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World Bank Mission Advances Implementation of Grenada's CEGEB Project



ST. GEORGE'S, GRENADA — August 24, 2026 — The Ministry of Climate Resilience, the Environment and Renewable Energy (MCRERE) hosted a World Bank implementation support mission for the **Caribbean Efficient and Green Energy Buildings (CEGEB) Project** from August 24–27, 2026.

The mission involved the World Bank, MCRERE and the Grenada Electricity Services Limited (GRENLEC), comprised of four days of discussions focused on implementation progress, priorities and next steps.

“This mission is an important opportunity for us to look closely at where we are, identify what needs to happen next and ensure that implementation continues to move forward,” said Permanent Secretary Peron Johnson. “CEGEB is ultimately about delivering practical improvements that make our public infrastructure more energy efficient and resilient while supporting Grenada’s broader transition to clean energy.”

Representatives of the Government of Grenada, World Bank, GRENLEC, Public Utilities Regulatory Commission (PURC) and other stakeholders reviewed progress across several major areas of the Project. Discussions included the Annual Work Plan, the second batch of 35 buildings identified under CEGEB, regulatory activities with PURC, environmental and social considerations, and the design, supply and installation contract for the first batch of buildings.

World Bank Task Team Leader and Senior Energy Specialist Ashok Sarkar said the Project brings together several important elements of Grenada’s energy transition. “CEGEB brings together several important elements of Grenada’s energy transition—from improving the energy performance of buildings to strengthening the electricity system and creating an enabling regulatory environment for renewable energy,” Sarkar said. “This mission allows us to work through the implementation details with our Government and utility partners and maintain momentum across these interconnected activities.”

Energy storage and electricity network improvements were also central to the discussions. Meetings with GRENLEC are examining Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) activities, transmission and distribution improvements, and coordination with the Caribbean Development Bank-supported BESS initiative.

A full-day visit to Carriacou and several other sites allowed the World Bank and MCRERE teams to examine project-related activities and implementation considerations on the ground, connecting the Project’s technical work with communities and public infrastructure that stand to benefit from CEGEB investments.

The mission serves as an important implementation checkpoint, enabling the Government of Grenada, World Bank and project partners to assess progress, address implementation issues and establish clear priorities for the next phase of the Project.

Through CEGEB, Grenada continues to advance efforts to improve the efficiency and resilience of its energy infrastructure while creating the institutional and regulatory conditions needed to support the country’s longer-term transition toward cleaner and more sustainable energy.

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