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TAIWAN PROVIDES US \$3 MILLION SOCIAL RELIEF GRANT TO SVG

The Government of the Republic of China (Taiwan) has provided a US \$3 million social relief grant to the Government and People of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, further strengthening the long-standing partnership between the two countries.

Speaking at the signing ceremony, Ambassador of the Republic of China (Taiwan) to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, H.E. Fiona Fan, highlighted the close diplomatic relationship that has existed since 1981, built on shared values of democracy, freedom, the rule of law, and mutual respect. She emphasised that Taiwan's cooperation with Saint Vincent and the Grenadines is rooted in "connectivity", linking infrastructure development with people-centered progress.

Ambassador Fan referenced Taiwan's support for major national projects, including the Argyle International Airport, the Kingstown Modern Port, and the ongoing construction of the Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital, noting that these initiatives contribute significantly to economic growth and social development. She also reaffirmed Taiwan's readiness to expand cooperation in areas such as education, agriculture, health, public safety, the blue economy, and sustainable tourism.

In response, Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Godwin Friday expressed sincere appreciation to the Government and People of Taiwan for the generous contribution. He noted that the grant, equivalent to EC \$8,064,600, will be used to support families, strengthen communities, and reinforce social institutions across the country.

The Prime Minister described the grant as an important investment in people, underscoring the Government's commitment to addressing social needs alongside major infrastructure development. He also reaffirmed the strong diplomatic ties between both nations and their shared commitment to democratic values, good governance, and international cooperation.

Both Governments expressed confidence in continued collaboration as they look ahead to the 45th anniversary of diplomatic relations later this year. The social relief grant signing ceremony was convened at Cabinet Room on Tuesday, 3rd February, 2026.

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