica in facilitating the development of a Results Framework in conjunction with the Country Development Cooperation Strategy planning process from June 4 - 15. Under the primary objective of Citizen Security, the two priority areas of Basic Education and Global Climate Change will be integrated into a cohesive, efficiently designed and rigorously monitored strategy.