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PRESS RELEASE

Opening of the new **Home 2 Daycare** on **Friday 13th October**, at **10.10 am**

Background and Rationale

The Ministry of Local Government is mandated to build, maintain and ensure equitable access to community infrastructural facilities, notably, Community Centers, Day Care Centers and Play Grounds. To date, the Ministry has built 13 Day Care Centers which are each catering for the needs of 30 to 50 children.

One of the priorities of The Strategic Plan (2017- 2020) of the Ministry relates to the decentralization and harmonization of public services. This would imply that early learning and care services should be appropriately located within district areas to serve the community. This is in line with the Seychelles Framework for Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) which places emphasis on quality standards for the provision of functional spaces in early childhood settings.

The Day Care Centers constructed by the Ministry of Local Government are rented out to Day Care Operators and are managed by the District Administration Office. They provide early stimulation opportunities for children, they promote community engagement, and support working parents.

Goal and Objective

- To construct standardized Day Care Centre Facilities
- To cater for the developmental and educational needs of children,
- To cater for the social needs of parents
- Increase accessibility to quality early learning and care facilities
- Expanding access for children (0 -3 years), to innovative facilities
- Meeting the needs of the community

Description

The Ministry of Local Government will oversee the implementation of the project in collaboration with the Planning Authority, Ministry of Education, IECD, Ministry of Health, and the Fire and Rescue Services Agency.