







Protect our cocoa industry







Keep Frosty Pod Rot out of Trinidad & Tobago

What is it?

Frosty Pod Rot is a disease of cocoa caused by the fungus, Moniliophthora roreri.

Distribution

The disease is present in:

- •Costa Rica Honduras Guatemala Belize
- •Nicaragua El Salvador Panama •Ecuador
- Colombia Peru Western Venezuela Mexico an

Spread

Can be spread by wind, water, the movement of infected pods, contaminated clothing, shoes, tools, vehicles, shipping containers and persons.

Impact

- Frosty Pod Rot reduces yield by 60-80% and could destroy the cocoa industry in Trinidad & Tobago **What can I do? I MUST:**
- Sanitize myself and my personal belongings <u>before leaving</u> any country where the disease is present.
- Not enter cocoa fields in Trinidad and Tobago for <u>at least one month</u> upon my return to Trinidad & Tobago.
- Not bring cocoa pod/beans/plants from ANY country into Trinidad and Tobago.

BE VIGILANT!

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