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PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION
ASKED BY

MR. DWAYNE SEYMOUR
ELECTED MEMBER FOR BODDEN TOWN EAST

TO

HON. KATHERINE EBANKS-WILKS
MINISTER OF HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY

QUESTION:

Can the Honourable Minister please advise the public when the long-awaited Sargassum plan will be delivered to this Honourable House?

ANSWER:

Mister Speaker, I wish to thank the Honourable Member for the question.

My Ministry is progressing the draft National Sargassum Response Plan to ensure it reflects a more comprehensive and proactive approach, with a strong emphasis on prevention and early intervention alongside the current reactive response measures.

This work is informed by research into available solutions and lessons learned across the region, with the objective of ensuring that our National Sargassum Response Plan goes beyond simply responding to impacts post-landfall.

Mister Speaker, while no single measure will eliminate the challenge we face in dealing with sargassum entirely, our approach is designed to reduce its impact on our coastal communities and our natural environment.

In the meantime, I wish to inform the Honourable Member for Bodden Town East that the existing inter-agency response arrangements remain in place, and Departments, such as the Department of Environment, will continue to provide guidance and support to affected landowners while advancing a coordinated national response to this recurring issue.

Thank you, Mister Speaker.