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## Ministry of Agriculture and Lands Forestry and Marine Resources Announces Payment of Income Support to Famers on Mainland Grenada.

**ST. GEORGE'S, 07 OCT. 2024:** An estimated 19.1 million dollars will go to farmers and other agricultural stakeholders in mainland Grenada who suffered losses due to Hurricane Beryl as part of the Livelihood Incentive Payments. The Ministry of Agriculture and Lands, Forestry, and Marine Resources launched the process on Tuesday, October 1st, 2024, and predicts a significant increase in payouts due to the vast number of applications received.

Affected farmers with more than five acres of land would get a one-time income support payment of XCD nine thousand dollars (EC\$9000.00), while farmers with less than five acres will receive a one-time payment of XCD four thousand five hundred dollars (EC\$4500.00). The payments will be processed through the banks, credit unions, and district offices in installments.

Hon. Lennox J. Andrews, Minister for Agriculture and Lands, Forestry, and Marine Resources, stated that he is "...indeed satisfied that the necessary due process was properly handled and are happy that payment is finally rolling out."

The Ministry is assuring farmers that payouts will continue in the upcoming weeks. Farmers expected to receive support include members of the Grenada Cooperative Nutmeg and the Grenada Cocoa Associations and Fisherfolk.

Payment to farmers in Carriacou and Petite Martinique will commence soon.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Lands Forestry and Marine Resources expresses its gratitude and commitment to farmers throughout Grenada Carriacou and Petite Martinique while acknowledging the critical role farmers play in securing Grenada's food security.

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