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Attendance of Honourable Minister of Energy and Energy Industries, Stuart R. Young at the Pennacool Science & Conservation Science and Conservation Fair

On Tuesday December 13, 2022, the Honourable Minister of Energy and Energy Industries and Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister Stuart R. Young MP, gave remarks at the 2022/23 Pennacool Science & Conservation Fair Term 1, held at bpTT's Head Office Port of Spain.

Pennacool.com is a free online educational website targeted towards primary school students. The Science & Conservation programme is a platform founded in partnership with bpTT, Shell T&T and The Ministry of Public Utilities. It supports the vision of expanding and offering free online learning material for primary schools within Trinidad and Tobago.

The Science and Conservation Fair is an extension of this existing partnership with the aim to create an opportunity to tap into the development and engagement of children throughout Trinidad and Tobago and encourage early adaptation to

understanding and practicing conservation. Students from standards one to five are given the opportunity to learn through the use of interactive informational videos and quizzes. Today's event included twelve (12) finalists who were chosen out of 80 online submissions, to compete in the Fair.

Minister Young greeted and engaged in conversation with each of the student finalists present at the event. The Minister expressed his enthusiasm for the opportunity given to the students to showcase their originality in the projects they displayed which included, energy saving home, recycling, aquaponics and air pollution.

During his remarks, Minister Young reiterated the importance of the role of parents in supporting their children in achieving excellence. He congratulated the students on a job well done and expressed the need for the continuous promotion of energy conservation among their peer groups and emphasized that they have a duty to encourage their peers to follow in their footsteps.

Minister Young thanked bpTT and Shell for investing in the younger generation's future.

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From left to right: John Devaux CEO and Co-founder- pennacool.com, Kelli-Marie Patel, External relations Advisor- Shell T&T; The Minister of Energy and Energy Industries and Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister, the Honourable Stuart R. Young MP; and Giselle Thompson, V.P. Corporate Operations bpTT



The Minister of Energy and Energy Industries and Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister, the Honourable Stuart R. Young MP interacting with one of the students at the Science and Conservation Fair