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PRESS STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TIPNG runs civic education teacher workshops

Port Moresby, 5 September 2018 - Transparency International PNG (TIPNG) conducted an information session for teachers at Hagara Primary School in Hanuabada, Port Moresby last week.

The session covered the work of TIPNG and was aimed at introducing the teachers to civic education curriculum materials that TIPNG developed. The teacher training will be held in September 2018.

TIPNG has developed a school based civic education curriculum aimed at assisting teachers and students to identify the functions and processes of civil society and state institutions, apply skills of active citizenship and interact with state institutions to demand better governance. TIPNG's civic education curriculum consists of teacher resource books, background reading for teachers, student readers, DVDs, an android phone application, posters and teacher trainings. All the materials contain elements and concepts of good governance, accountability, transparency and integrity.

"Our civic education teacher training workshops have helped teachers to realize the suitability of these materials when used alongside other materials they already have. Through our School Based Civic Education curriculum we want school children to learn their rights and responsibilities as citizens at an early age. We want to contribute to instilling a higher level of integrity in students before they step into the real world," said TIPNG Executive Director, Ms Arianne Kassman.

TIPNG signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the National Department of Education (NDoE) signed in 2015 forming a partnership to bring civic education to schools throughout Papua New Guinea.

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Pix Caption: Pix 1: TIPNG Executive Director Arianne Kassman speaks to teachers of Hagara Primary School during the information session.

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What is TIPNG?

TIPNG is a member of Transparency International a global anti corruption movement committed to fighting corruption. TIPNG is an independent organization in PNG known as a Chapter of the international movement. The PNG chapter advocates against corruption and promotes transparency, good governance, honesty and accountability both in private and public sector dealings. TIPNG tries to assist strengthen the integrity systems of our country such as the police, the parliament, the public services and the judiciary.