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## Upgrades to the Port Antonio Post Office, Portland

**Kingston, Jamaica, May 22, 2025** – Jamaica Post has taken note of the concerns raised regarding the Port Antonio Post Office, located at 1 Gideon Avenue, Port Antonio, Portland and the challenges experienced by staff and customers alike. We sincerely regret the inconvenience that our valued stakeholders have faced and wish to reassure the public that we are working to resolve the issues with the building through a comprehensive renovation plan, scheduled to commence during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of the 2025/2026 financial year.

The Port Antonio Post Office is one of twenty-three (23) postal locations set to benefit from extensive rehabilitative works to be carried out as part of a broader strategic thrust, in partnership with the National Identification System (NIDS) project. In addition to the 23 post offices, five (5) postal locations will benefit from major rehabilitation works and another fifteen (15) postal locations to benefit from minor repairs. The upgrades that will be carried out at the Port Antonio Post Office under this initiative include tiling, painting, repairs to counters and installation of air conditioning units, among others.

Further, Miss Tanickea Bennett, Public Relations Officer, has pointed out that "as part of the overall assessment carried out at this location, it has been noted that the building has sustained damages to various sections of the roof as a result of falling coconuts from nearby trees". Miss Bennett added that "the repairs to be done to address this, although external of the NIDS renovation project, will include the removal and replacement of damaged materials, and the possible removal of the trees linked to the issues highlighted, among other things. Funding has now been identified from the 2025/ 2026 budget to effect the roof repairs, as a result the procurement for this activity has commenced and the repairs should be completed in the first half of the financial year."

Jamaica Post kindly asks for the continued understanding and patience of our valued stakeholders while we work to improve the facilities at the Port Antonio Post Office to enhance the safety and experience of both our staff and customers.