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## **VENDORS AWARDED BY CASTRIES MAYOR AT A SPECIAL CEREMONY**

Castries, St. Lucia, February 26, 2019 – The Office of the Mayor publicly acknowledged the outstanding business achievements and contribution of vendors at a special ceremony held last week.

The ceremony saw vendors receiving trophies, certificates and fruit baskets in categories such as Longest Serving Vendor, Best in Customer Service and Best Display of Goods.

Speaking during the ceremony, Mayor of Castries, His Worship Peterson D. Francis stated while this is not the first time vendors have been awarded, the initiative allows for the perfect opportunity to showcase vendors' successes in order that they thrive harder to excel at their trade.

“We are doing everything we can so that you can fly even higher. We launched our vendors' registration programme where you all will continue to benefit. We, in collaboration with the OECS regional development project, provided workshops to assist you to further your business. We continue to provide a safe and clean environment for you all and will upgrade our sidewalks through the OECS regional development project, and the market redevelopment project is to your benefit. The first phase of that project will commence within days. All the afore mentioned is testimony to our own commitment to you and your business. And therefore, I will work, sacrifice, endure and fight cheerfully to assist in your progress”, said Mayor Francis.

Miss Velda Joseph, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Equity, Social Justice, Local Government and Empowerment also made remarks on behalf of the Minister Hon. Lenard Montoute.

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