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Women, youth and religious leaders commit to peace and development

Women, youths and religious leaders have expressed their commitment to work towards the promotion of ethnic peace and good relations in their communities and Guyana as a whole.

The commitment came at meetings held earlier this week which brought together representatives of the three groups.

The meetings which were organized by the Ethnic Relations Commission (ERC) sought the support of the groups for the advancement of peace and development.

The Commission recognizes that the two are clearly linked and neither can be achieved without the other.

According to Chairman of the ERC Bishop Juan Edghill, Guyanese from all walks of life need to feel that they have a role to play in national life.

The meetings saw the establishment of working groups that will mobilise and plan for larger group conversations.

The national conversation for women is scheduled for August 8, the religious community August 9 and youth August 10, 2006.

These conversations will bring together the widest cross-section of representation of the groups to share their views and design action plans for community and national development and for the promotion of good relations.

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