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### **BYERA HEALTH CENTRE CONSTRUCTION TOUR**

In May 2026, two officials conducted an on-site visit to the Byera Health Centre project. Hon. Chieftain Neptune, Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister, and Hon. Shevern John, Minister of Social Welfare and Community Empowerment, Ecclesiastical Affairs, and National Heritage, arrived at the location to personally evaluate the status of the ongoing construction work.

Minister Neptune praised the work being carried out and reaffirmed the government's commitment to projects that improve the quality of life for the people of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, particularly Byera residents. "Anything that will benefit the people of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, especially the people of Byera, must continue," Minister Neptune said. He also commended the workers for their dedication and acknowledged the sacrifices being made to keep the project moving forward.

Minister Neptune further revealed that discussions are already underway with companies regarding the maintenance of the facility after its completion. He confirmed that consultations are ongoing with residents about the future use of the temporary clinic once the new health centre becomes operational. Suggestions from residents include transforming the building into a daycare centre, community centre, or recreational facility.

Consultant Representative Le-Floyd John noted that although the project is currently behind schedule, work is continuing steadily despite several construction challenges. The health centre will feature 35 rooms, including a pharmacy, accident and emergency unit, nurses' station, and two doctor consultation rooms. The facility will also incorporate both underground and surface drainage systems to effectively manage water flow across the property.

Minister John stressed the government's commitment to improving healthcare access throughout the country. "One of the priorities of the NDP is to ensure that healthcare is accessible to everyone. By completing this project, the people of Byera will benefit from improved healthcare services," Minister John disclosed.

This ministerial inspection served as a formal progress assessment for the future medical facility. By visiting the grounds, the leadership ensured that the development of the clinic was proceeding according to plan. The visit highlights the governmental oversight involved in enhancing local healthcare infrastructure.

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