



ANNUAL REPORT

2022

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Introduction

The Ethnic Relations Commission (ERC) is a Constitutional body established by Constitution (Amendment) (No.2) Act No.11 of 2000 which amends Article 212 D of the Constitution to provide for the establishment of the Commission.

The genesis of the ERC lies in the Herdmanston Accord signed on January 17, 1998, that provided for the establishment of a Constitutional Reform Commission (CRC).

The CRC in its Report to the National Assembly on July 17, 1999, recommended that the Constitution shall establish an adequately funded, suitably broad-based Ethnic Relations Commission (ERC) comprising representatives of religious bodies, labour movement, the private business sector, youth and women. On March 8, 2002, the ERC was established and became operational thereafter.

In accordance with the Constitution of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana, as outlined in Article 212M. (1) ‘...Commission shall submit to the National Assembly an annual report of the activities of the Commission...’ The Ethnic Relations Commission has prepared its Annual Report 2022 to be laid before the National Assembly.

The departmental reports were prepared by the staff that held the positions at the end of Dec. 2022 and in October 2023 the current Heads of Departments edited the same, for structure and grammatical content, and the reports were subsequently reviewed and complied with by the Chief Executive Officer.

The ERC Annual Report 2022 was reviewed by the new Board of Commissioners in October 2023 and adopted at the 6th Statutory Meeting on 26 October, 2023.

Executive Summary

The Ethnic Relations Commission commenced the year 2022 in the absence of a Board of Commissioners. The work of the secretariat was therefore limited, as many decisions required the attention of a Board. However, despite the absence of the Board, the staff conducted their daily duties to keep the Secretariat of the Commission functioning. The Commission started the year 2022 with twenty-two (22) staff members. The year 2022 concluded with twelve (12) staff members, due to the end of contractual periods and one resignation.

The Secretariat of the ERC is divided into 5 Departments, namely Administrative Unit, Finance, Public Education and Awareness Unit, Media Monitoring Unit, and Investigative Unit, which function with the oversight of the Chief Executive Officer.

In 2022 the Public Education and Awareness Unit continued to spread awareness about the ERC, mainly through online mediums. In addition, the Unit participated in a number of Exhibitions to display the work of ERC over the years.

The Media Monitoring Unit during the year in review, detected numerous instances of ethnically/racially offensive comments, with the potential to cause ethnic divisions in the society to the websites and Facebook pages of local media houses, internet television and political parties. The department made a total of 47 interventions on behalf of the ERC to post ‘Advisories’ warning violators of their breaches.

For the year 2022, the Investigative Unit brought forward one hundred and forty-two (142) complaints from previous years, three of which were before the courts and were subsequently discontinued in the requisite courts and received seven (7) official complaints. Notably there were numerous walk-in and telephone complainants, however as a disclaimer ERC staff advised that ‘complaints will only be investigated when the Board of Commissioners were in place, to hire the technical staff and take necessary action’ as such those complaints were not lodged.

The Administrative and Finance Units supported the operational functioning of the Secretariat and where possible extended assistance to other departments in the absence of adequate staff.

THE ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT

About the department

The functions of the Administrative Unit are established in the Commission's Human Resources and Procedural Manual as last amended in October 2020. The department's functions are to ensure that all vehicles, furniture, equipment, and office space are maintained to the highest standards. The department ensures that all meeting spaces are meticulously organized.

Additionally, the Department also has the responsibility for all personnel matters for staff employed by the Commission, among other duties which are outlined in this report.

HUMAN RESOURCES

STAFFING MATTERS

The Administrative Unit in 2022 was comprised of the following staff: -

1. Ms. Oma Devi Sukhu	Administrative Officer (ag)
2. Ms. Vishwa Pooran	Administrative Clerk I
3. Ms. Yonette McFarlane	Administrative Clerk II
4. Ms. Roslind Chandra	Receptionist/Telephone Operator
5. Ms. Allison Rose	Cleaner/Maid
6. Mr. Andre Willaims	Driver

The Commission started the year 2022 with twenty-two (22) staff members as follows: -

Staff Members:

1. Chief Executive Officer/Secretary	1
2. Head, Media Monitoring Unit	1
3. Administrative Officer	1
4. Assistant Finance Officer	1
5. Public Relations Officer	1
6. Senior Investigative Officer	1
7. Programme Officers	3
8. Videographer	1
9. Senior Accounts Clerk	1
10. Special Assistant to the Chairman	1
11. Administrative Assistant to the CEO	1
12. Media Monitors	4
13. Administrative Clerk 1	1
14. Administrative Clerk 11	1
15. Receptionist/Telephone Operator	1
16. Office Assistant/Driver	1
17. Cleaner/Maid	1
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The year 2022 concluded with twelve (12) staff members, due to the end of contractual periods and one resignation. The remaining staff complement at the end of the year was, as follows:

1. Head, Media Monitoring Unit	1
2. Media Monitor	1
3. Assistant Finance Officer	1
4. Senior Accounts Clerk	1
5. Public Relations Officer	1
6. Programme Officers	2
7. Special Assistant to the Chairman	1
8. Administrative Clerk 1	1

9. Administrative Clerk 11	1
10. Receptionist/Telephone Operator	1
11. Cleaner/Maid	1
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Vacant Positions as of December 31, 2022:

✓ Chief Executive Officer/Secretary	1
✓ Administrative Assistant to the CEO	1
✓ Administrative Officer	1
✓ Office Assistant/Driver	1
✓ Driver	1
✓ Head, Public Education & Awareness Unit	1
✓ IT/Network Technician	1
✓ Programme Officers	3
✓ Videographer	1
✓ Finance Officer	1
✓ Procurement Clerk	1
✓ Accounts Clerk	1
✓ Head, Investigative Officer	1
✓ Dispute Resolution Officer	1
✓ Senior Investigative Officer	1
✓ Investigative Officers	1
✓ Legal Officer	1
✓ Legal Clerk	1
✓ Research Assistant	1
✓ Media Monitors	3
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RESIGNATION(S)

❖ Mr. Renne Chester, Chief Executive Officer/Secretary w.e.f November 7, 2022

CONTRACT EXPIRY

<u>POSITIONS</u>	<u>EXPIRY DATE</u>
❖ Ms. Octavia Walcott, Media Monitor	Feb 18, 2022
❖ Mr. Shemuel Fanfair, Media Monitor	Feb 21, 2022
❖ Mr. Noel Williams, Videographer	Feb 28, 2022
❖ Mr. Aidan Sparman, Senior Investigative Officer	Mar 10, 2022
❖ Ms. Joy Chisholm, Administrative Assistant to the CEO	Mar 17, 2022
❖ Mr. Michael Ifill, Office Assistant/Driver	Mar 17, 2022
❖ Ms. Tomica Cooke-Chase, Programme Officer	Mar 31, 2022
❖ Ms. Michelle France, Administrative Officer	May 31, 2022
❖ Ms. Ludmila Fernnades, Media Monitor	Nov 24, 2022

EMPLOYMENT

Due to the absence of the Board of Commissioners, the Secretariat was unable to hire.

ACTING APPOINTMENTS

Name of Employee	Substantive Position	Acting Position
Mr. Shivanand Nandalall	Public Relations Officer	Head, Public Education & Awareness Unit-September 17, 2020 to November 6, 2022 Chief Executive Officer/Secretary-November 6, 2022-December 31, 2022
Ms. N. Persaud Ms. S. Benn	Asst. Finance Officer Senior Accounts Clerk	Finance Officer-March 1, 2021-Present Assistant Finance Officer March 1, 2021-Present
Ms. O. Sukhu	Special Assistant to Chairman	Administrative Officer-April 27, 2022-Present
Mrs. Keisha Smith-Adams	Media Monitor	Head, Media Monitoring Unit-September 5-October 16, 2022

ANNUAL LEAVE

Due to the exigencies of the Commission and in the absence of a Board of Commissioners, the Chief Executive Officer, the Assistant Finance Officer, the Senior Accounts Clerk, and Special Assistant were unable to fully utilize their Annual Leave, as they were performing several roles outside of their portfolios. Consequently, those staff stated above were paid in lieu of the unutilized portion. All other staff members utilized their vacation leave for 2022.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance under the year in review was acceptable.

PERFORMANCE

Despite the Commission's indeterminate state, the staff's commitment remains unfaltering.

TRAINING THROUGH THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SERVICE

The following staff successfully participated in the Ministry of Public Service face-to-face training for the period May to July 2022:

Team Building- Ms. Abiola Chappell, Programme Officer May 17 – 18

Occupational Safety & Health- Mr. Shivanand Nandalall, Head, PEAU (ag) June 28– 30

COMFORT

Despite, the Secretariat's use of furniture inherited from BIDCO and others acquired throughout the years, the Administration unit has best maintained the furniture in the absence of being able to procure new ones. Shortly, much of the furniture would become unusable, and new ones would become indispensable.

COVID-19 MEASURES

During January 2022, the Commission was forced to close its doors for ten (10) days (January 17 to 27) as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak in the Commission. Likewise, in October the Secretariat was closed once again for nine days (October 25 to November 2) due to staff testing positive. The decision to close was made since the office stations are shared and clustered together therefore transmittal of COVID was high. All staff who did not test positive were required to work from home during the periods and some were periodically required to physically report for duty due to the exigencies of the Secretariat.

During the periods of closure, the office was fumigated by the Ministry of Public Health (MOPH).

COVID-19 measures are still in place in keeping with the MOPH Guidelines.

UNIFORMS

Staff members were not issued with the customary uniforms due to the absence of a Board of Commissioners.

OPERATIONS

EQUIPMENT

The Commission commenced the year with all staff members having the necessary equipment to effectively execute the Commission's work.

The generator, photocopier, and air conditioning units were maintained throughout the year.

The photocopier was serviced on November 24, 2022. The pickup rollers, feed rollers, separation rollers, and drum unit were also replaced. In the future, there will be a need to change the fixing assembly within the copier.

The AC units located in the CEO's Office and the Finance Department require replacement.

The computer system for the Special Assistant to the Chairman, Administrative Clerk I, and Programme Officers needs upgrading. The systems that are not in use would require repairing and possible upgrades over time.

PROCUREMENT

During the year the Commission did not procure any capital item.

VEHICLES

The Commission has a total of four working vehicles. PRR 1131 (Grey Navara 4x4-Automatic transmission); PMM 5053 (Grey Nissan Frontier-Stick gear); PZZ 3533 (URVAN Minibus-Stick gear) and PYY 6352 (Nissan X-Trail-Automatic transmission).

Vehicle PNN 1641, a Toyota Hiace Minibus with an automatic transmission acquired on December 29, 2010, is not working.

A battery was purchased and installed in the Nissan X-Trail PYY 6352.

A new battery was purchased and installed in the Nissan Frontier, however, the vehicle which was due for servicing was not done due to the unavailability of funds.

The bus PZZ 3533 was serviced on June 21, 2022, by Massy Industries, and its air-conditioning unit was fixed.

BUILDING

General maintenance of the building continued as a matter of priority. In September 2022, a leakage was evident and affected the middle wall that separates the Finance Office from the Registry. It was the second occasion in which heavy rainfall would have caused a leakage, which penetrated through the flooring and into the ceilings of the middle floor. As such immediate work was conducted on the specific spot of the roof to cease the leaking.

Leaking in and around the building continues. It is recommended that the roof be fully serviced to avoid such instances in the future.

The fire escape was re-painted and missing louvers windowpanes on the second floor and security hut were replaced.

Fumigation continued by Vector Control as was necessary throughout the year.

SECURITY

The Security Contract (RK's Security Services) which came to an end effective January 2021 was extended every quarter by the National Procurement and Tender Administration Board (NPTAB) until October 31, 2022.

The Secretariat re-advertised the provision of security services upon the advice of the National Procurement and Tender Administration Board (NPTAB). The invitation for bids was advertised in the print media ten (10) times. The first advertisement was placed on Sunday, August 14, 2022, and concluded on Friday, September 2, 2022. The invitation for bids was also uploaded on the ERC's Facebook page.

The bids were opened on September 6, 2022, by NPTAB. The award was made to, Sheriff Security Inc., commencing November 1, 2022. The Service provider thus far has provided acceptable security services.

PREPARATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS

The Secretariat, in keeping with its obligation, submitted its Annual Reports to the Speaker of the National Assembly, for dissemination to all Members of Parliament, on Friday, July 15, 2022. The number of reports submitted is as follows:

1. Annual Report 2009 - one hundred and twenty hard copies
2. Annual Report 2010 - one hundred and twenty hard copies
3. Annual Report for the years 2011-2017 - thirty hard copies
4. Annual Report 2021 - thirty hard copies
5. Ninety electronic copies in the format of flash drives containing both Annual Reports 2011-2017 and Annual Report 2021.

The Annual Reports were laid in Parliament on Thursday, July 21, 2022.

AUDIT BY THE AUDIT OFFICE OF GUYANA

The Audits into the accounts of the ERC for the fiscal years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 were completed by the Audit Office in keeping with Section 74 of the Fiscal Management and Accountability Act No. 20 of 2003.

Administrative Unit SWOT Analysis

Strengths (strong areas to build upon)

1. The Administrative Unit supported the duties of other departments that were not staffed.
2. Developed other skill sets on the job, while assisting other departments.
3. Good working relations and cooperation among staff.

Weaknesses (issues that affected work)

1. Due to the lack of staffing, a few staff were unable to use their annual leave fully.
2. There were several urgent building maintenances that were undertaken.
3. Unusable furniture could not be replaced in the period under review.
4. Security of tenure amongst staff due to the absence of a Board of Commissioners.

Opportunities (areas for improvement)

1. In 2022 two staff members were able to undergo training to enhance their skill set.
2. The period provided staff to acquire the knowledge and experience of other staff members as they were given additional duties to perform.

Threats (external circumstances that affected work)

1. The effects of COVID-19 affected the Secretariat.

Recommendations

For the period under review, I hereby recommend the following:

1. Purchasing of new furniture and equipment to facilitate the new staff that are expected.
2. Fixing the roof as a matter of priority.
3. Disposal of all unserviceable and damaged equipment and furniture.

END

Prepared By:

Oma Devi Sukhu

Administrative Officer (ag)

As of December 30, 2022

FINANCE

Financial Summary

The Ethnic Relations Commission received a voted provision of One Hundred and Seventy-One Million, Four Hundred and Eighty-Two Thousand, and Two Hundred and Fifty-Two Dollars (\$171,482,252.00) for recurrent expenditure 2022.

The amount received from the Ministry of Finance for the period January to December 2022 was Ninety-Four Million, One Hundred and Sixty-Seven Thousand, and Two Hundred and Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$94,167,237.00). The total expenditure for the same period was Ninety Million, Three Hundred and Twenty-One Thousand, and Nine Hundred and Seventeen Dollars (\$90,321,917.00). Hence the amount of Three Million, Eight Hundred and Forty-Five Thousand, and Three Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$3,845,320.00) was refunded to the Ministry of Finance. There was no capital provisioned.

The ERC 2022 Budget did not cater for any capital allocations.

Finance staff

The department from Jan-Dec was staffed with two officers, in the positions:

1. Finance Officer (acting)
2. Assistant Finance Officer (acting)

Departmental needs

The department is in need of a few new furniture and equipment as some are damaged and unusable. Most items were inherited from BIDCO and are beyond repairs.

Submitted by:

Ms. Nirmala Persaud
Finance Officer (ag)
Dec 2022

PUBLIC EDUCATION AND AWARENESS UNIT

Summary

This department report provides an overview of the work done in 2022 by the Public Education and Awareness Unit, (PEAU) of the Ethnic Relations Commission (ERC).

In the absence of a Board of Commissioners and with the lockdown and distancing measures occasioned by the COVID-19 pandemic still in place at the beginning of 2022, the Unit was unable to plan and execute any major events or community outreaches to spread the awareness and mandate of the ERC.

The Unit also experienced staff attrition in 2022 which hampered its functioning. The tenure of three staff members ended, leaving a void.

Nevertheless, the PEAU was able to explore pertinent information available on the internet and devise a work plan for promoting ethnic harmony on social media. At that point in time, social media experienced an upsurge in activity due to many persons working and operating from home.

Notwithstanding the challenges outlined above, the Unit was also able to take part in two external events. The first was the launch of the 2022 Population and Housing Census in August and observances to mark International Human Rights Day on December 10th.

Those events took place in tandem with the gradual removal of restrictions associated with the waning COVID-19 pandemic.

Moreover, work proceeded internally as the Unit was tasked with retrieving, reviewing, and compiling several of its concluded annual reports from previous years that are kept at the Secretariat. Those reports were submitted to the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Governance.

This would have been a challenge if regular public interactions were occurring. The prevailing atmosphere created openings for assessments to be done of past activities of the Unit. It also provided opportunities to review and update existing information for later reference.

Events

The Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Governance in recognition of International Day of Human Rights held an Expo on the 10th of December 2022 at the Arthur Chung Conference Center (ACCC) under the theme, Equal Rights for one Guyana. The ERC took part in this event, which was well attended. A booth was set up by the PEAU where visitors were sensitized on the work, mandate and functions of the ERC. Moreover, two hundred information kits, consisting of ERC pamphlets, tokens and a copy of its harmony colouring book were distributed at the Expo.

Public Relations Activities

Social Media

In March, a daily staple of postings to the Commission's Facebook page began which comprised various features to stimulate interest as well as promote tolerance and understanding (see appendix).

Quotes attributed to various eminent personalities the world over, examples of the Guyanese multi-ethnic cuisine, photos of places, proverbs - all reflecting things Guyanese, and events/developments reminiscent of the country's past were among the daily features since postings began. Messages in support of national observances were also featured on the ERC Facebook page.

Mainstream Media

The ERC sees the media fraternity as a major stakeholder and understands the importance, value and reach that comes with engaging with them to bring awareness to the work and presence of the Commission. Notwithstanding the challenges mentioned earlier, the Unit sought coverage for the dissemination of information to commemorate national observances and messages in support of harmony and the country's diversity. A total of twelve (12) press releases were issued for the year in review.

Press Releases

- **GREETINGS TO ALL GUYANESE ON REPUBLIC DAY** (February 22, 2022)
- **PHAGWAH GREETINGS FROM THE ETHNIC RELATIONS COMMISSION** (March 16, 2022)
- **EASTER MESSAGE FROM THE ETHNIC RELATIONS COMMISSION** (April 14, 2022)
- **LABOUR DAY MESSAGE FROM THE ETHNIC RELATIONS COMMISSION** (April 29, 2022)

- **ERC ARRIVAL DAY MESSAGE FROM THE ETHNIC RELATIONS COMMISSION** (May 4, 2022)
- **ERC INDEPENDENCE ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE 2022** (May 25, 2022)
- **A MESSAGE FROM THE ERC ON EID-UL-ADHA 2022** (July 8, 2022)
- **ERC EMANCIPATION ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE 2022** (August 1, 2022)
- **ERC MESSAGE ON INDIGENOUS HERITAGE MONTH 2022** (September 1, 2022)
- **GREETINGS ON YOUMAN-NABI FROM THE ETHNIC RELATIONS COMMISSION** (October 9, 2022)
- **A MESSAGE FROM THE ERC FOR DIWALI 2022** (October 24, 2022)
- **A 2022 CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE ERC** (December 25, 2022)

Report compiled by:

Shivanand Nandalall
Head, Public Education & Awareness Unit (ag)
January 25, 2023

LEGAL & INVESTIGATIVE UNIT

Overview

The Ethnic Relations Commission has, under Article 212 D of the Constitution of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana, a mandate to receive and investigate complaints of racial/ethnic discrimination, alleged to have been suffered in accordance to the Racial Hostility Act and Representation of the People's (Amendment) Act.

However, effective April 23, 2021, the Secretariat was without a Board of Commissioners, hence, the work of the Unit had been affected by the lack of staff due to the expiration of employment contracts.

The Unit conducted no investigation for the year. Nevertheless, complaints received for the year in review have been filed and will be presented to the new Board of Commissioners once established. Complainants were informed that their complaints could not have been investigated due to the Secretariat's limitations.

LEGAL & INVESTIGATIVE UNIT

Staffing

Mr. Aidan Sparman, Head of the Investigative Unit acting, was the lone staff of the department at the start of 2022, his contractual employment came to an end on March 10, 2022. All other staff of the unit contracts came to an end in 2021 and in the absence of a Board of Commissioners there were no renewals.

The Unit's work was handed over to Ms. Oma Devi Sukhu, Special Assistant to the Chairman. Ms. Sukhu, in the role of Special Assistant, previously supported the work of the Unit, hence was familiar with the complaints process.

According to the Human Resource Manual, the following position provided for within the Investigative Section, were vacant at the

✓ Head, Investigative Officer	1
✓ Dispute Resolution Officer	1
✓ Senior Investigative Officer	1
✓ Investigative Officers	3
✓ Legal Officer	1
✓ Research Assistant	1

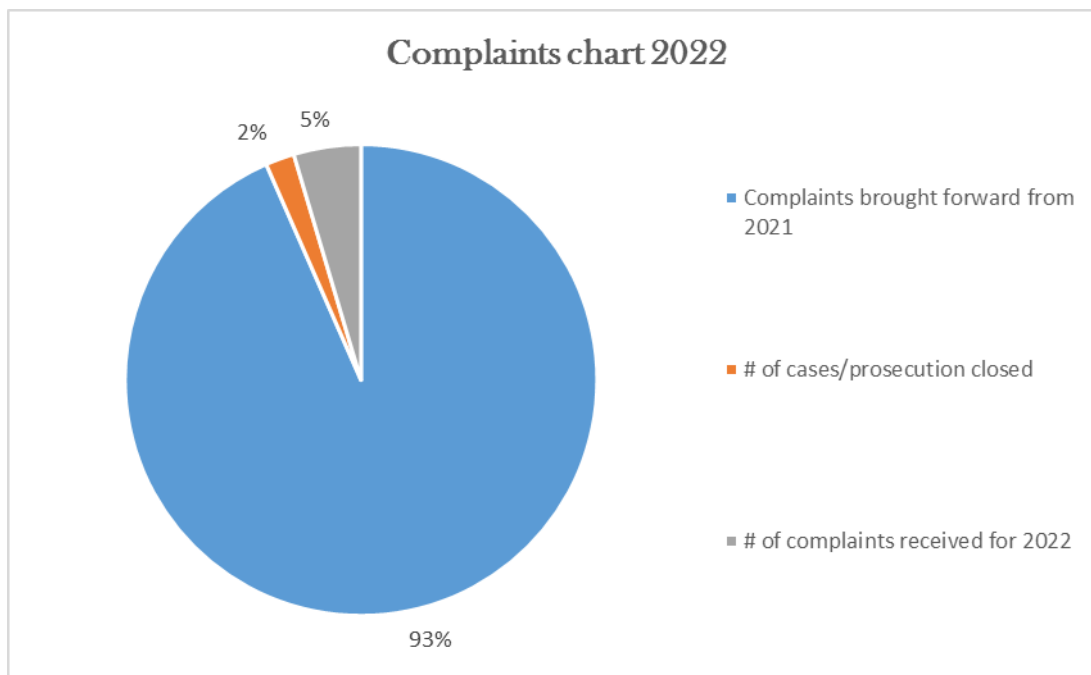
LEGAL & INVESTIGATIVE UNIT

COMPLAINTS ANALYSIS

In the year 2022, the Investigative Unit brought forward one hundred and forty-two (142) complaints. **See Annex D for Complaints Matrix.** Three of which were before the courts, however the matters were discontinued in the requisite courts.

The Secretariat received seven (7) official complaints for the year in review. Additionally, the Secretariat would have had in excess of one hundred complaints via walk-ins and telephone calls. However, once a complaint was notified of the Secretariat's limitations to investigate and take immediate action due to the absence of the Board of Commissioners, they were no longer interested in officially filing their complaints.

See figure below outlining the Complaints for 2022:



Oma Devi Sukhu

Administrative Officer (ag)

Prepared for and on behalf of the Legal and Investigative Unit as at January 6, 2023

Media Monitoring Unit

1.0 Executive Summary:

The Media Monitoring Unit (MMU), in pursuit of the Ethnic Relations Commission's mandate to promote ethnic harmony and good relations between and amongst all citizens of Guyana, scrutinizes information communicated through the mainstream media (i.e., Television and Newspapers), and the Internet. The Unit monitors content for infractions of the *Racial Hostility Act (1964)* and *Representation of the People (Amendment) Act*. The ERC established the MMU on 1st February 2011 with the intention to boost the Commission's institutional capacity to monitor the country's mainstream print and broadcast media and all other forms of media (including the Internet).

Operationally, the Unit comprises two (2) sections – a media monitoring section and an election monitoring section. The media monitoring section of the Unit operates on a permanent basis, while the elections monitoring section is temporal and is activated seasonally to coincide with General and Regional Elections (constitutionally due every 5 years) and Local Government Elections (bi-annually).

Over time, the MMU has created and maintained its own archive of media information which can be used for research purposes, and which can also be easily accessed for reference, if and whenever complaints or allegations of ethnic discrimination/racism are received by the Ethnic Relations Commission from concerned members of the public, aggrieved individuals or any organization which perceives that it has been ethnically/racially profiled in a negative way through the media.

Over the course of the past year (2022), in carrying out our monitoring activities in pursuit of that mandate the Unit was able to achieve the following:

- The recording, monitoring and archiving of over **1600** hours of television programming with political content from 11 television stations broadcasting within Region 4.
- The monitoring and archiving of all the daily and Sunday newspapers – i.e. Guyana Chronicle, Guyana Times, Stabroek News and Kaieteur News – that were produced during the period 01/01/22 – 31/12/22.
- Detected and brought to the attention of the ERC forty-seven (**47**) instances of ethnically/racially offensive comments, with the potential to cause ethnic divisions in the society, posted for interminable periods to the websites and Facebook pages of local media houses, internet television and political parties.
- Made a total of **47** interventions on behalf of the ERC to post 'Advisories' on the websites and Facebook (FB) pages of local media houses, internet television and political parties guilty of allowing ethnically offensive comments that were in violation of the *Representation of the People Act, Chapter 1:03* to remain for protracted periods on their platforms.

2.0 Objectives of the MMU:

1. To monitor the local media for adherence to the tenets of the Racial Hostility Act 1964 and Representation of the People (Amendment) Act (2001).
2. To bring to the attention of the Chairman and Commissioners of the ERC, any observed infractions of the Racial Hostility Act (1964) and Representation of the People (Amendment) Act (2001), by the print and broadcast media or by any citizen using a public space to influence public opinion.
3. To evaluate complaints sent to the ERC by members of public and organizations, and offer advice accordingly on the merits/demerits of same.
4. To influence a high level of sensitivity and decorum as it relates to the discussion/propagation of ethnic/race issues in public spaces.
5. To promote the maintenance of the highest professional and ethical standards by local media practitioners in their communication of ethnic/race issues to the general public.
6. To make a measurable input into the realization of a peaceful social environment, by actively contributing to the minimization of incidences of dissemination of racism (in all its forms) through the media and/or in campaign rallies/meetings during elections periods.

3.0 Report on Television and Newspapers:

The MMU is pleased to report that for the period January to December, 2022, our monitoring of the country's television stations domiciled in Region 4, did not detect any infringements of the *Racial Hostility Act (1964)* or *Representation of the People (Amendment) Act*. In fact, in the process of carrying out their daily monitoring duties, staff of the Unit would have watched more than **1600** hours of programming over the past year, and in so doing scrutinized a variety of program types such as news, talk-shows, political parties sponsored programs, press conferences, magazine programs and vox-populis, but, outside of a few borderline cases, did not find any program in breach of the aforementioned statutes.

In like manner, the MMU's daily monitoring of the country's four (4) newspapers over the past year, did not turn up any infringements of the aforementioned Acts in the information disseminated to the public through these media sources.

4.0 Report on Social Media:

4.1 Overview

Ever since the MMU began monitoring social media on behalf of the ERC (in 2019), specific focus has been directed at the official websites and Facebook pages of those local media houses and political parties known to be domiciled and operating within the geographical boundaries of Guyana.

Monitoring of social media on behalf of the ERC is done by the MMU in an attempt to curb the increasing use of social media to foment racial divisions in the country and to dissuade persons by way of ‘Cautionary Statements’ against posting racially inciting/ inflammatory, divisive, stereotypical and hateful comments to the comments sections of the aforementioned websites and Facebook pages. ‘Cautionary statements’ serve to advise persons of the penalties that can be leveraged against them in a competent Court-of-Law as spelt out in the *Racial Hostility Act (1964)* and the *Representation of the People Act, Chapter 1:03*. Over the past year, the MMU, on behalf of the Commission, posted ‘cautionary messages’ against comments or into discussion ‘threads’ that crossed over the line from democratic free speech into language promoting ethnic hate, divisiveness, stereotyping and incitement.

4.2 MMU Findings

In 2022 through our monitoring activities on social media, the MMU was able to detect and bring to the attention of the ERC forty-seven (**47**) instances of ethnically offensive comments that were contrary to the *Racial Hostility Act (1964)* and the *Representation of the People Act, Chapter 1:03*. These comments were posted to the websites and Facebook pages of local media houses, branded internet television webcasts, and political parties. The comments posted generally fell into four (4) categories of commentaries, viz: racially inciting, racially divisive, racially hateful and racial stereotyping. On **four (4)** occasions during the year, the Unit’s staff had grounded reasons to intervene on social media (Facebook) to flag comments that were racially inciting; **thirteen (13)** instances where the comments were racially divisive; **ten (10)** instances where the comments were racially hateful; and, **twenty (20)** times when comments were found to be racially stereotypical (see **Appendix 3**).

The Facebook sources from where these comments were taken are as follows (in no particular order): News Source Guyana, HGP Nightly News, Newsroom Guyana, Demerara Waves Online News, INews Guyana, Guyana Chronicle, Stabroek News, Village Voice News, 9 Newsbreak, Guyana Daily News (see **Appendix 1**).

5.0 MMU SWOT Analysis

Strengths

Despite the absence of a Commission during the period under review, the MMU was able to inject ‘Cautionary Statements’ in the comments sections of websites and social media pages of political parties and media houses, given that it was already empowered by the ERC to make such

interventions. It is apt to reiterate that there were forty-seven (47) instances of ethnically offensive comments that were responded to by the Unit.

Weaknesses

It is to note that the work of the MMU was severely restricted from the beginning of the year and throughout, from staff attrition, due to the expiration of staff members' contracts, in the absence of a Board. As such, the Unit was hardly able to monitor, as was expected, much of the television and internet programs with strong political content. In fact, for the most part of 2022, the Unit's primary concentration was on the daily and Sunday newspapers and the comments sections of the local media's Facebook pages.

Opportunities

Given the likelihood of the body being reconstituted in 2023, the Commission will be able to re-staff the Monitoring Unit which will greatly assist the ERC in employing measures to curtail ethnically offensive content from being circulated on social media. With the impending Local Government Elections of 2023, the Commission can also draw from the skill set of already trained elections monitors who can be contracted and deployed to cover public meetings and rallies that the various political parties and groups will hold during the campaign period.

Threats

With the expansion and growth of digital media, more users will be added to social media platforms, but the MMU's staff size constraint is likely to further limit broad-based and holistic monitoring of online content. As such, this situation can be categorized as worrying since the majority of infringements emanate from social media. Moreover, if this condition persists into 2023, there will be an increased likelihood of the Commission being unable to duly address violations to the Racial Hostility Act (1964) and Representation of the People (Amendment) Act, Chapter 1:03.

During 2022, the MMU's role as the ERC's media 'watchdog' though restricted by circumstances beyond our control was, despite the known challenges, a productive one, based on the number of infractions of the *Racial Hostility Act (1964)* and *Representation of the People (Amendment) Act*, the Unit was able to detect on social media and bring to the attention of the Chief Executive Officer of the Commission. Hopefully, with the coming on Board of a new Commission in 2023, the Unit will be re-staffed and revitalized to continue to give active organizational support to the ERC in its effort to ensure that the media is not used as a divisive tool to undermine the Commission's efforts to foster ethnic harmony and good relations in Guyana.

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Conclusion

The Ethnic Relation Commission, in the absence of the Board of Commissioners did it utmost to execute the functions as outlined in Article 212 D of the Constitution. The various departments, as outlined in this, the ERC Annual Report 2022, made substantial use of the resources that were made available to promote harmony and good relations among all Guyanese.

Despite the constraints faced the Secretariat was still able to conduct public awareness activities and engagements, monitor the various media platforms for instances of ethnic and racial discrimination and receive complaints made to the Commission.

In the absence of the Board of Commissioners for the year under review, recommendations for Parliament are not being presented in this ERC Annual Report 2022.

Your Honour,

In accordance with Article 212E (1) of the Constitution of Guyana, the Ethnic Relations Commission (ERC) hereby submits its Annual Report 2022 for your further action.

ANNEX A

MEDIA MONITORING UNIT

(Table 1)

The table below shows Media Houses with the corresponding number of infractions on Facebook

Ser. #	Name of Media House/Internet TV (FB page)	# of MMU interventions on FB page
1	HGP Nightly News	03
2	News Source Guyana	16
3	Demerara Waves Online News	04
4	News Room	01
5	Guyana Chronicle	05
6	INews Guyana	06
7	Stabroek News	07
8	Village Voice News	02
9	9 Newsbreak	01
10	Guyana Daily News	02
TOTAL		47

(Figure 1)

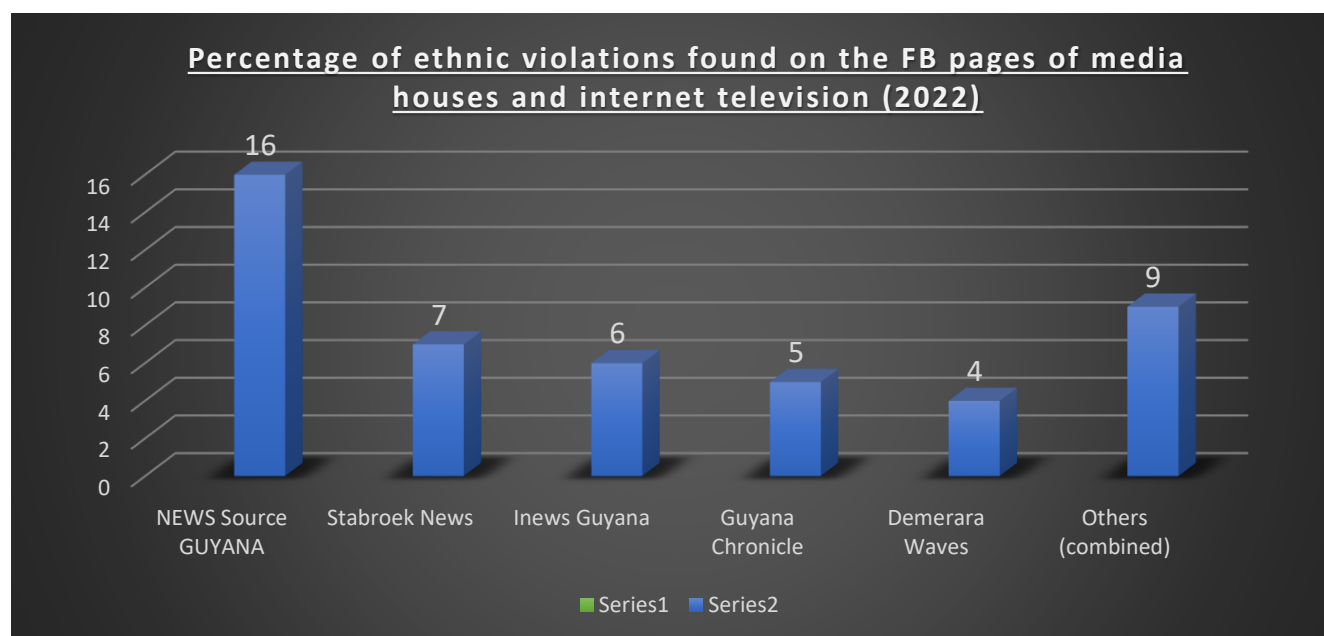


Figure 1: Percentage of ethnic violations found on the Facebook pages of media houses and internet television (2022)

(Figure 2)

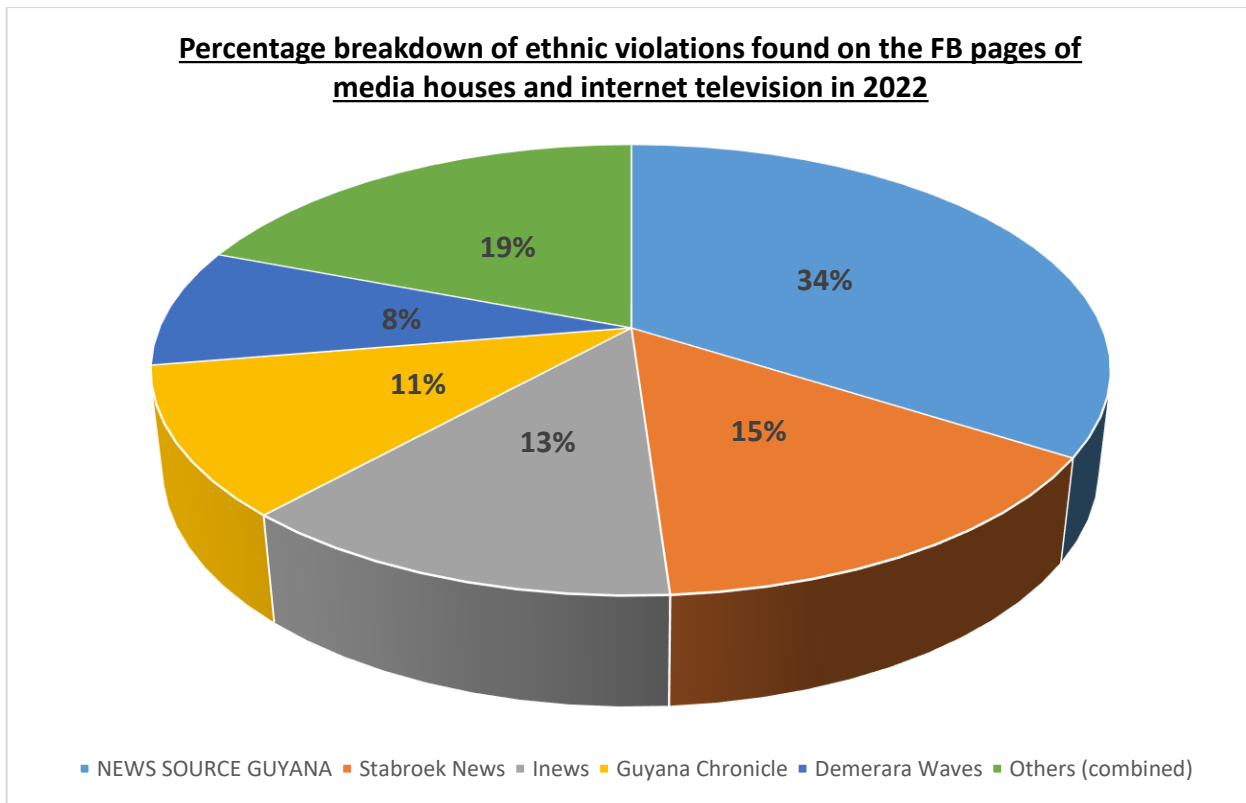


Figure 2 shows the percentage breakdown of ethnic violations on Facebook pages of media houses and Internet television in 2022

Appendix (2) (Figure 1)

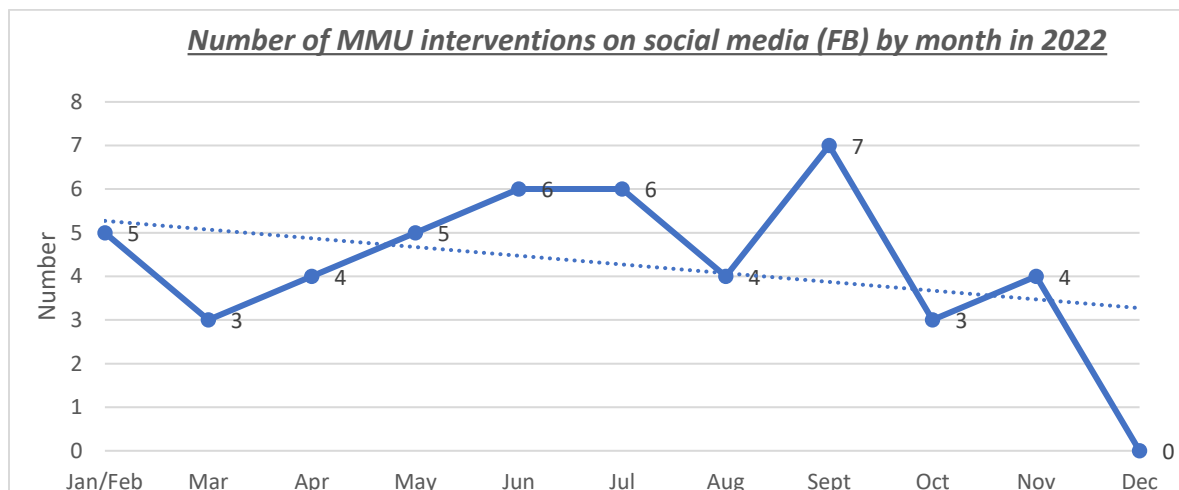


Figure 1 shows the number of MMU interventions on social media by month

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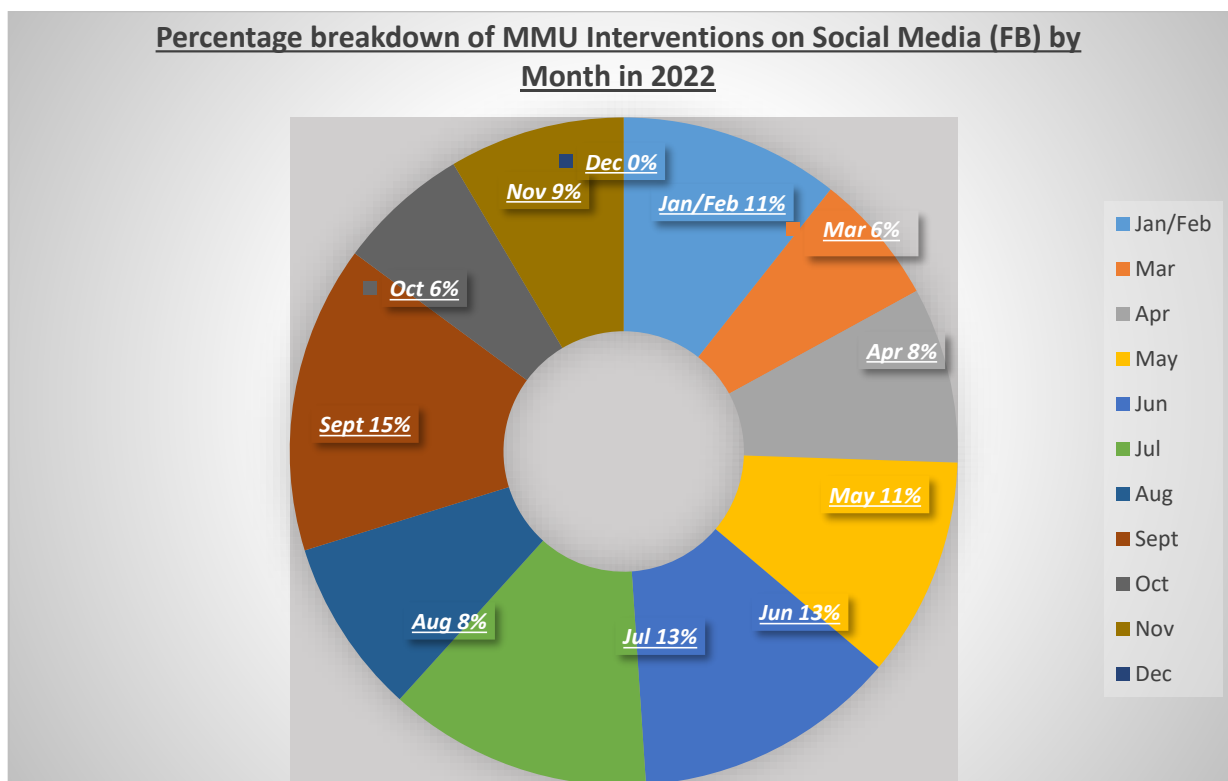


Figure 2: Pie chart reflects the percentage breakdown of MMU interventions on social media

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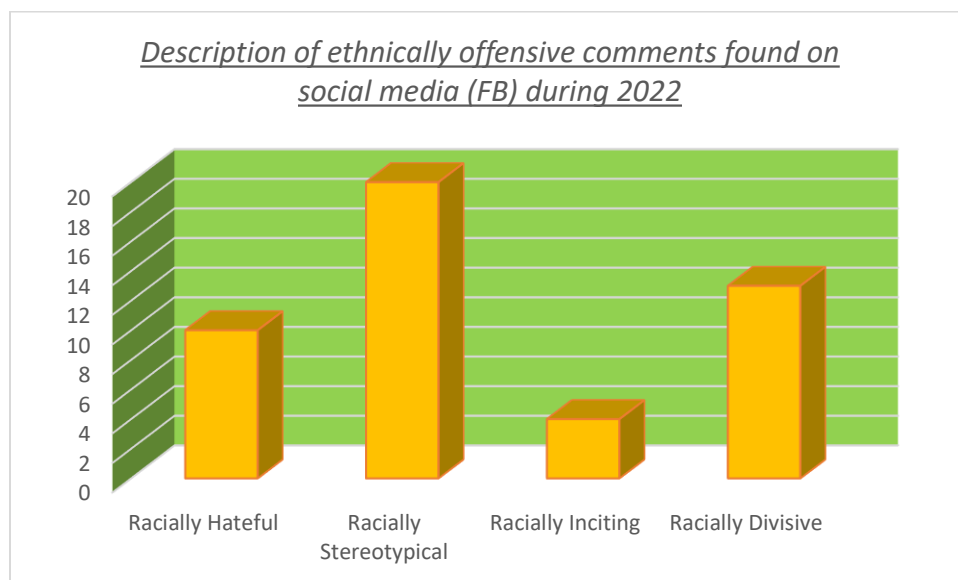


Figure 1 shows categorized descriptions of ethnically offensive comments

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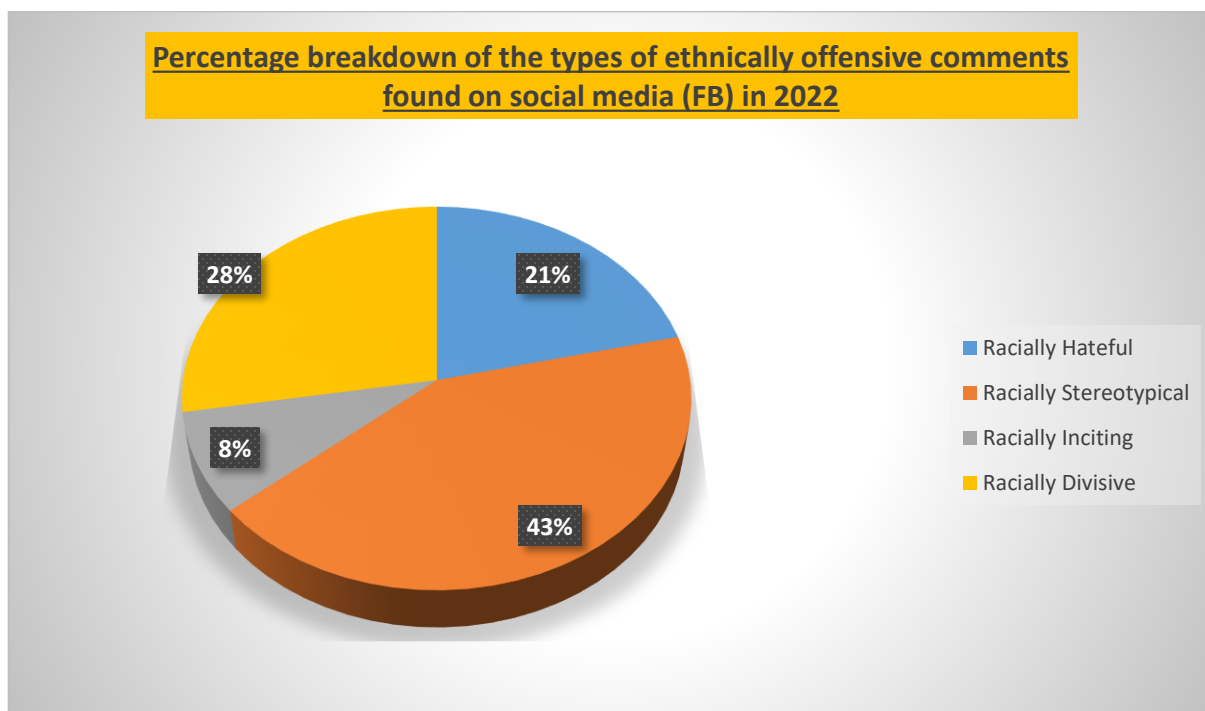


Figure 2 shows the percentage breakdown of categorized ethnically offensive comments

ANNEX B

Public Education and Awareness Unit

Some posted features – ERC Facebook page 2022

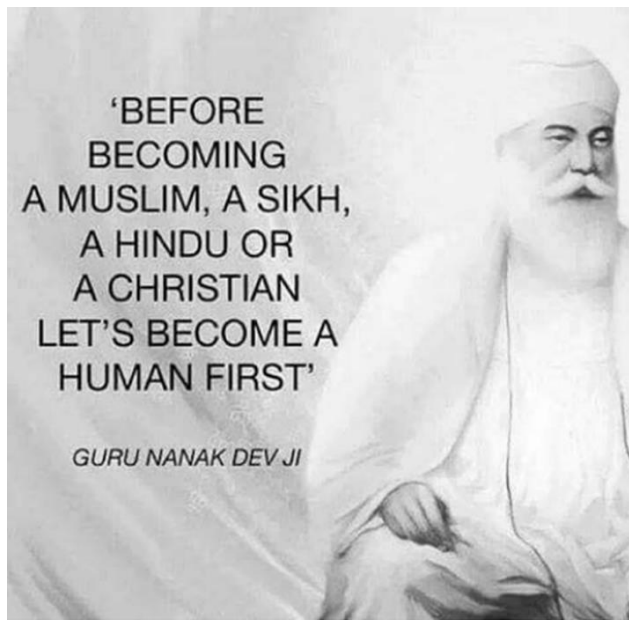


Photo of the Day - Scenery near the Moruca River – Region One.

#TBT



A post for a “Throwback Thursday”.



Be a human first and foremost.
human being first religion
second

A “Quote of the Day” to promote appreciation.



A sample of post made on a Tuesday (Chewsday) about the edible “Tocuma” to spread awareness of some different foods from the various ethnicities in Guyana, also featured Chinese Food, Pepper pot, Cook up. Curry, among others.

ANNEX C

INVESTIGATIVE UNIT COMPLAINTS MATRIX AS OF DECEMBER 30, 2022

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
COMPLAINT BROUGHT FORWARD	142
COMPLAINTS RECEIVED FOR 2022	7
PROSECUTIONS CLOSED	3
ACTIVE INVESTIGATION	146

No.	Date of Complaint/ Date Entered	Complainant	Respondent	Summary of Complaint	Category	Reg./ SMP.	Com. Sex	Com. Race	S.O.S. A	Res. Race	Status
1.	June 29, 2020	Lakeram Doodnauth	Damian Sandy Et. al. (GTT Staff)	The complainant is alleging that GTT workers verbally abused and threaten him and his wife by using racial slurs.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	4	M	EI	EI	AG	Active
2.	July 20, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Shem Jordan	Mr. Jordan made the following racially insensitive statement: I'm in my twenties now and ova fifteen years now I living btw east Indian ppl like rassole and always wondering why my grandma is always say any good collie is a dead one ms them is some easy snakes ma and very pretentious ms.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
3.	October 8, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Billy Slaughter	Under a Facebook Post made by Sheik Khan in the group, Guyana Gallery which states "Village toshaos say Granger and his so call government can't enter Amerindian village", the respondent commented, "Buck people skunt not even get future".	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	Ind.	EI	Active

No.	Date of Complaint/ Date Entered	Complainant	Respondent	Summary of Complaint	Category	Reg./ SMP.	Com. Sex	Com. Race	S.O.S. A	Res. Race	Status
4.	September 21, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Sofiyah P. Persaud	The Respondent made a racially insensitive post on Facebook...Granger and his ack of empty head can't rule a country. 1. African in the whole don't know how to build anything. 2. They don't think about tomorrow in a hard day. 3.If they earn \$20 the spend all \$20. 4. They grow up accustomed to eat or spend all out in one day. That's there mentality of living. And I watch this government did the same to guyana, because of their incompetent rule...	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
5.	September 21, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Oswald Elias	The respondent made the following racially insensitive post: Coolie jumbie on the lose in Guyana you Guys battass done put your jumbie on my family we wash away all evil all wishcralf what the coolie people are working on in jesus name.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
6.	June 29, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Shamar Holder	If Granger will I expect him to bruck down the fu**ing bridge he give them buckppl. Take back all them engine "boats and let them buck ms swim across the rive...that's y them is smell so damn rank."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	Ind.	AG	Active
7.	September 21, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Shaunzy Shonette	The respondent made the following racially insensitive post: Mohamed Imran Khan if you kully ass was once those guyanese that seated on the guyanese bench in barbados u would have been the last to be spoken. Dirt dog.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active

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8.	June 18, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Hardat Guyadatt	Commented, "Naomi Druker you're a lowlife, when you get sanctions who will suffer donkey pinkey, Granger and Harmon would sell each and every one of you idiot's to keep enjoying the good life, if wasn't for east Indian Guyanese you voodoo backoos would have been eating mud cakes like your blood group Haiti and many parts of Africa, racist demons".	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
9.	February 14, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Bibi Ali	Bibi Alli commented "them fucking black people's is fucking cross ppp don't do them fucking thing wathem doing the fuckingblack people is cross" on Facebook.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
10.	June 29, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Rajmohan Bholaram	In response to a Stabreak News Article posted on Facebook captioned "Guyanese win top honours at Hugh Wooding Law School graduation" besides a photograph of a male Afro-Guyanese. The respondent commented "A black man did good but with all brains he got he is still a jackass because he cannot build only break".	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
11.	September 21, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Sh AF	The Respondent made a racially insensitive comment on Facebook; "...Fucking dog black ass".	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
12.	July 20, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Orlena Mc. Donald	The respondent made the following religiously insensitive post: Park in the Hindu mandir the gods are hungry for life? I release blood of Jesus Christ.	Religious Discrimination	F.B	N/A	N/A	Hindu	AG	Active

No.	Date of Complaint/ Date Entered	Complainant	Respondent	Summary of Complaint	Category	Reg./ SMP.	Com. Sex	Com. Race	S.O.S. A	Res. Race	Status
13.	March 6, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Raj Raghnauth	Commented, “90 percent black fucking people a criminals mother skunt”.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
14.	March 2, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Rontter Isaacs	Commented “Katherine Pierce you coulee crabs dog yes we will find him and his old house and is you keep running skint poke mouth and grandchildren and kill them coulee children when black people started to kill you all coulee craps dog out”.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
15.	March 7, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Tekha Pasaud Jodharam	Commented, “Ayo go find wuk low life”, “Buss some shot in their head”, “Manacoo”, “Orangutans”, “Baboon”.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
16.	June 16, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Gopaul Gangaram	Commented, “look at these hungry black fucking ppl mingo...ent do nothing wrong” under a post made by Ms. Malisa Plater Harry.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
17.	June 22, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Anita Doodnauth	Commented, “The man is right so y those black hungry belly black man getting on so like they want cook up rice and water”.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
18.	June 23, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Mootoo Kistamma	Commented, “them ape like them see god today the shouting like gorilla in the jungle” under a Facebook live video of the protest.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
19.	June 24, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Ms. Elsia Singh	Commented, “This happens because the coolie people are willingly sympathizing with the henry boys situation right now, did the niggers do that when all the all the indians were being killed under granger? No, they didn’t care.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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20.	June 29, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Ms. Kimdely Persaud	Commented, "Who cares about the 2 black pigs. PNC was killing now is PPP time" under a live Facebook video by Guyanese Critic.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	AG	Active
21.	July 22, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission (Roro Wilson)	Goomattie Kamalodin	Ms. Goomattie Kamalodin in a Facebook comment referred to the then First lady, Ms. Sandra Granger as "Buck". Screen shot provided by the Complainant.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	Ind.	EI	Active
22.	August 12, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Arehanna Narine	The Complainant forwarded a screenshot of a comment made by Arehanna narine on Facebook in which she mentioned "Them black dog a fight against PPP now but them didn't realize when them was running around for d PPP \$10'000 voucher".	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
23.	September 21, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Ronika Lewis (Golden Sunshine)	The Respondent made a racially insensitive comment on Facebook; "...my mom always said any coolie is a dead one.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
24.	September 21, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Mollyann Moonsammy	The Respondent made a racially insensitive post on Facebook; "Ands aiyo skunt does want we support yall, you fucking black skunt..we does be peaceful and yall is one that takes yall eyes pass we...kanaima should just stuff you blasted black bt.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	Ind.	Active
25.	July 20, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	David Rampersaud	Mr. Rampersaud made a racist comment on Facebook in which he mentioned "U are a disgrace to the Amerindian tribe u are a B U C K" and "I Want to fuck you inside your mouth B U C K"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	Ind.	EI	Active

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26.	August 12, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Debra Tyrell	Ms. Tyrell made the following racially insensitive statement: In all y life I've never seen a handsome coolie ..cant stand the smell of them either...so when you see black beauty like me that a coolie would pay fat to go to bed with them...you better watch your mouth...I refuse y'all every day and my kids were taught to stay from you crabs dogs...my son's date not bring no done up coolie girl that her father and brother sex first as a daughter in law.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
27.	November 19, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Vishwanie Sookraj	The respondent send a message to someone via Facebook which read, "Hey yo nasty skunt we can still go back to india can u go back to africa I guess nt u piece of shit fucking muda skunt wa u kno bout collie yall come to gy as fucking slave and that's wat u gon remain our slaves motherfucker."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
28.	September 21, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Dawn Henry	The Respondent made a racially insensitive comment on Facebook; "Put all them coolies in a boat and ship them to India".	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
29.	June 29, 2020	Amanda Harris	Hemwattie Dookhie	In a screen shot of comments made on Facebook it is observed that the respondent, Hemwattie Dookhie commented "Dem black sk*nt cheating awe should poison we rice an greens and sell dem ugly monkey sk*nt. I no who is sell food to them black police at Lusignal station we can put poison in them food dem black casses". The complainant is of the view that the comment made by Ms. Dookhie is racist towards Afro-Guyanese.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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30.	March 2, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Marsha Greene	Claudette Singh u are a Collie Bitch u are Satan eldest daughter A man with 19 fraud charges and He cannot Read nor Write u Put as President of Guyana soon We will see drugs in the fish and vegetables also in the fruits Lets us.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
31.	June 29, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Keshwar N Anita Sam	Commented, "Because of Negroes people in Guyana this will not be a better country, no matter what good you do for them how they hair twest! So is their mind!"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
32.	June 29, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Kevin Totaram	Kevin Totaram in response to a comment by another Facebook called Andrea Benjamin, commented "Andrea Benjamin there is a lot of room in the zoo for you, trump bring slave back. I want own you."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
33.	August 12, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Nick Sumair	Nick Sumair made the following racist comments on Facebook: (1) Let them try when United nations step in them black puss gonna run and hide. (2) Radhica Boodhoo truth sis I don't care this whole country mess up cause of niggas.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
34.	October 9, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Krishna Persaud	The respondent posted a picture captioned "Black people share more facial traits with human ancestors than white people". The Picture is comparing Black people to monkeys.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
35.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Anita Persaud	I News Guyana 05/10/2020 Article 'We need justice' - father claims man who stabbed sons boasting he cannot be arrested' Respondent commented "The police should take this case if it was a negro person it would have been different but the blacks are bulles in Guyana as always."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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36.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Dolly B Singh	Guyana Chronicle 9/10/20- Article 'Five years on- 'Crack' pleads guilty to manslaughter, gets 10 years': Respondent commented "This is what the black kids do for a living, then the parents blame the ppp/c politicians for their children wrong doing, these black parents should spend more time with their younger and less time going after man to man and have multiple child fathers, black parents don't blame anyone for your young children death if you live by the gun you will some day die by the gun"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
37.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Donna Freso	HGP NIGHTLU NEWS 20/10/20 Article 'DISCRIMINATION ENVELOPES \$25,000 CASH GRANT DISTRIBUTION IN SOME REGIONS' Respondent commented "Tracy Peneux APNUAFC DID A LOT FOR YOU UNGRATEFUL BUCK THAT WHY PERSON SEE YOU AS FOOLS"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	Ind.	UK	Active
38.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Donnette John	APNU Guyana 21/8/20 FB post- Police have arrested Chris Jones on trumped up charges and taken him to unknown location Respondent commented "Original Gt Afro Guyanese need to protests on the road with the gun and u will see how ppp than will Back off".	Political Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	PPP/C Supporters	AG	Active
39.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Flash Garenden	HGP Nightly News 13/10/20 Article 'FORMER PERMANENT SECRETARY LOCKED OUT OF OFFICE' Respondent commented "Why you coolie people stop lieing. Did any black people kill three coolie boy when the APNU/AFC went into office but next year coolie people will die like a dog believed me"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active

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40.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Flash Garenden	<p>People Progressive Party/Civic 18/10/20 Article 'Graham's Hall Primary School to be used as shelter for Success squatters'</p> <p>Respondent commented</p> <p>"Ronald Persaud let me repeat myself again you are talking to the coolie people which included you 60 long years I have been living in racist form all of you guys I can mention what I see what I heard what I read what coolie people did the black guy in the news remember what cheddi jagan say nation 4 Nation coolie people for coolie people but next year is all black people year in Guyana God will detroy all the wicked coolie people in Guyana remember those black school children who was going on you guys go kill them in the bus remember the noises what was going on you guys go killer in a car remember the three black young men you guys cut one of them Nick and I can go on and on so remember what Jesus say you live by the sword you would die by the sword you live by doing people wrong things people with do you back long things enough is enough from you guys doors black people in Guyana remember black people first before coolie people"</p>	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active

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41.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Flash Garenden	<p>People Progressive Party/Civic 20/10/20 Post 'Prime Minister visits soldier injured in fireworks explosion.'</p> <p>Respondent commented</p> <p>"Bibi Ali let me tell you what Jesus said you live by the sword you die by the sword so it is okay 4 cooliepeople live by the sword towards black people in Guyana and it is wrong for black people to live by the sword tours coolie people you understand the word of God wrong remember what happened to those three black boys in Barbies remember what happened to the block cool children going home from school in the bus remember what happended to the norse going home from work remember all the coolie people peace who was was dropped but coolie people dismiss and you want to tell me God love that 90% coolie people do not love black people in Guyana why because you guys do not want black people to rule you what you want to ruleblack people you believe God love that but don't worry next year is out year in Guyana 2021 it's time for coolieto be killed the same way you guys kill black people and children restless night sleepless night coming to you guys next year what goes around comes around"</p>	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active

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42.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Frank Bunbury	HGP Nightly News 13/10/20 Article 'Lowenfield slapped with six additional charges' Respondent commented "Shawn Rahaman crabdog from the PPP oppressive regimes, the only way to prove election fraud is by election petition coolie crabdog understand that is the English language methodology."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
43.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Gail Green	Capitol News 30/8/20 -video- 'Happening now, fire at Catherine, Mahaicony, as residents continue to call for the release of Clairmont Mingo' Respondent commented "Kill some ppp coolie people and let BHARRAT Jagdeo and Anil m NANDALALL take the responsibility I do not care write is write because on social media they talk too much"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
44.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Georgina Isaacs	Kaieteur Radio 12/9/20 -post 'Wife in custody for husband's murder.' Respondent commented "Indian people does kill their own for anything. That's not new. They force their family to drink poison. They sacrifice their own for riches"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active

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45.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Gordian Rollins	News Room 9/9/20- Video - Volda Lawrence, in a video posted to Facebook called on supporters of the PNC to stop condoning such actions and for protestors to remove items used to block the public roads. Respondent commented " we r all guyanese. I really feeling good, to hear 1 collie dead 1 more has to dead for it to square up"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
46.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Montana Tony	News Source 14/09/2020 Article 'APNU + AFC Statement in response to Home Affairs MinisterRobeson Benn 09/09/2020' Respondent commented "Kim Jones where were you when Burnham and his PNC hooligans killed over 3 thousand Indo Guyanese in Mackenzie then renamed it Linden to mark his first political victory for you black people who he give freedom to kill and rob the Indians in Guyana. The White man uses to hang you scumbs for murders and for theifing cat on 9 tail, them is the right people for you uncultured swines"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	UK	Active
47.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Nell Inell	News-Talk Radio Guyana 103.1 Mhz FM- Demerara Waves Online News 24/10/20 Article- 'Brazilians, Venezuelan arrested after Brazilian plane lands on Issano airstrip' Respondent commented "Rahpael Ashington INDO LOVE MONEY. THEY KILL THEY MOTHER FATHER BROTHER SISTER AND OTHERS FOR MONEY. NO IS TAKING NOTTING WHEN THEY EYES CLOSED."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active

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48.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	OldSoldier GT	<p>News Source Guyana 06/10/2020 Article 'Police refuse bail for GECOM Deputy CEO over refusal to answer questions on election probe'</p> <p>Respondent commented "Jim Yardon Then join with us the Afro Guyanese help free the country from the East Indians who are trying to bring back slavery, the PPP/C Leadership is our common enemies, they want the Indigenous and Afro Guyanese wiped off from Guyana you the Indigenous were here, the Afro Guyanese were brought here by force as slaves from our home land Israel, the East Indians came here looking for work and now they are trying to get rid of us both. Never forget when Donald Romoutar called you buck people and you're illiterate and have no history, and Barrat Jagdeo also call you bucks people, have you forgotten that? Just like how they call you back they call us niggers and monkeys, they are our enemies, let us help you just like your ancestors helped our ancestors during slavery from the white slave owners, we are one fighting for the same cause."</p>	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
49.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Venice Williams	<p>News-Talk Radio Guyana 103.1 Mhz FM- Demerara Waves Online News 24/10/20 Article- 'West Berbice residents block public road again with burning tyres'</p> <p>Respondent commented "Stop burning the roads, get two coolie children and do what was done to the Henry boys, end of story."</p>	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active

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50.	September 21, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Shaline Harryram	The respondent made a Facebook comment, stating that "Black man is dog I never like them can do wat them want"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
51.	February 1, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Hosea Morgan	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: And you are still a mangoose coolie crappo	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
52.	February 2, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Montana Tony	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: God bless white ppl to rule, the blacks and indians in Guyana are no good all of them are thieves from top to bottom.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	MR	EI	Active
53.	February 2, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Laikram Dhanraj	The respondent made the following Facebook comment, "Take your mother skem think what the Bible say black people should not be a leader and they should be fead once a day you fucking jackass".	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
54.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Oswald Elias	HGP Nightly News 21/9/20 Article 'Taxi-driver robbed of car, cellular phone by gunman, accomplices' Respondent commented "So what about the 2 little blackboy who the coolie sacrifice and drink them blood pppc hooligan did it but the police can.t perpetrators to justice" The respondent also posted a modified image of an East Indian man wearing a PPP/C shirt with the caption "I kill who i don.t like i kill the 2 black boy so what"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
55.	February 9, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Sheraz Ibrahim	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Why you don't talk about the Indian work ethics Sam Hinds this is something the B population do not have just 2 banks beer in each hand that's their heaviest tools in life.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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56.	January 28, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Sanjiv Shawh	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: So we have the wold calling for the release of the vessels including the USA, Canada, Britin and the OAS and still the hungry belly afro- guyanese talking like if those countries abandon us? These peoplefor real? Can they read?	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
57.	January 30, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Sauda Hope	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Let Guyana send their toy hungry belly black dogs or toy soldiers in the army and the bath settlement with their cutlasses. I am not sorry one bit because they\ yall should've seen this coming and wwork together but know, racialism and greed will be the cause of this.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	UK	Active
58.	February 5, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Sauda Hope	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Guyana was fine without oil because of greed I would like god to take all back, its best maduro just take it all. Bully Guyana because we aint got sht- anyway, only a bunch of hungry belly black people in the army hopefully those hungry bellies pull out fast.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	UK	Active
59.	January 18, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Simone Blackman	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Not surprising. Indians would kill their own brothers and sisters for a piece of land. God have mercy on Guyana. Rebuke the wicked.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active

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60.	January 9, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Troy Dexter Baveghens	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Word is rapidly changing things those virus dogs PPP have set their hopes on will incinerate them...wipe out their infected generation...and sanitize the remaining ones...you PPP disease could bks that align yourselves wouldn't be spared either.	Political Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	AG	Active
61.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Roy Jaipaul	HGP Nightly News 06/10/2020 Article 'PNC celebrates 63rd anniversary with calls for a 'Return to the source'. Respondent commented "How that came in, as we are there now, let look at Africa you people are still eating each other, backward selling your country to the Chinese, lol, stupid as ever, brainless animals."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
62.	January 19, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Oliver Phillips	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Revenge to Mr. Granger whatever problem she had with him. But he put her their, she has no shame, no care for the people, for a judge, but just how she showing the petition out that is how she is going to be thrown out too. Any good coolie is a dead one. God slow but shure.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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63.	November 19, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Ashley	<p>The Respondent posted the following WhatsApp status updates:</p> <p>Coolie life matters....this is Guyana not a racial blackman country msand story have 2 side... stew yall blocking d blasted road racial ms.</p> <p>Lol oh lorsh ...good should ram some of them black lives ...that's why nuff a them black lives dead out n nashty dead ms...y'all saying black lives matter yall blind ms.</p> <p>We coolie ain't low class uk ...we don't run n block road ...stew coolie is not no dawg...we get food in we get food in we house what yall blackman get and some of yall black does turn to the coolie wam now...d black lives matter...</p> <p>Ashley also posted on her status a picture depicting four children of African ancestry with slogan on their shirt "Please. Don't. Kill. Us" with the superimposed text stating "This is bullshit damn bullshit".</p>	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
64.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Praim Mahabir	<p>NCN NEWS 21/10/20 post- Government condemns attempted attack on CJ's residence...</p> <p>Respondent commented "Valerie Paul black people don't work anyway they only know how to thief And kill people, this world will be a better place without these low-life people, shame, shame"</p>	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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65.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Paulette Haynes	Guyana Chronicle 12/9/20- Article 'Lowenfield matter adjourned to Oct.9' Respondent commented " Lilawattie Ragnauth..coolie GUYANESE are the worse set of animals I know to walk the earth. I pray you all encounter the real God so He could fix them demonic hearts you people have. I am waiting to meet a good GUYANESE Indian.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
66.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Mohamed Imamudin	News Room 15/9/20 Article- 'Pompeo to also visit suriname, Brazil; to discuss democracy, COVID-19 & Security' Respondent commented "Gail Watson you could have become a plantation owner too, if you had used your brains wisely after emancipation. But you chose to align yourself with a losing group of people APNU/AFC (All Pathetic Negro Unfits/All Foolish Collie). But there is still hope for you. Your mind can be washed clean. CHANGE YOUR PARTY AFFILIATION. Take my advice and free your mind from darkness. AMEN."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
67.	February 7, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Lynette Baker	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Wtching from New York , and I am hearing loud and clear, please don't bring your standards down to these coolie baboos, non educated and if you think I am wrong go to Mon Respos market and take a look around they all eliterate cleaning fish.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active

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68.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Bonny Allison	HGP Nightly News 21/10/20 post- NO COLLABORATION UNTIL OPPOSITION RECOGNIZES THE GOVERNMENT-GAIL TEIXEIRA Respondent commented "Cully Laksmi Madramootoo the truth hurts you are the devil look into the mirror a good cully is a death one I am not afraid of know cully get it straight bitch."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
69.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	David Hinds	Respondent posted on personal Facebook account 14/9/20 " What do Black People want in Guyana? We want Power. Peace without Power is Slavery. And we are not Slaves. Massa Day must Done"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	None	AG	Active
70.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	David West	News Room 8/9/20- Article 'Paddy trucks set on fire as Hopetown protest escalates' Respondent comment "Burn it down, by any means necessary we will have justice!!!"	Not within the mandate of the ERC	F.B	N/A	N/A	None	AG	Active
71.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Lue Harry	HGP Nightly News 20/10/20 Article 'DISCRIMINATION ENVELOPES \$25,000 CASH GRANT DISTRIBUTION IN SOME REGIONS' Respondent commented "Wonda Blessing English-Estraido now a buck crawl out to talk too..poor she..singing for dinner"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	Ind.	UK	Active

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72.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Mark Ford	APNUAFC FB post- Police Chief and Army Chief on the ground in West Coast Berbice Respondent commented "European and American democracy. Is the new world order. Rid the planet of Africans. They enlisted some Indian Guyanese to accomplish their goal in Guyana." Respondent also posted an image portraying a group of white men standing around what seems to be an African man being burnt alive with the caption "It's crazy that y'all forgot they burned people on public display Y'all mad about cars and buildings"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	CA	UK	Active
73.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Mikhail King	Guyana Chronicle 8/10/20- Article 'NEW CJIA, Mariott and Skeldon Energy Inc boards appointed' Respondent commented "lets be real very few Afro can handle these positions... Let's look at most of the Afro countries"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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74.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Bowen Garnett	News Source 09/09/2020 Article 'Seven persons in custody for Cotton Tree Killings' Respondent commented " Cotton Tree villages a PPC stronghold. Therefore, the savages who slit the throat of those town innocent black children took their cue from Jagdeo and the racist PPP government. Alyuh notice how Jagdeo has not condemn the murder? This is not the first time the PPP encouraged their supporters to shed the blood of black children. Violent PPP supporters blocked roadways after the March elections and attacked a school bus leaving several black children severely wounded and maimed in the aftermath. In that incident, the incompetent APNU government led by pakoo Granger sat back and did nothing. This only serve to emboldened the racist PPP supporters to go further. The slitting of the children throats by PP supports is Guyana's 'George Floyd' moment. BlackGuyanese must a decision: will they allow the PP and their supporters to bully them as Kunumoonu Granger did or will they rise to the occasion and stop the e doorsblack people in Guyana remember black people first before coolie people"to arrest coolie boy his fathe cameout with a cutlass kill. Black officer y.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	PPP/C Sup- porters	AG	Active

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75.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Celeste Clarke	HGP Nightly News 8/9/20 -video- https://www.facebook.com/HGPNightlyNews/videos/339708063897666/ Respondent commented "My grand MOTHER is a Indian my mother mother... she used to say any good coolie is a dead one...NEVER understood as A child but now it's obvious"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	MR	Active
76.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Chrissy Chris	Respondent replied to comment made by Oma Singh "Oh kill them ass? People like u going to dead ten times worst more than them ya old wicked coolie crab dog mudda skunt.. Is old stinking surpant like you is what got society today so fuckup with racism... u should go and do what yall know to do best, drink some fucking poison and come off the earth ya crassingoutta shape looking skunt"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
77.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Chandrawattie Lappy	HGP Nightly News 2/9/20- Article 'FAMILY OF MURDERED CRAIG MAN DECRIES SENSELESS KILLING' Respondent commented " It have to be a black man did it"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
78.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Dave Shevnandan	HGP Nightly News 13/10/20 Article 'Lowenfield slapped with six additional charges' Respondent commented "Wendy Lewis we will you and GECOM STAFFS back to AFRICA" along with an image of a monkey.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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79.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Hugh Prass	<p>Kaieteur News 19/10/20 Article 'Pomeroon man admits to killing drinking buddy over rum'</p> <p>Respondent commented "This the normal of the coolie man, drink rum, argue, fight, rape, beat or kill their families, friends or relatives and feel good."</p>	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
80.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Kamodeen Imran	<p>Kaieteur Radio Wake up Guyana with Leonard Gildarie 10/9/20</p> <p>Respondent commented "And you wonder why so many Indians don't want to deal with PNC blacks!!! Honestly blacks are the most racist in Guyana. They have so much hate!!" "You are right! We need justice for what was done to the Indians! Idc what people say but PNC blacks are no good for Guyana! They hate Indian people, it's very sad to see how ignorant these people are behaving!"</p> <p>"Do you know why people are scared of the one blacks because leaders are saying let's have peace and unity! Let me tell you people PNC blacks will never accept Indians! They hate us and that why Indians are getting killed because we are all about peace and unity yet these folds think they can walk all over us!!! Maybe we need to treat them like the white boys up north!!! Nobody messes with the white, they know better!! Get off the cumbiyay train!!! Watch your back Indian people...stay safe!!!"</p>	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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81.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Bam Bam Pim Pim	Guyana Chronicle 10/10/20 -Article 'Bartica remarkably transformed' Respondent commented "Mark Ford African guyanese well know as nigga should even think about a life between ppl this ppp GOVERNMENT should clean away a nice lot an let all them go live there when them fight burn down rob kill block road left them rite there"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	UK	Active
82.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Brit Jong-un	Kaiteur News 29/8/20 Article 'Rice farmer, others remanded for allegedly killing Canadian citizen' Responded commented "Typical of the coolies always killin behind, land, house, will and money"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
83.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Radha Ramdas	I News Guyana 30/09/2020 Article '\$25,000 per household cash grant distribution begins' Respondent Commented "Great job for the president indeed but what the buckman will do with the money rum shop ful and next they crying again."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	Ind.	EI	Active
84.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Roxanne Wharton	HGP Nightly News 03/10/2020 Article 'I will only work with the Government on matters of National interest - Harmon' Respondent commented, "Leila Shaw you name one thing that you coolie people build the greatest thief that walks the face of this earth is people looking like you why you think that you people making all sorts of deformities because you all live with one another brother getting children with sister. So when you talking to cursed by this universe look at your people first before you case they first stone"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active

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85.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Sheryl M. Colins	News Room 16/10/20 Article 'Badal implores APNU+AFC to put competition for power aside and support PPP as legitimate Gov't Respondent commented " You talking to this" along with an image portraying an African male with an empty hole in his head.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	UK	Active
86.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Tom Madden	News Source Guyana 16/10/20 Article 'State must negotiate settlement with Success squatters-Harmon' Respondent commented "Watch this skunt hole Harmon, when he been giving away million dollars contracts to his friends did he ever come and give y'all any thing. It is such a true saying that it is cheaper to buy a black man than a dog. Harmon is proving that story" "Ethnic Guyana ...Ur the biggest racist. Your head is a racist who tried his best to endorsed the rigging of an election. His writings are still in the Chronicle. So hush from here clean ur house first"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
87.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Vernon Robertd	People Progressive Party/Civic 18/10/20 Respondent commented "May the ancestors of this Black Country engulfed this fradulent government" "Rick Deonarine Persaud Who's that som cooley thieving God with 6 hands, Rise up CUFFY" "Rick Deonarine Persaud Guyana's Black Hero at Durban Park you fool you dutty krekateh Kakabelly eating cooley suckers" "Ethnic Guyana start with yourself first by looking into the mirror, Burnham said the best Cooley is a DEAD Coolie nah trust dem"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active

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88.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Vernon Robertd	People Progressive Party/Civic 19/10/20 -Photos of the area at Success currently being occupied by squatters- Responded commented "Sabrina Samantha Persaud We believe in Cooley people, the worst in the human race" "Of all the other races that came to Guyana as Indentured Servants, the Cooley race is the biggest disgrace in Guyana"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
89.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Vincent Bedessie	Inews Guyana 8/10/20 Article 'Monumental improvement in salaries and benefits for nurses-President assures' Respondent commented "what u achived from pnc five years in government yuo people want what u cant work for u are them who eats eyeverything today and dont care for tomorrow you are correct most black people make children like pig from twenty wife all is child mother and leave them like strays those are pnc type's when uall hear the government get grant yuo want to go tothe dance hall and next day you mouth dry all u'll think about oil money how i belong to the pnc cabal.yuo people dont like see money spend on good causes try to open your eyes for the u never hear one of u open your big mouth and ask for more pay ppp is in office little three months and u'll. want the world you kill burn robbed the indian people when the time comes you kind of people will beg god for help."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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90.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Zafirah Zarah Khan	News-Talk Radio Guyana 103.1 Mhz FM- Demerara Waves Online News Article- ' Guyanese dies in road accident in Antigua' Respondent commented " Very nice need abut 40 collie dead...I'm waiting on the person who's gonna come for me here..my ancestors waking up o yessssss"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
91.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Oswald Elias	News- Talk Radio Guyana 103.1 Mhz FM- Demerara Waves Online News 24/9/20 Responded commented "Is time coolie move out of Guyana and go back to indians you not wellcome anymore in Guyana you are all carbdog for pppc fraudulent Communist government"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
92.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Stacy Phillips	News Room 8/9/20 video- Peaceful protest in solidarity with the family of Joel and Isaiah.. Respondent commented "Ready to kill some collie dog rape and kill them" "Stop this Chic chat come out coolie dogs"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	AG	Active

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93.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Ted Hammond	<p>Guyana Chronicle 12/9/20- Article 'Purveyors of hate speech on social media to come under scrutiny'</p> <p>Respondent commented "Kerry Baynes Brother on point, and don't talk about the Profanity and Derogative remarks the nasty Name callings. Its beyond bad its unhumane. I'll say this and say it with out prejudice or pride.</p> <p>80% of the Indo Guyanese are by far the most Racist of all the Races in Guyana.</p> <p>The 20% are the ones who have evolved from Nasty, Racist and Greddy way of preemptive thinking an living.</p> <p>Its something that was adopted from India, majority of Indians World wide are like that. They are so Racist they have a Race/Cast division amongst their own Race.</p> <p>I think India invented Racism and Greed and is practiced by Majority."</p>	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active

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94.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Joy Hope	NCN news 3/9/20 FB Post- 'Cyclist killed in Rupert Craid Highway accident. Details emerging.' Respondent replied to the comment made by Mr. Hardat Guyadatt " Hardat Guyadatt Mr ignorant, who is I'll informed of all the unwanted garbage that is flowing out of you mouth, you fist need to learn about the orgin of shiva, krishna and the rest that you have to feed and idolize daily and look for a God who protectsyou and not one you have to feed and idolize daily and look for a God who protects you and not one you have to protect. You are so racist to your gut that you can't contain your level of hate! You need to sort yourself first, stop using your children as sacrifice in the name of wealth! You heartless sun of a gun!" "Hardat Guyadatt you have to remove all those jandi flags from in your yard first!"	Religious Discrimination	F.B	N/A	N/A	Hindu	AG	Active
95.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Sheron Dominique	HGP Nightly News 21/10/20 post- NO COLLABORATION UNTIL OPPOSITION RECOGNIZES THE GOVERNMENT-GAIL TEIXEIRA Respondent commented "fyi coolie ppl does sorry for youall black stupid hard head curass, employing you all and turn back and thief. Don't curse the bridge what you have to cross. You sound like one of them GHETTO GUTTER SERPENT."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	UK	Active

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96.	January 31, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Hosea Morgan	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: We say the something in the trucking industry coolie destroy anything they come in contact with, by seeking airing or touching.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
97.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Lennie McLennon	Walter Rodney Groundings 28/10/20 Respondent commented "Just like the people in FIJI had to fight the East Indians, we in Guyana will get back our land. It's just time."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
98.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Liela Shaw	HGP Nightly News 03/10/2020 Article ' I will only work with the Government on matters of National interest - Harmon' Respondent commented "Roxanne Wharton yesbecause you black people never built anything in the world. Look and u will see. Look and you will see only black people loot, thief and burn you all from the O'Ragatan family. Curse by the universe."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
99.	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Oma Singh	Respondent comment was shared on FB "The 2 Blackman them went to thief people coconut so kill them ass"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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100	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Hardat Guyadatt	NCN news 3/9/20 FB Post- 'Cyclist killed in Rupert Craid Highway accident. Details emerging.' Respondent commented "Until that day when the Rapist Cuffy Monument is uprooted, along with The Evilness that's buried under it by Mama Fifi and Mother Dora, plus what's entombed in the mausoleum, until that day, the descendants of slavery and indentureship wouldn't find anything emancipation or freedom, It's going to remain and illusion, yes yes yes, go ahead and describe me as a coolie man, but how many of you can intelligently prove that I am wrong."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
101	January 4,2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Sheniel Ali	Inews Guyana 16/9/20 Article- '6 charged for killing Bath Settlement man during WCB protests' Respondent commented "He own coolie kill am.. coolies are murder's, they are killers... that's all they good for, killing..	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
102	January 4,2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Carlos Gts Morgan	Capitol News 17/9/20 video- Guyanese protest the visit of US secretary of State, Mike Pompeo as they continue to call for justice for the murders of three West Coast Berbice teenagers. Respondent commented " I does do my atmost best to not portray prejudice or discriminate BUT BLACK PEOPLE DOTISH N DUNCE NO MS YEAH!!"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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103	January 25, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Maxine Headley	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: I agree with the caller, stop supporting the coolie business. Rise up Afro Guyanese.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
104	February 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Nephron Dominique	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: valerie Paul is the angry protestors (Blackmen) killed haresh. Common sense can tell you that. Whether which government in place any kid can tell us that. Indian pp are always taken advantage of in the black community, because if the black bullies amongst them. The angry blackmen pelted the haresh home. Joining them blackman would not make sense. Since it is them who kill Haresh Singh. Henry boys brothers kill Haresh along with black protestors. It was a racial killing.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
105	January 18, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Anand Banai	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Yes she real PPP should kick out all the PNC afros.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
106	January 27, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Lynda Bonett	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Them hungry belly coolie crabs.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
107	January 6, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Niranjan Lall	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Nichelle Reddy people from Alboustown got house lots in parfaite when that scheme opened. Those criminal are their offsprings.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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108	February 25, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Hemant Shilchand	The respondent told an individual, "Buckman have no value in society".	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	Ind.	EI	Active
109	February 17, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Jenell Seepersaud	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Is the right place ally sending judas crass Charrandas the lord work in mysterious ways, we all know how the indians in India feels about them black skin madras gully rat coolie,	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
110	February 1, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Marla Allicock	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: And still those racial duncing coolie skut see nothing wrong with the ... how the blind with racialness...smh.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
111	January 25, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Mark Narine	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Maxine Headley and choke and rob bitches will starve.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
112	January 25, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Deo Sagar	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Afro Guyanese don't like to work, it is in their blood, the world knows.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
113	January 15, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Chris Spooner	The respondent made the following Facebook comment: Hema Persaud dem does kill them own father for land and property even their wife and children.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
114	February 17, 2021	Anthony Miggins	The Mullock family of Kairuni	The complainant alleged that a family of Indigenous people known as the Mullocks is in the habit of racially discriminating against him verbally and threatening his life.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	4	M	AG	AG	Ind.	Active

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115	February 15, 2021	Orin Daniels	Ministry of Education	Mr. Daniels mentioned that he was a contract staff (Driver/mechanic) of the Ministry of Education since 2017 and recently he was let go by the said Ministry who refused to renew his contract without any reason. He stated that he felt the decision to not renew is contract is premised on the fact that he is an Afro- Guyanese and that he drives a David 'G' bus which was assigned to him.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	4	M	AG	AG	N/A	Active
116	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Shannette Alicia	NCN news 3/9/20 FB Post- 'Cyclist killed in Rupert Craid Highway accident. Details emerging.' Respondent replied to the comment made by Mr. Hardat Guyadatt " Hardat Guyadatt after the removal of all jhandi flags"	Religious Discrimination	F.B	N/A	N/A	Hindu	AG	Active
117	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Shawn Andrew Burrows	NCN news 3/9/20 FB Post- 'Cyclist killed in Rupert Craid Highway accident. Details emerging.' Respondent replied to the comment made by Mr. Hardat Guyadatt " Hardat Guyadatt remove the twomonkey god you get on wcd"	Religious Discrimination	F.B	N/A	N/A	Hindu	AG	Active
118	April 30, 2021	Saira Alli (IAC)	Amanza Walton-Desir	The Complainant reported that the respondent while on a Social Media program titled "politics 101" she made use of remarks that is racially derogatory to Indo-Guyanese.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	F	EI	EI	AG	Active
119	August 3, 2021	Tevin James	Joesin a Market Vendor	Mr. James complained that he was threatened and abused by the respondent on the grounds of his race.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	4	M	AG	AG	MR	Active

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120	April 22, 2021	Hatty Blackman	Marcie Taylor & Coney Moffat Et. al.	Ms. Blackman indicated that hers and her mother are PPP/C activist and that the respondents are in the habit of victimizing them because of their politically affiliation. She resides in the village of Buxton.	Political Hostility	4	F	AG	AG	AG	Active
121	July 22, 2020	Narissa Deokarran	Cindy Crandon	Ms. Deokarran reported that she has been subjected to Racial Discrimination by the Head teacher of Anns Grove Secondary School, Ms. Cindy Crandon, over a period of years.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	4	F	EI	EI	AG	Active
122	April 27, 2021	Cheryl Neal	Richard Sumair (neighbour)	The complainant purported that her neighbour named Richard is in the habit of verbally abusing her and uttering racial slurs at her and her family.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	4	F	AG	AG	EI	Active
123	May 11, 2021	Kavita Roopnarine	Maxine Smith	The complainant purported that the respondent is in the habit uttering racial remarks at her.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	4	F	EI	EI	AG	Active
124	May 4, 2021	Mooniram Kubeer	Managemnt of Guysuco	The complainant stated that he was a former employee of the Wales Sugar Estate who applied for early retirement in year 2016 and was granted same.	Not within the mandate of the ERC	3	M	EI	EI	N/A	Active
125	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Hardat Guyadatt	NCN NEWS 24/08/20 Video- PNCR Volda Lawrence has been charged with electoral fraud. Respondent commented " Nadine Highlyfavored Lewis was the God that you talking about sleeping when Granger was removed along with his hooligans finally and forever on the 2nd August 2020, Pickney something is messy with you're hooliganism God seriously, the amount of things you hooligans talking about God, yet when volda said that she only got work	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active

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126	July 22, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Latoya David	Ms. David in a Facebook Post mentioned "Them right to say a good coolie is a dead one."	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
127	September 21, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Nizam Ghanie	The respondent made the following racially insensitive post: Dominic Banks u cant black and stupid. His post was directed to a Afro-Guyanese Facebook user named Dominic Banks.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
128	January 4, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	KING	Guyanese Critic 9/9/20 video- Citizen asking who the police are the police protecting. The responded replied to a comment made "Yes kill them wicked collie dogs"	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
129	May 20, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Bobby Jitlall	The Media Monitoring Unit reported that while they monitored the Alliance For Change Facebook Page they saw a commenet made by the respondent under a Live Program hosted by Hon. Coretta A. McDonald, M.P., and captioned "Advancing the cause" which the Unit considered to be racially prejudicial and insensitive.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
130	May 20, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Flash Garenden	The Media Monitoring Unit reported that while the Unit monitored the Guyana Chronicles Facebook page they came accoss a comment made by the respondent under a post captioned "Sole source of income, entire life-savings gone" which the Unit considered to be racially stereotypical, divisive and insensitive.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	UK	Active
131	May 20, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Tessa Smith	The Media Monitoring Unit reported that while the Unit monitored the KAMS Live TV Facebook page they came accoss a comment made by the respondent under the Live Program, hosted by Dr. David Hinds and captioned "Politics 101" which the Unit considered to be racially stereotypical, divisive and insensitive.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active

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132	May 20, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Mohamed Esufh	The Media Monitoring Unit reported that while the Unit monitored the Guyana Chronicles Facebook page they came across a comment made by the respondent under a post captioned “Political elite of the PNCR attempting to psychologically manipulate African-Guyanese to our detriment” which the Unit considered to be racially stereotypical, divisive and insensitive.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	UK	Active
133	May 20, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Yvonne Bryan	The Media Monitoring Unit reported that while the Unit monitored the Guyana Chronicles Facebook page they came across a comment made by the respondent under a post captioned “Political elite of the PNCR attempting to psychologically manipulate African-Guyanese to our detriment” which the Unit considered to be racially stereotypical, divisive and insensitive.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
134	May 28, 2021	Franklyn Ross	Management of Albion Sugar Estate	The complainant alleged that he has been victimised by the management of the Albion estate. He indicated through letters attached to his complaint that he wrote a letter to the Hon. Minister of Labour, Mr. Joseph Hamilton on September 29, 2020.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	M	AG	AG	N/A	Active
135	May 31, 2021	Saira Alli (IAC)		The Complainant wrote a letter on behalf of the Indian Action Committee about physical altercation which involved utterances of racist remarks which occurred on a speedboat which was transporting passengers.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	F	EI	AG	EI	Active

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136	June 15, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Althea Layne	In the comments section of the Live Program captioned “Buxtonian Morning Time” on the KAMS TV Facebook Page the respondent made a comment that the Unit considered to be racist and inflammatory.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	AG	Active
137	June 15, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Waynella Boo	In the comments section under the news story “Guyanese Shervington Lovell aka Big Head sentenced in the US to 11 years for conspiracy to ship cocaine to the Netherlands” on the Capitol News Facebook Page the respondent made a comment which the Unit considered to be racially stereotypical, derogatory and hateful.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	N/A	N/A	EI	AG	Active
138	June 15, 2021	Ethnic Relations Commission	Liaquat Ally	In the comments section under the news story “GDF ranks to face sanctions for refusing Covid 19 vaccines” on the News Source Facebook Page the respondent made a comment which the Unit considered to be racially stereotypical and hateful.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Active
139	December 29, 2021	Ean McPherson	Maureen Philadelphia, MP	The complainant alleged that the respondent called him a “House Slave”.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	4	N/A	AG	AG	AG	
140	May 19, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Suckie Persaud (Bridgett Persaud)	In a video posted on Facebook Ms. Suckie Persaud is depicted making racially insensitive remarks.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Prosecution closed/ Discontinued on Jan 24, 2022
141	July 23, 2020	Ethnic Relations Commission	Steven Anthony Barakat	Commented, “Alicia they should beat rob and rape you like they did to other Indians ... They look like they care about black lives matter ... If black lives matter all lives matter all lives matter and they shouldn’t be beating and chopping people of other.	Excitement of Racial Hostility	F.B	N/A	N/A	AG	EI	Prosecution closed/ Discontinued on Jan 11, 2022

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142	August 12, 2020	Sheamin Smartt	Dr. Surendrapaul Rampersaud	Ms. Smart alleged that in the month of September, 2020, she took her 8 year old daughter to have a tooth extraction done. She met with an East Indian dentist who told her that he can't do anything about it and send her and her daughter away. She viewed his action of not extracting her daughter tooth as being racist. It was confirmed that the dentist is Dr. Rampersaud.	Person causing racial or ethnic violence or hatred	5	F	AG	AG	EI	Prosecution closed/ Discontinued on Dec 20, 2021
143	April 8, 2022	Noor Mohamed	Vibert Skeete, Susan Jacobs, et al	The complainant alleged to have been discriminated against because of political affiliation.		4	M	-	-	-	Active
144	May 27, 2022	Chauncey Forde	V. Budhoo of GPOC	The complainant alleged to have been abused and disrespected because of ethnicity.		4	F	AG	-	IG	Active
145	May 27, 2022	Shaunell Greaves	V. Budhoo of GPOC	The complainant alleged to have been abused and disrespected because of ethnicity.		4	F	AG	-	IG	Active
146	July 18, 2022	Jamaal Bastiani	Thomas McGregor of OES Guyana Inc.	The complainant alleged to have been abused and disrespected because of his ethnicity.		4	M	AG	AG	Caucasian	Active
147	September 30, 2022	Mark Hoosain	Krishna Ramdass as employee of GGMC	The complainant alleged that the respondent is a racist.		4	M	-	-	-	Active
148	October 18, 2022	Ronald Thompson	Ministry of Labour GRA Citizens Bank, et al	The complainant alleged to have been discriminated on the basis of race/ethnicity, citizenship, family status, political affiliation.		4	M	-	-	-	Active
149	November 5, 2022	Sunia Mayers	Sharon Browne	The complainant alleged to have been discriminated against because of political affiliation.		4	F	AG	AG	AG	Active