

## **HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY 2003**

The Household Expenditure Survey conducted by the Statistical Institute of Jamaica will collect information on the changes in the consumption pattern of the target population. In February 2003, interviewers from the Statistical Institute of Jamaica will visit an estimated 10500 households across the island.

The questionnaires that will be used in the Survey include questions about the sum of money expended on consumer goods and services including groups of items such as: food, clothing and shelter. There will also be questions about how income is derived to make these purchases.

The information that is provided in the Household Expenditure Survey will be treated with the strictest confidence. The data from the survey will be used to revise the weighting pattern and the 'basket' of consumer goods and services.