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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**DELAYMENT IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD PARCELS OF THE FOOD BANK**

1. The Ministry of Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare would like to extend its apologies for the delay in the distribution of the Food Bank parcels to their intended beneficiaries.
2. The Ministry hereby informs all the beneficiaries of the Food Bank and the public at large that the delay was caused by an internal administrative that affected the ability of the Ministry to do a double distribution for the months of February and March respectively as the ministry does with the disbursement of its social grants in November for the month of November and December respectively.
3. The Ministry had envisioned a double distribution for the months of February and March 2019 in February but unfortunately due to delay in the distribution in January 2019 and the delay in reconciling of our books from the previous month, the ministry was unable to effect distribution as normally as it should and hence once again apologies for this hic and delay.
4. With that said, the Ministry hereby also wish to inform all the beneficiaries and public at large that the Food Bank distribution operation will resume as normal as from the 12 March 2019.
5. The Ministry of Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare urges all beneficiaries to ensure that these distributed food items are used for the welfare of the beneficiaries and their families.

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