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Director of PSRU Facilitates Ministry of Information and Civic Education Annual Retreat in Bonthe

Bonthe Island, 2nd February, 2026: The Director of the Public Sector Reform Unit (PSRU), Mr. Sulaiman Phoray Musa, has served as a facilitator at the Ministry of Information and Civic Education's two-day annual retreat, held at the District Council Hall on Bonthe Island on Monday, 3rd February 2026.

The retreat, held under the theme "From Information to Transformation and Strengthening Civic Education," highlighted the shift from merely disseminating information to empowering citizens with the knowledge, skills, and confidence needed to actively participate in governance processes.

The theme underscores the importance of converting awareness into action by fostering critical thinking, constructive engagement, and accountability, thereby promoting an informed, responsible, and participatory society.

During his PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Phoray Musa elucidated the relevance of accurate and timely information, emphasizing the need for information to be transmitted in the correct sequence to ensure clarity and trust.

He underscored that misinformation and disinformation have the potential to spur conflict and social instability, noting that the Ministry bears a significant responsibility in safeguarding the information space and promoting national cohesion.

He further outlined the key functions of the Ministry of Information and Civic Education, including its role as a sector representative on the Boards of Ministries, Departments, and Agencies (MDAs) where critical decisions are taken.

He added that the Ministry also plays a strategic role in facilitating networking opportunities and attracting both local and foreign investment in information dissemination and civic education initiatives.

Concluding his presentation, Director Phoray-Musa highlighted the Ministry's Key Priority Areas, with particular emphasis on strategic policy guidance as well as policy formulation and

implementation, which he described as essential to strengthening democratic governance and public trust.

The Minister of Information and Civic Education, Hon. Chernor Bah, applauded the Director for what he described as a cogent and insightful presentation.

He noted that the Management and Functional Review (MFR) conducted by PSRU in previous years has significantly contributed to the Ministry's improved performance and institutional effectiveness.

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The Public Sector Reform Unit (PSRU) provides leadership, coordination, and technical backstopping in the strategic design, development, implementation, monitoring, evaluation, and reporting of all public sector reform initiatives. Its mission is to facilitate the creation of a lean, performance-oriented, highly motivated, modern, and efficient Public Service that delivers high-quality services to the people of Sierra Leone in a timely and cost-effective manner.



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