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Q6 - Please select the response which best describes you

I am a Trinbagonian living in Trinidad and Tobago

I am a Trinbagonian living outside of Trinidad and Tobago

I am an immigrant living in Trinidad and Tobago

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East Trinidad
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Central Trinidad
Tobago
Other
Prefer not to answer

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Q8 - Are you familiar with the events of the 1990 coup attempt?

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Q9 - At the time of the July 1990 coup, did you consider that event to be an act of terrorism by the Jamaat al Muslimeen? Why did you feel that way?

Yes
They claimed to be the legitimate authority of Trinidad and Tobago after overthrowing the elected government
They attempted to overthrow a democratically elected government through insurgency.

No

Prefer not to answer
They limited citizens access to our country's resources for the period of duress in a forceful/military manner.

It was an attempt to overthrow a democratically elected government.

They held the country to ransom, stormed parliament and illegally used firearms.

Attempting to overthrow a democratically elected government violently is pretty much terrorism.

Our country was under siege! Our city was set alight, lawlessness reigned, it was traumatic.

lives were lost

The purpose of a coup as I understand, is a somewhat protest, in order to get rid of the current govt, in order to establish a better one for the respective country ONLY for the purpose of betterment. Mr Bakr displayed that he only wants war.

I was trapped in the hall of justice and witnessed the burning of the Red House

The events instilled fear throughout the country for a substantial period

Because the highest office of the country and members of parliament were held at gun point. Demands were made in exchange for release of prisoners and other material and social demands were made.

It was terrorism to the country. We were prisoners in our homes. It was an attack on the nation.

well it caused our family a great deal of anxiety, it also caused isolation of our family after

at the time I was young but was sensible enough to identify 'criminal' behavior. I was not familiar with 'terrorism' until it was defined in my later years

It fits the description of use of intentionally indiscriminate violence as a means to create terror or fear, in order to achieve a political, religious or ideological aim

The way they carry out their act. Guns and violence

There was the sense of not knowing what was going to happen next; fear of the unknown and of violence.

Armed force on police headquarters, parliament and national tv station.

They were clearly responsible - held country to ransom

The lives of many citizens were lost and were at risk

overthrowing a democratically elected government IS terrorism

Because there were illegal guns and violence involved

Act of terrorism because, while they held some good intentions to themselves, there was gross violence and lawlessness. They encouraged fear and did not have a justifiable purpose in creating chaos, panic and fear for an entire nation.

Because it was an illegal attempt to overthrow the government with force and instilled fear in the citizenry.
Yes

It was well planned, armed, coordinated and executed. Loss of life was integral to the plan (not collateral). The idea was to use brute force and violence to illicit a strong fear response from the government and population so that the group could take control and push their fringe agenda.

Because it was a situation where the calculated use of violence and threat of violence against civilians, was applied in order to bring about change of a political nature.

I was 9 years old at the time, but armed men shooting the Prime Minister and shutting down the government seemed like an illegal act by force and thus, terrorism.

Q9_2_TEXT - Maybe

Maybe

To young to understand the terminology but felt something bad happened.

Between 2 minds with this, but I think their action was more a frustrated reaction to the issues that was happening in government and the economy at that time.

I was very young at the time, and I don’t think I was very familiar with the concept. Perhaps I other people describing it that way though.

I made the assumption that the religious group had never before presented a material threat to the country and therefore assumed external forces were involved.

The Parliament and its members were held hostage at gun point, lives were lost and military action had to be taken to resolve.

I was very young at the time but when I came to understand what terrorism was, I recognised it as such.

I was bit young at the time to full comprehend what terrorism was.

I was too young to give it a label or to remember.

To me, at that time ‘terrorism’ was a reference to acts committed far away and not something I would have associated with anyone in TT.

I was only 11, and didn’t have an appreciation at the time of what terrorism meant exactly. I just knew the act was wrong, and was an attack on my government, my country and my civil liberties.

At that age I probably wasn’t knowledgeable about much terrorist acts n the meaning behind it, but knew it was associated with illegal activity against the state.

I am not sure whether its aim was to create an atmosphere of terror or to bring about a political change. Is the purpose of terror to instill fear in the heart of others? Not sure what the definition is.

Q9_3_TEXT - No

No

Not terrorism (which also was not as topical time), but Because it was an unlawful attempt to take control of the country’s leadership.
My views at that time were closed as I did not have an appreciation of terrorism.

never considered a revolution as an act of terrorism.

Did not know the meaning of Terrorism, was 6 years at that point in time.

Terrorism is the use of intentional indiscriminate violence as a means to create terror, in order to achieve an ideological aim. Where as the coup was rather intentional and direct attempt in retaliation to the belief that the then governement was being oppressive. Therefore, it was simply a coup d'etat.

Felt it wad a social uprising

It was an attempt to take over the government and also to create a Muslim state.

Too young to understand

I saw it as a coup d'etat

I was a little child then and I didn't know what terrorism was. Also "terrorism" only really became a mainstream word after 2001

I was too young to understand what was happening (5 years old)

My concept of terrorism is based on purpose - was the coup intended to simply cause terror? I don't think so. There was a primary purpose of the coup - to obtain land rights for a religious sect that had decided to militarise. They had militarised prior to the coup, anecdotally, and wanted their power felt when things weren't going their way with regards to the land dispute.

I viewed it as an insurrection or coup d'etat, not terrorism; that in the view of the Jamaat al Muslimeen was precipitated by "social conditions" in their view

Terrorism was not a known concept in Trinidad at the time. No one thought that anything of that nature would ever happen in Trinidad and Tobago. Simply because terrorism was not such buzz word then. Similarly, the media did not label it as such to my recollection either.

I was quite young at the time so was unable to form an opinion.

I was too young to understand the notion of terrorism (it was simply called a coup d'?tat), but did understand that they inflicted terror.

To young to understand what terrorism was back then.

I was only three at the time, however I have since come to the conclusion that it was an act of domestic terrorism.

I was too young to understand terrorism

I was only 4 years old. Now as an adult, it could be deemed an act of terrorism.

I was too young to fully comprehend the matter.
Q11 - Looking back on the coup now, do you consider it an act of terrorism? Why do you feel this way?

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Q11.1_TEXT - Yes

Yes

The country was under siege by a group of persons, the PM, Red House etc. Acts of violence

See previous response
It was meant to destroy government and cause turmoil in the country.

It fits my understanding of the term.

There is no other way to describe it.

It was an act of terrorism. The results of a number of deaths due to the events confirmed this view.

Overthrowing of an elected government. Innocent lives were lost as a consequence.

They held the country to ransom, stormed parliament and illegally used firearms.

Because they held our government to ransom.

It caused the retardation of our economic growth and harmed our standing in the international community.

lives were lost

/IT WAS AN ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROM THE ELECTED GOVERNMENT

It instilled fear throughout the country for a long time.

This situation would have been well planned, would have required skilled training and preparation, the country was under siege.

What else would one call violence with the aim of toppling a democratically elected government?

Yes it will always be terrorism. Locked up in your homes, hearing shooting & cannons going off, the repercussions of the coup - the looting, fires, destruction all around, lives lost. Our nation changed that day.

It held the country hostage.

Their aim to overthrow the government for the sake of the country was one which inflicted inordinate amounts of terror among citizens.

The group’s goal was to overthrow the government. Terror was a tool used to achieve that goal.

i have clearly established the idea of terrorism and the coup, for the most part, seems to fit the idea of terrorism

Because, in my opinion, terrorism is literally an act resulting in terror to the masses - this fit that definition.

stated in question before

It was a deliberate effort to remove the sitting government through violent means.

Disruption to the natural order of the state and government and threat to democracy and the entire country!

Act of opposition against laws of land without cause.
Yes

There is a way to address anything and they way the Muslims addresses their concern with killing and bombing...to me that is terrorism.

One aspect of terrorism is enforcing one’s ideals on others through force and threat of injury or death.

Armed force

Many lives were lost

innocent lives were lost as a result, there were huge costs to the state and infrastructural destruction.

It fits all of the definition of the word. It was a coup aimed at terrorising the people and overthrowing the government.

They held the nation at ransom. They did what they felt and did not serve a higher purpose by their actions, it was self-fuelled. I feel this way because they have in fact terrorised and scarred an entire nation and walked away without a scratch except for a bad name.

same

Same as previous question

Even though the coup was allegedly a response to social ills, it was an attempt to overthrow a secular system of government and impose sharia law through an act of violence.

It was a violent attempt to overthrow a democratically elected government. The Jamaat used weapons and employed hostile tactics such as keeping hostages and issuing demands attendant with threats if they were not met.

Yes, I do. But I also feel that in present times, acts of terrorism are more so acts performed to express a particular religious view and I don’t see the events of 1990 as a response to that.

Because the Jamat utilised the unlawful use of force and violence to storm the Red House - the seat of the Republic’s Government, whilst it was in session, in order to coerce the Government of the day to meet its demands.

The force used to try to usurp the government and the situation thereafter.

Terror tactics were used to propagate their agenda

I was five at the time I didn’t really understand what terrorism was or meant

I was affected and my human rights were deprived, especially freedom of movement

Because it was a violent, unlawful act meant to disrupt lawful and normal political processes in Trinidad

They held the country hostage but attempting to overthrow the government at that time.

Q11_2_TEXT - No

No

No. It was not to terrorise, but to take over leadership, a longer term vision.
Terrorism is the use of intentional indiscriminate violence as a means to create terror, in order to achieve an ideological aim. Where as the coup was rather intentional and direct attempt in retaliation to the belief that the then gorment was being oppressive. Therefore, it was simply a coup d'etat.

Working at the time the government had several economic policies that constrained my salary.

The only acts of 'terror' were in the armed attempt to take power. Before and after that, there were no actions taken by the group that I would describe as 'terrorism' as I understand it.

no, it was a group who attempted to overthrow the government or a sovereign state. There is no concise definition of terrorism.

Same answer as prior question.

It was defined as an insurrection by expert opinion. To me the 1970 coup was the context to frame the conversation - "this has happened before to us".

attempt to overthrow govt

Civil unrest or insurrection against the governing power

I believe the aim of terrorism is to instil fear and destabilize a society. I believe the Coup was intended, whether 'right' or 'wrong', to have a better governing system and society.

Q11.3_TEXT - Maybe

Maybe

I am perhaps prejudiced by investigative reporting and documentaries subsequent that provided information that may infer that the coup defined as terrorism may be seen justifiably by another as not necessarily one. It depends what side of the coin one's education, information and perspective is.

I consider "fear" to be chief component of terrorism. And since the perpetrators targeted the government and not the population, this was a failed insurrection.

Depends what the definition of terrorism is being used. Currently if a similar event takes place anywhere in the world, the term coup is still used.

I just heard about it, don't really know the story

The reality was one of fear across many of the population. Had it worked it may not have been the same - just a successful coup and regime change.

Q11.4_TEXT - Neutral

Neutral

It seems base both on the legitimate hardships of the time interfused with a religious agender.

I am of the view that it was a frustrated reaction, as they probably believed that they were not being heard OR that solutions to the issues of the day were not introduced and enforced fast enough.
I honestly never thought about it as an act of terrorism. I am certain that my view of the word "terrorism" has been shaped by global media. As such, I admit that I associate "terrorism" with larger, more influential countries than ours.
Q12 - Between July 11th and October 14th 2005 there were 4 bombings in Trinidad and Tobago almost a month apart to the day each time. Three of these took place in the capital, Port of Spain and one in the town of St. James. Do you recall these events?

1. Yes - I recall the events of the bombings from firsthand experience, memory and subsequent media coverage
2. Yes - I am familiar with the events of the bombings mainly from media coverage and oral tradition (word of mouth)
3. No - I was too young at the time and/or I am not familiar with the events of the bombings
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Q13 - At the time of the 2005 bombings, did you consider those events to be an acts of terrorism? Why did you feel that way?

Yes

Maybe

No

Prefer not to answer

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Q13.1.TEXT - Yes

Yes

These were more sprodic and meant to cause fear and panic (and harm as they did).

It was designed to cause instability in the country by an organized element with an unknown agenda

Because it could of destabilize the norm of the country
Yes

They were meant to injure innocent people.

Yes. Citizens were being terrorized by a coward who anonymously placed bombs in public areas. Citizens were afraid to venture into public places.

Some type of explosives were used and innocent people were injured.

They attempted to harm the general public

Had a sense of unease as this is too near to home

It seemed that way as that type of incident only happened in countries with internal conflict that you would only see in the news.

It terrorised the national community

These attacks were indiscriminate as a means to create terror or fear, to what aim or goal I’m not sure.

There was no sense of social challenges that people were speaking about.

It was designed to bring fear and disorder to the populace. It was also used as a way to show the inadequacy of the government at the time and show that they didn’t have control.

The goal in and of itself seemed to be to spread fear and undermine a sense of safety and security.

Because it fit the definition of terrorising the masses.

Use of intentionally indiscriminate violence as a means to create terror or fear.

There was no ownership of the bombings but all it caused was unease and wariness among the population, which to my mind is the purpose behind terrorism.

To me bombs are tools of terror.

The capital is quite busy and anyone planting a bomb there is trying to send a message to the authorities.

More frightening than not knowing when and where the next event would occur, was the absence of the "why", no one claimed responsibility nor reason.

Use of explosives on general population

threatened the safety of innocent citizens and the perpetrators are not prosecuted by law, they reign free.

These occurred post-911 (of course) when the term terrorism was widely in use. Second, these were not attempts to take over the government and so one could argue that they were in a different category.

Because of the use of bombs which is not a usual occurrence in Trinidad.

they were orchestrated as a distraction and to create panic among the citizens.

Yes because it was a threat to the citizens.
Yes

Coordinated events with the intent of using fear and loss of life or injury to destabilize the country

It was the year of the 7/7 bombing and we were on edge, plus I learned to be wary of unrest in POS

It was again an unlawful use of force by persons unknown to cause fear to members of the public - regardless of whether the person's aim or goal was communicated clearly or not.

Was a very random act experienced here and I believe some of the incidents occurred close to the anniversary date of the coup. It raised eyebrows and comparisons could be made to bombings in other cities throughout the world

The aim was initially unclear and the outcome was increased levels of fear across the population

I was older. I knew exactly what it feels like to be attacked due to the loss of a family member in 9/11

These acts were used to excite public chaos and instill fear in the public

Q13.2_TEXT - Maybe

Maybe

No one claimed responsibility. Could tell if it was due to mischief from delinquent youths or defacto terrorist. Also the explosions were small.

Mainly because it made citizens uncomfortable, us trinidadians being so carefree, the events may have brought about unwarranted discomfort

I don't recall.

Not sure what the motivation was. Seemed more criminal than political.

It appeared to be a copy cat of activities in the USA

It can be considered an act of terror, believe the acts may have been separate individuals and not of any one group

It was scary and I didn't know what to think.

There was an effect in the north but I don't think the feeling spread to the entire country as did the coup.

I do not have enough information to say

I felt at the time that it was originally terrorism but then the following ones were just copycat acts and idleness. Also even the politicians treated it lightly, "I know who Mr. Big is".

I also thought it was trinidadians trying to see what they can get away with as the government is so lax

May due to the fact of what took place years before with the coup. I personally was a bit uneasy and wondered if it was another uprising in the making

I thought it could have been terror acts given the global trend of terrorism that was growing. However it could have simply been fools testing out their capacity and arms, our nation had not had a great deal of people willing to die for any cause. Maybe they just wanted to see what would happen and the response that would ensue.
Maybe

Only because of hearsay... I was already out of the country.

At the time there was only speculation being reported and no hard evidence, in my opinion.

Our country didn't seem like the type of place for terrorists at the time. There was also no organisation claiming responsibility etc. And no seemingly attached behaviour by anyone..

Because I thought the perpetrators were actually practising/ honing their skills, instead of attempting to use those incidents as a means of bringing about social change. They succeeded in creating chaos, but I believe that had someone with more sinister intentions been behind the acts, then they would have used more sophisticated and highly-explosive weaponry.

Q13_3_TEXT - No

No

considered it to be not a well planned event

If one was to use the current definition of terrorism then the inference would be that there was no subsequent political leverage attempted by an group or person

seemed like pranks

I thought they were copycat activities with no specific outcomes desired other that mischief

No group, as far as I recall, claimed responsibility to show a link to terrorism.

The aim of the bomber was unclear. It seemed more like a psychological issue.

I don't think it was terrorism. I think it was just a "follow fashion" from the bombings that was similarly taking place in England in the train stations around the same time.

it was simply bombings. The western definition of terrorism need to be defined , before it can be attached to the 4 bombings

sounded more like mischeif

I never considered the bombings to be anything serious and did not realise that there were as many as four. I was in London when the first bombing occurred and the only reason that I remember it is because it happened immediately after the July 7th bombing in London. The bombing in London affected me more as I witnessed it on TV and was directly affected by it - King's Cross wasn't far from where I was staying, travel plans were disrupted, family members' lives were disrupted. I saw the local (T and T) bombings as pranks that imitated the London events. I do empathise with those affected by the local bombings.
Q14 - Looking back on the bombings now, do you consider them to be acts of terrorism?

Why do you feel this way?

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Q14_1_TEXT - Yes

Yes

Same as before. Isolated, random acts.

News of terrorism was all over the media, terrorism became real
Yes

Because it could have destabilize the country

It fits my definition of the term.

These events were designed to instill fear and injure innocent people.

Explosives were set off during peak hours in heavy pedestrian traffic areas. Innocent people were injured and traumatized.

They attempted to harm the general public.

Had a sense of unease as if this was too close to home.

Even more so now the events at that time was targeted at affecting our normal way of life it seems as it made citizens feel unsafe and helpless in their regular routine.

It terrorized the national community.

These attacks were indiscriminate as a means to create terror or fear, to what aim or goal I'm not sure.

It felt like the perpetrators were just trying to make people fearful.

1 person was injured.

Because people were intentionally injured, destabilizing the psyche of the population appeared to be the intent and I believe it was achieved.

It made the citizens fearful.

The goal in and of itself seemed to be to spread fear and undermine a sense of safety and security.

Same as before.

Use of intentionally indiscriminate violence as a means to create terror or fear.

Same as prior answer.

I see bombs as tools of terror.

Someone or some persons intended to manipulate the population and authorities through fear.

Maim with intention to hurt or kill citizens.

It threatened the well-being of innocent citizens and no one was apprehended for the crimes. Unjustifiable actions on the part of the perpetrators.

Same reason as previously stated.

They created fear in citizens.

One civilian was badly injured, it created revenue losses, distrust, and insecurity.
Yes

Yes I still do because my view is the same as the last question

Same as previous answer

Going back to the definition of terrorism, I believe the bombs were meant to instil fear and inflict pain

Same reason as before

They were placed in a public place to cause harm

As before

They were strategic and used as a tactic to instil fear

Q14.2(TEXT - No

No

No validation for terrorism. Terrorist wants you to be in fear of their cause for the process to work. But no one claim responsibility.

There was no subsequent claiming of responsibility by those who did it nor was there any political leverage sought

Same answer as for previous question.

Same

England was experiencing some bombings in their train stations around the same time. I think some lunatic over here wanted to follow fashion the same thing & see people's reaction

No, see previous response

I thought it was people trying to see what they can get away with

no group ever claimed - no cause attached - fizzled out

I still don't feel that I take them seriously.

By some luck there have been no further bombings, although the murder rate fluctuates and our people are dying.

Q14.3(TEXT - Maybe

Maybe

Mainly because of the discomfort to the citizenry
i still do not have information to be able to say with certainty

Dont know all the facts

I am still uncertain as to the true cause of those events and I do not recall there ever being any definitive answers released.

They were a clear and calculated use of violence, so in that sense, yes. But since that time, no other bombings have occurred, even in the face of increased recruitment to ISIS by nationals.

Unless it was a copycat type act, it was considered possible training exercises by any groups considering to challenge the authorities.

It depends... if the ultimate goal of terrorism is to affect some sort of social or political change, then the perpetrators accomplished nothing.

No one claimed responsibility, no real resolution was brought to the case, and the incident occurred in isolation. It may have just been normal Trinidad crime.

I don't think I am informed enough to comment objectively, but given developments since then, they could very well be.
Q12 - If your opinions about either the 1990 coup or the 2005 bombings have changed in the time between their occurrence and today – why do you think that you feel differently now?

If your opinions about either the 1990 coup or the 2005 bombings have changed...

The latter is more topical and relevant to wider world events at the moment, but my feelings are the same.

My opinion about the "Events" has not changed BUT I am caution and vigilant in the current socio-economic environment currently being experienced.

Terrorism is seem all over the World now, prior, Muslim countries were the ones affected or maybe just reported in the Media.

I cannot recall the bombings however my views on the coup remain as is.

I am older, and I am more familiar and well informed with the concept and definition of terrorism

They have not changed.

I think to coup changed some things

No it has not changed

As mentioned earlier, I maintain that it was illegal. Though there were subsequent inquiries and investigative journalistic coverage that would allow a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago the ability to be more of an advocate in the particular event, it was still illegal. Another method could have been easily used to make your point rather than an attack on the seat of parliament and the only television station.

Has not changed

No, they remain the same.

Yes, for the 1990 coup, I believe, I have greater understanding of world issues and only in hindsight it seems all to clear how lucky we are to have remained a free nation, many countries with similar internal conflict usually escalates to a total erosion of democracy and usually take very long to recover, the Internet allows us to see many countries terrible incidents unfold in real time, this allow us to have those comparisons

No change.

I dont feel different from my original opinion on either incidence

My opinions have not changed

Any act that compromises the freedom / liberty is an act of terrorism

My opinion hasn't changed.

Have not changed
If your opinions about either the 1990 coup or the 2005 bombings have changed...

I do not have a different opinion from my first opinion.

The current situation has become what could be considered the 'Norm' I myself although saddened by recent events am not surprised when heard of via the media reports, alot of misguided youths can be easily persuaded to get involved especially if they are being paid to do so.

No change.

I still feel the same way - my feelings have not changed

They haven't changed

No

They haven't changed.

Only my opinions of the coup have changed and it is because I am older and more knowledgeable about "terrorism" in general.

no

Only the coup for reasons previously stated

Nothing has changed - things have pretty much remained the same in the country.

We often consider terrorism to be a foreign concept, not associating it with Trinidad and Tobago but looking back on it now, it is very much an act of terrorism as these occurrences among many others have shaped how we live daily. You have be careful where you lime, be careful which areas you drive through, always looking over your shoulder etc. These occurrences have introduced a heightened sense of paranoia.

It is hard to trust the media reports

No change

My family who lived in TNT at time felt eminent danger. They did not agree with the bombings or coup.

I just feel it has created a means for the public to again do what they want with no repercussions

No - my opinions are the same

Growing up changes your perspective from that of a child with limited knowledge and experience to that of an informed and educated adult

In 1990, we were a naive nation in many respects, and had a more limited global view within which to contextualize the attempted coup. Now, in the era of globalization and internet, the majority of persons here can see terrorism tactics for what they are: an attempt to destabilize the establishment (be it government or shared values/norms) and sometimes also to install the prefered group.

What stands out for me is the lack of consequence. Following those events (both 1990 and 2005) no one was held responsible. Lives were lost, people were injured, property was destroyed - and no one was made to answer for it. Public trust in the effectiveness of the investigative and security services has been further eroded. While criminal elements have become further emboldened.

have not changed my opinion
If your opinions about either the 1990 coup or the 2005 bombings have changed...

I would be inclined to define the coup as terrorism today for a number of reasons. First, the term is applied more broadly now and in my opinion this is related to post 9-11 narratives. Second, personally there is a time lapse for me because I was quite young at the time of the coup and at University during the bombings. Naturally, my world views changed within that time frame.

It hasn't changed

No change

No my opinion hasn't changed one bit. I still think it may one day have another couple or an uprising because of the amount of crime and unsolved murders taking place.

No my opinion has not changed

It's didn't change but if it did it might have to do with the government and they say things are handled in this country

My opinions have changed. At the time I took the coup as an isolated event by disgruntled thugs, (and I do believe their trial was a farce). Now I realise that they are an organised group working to indoctrinate more and more Muslims into segregation from the greater society, and they use the pretext of religion to create cohesion among themselves and further isolate. There is also a global force and support, so I think they are more dangerous today. I was not familiar with the 2005 bombings you speak of, but I think those events support my point.

My opinions have not changed.

No change of feeling. 1990 coup, 2005 bombings- both acts of terrorism against innocent people.

I felt the same way then and now.

They are the same

In 2005 I was a teenager and less aware of the workings of society and politics both internationally and at home. My view on the 1990 coup has not changed; I was 8 months old at the time, but since learning about the coup attempt in primary school, I always considered it a terrible thing to do to government and country, even before I learned the meaning of the word "terrorism".

I have not spent most of my life living in Trinidad, although I live here now. As such, my knowledge and opinion of the events were gained/formed after they occurred.

Did not live in Trinidad during the 2005 bombings and do not view the coup as an act of terrorism.

The very nature of the attacks constitutes terrorism in the sense that they were violent and intent on creating destruction and mayhem. The coup was a reaction to a perceived incompetent and corrupt government rather than a manifestation of religious dominance and aggression for the sake of fulfilling any fundamental tenet of that religion. Thus, it is a contrast to terrorist acts committed by other Islamic organisations as it is was enacted for the purposes of attaining political and institutional power and not in the name of Islam.

I'm more mature in my thinking, I'm more knowledgeable about the facts and events and am generally more intelligent and aware now than I was then.

Because I am older and more capable of understanding the country's social & economic circumstances at that time, and I am also able to better understand as an adult, the consequences of the coup and the impact it had on citizens. Over the years, I was also able to befriend members of the Jamaat al Muslimeen and I became exposed to their feelings and experiences from that time.

They have not changed.
If your opinions about either the 1990 coup or the 2005 bombings have changed...

More information available now than when they first occurred, especially 1990 as I was very young. Civil unrest due to a variety of factors can persuade planned acts of violence mimicking those we witness. Too often in other countries (France, UK, USA, Middle East etc).

The 1990 attempted coup by a certain Muslim group seems almost to be a precursor of the terrorist activities that are being done in the name of Islam today.

No.

There was no state of emergency in the 2005 bombing, also there was no threat made to the current government.

They haven't changed.

1990 I was very young and didn't understand the concept of terrorism as I now do as an adult.
Q13 - How does the idea of Trinidad and Tobago nationals fighting in ISIS make you feel? Please select all that apply.

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Q15 - Why do you feel that way?

I am not surprised that some youth would be caught up in the radical ideology. But my beliefs are that there are much bigger games at play re ISIS and terrorism on the whole. The fighters are just pawns.

I believe we easily allow persons/culture/ideology to dictate who we are as individuals (Trinbagonians) a lot. We give in to influence to easily instead of being the ones doing the influencing.

Trinidad and Tobago will now be know as a terrorist country. Citizens will be viewed differently, opportunities will become less

Its religious fanaticism that could return to our country with improved capability to spread the the destructive message of the caliphate

This means that there are terrorists within my own country. People who might use what they learned here in divisive ways. I also oppose ISIS, and I am not happy my own countrymen are assisting them. Finally this paints our country in a negative light which could affect us in so many ways - business, travel restrictions, economy etc.

Isis is a radical group.

Because isis is a blatant misuse of religion for purposes of greed and power

I have no regards for ISIS...there is no religion that teaches kill

They are bringing shame upon their countrymen and do not understand the words of Allah

If the reasoning or thought process for ISIS’ existence is premised and originated from a person’s or group’s overriding sense that their country’s sovereignty has been compromised to such a degree that the only way they can be part of a solution is to instill fear by means of violence then it must be that the state of compromise or decay is beyond an alternative reparative solution. That cannot be said for Trinidad. Fundamentalism and Islam have intertwined in the minds of some groups either unilaterally or by coercement. It is the latter that might indicate a great weakness to rationalise independently and therefore this is why the concern, annoyance and disgust arise.

It is worrisome that persons in my country can be convinced to accept falsities

Things learned outside can be adopted here.

How can one reintergrate into our organized society with our laws when the place you went to fight had extreme violence as the rule of law and death by public killings for those who did not conform. That societal norm once learnt, will now mean, this is your new belief and your way of life, so how does one fit back into our way of life. Unless a person can answer for a crimes against humanity, I must be worried, because this person does not see this as being wrong, it is now their belief, when that person returns, wouldn't our way of life, now make us the enemy.

I'm worried about next they return home!

ISIS is a terrorist organization, who follow the extremist interpretation of Islam, promoting religious violence against all who do not agree with their ideology. Therefore, any link to that kind of organization will eventually create an insurgence within the country.

Their actions risk tarnishing the whole country

This country has enough to deal with. If that's their mentality, then I'm glad they left. Can't imagine what they would do or have done here. Glad to get rid of them more or less.
Why do you feel that way?

Isis should not be supported in any way

As a muslim, I do not believe in war.

I believe that our ignorance is being used to easily influence those who do not know better. We are not known to be very committed to any cause. Similar to the manipulation by South American drug cartels.

Because most people have a tendency to go back to their home. If your home is Trinidad and Tobago then I expect that some percentage of these persons will make their way back to these shores. If they do and they spread their ideology to their family and friends here the outcome is not likely to be a positive one. Hence I am concerned if we do not have a plan in place to address this inevitable reality.

The current situation is very serious and will get worse as the membership grows.

These young men, converts to Islam, were brainwashed and encouraged to go. There was also an element of them having issues fitting in to our society because of their criminal activity, low education levels, lack of opportunity for employment even though some did not fit that profile. Angry because it paints our country in a bad light and because it may cause others to go. Worried because they may come back here, our authorities seem hamstrung in planning how to deal with those who attempted to go and have returned, and with the training they have received, they will pose a national threat. As they have links with a terrorist organisation, they will likely perform terrorist acts against companies, embassies and other foreign interests here. I will not leave out acts against the State.

Although we get the rigmarole about unoccupied young men being "vulnerable" to radicalization, what about their circumstance justifies their actions? Did anyone bomb them? Were they starving? Whether or not the culture of their subgroup(s) failed to direct them how to be productive, I reject the notion that there exists some utilitarian reason for their choice. Their decision to become terrorists is almost purely ideological, which makes it all the more despicable.

I feel angry, cause I believe the people in ISIS first & foremost are doing it because it is a means of earning a livelihood for themselves & their family. It is a means of leaving Trinidad & going to a more developed country for their family. I feel scared because these idiots can return to Trinidad, better trained in handling arms & ammunition than before they left & look to start a war here against whatever/whoever might trigger them off the wrong way.

Because there is a lack of national identity with these so called terrorists. They are lambs to slaughter, the same fever they feel could be channeled to inspiring constructive change in our own country.

They seem so misguided that they have made a beautiful religion seem out of touch and barbaric.

Persons have the right to choose their religion and cause. I may not agree with their actions, but socialization and lack of proper parenting, looking for love and acceptance may be some of the reasons they made those choices.

Because the reasons for their involvement doesn't seem to match their religion or circumstance.

ISIS is based on a clear and disturbing ideology and I am surrounded by people who ascribe to it.

Because it seems as if they are largely being fooled about reasons to fight and also, I feel as if they haven't formulated well-informed opinions about the state of our country. They operate simply on their own experience which, though it may be true to them, is not an accurate representation of the state of the nation at large. The cite discrimination (to oversimplify) as their reason, but the general attitude toward Islam in our country is FAR different from the US. It seems more like a bunch of disgruntled youth who, rather than figuring out and dealing with their issues, would rather run off to fight someone else's war. It also speaks to the attitude toward youth in our country.

because people could be so stupid

It's really stupid.

Worry that they could bring these radical ideals home.
Why do you feel that way?

The world doesn't need more people contributing to hate, but Trinidadians always have to disappoint and follow the crowd, we seem to be an island of followers.

So much going in in this country at varying levels. Politically motivated? Long term plan? Who knows anymore.

I think that ISIS, either through local or foreign recruiters, target the poor and disadvantaged who want a purpose and a brotherhood and some greater cause than what their own community and country is currently offering. They want persons to be cannon fodder, and only those who do not truly understand what they are signing up for are willing to be cannon fodder. I am angry because our nation should not have the amount of poor and disadvantaged persons and communities we do have, an easy resource to be swayed and used by those just looking for power and money, and the blame lies squarely on corrupt politicians and public institutions.

They have no reason to adopt this cause.

The movement uses the guise of religion to commit vile and disgusting acts. They are a disgrace to religion everywhere. They are a disgrace to the name of God. I am ashamed that our Nationals could be so easily fooled into joining what is a reprehensible group. We have free education up to tertiary level, I can understand your susceptibility if you were some poor uneducated person in a very poor country, but our people have no such excuse.

We are supposed to be a loving nation. But instead some are easily influenced with ignorance to fight another man's battle

1. What they are doing is wrong in my opinion. 2. It feels like they are thrill seekers that aren't able to get their kicks within the confines of Trinibagonian society. 3. They are giving my country of birth a bad image...the peter pays for paul principle.

I like coming home to my family and friends but worry about the crime, quality of health care, adequacy of emergency services (should they be required) and the safety of my children when visiting.

Generations of our leaders have failed to address issues at the core. The mentality of persons AND the physical shortfalls that allow persons to become interested in serving ISIS, must be addressed.

What's going on in our society that allows for this ideology to flourish? Who is spreading it? And what motivates our nationals to answer the call? This is a pervasive theme in T&T - so many questions, so few answers.

Our citizens party to such horrible violence and terrorism

Cause ISIS is associated with terrorism

I actually feel quite sad, but that wasn't an option. I think that ISIS like the muslims give these young people a sense of belonging and a cause to believe in. The hopelessness of disenfranchised populations in Trinidad is staggering, so I think that it is no wonder that they get involved in gangs and "cults" of this nature. It is sad because so many youth are consumed by their anger and these causes just add fuel to the fire. It is sad because as a Trinidadian you want to know how and why we reached this stage. To be honest a solution seems out of sight.

Because it can bring with it a worst impression of my country as opposed to how we are as a people

Concerned and angry that citizens of Trinidad, who live in a country where they are free to practice their religion without ridicule who decide to be part of a religious war. Worried because I don't want these terrorists to return to Trinidad. That's not the type of people I want living in a country with my family.

Religious fanaticism is the bane of human existence. Misguided young men are being recruited for nonsense

I'm not scared or worried because I think they don't leave with the intention of coming back and causing harm or going over there with the intention of killing innocent ppl. I don't judge what I don't know. Everyone has different beliefs. At the end of the day it's their choice and they are well aware of the risks and consequences involved
Why do you feel that way?

Because Isis are terrorist. No matter how much they try to use Islam as their front they are not Muslims and they do not stand for what Muslims believe.

Again, religion is being used as an excuse/rationale to terrorise. Personally I think anyone shown to leave TT to fight should be barred from return and stripped of rights as a citizen.

I generally detest violence and feel even more strongly towards large groups that perpetrate violence. I don't understand why people from our country feel that joining a violent, global fight is necessary. I think it's completely selfish as there is no possible way that it benefits them as individuals and it certainly does not benefit our country.

The philosophy of those who have gone to ISIS must be one that has had tremendous influence, even for people who I thought I knew as friends. What spurs them on? And what would stop them from acting out, if that philosophy then dictates that our nation should perish? It is disconcerting to say the least.

Because you don't know what attacks may be planned for T&T or what these people will do with their extensive training in terrorism. As well as i am worried about being labelled differently because i am trinidadian.

Anger at the fact that such a wealthy country could have members of its population who are so marginalized that extremist agendas become appealing. Our social Services and education systems, and our families have failed.

It kind of doesn't surprise me. For such a tiny country we often seem to have a disproportionate impact on things. And when it comes to crime, unfortunately, hearing that T&T nationals were involved just makes me roll my eyes.

One of my strongest opinions is that people should be allowed to get on with life, be who they are, do what they do - so long as they do no harm to others. As such, any group that seeks to harm others makes me feel strong negative emotions.

Scared because of implications for fellow Trinis who are innocent, because unfortunately in the world we live in "Peter pay for PAUL and PAUL pay for all". Trinidad being on the watch list is embarrassing. Angry because I wish these extremists "sheep" will realize they have nothing to gain, they don't automatically gain entrance into heaven by killing innocents. Seems like a case of "jumping on the bandwagon" just because... Then again I feel that way about all these religious zealots.

I believe there might be a real danger of those people returning here with the intent of inflicting terror in T&T as part of ISIS' agenda.

Because it means that there lies, within our population, the potential and support for a militant uprising that would make the coup pale in comparison. I also believe many of those fighters will return home, unopposed and free to do as they please, which can only make our society worse. I am very fearful of this happening.

Because it reveals that there are some nationals here, who firmly believe in and agree with the extremist ideologies expressed by ISIS. They believe that they can create a sense of "positive" change by fighting for and supporting ISIS in their activities and in my opinion, it is only a matter of time before those views are manifested into acts carried out against the nation, on a larger scale.

I am quite upset that Nationals who are supposed to be contributing to the Discipline, Tolerance and Production of my country would venture overseas to fight and contribute to a terrorist cause that has been responsible for so many deaths and continues to contribute to upheaval in many territories abroad. I am nervous and scared that these nationals would return with these ISIS ideals to stir up a hornet's nest in Trinidad, especially as we are ill equipped & ill prepared to deal with ISIS threats.

We are a small nation of 1.5 million. To draw attention to us by joining ISIS makes the nation look poorly on an international level.

Their actions could lead to adverse effects for the rest of he population as Trinidad will receive unneeded Negative press and could mean more travel restrictions for nationals. And also the obvious thought that more followers will rise up locally and increase gang activity. Also, the government's stance hat returning nationals who may have fought in the ISIS campaign may even return And become regular citizens with little reprimand if any. They supposedly will be monitored but to what degree, and What's stopping them from training others locally?

Global terrorism seems much closer - stronger ties between 'little' Trinidad and the bigger countries reported in the global news.
Why do you feel that way?

I worry that it could reach home. I'm worried that these trained individuals can bring their acts home where we can't deal with it. We are not equipped to respond. Our health care system can't handle a mass influx of victims we are all in all not prepared.

It May come to us as well and what will happen to the country if that happens, those in authority can't deal with the current crime rate.

I feel no need to defend Trinidadians (To Americans or Europeans) against perceptions of ISIS recruitment and fighting because ISIS recruit from all countries (and races) adequately enough to rebuff any blanket statements.

Because it paces a negative light on regular, law abiding citizens especially at the international level and could affect visa permissions and travel abroad.
Q17 - How do you feel when you hear reports such as Malcolm Nance’s MSNBC interview (January 2017) - which stated that Trinidad and Tobago has more terrorist ties than those countries under the US travel ban? Please select all that apply.

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Q16 - Why do you feel that way?

Why do you feel that way?

It can affect our economy negatively, which would impact all citizens.

The report paints a skewed image of our country. And our presence on the world stage is not significant enough to counter negative perceptions when created. Trinidadians have a high freedom of expression like most western states of which even the bad elements can make their presence felt. If only the bad things was broadcast about us it would be difficult to erased in the minds of already tense antiterrorism societies who are also battle with biases, prejudices and racism.

It stains the name of "OUR" Country as he is a Trinidian as well!

Citizens are viewed differently.

Because it is evidence not supported by corroborated facts. The statement was provocative by design and filled with political innuendo.

If the world begins to see our country this way, the negative impact on our people, travel, economy and more could be very devastating.

This puts all nationals at risk when travelling.

It shows that intelligence is losing in Trinidad.

I think Trinidad is a wonderful country. Why would anyone want to leave to enter into war? Additionally, being a Muslim, they are making it difficult for the good Muslims to travel freely throughout the world.

People have nothing better to then wait people time. A bad name will make a harder for nations to travel anywhere.

That has a negative impact on our economy as other countries may not want to trade with us or put travel ban on us affecting our tourism industry.

The implications of having those elements right in our our home environment.

Bad for country.

This country has never experienced sanctions from a developed country in spite of its FATF AML compliance delays. In these global economic times when forecasting, modelling and analysis do not give any great hope in the medium term, the event of an economic sanction or a travel ban would decimate this country’s attempts to neutralise our current situation.

The statistic makes me worried about the safety of the country as well as its international reputation.

Its embarrassing to the country, that puts us in a bad light.

No citizen of any country wants any terror report like that attached to them it follows you where ever you travel.

It was fake news!

Cause given what ISIS stands for its saddening that people from this country join.

People misunderstanding terrorist per capita with total terrorists.
I'm not sure if I believe that. Trinidad is very small in comparison to other countries and if we have 100 suspected or confirmed terrorists out of the 1.7 million population and another country has 1000 suspected or confirmed terrorists out of 5 million population then of course it's going to seem as though we have a higher percentage. However, I admit that I'm not sure what measures are used when collating data.

Makes the county look bad

He's not lying is he?

Trinidadians at their core are fun loving and carefree. Proud of our cosmopolitan makeup, these activities and the media coverage are creating doubts about who we are and we are beginning to question ourselves as well.

I am interested in knowing what the facts were in supporting his statement. And if true or false, terrorist organizations also look and listen to media reports, so they may now consider Trinidad and Tobago as another option for recruitment.

Because it is probably true.

Innocent Trinis will have to pay the price for these terrorists.

They are judging a whole nation on a few misguided self-serving individuas

I'm worried if the truth of the information. The coverage of the 1990 coup by the foreign media was distorted and contained lies. So I am wary of foreign coverage of events since in many cases we are never told who they interviewed. People have agendas and if information is not obtained from a wide spectrum of people, the coverage will then be biased and according to people's perspectives and agendas.

Because the reasons for the Trinagonians involvement doesn't seem to match their religion or circumstance.

Then why doesn't Trinidad have similar travel restrictions?

I don't know if we have "more" terrorist ties, but the leader of the attempted coup in 1990 reportedly has ties to certain terrorist factions in the Middle East. Also, we have people running off to join ISIS - there HAS to be a connection of some sort for them to follow. We therefore have ties to terrorism, but I just don't know on what scale - so his statement may or may not have been 100% accurate, but it's close enough.

because it painted our country in a negative picture to international coverage...not for crime but for terrorism which is a different stigma

Because T&T is no longer the safe happy place I used to know

Seeing that terrorism is a hot topic these days, having Trinidad associated with it will have damaging effects on tourism.

I believe that youth are being indoctrinated - for sinister purposes

I don't think measuring this phenomenon on a per capita basis is valid. It's just a different way of presenting data that suits some persons' agenda. If terrorism were measured equally across the board, US nationals should be banned from entry into other countries due to the frequent mass shootings and other terror-related crime committed right in the US by their own nationals.

I do not agree as the majority of Trinagonians do not support this ideology.

I am worried that all our Nationals will be tarred with the same brush. You won't get a chance to explain that it's just a few damn fools that subscribe to this nonsense.

I fear that when I share that I am from Trinidad and Tobago, the reaction of others will be tainted.
Why do you feel that way?

Because it damn disgusting

Numbers do not lie.

I am curious as to the source of the validity of such statistics and the methods of collection.

Our citizens are now internationally known as part of a terrorist group

could affect our relationship with friendly countries. Also crime here could increase

Was a confirmation of death has been suspected all along. I think the situation in Trinidad is already scary so news like this does not really add to the worry that already exists.

I am a muslim and Islam doesn't teach what ISIS is doing

I don't think that statement is a 100% true but it is a frightening and worried thought that we at some point be classed as a terrorist country

I am angry because its perhaps true and nervous because they might start local attacks if they cannot go abroad.

it affects the perception of Trinidad and in turn the perception of me as a citizen when I travel

I don't trust media. They filter what they want the public to know

Because this country is so small and yet people choose to be dumb enough to throw their lives away.

Angry as above. Annoyed because American media tend to report things just for effect without any context.

I don't think that it will have any impact on us. We're pretty insignificant on a global level. Is it otherwise shocking? I don't know. We are an extremely lawless society so perhaps this is just another way in which our lawlessness is manifesting itself.

Immediately, that man's interview cast light on our nation and could lead to invasion from Those “fighting terrorism” in the middle east, in particular the US. It would take only a directive for them to come here and attempt to turn us into Afghanistan or Syria. Searching for something that may not exist on a large scale.

Statements like these will make travel difficult for Trinidadians, even innocent, law abiding "good citizens". There are times that we would like to travel for leisure but we need to travel for necessary medical treatment. It will make it harder to travel.

Fearful for the obvious threat. Anger for the reasons stated in the answer to the previous question. Annoyed because though the threat is real, the magnitude is overstated due to the size of the country... we have the most per capita, however the pool is not large, the funding is probably not Coming from here either. These are the worker bees. The powers that be need to focus on the way more dangerous places where terrorism sanctioned and funded by the state itself. The king pins.

He didn't say anything untrue.

I believe that many of the Trini ISIL sympathizers are illiterate weak-minded buffoons who do not measure the seriousness of the issue. It is either that, or they are so blinded by their so-called allegiance to that distorted version of Islam that they don't care about killing innocent people, which I abhor.

I think I am so pessimistic about Trinbagonians that hearing such reports elicits an almost unsurprised scoff more than any of the emotions listed above. The level of lawlessness that can be witnessed on a daily basis here, it almost feels expected that a considerable number of our countrymen would be swayed towards terrorist activity.
Why do you feel that way?

As stated above

Not all T&T nationals are in support of ISIS, in face the majority of us are against them. This reflects poorly on all of us and could affect our international standing and reception.

Because, while a lot of these stories are skewed to serve higher agendas, it does mean we still have many ties, which cannot be a good thing.

His statements were not inaccurate, so I am not one of those persons bothered by what he had to say.

I'm also embarrassed - and helpless. It's as if nothing can be done to stem the flow of individuals going to train with ISIS.

I have an Islamic name. I was stopped in Miami because of this and asked questions as to why I was in the US, how I bought my ticket, etc. It made me feel like less than a person, especially in front of my 6 year old daughter.

That our government, ruling and opposition parties, seem to be dragging their feet and not taking this news serious enough

although it is true per captia I feel like I was personally insulted. I guess it my "Trini to the Bone" came out.

Saw the report and realized how much of hogwash it was since he didn't quantify what he meant by "more", nor did he normalize for the ratio of Muslims or those who identify as Middle Eastern in Trinidad. He could have been looking at a single parameter such as "self identified jihadists" and came to that conclusion. Not a very logical way to analyze or conclude.

See previous answer
Q14 - How do you feel when you hear that the US Department of State Country Reports on Terrorism (July 2017) states that Trinidad and Tobago has the highest ISIS recruitment rate in the Western Hemisphere per capita?

Happy/Excited

Scared

Nervous/Worried

Angry/Disgusted

Resentful/Annoyed

Neutral

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Q18 - Why do you feel that way?

Why do you feel that way?

I am one of those that believes the US is behind a lot of the current religious turmoils globally, so they are hypocrites, and this annoys me.

Places a bad reputation on our citizen who may be aspiring for betterment in other parts of the world. Even those planning to venture.

Citizens will be viewed differently

Once again per capita should always be based on context. I consider this sensationalism

I have the same response I did for the previous question.

If it is the truth then so be it

Brining our country into disrepute

The US has imposed sanctions recently on other countries said to be involved in terrorism. Even outside the US, the sanctions imposed on Qatar by Saudi Arabia and the UAE have had virtual immediate effects on the state.

The fact that official government sites have this position on my country

We don't look good in the eyes of the world

What are we going to reap from this in years to come, it doesn't seem positive for our country's development

I'm not sure of the credibility of this information.

Cause the national security services are not or should be doing more to stop this issue. National security should be one of the top priorities of the government.

Mainly because it may cause a decline in tourism.

Country may be black listed by USA

As a small country, anything we do will have an impact. The u.s media likes taking advantage of those under the spot light, by fabricating stories

The truth hurts

The country has been seriously tarnished and this will affect our economy negatively.

Because it is probably true.

see above

I'm worried especially if they return home and could recruit others to join. Also terrorist cells could be formed
Why do you feel that way?

Because the reasons for the Trinagonians involvement doesn't seem to match their religion or circumstance.

Because terrorism is both selectively fought and used. It appears to be useful in T&T or at least that's my perception.

Because we are too small a country with too many ties TO EACH OTHER to allow our youth to feel SO disenfranchised that they feel the need to go join ISIS

Because life will be harder for all Trinidadians both at home and abroad

Again, this is on a per capita basis which I don't believe is valid in this context. As I said in the previous response, it's just a different way of presenting data that suits some persons' agenda. Secondly, I’m not sure who actually collates and puts out the recruitment data by country, but I’m pretty sure it's not ISIS. Which leaves a lot of room for manipulation by those who are really providing so-called educated guesses.

This is not representative of the majority of my people.

It's a blasted embarrassment.

This is extremely frightening. It feels like something needs to be done to change their perspective. They are giving Trinidad and Tobago a terrible reputation

Again, numbers do not lie. We cannot be upset at the numbers, we have to do something about the lives being caught up in this movement.

Again, I am curious as to whether the intelligence is bonafide, but also curious as to whether local authorities have access to any of it for review and implementation with domestic crime fighting measures.

Same as above

That things have deteriorate here to such an extent makes me upset

Again, this news was not surprising to me just saddening as the final nails get hammered into the coffin. To my recollection the local media let it be known when Abubakhar was traveling to Lebanon and Syria supposedly for training.

That this is the direction my country is heading

Trinidadians have a great life and if you don't that you have the opportunity to change your life, there is not reason to kill others or engage in a war killing innocent people.

I thought we as a people were smarter than that

I think this was a lie, I need to see facts and statistics

Annoyed because I prefer if the US refrain from commenting on other countries’ issues when much of the blame for destabilisation of the middle east is the fault of the US.

See above answer. However, I think that our society is also one without any direction. Avenues for entertainment and personal growth are extremely limited. Perhaps the recruits are desperate for some sort of structure and direction in their lives and believe that joining will offer them what they are looking for.
Why do you feel that way?

same

As above, but more annoyed and fearful because of the potential impact on travel and business.

I don't find that hard to believe. I do feel bad for how little faith I have in my country sometimes.

Because it reflects badly on us as a people (not that everything is perfect), but it is not who we are as a people.

Same as before.

Reasons stated above. Embarrassing for such a small island.

This will simply make it harder for average T&T citizens to obtain visas and might affect how those who have emigrated there are treated in the country.

I love my country. Anything that negatively affects it, affects me.

Confused should be an option here. It is also present.

I feel this way because we aren't doing anything to stop it.

I feel nothing because other than creating xenophobic talking points, it distorts the facts relevant to the idea of terror prevention in the US:- There have been no US terror acts led by a Trinidadian. There have been no UK terror acts led by a Trinidadian. The extreme poverty and disillusionment that typifies these terrorists, isn't typified within Trinidadian society; as on average, Trinidad operates at an economic level that is higher than the low/recruitment areas of these other countries. Trinidad, as an economic and military ally of the US, is beholden to it for its own success.

See previous response.
Q30 - Has the word "terrorist" ever been used against you in a derogatory way?

- Yes: 11.34% (11)
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Q34 - Why do you think that so many Trinidad and Tobago nationals have left the islands to join the ranks of ISIS?

Why do you think that so many Trinidad and Tobago nationals have left the islands to join the ranks of ISIS?

T&T has a strong and large Muslim minority, combined with the presence of radical groups, and with economic challenges, so these combine to make it quite understandable.

1. Members who joined were recruited from poor socioeconomic backgrounds.
2. Members were also indoctrinated by religious ideals and ISIS presented an opportunity to express loyalty and commitment to those ideologies.
3. Some Trinidadians are just far-se and always in between people business.
4. The we are as global as any other country who sometimes punches above our weight on many issues. Unfortunately, even the global issue of terrorism itself.

Still not sure! If I am to guess self-realization and knowledge of the worthy in national pride.

It's all about belief systems. Christians and Jews leave for Jerusalem every year. Mainstream Muslims leave for Mecca. Extremists of the Islamic faith head to join ISIS. It is viewed another pilgrimage.

I think they are being actively recruited by ISIS propaganda.

Money and ego

I think they are radicalized. Most are converts to Islam. In the process of 'finding themselves,' they fall into the wrong hands and look to these radicals for support.

I assume for money

Economic reasons the promise of being paid as mercenary to fight a war

Can't truly understand

Want to be associated or identity crisis

I do not know.

People find identity in ideologies, whether true or not. When valid systems of thinking fail to get to youth, false ideas take root

Attraction to wealth and adventure

Will not say

Apathy.

Cause some Muslims support the extremist ideology of ISIS or there is a sect within Trinidad and Tobago promoting nationals to join.

Ignorance and under educated

Same reason everyone else does. Easily influenced by negative people and situations.
Why do you think that so many Trinidad and Tobago nationals have left the ...?

Muslim fundamentalists are rampant in TnT

because they're gang leaders and members in trinidad, more or less running from the law.

Ignorance and no sense of purpose. Some have been lured by promises of prosperity.

Because they are unhappy with all ruling governments thus far.

Ignorance, acceptance and greed.

These young men, generally converts to Islam, were brainwashed and encouraged to go. There was also an element of them having issues fitting in to our society because of their criminal activity, low education levels and lack of opportunity for employment even though some did not fit that profile. Muslims in Trinidad and Tobago have embraced the outward trappings of Islam. For instance, prior to the 1990s, hijabs and male muslim wear were uncommon. Since the coup, the muslims became more forceful in making our society adopt their dress such as forcing schools (in the 80s?) and businesses to accommodate their dress even when radical changes to the uniforms were required. This may have also contributed.

Mainly an alignment of religious ideology with ISIS within their social enclave.

Answered already in previous question

They are misguided and lost souls

Their religious beliefs tells them that if the die for their God they will go to be with him and this is a way to fight oppression. ISIS blames the West for all their troubles in the Muslim world and their is a belief that to die while fighting for their cause will please Allah

Inequality or perceived inequality can lead to the rise and support of extremist groups. This, if true, usually manifests itself in mostly young unemployed reacting with violence. Trinidad and Tobago is no different. The outlets to react to inequality or perceived inequality in the country so some can be local gangs or other extremist groups. This coupled with lack of knowledge or commitment to the Koran can lead people to align with ISIS. I do not think it is a problem of Islam or the role or rank of the Muslim community in the country. I think it is more linked specifically to the Jamat al Muslimeen group instead. I think this because the group has shown and continues to show a willingness to use violence and terror as a tool along with its leaders link to 'questionable groups' in Yemen.* *this is the short simplified nuanced answer. Errors may vary. Lol

Many. Maybe some, maybe all of the reasons apply. Each individual case is different. They're paid. They are seeking religious atonement. They want to establish an ISIS led caliphate. They ascribe to some of the ISIS ideology. They are psychologically disturbed. They are misled into believing they are fighting against the 'enemy'. They strongly empathize with the atrocities and killings in Syria and somehow believe they can help by joining ISIS. The list is longer.

Many youth are lacking guidance and feel disenfranchised - however, I believe this is due to a lack of information readily available to them (maybe largely because of neglect by the older generation)

because of a lack of self. they are easily influenced by the words and propaganda that is being used to control the minds of these individuals

They've been brainwashed into believing that is the best way

Lost/feeling of acceptance into a strong community (ISIS). I think the youth in T&T are lost and need to feel accepted and guided into a better path. These extreme groups prey on the weak minded (same as any cult or religious order, not only ISIS).

Blind belief, coupled with an escalating poverty problem. People can't see past the promise of financial gain in exchange for fighting.

Indoctrinated, money, frustration
Why do you think that so many Trinidad and Tobago nationals have left the i...

I believe that these nationals come from poor, disadvantaged or uneducated communities where they see no future for themselves in Trinidad & Tobago - they see no upward social, financial or professional mobility possible for themselves. If these nationals had a hope for the future of themselves or their families, I believe they would not be lured by the recruits. I do not believe that it comes from a place of love for their God.

Just a small radical fraction looking for their purpose.

Emasculation. They seek refuge in a philosophy that guarantees them a superior status to women. Pathetic.

Ignorance. Lack of values and morals .no clear upbringing

1. They are stupid - they have little understanding of life and culture of the mid-east. 2. They are thrill seekers. 3. They are brainwashed by visiting muslim clerics who preach at mosques. (I have heard muslim friends talk about wanting to join the Balkans war after hearing a discourse at UWI from a foreign cleric after Friday prayers). 4. They genuinely believe that what they are going to do is right and nothing can shake that perspective.

Radical Islam is a global plague. We have numerous young men here who are easily misled due to a lack of proper family values. Single mothers, no fathers, the decline of Christian values worldwide - they are looking for a cause. Islam is providing what decent society used to.

They are searching for meaning in their lives.

It begs the question of the connection between criminal elements and islamic extremism.

So many layers to the problem - lack of education, inequity, family relationships fraught with many problems.

to enhance social status, Status, to improve so called "bad boy or gangster image", increase feelings of self worth, gain recognition, approval from the wider community, feel more powerful than the powerful echelons in society.

there is a second culture here an underground culture bred in the slums - poverty, lack of education, lack of positive socialization, poor access to opportunity - there is an entire subset of our population operating outside of social norms - the marginalized. Isis and other antisocial groups may seem like very viable options to them

As stated before, I suspect that it is not the upper or upper middle class who are going. It is likely to be those of lower middle class and the lower classes. There are so many contributing factors here. First, the ridiculous state of the education system with the SEA exam and the *junior* secondary system. These provide countless opportunities for the youth to slip through the cracks. If you do not do well in the exam, you feel like your life is over. With the exception of those who run into extraordinary teachers, most of these children will start to build up resentment. That is if...if they do not already have resentments from the poverty and violence with which they live. Another issue is the culture. I think this tough love culture can really alienate young people who are lost and struggling.

For recognition

Crime could be a major part but also lack of employment and some rest just not educated enough to understand what exactly they are heading into .

I think they are being misled by leaders they trust in their mosques.

easily misled and disenfranchised youths have been indoctrinated by religious ideology

It's about what they believe. They believe that they are forsaking the luxuries this world and the ease of this life and living conditions here to stand with their fellow Muslims who are being oppressed and they believe that they will be rewarded as such and should they die they will be martyrs. It's not really about money or that they are killers. They just believe it's the right thing to do. Whether they are brainwashed or not, who knows?

Because trinis apparently love guns so if they getting free, why won't they. They are stupid tho
Indoctrination.

Perhaps they see it as an easy way out of a frustrating and stagnant system. Perhaps they have been lured by promises of a better life. Perhaps their lives here feel worthless and they believe that they have nothing to lose.

They seem to have studied the teachings of the group and perhaps there is something which they can truly believe in, tied to their religion. I have heard friends say that they are fighting the coming of the Dajjal (essentially the Antichrist) and they believe that they are grouping together to prevent this power from coming to destroy the world. I don't think the rumors of financial gain are true at all. I believe this devotion to the cause is legitimate, that perhaps they may hold the power to fight the real evil if that prophecy is true. However the fact that ISIS has promoted senseless killing of innocents makes me believe the cause is flawed.

I am unsure.

Not enough is being done on the home front to confront the problem of radicalisation. I'm referring to the whole national community here. Everybody should be involved in fighting radicalisation. The worsening economic and social situations in Trinidad and Tobago are probably also a huge driving factor. When young people have no hope it is easy for them to fall prey to radical ideologies.

Weak-minded, just want to say they were "in thing", or, sadly, truly believe in that twisted ideology.

I think many people manage to strike the perfect balance between lawlessness, entitlement, and being self-serving to lead to joining ISIS and whatever promises of glory that includes.

Lack of education, promise of a better life, sheep mentality,

Religious indoctrination, poverty, alienation, mental isolation, ambition, greed, the desire to act upon a natural predilection for violence

Because our population is shaped to be followers in general, and on top of that I believe the organisers of the Coup have been left unchecked and fostered, whether intentionally or not, the desire to join something like ISIS. Many of us have heard "Don't go up in there, the jamaat has training camps there" etc. Training for what? Training who? So without any direction locally (thank God I suppose) these people have been militarised and readied. ISIS provided an outlet.

Over the years, many persons here joined Islam with a complete misunderstanding of what it represents. Sadly, many of those persons were not upright citizens and they have in many ways continued to damage the religion's reputation. Those persons were easily brainwashed into holding the views of other Muslims, as their own, because quite frankly some of them were not intelligent enough to see that the experiences of Muslims in the Middle East can and will never be the same, as those residing in Trinidad. They became drawn to the idea of showing solidarity and fighting against their brother's oppressors, but I also think that many of them attempted to improve their life's opportunities by moving to another country based on promises of "reward".

Perhaps the organisation is offering them something they do not have access to here - a 'stable' family environment, promise of education, promise of belonging to something bigger.

People are fooled to believe that when they go to join ISIS they will be compensated in US for joining and the money will help their families left behind in Trinidad.

Ideologies supported by local groups that brainwash their following With their own teachings Little or no monitoring by the national security officials makes it even easier To recruit

Influence of religious leaders

No idea

Assuming that the number (400) out of 100,000 Muslims and 1.3 Million people is correct, I'd have to posit the possible reasons:- Economic disillusionment Promise of a "better place" Feeling of being ostracized in their own society "grass is greener" mentality
Why do you think that so many Trinidad and Tobago nationals have left the i...

Because many younger people feel disenfranchised and as a result have been easily swayed but outside sources to become a member of "something" that gives them a sense of belonging and "privilege", although it is a terrorist based entity.

People are unhappy, easily swayed & eager to make as much money as they can when an opportunity arises.
Q19 - Do you believe that Trinidad and Tobago is under threat from fighters returning to Trinidad from ISIS? What makes you feel this way?

Yes

They bring the ideology as well as military ability back to the country that could create instability.

No

I think anyone who believes in ISIS might not see anything wrong with applying the violent beliefs and methods here where they see appropriate.
Our authorities are weak...homeland security is not of the best.

Because they may want to relive the 1990 coup attempt

Look at the rest of the world

They will disrupt our way of life.

There will eventually be an insurgence within the country

ISIS would like to have multiple places under their influence

Mainly because they are most likely set in their ways learned over there and won't be able to live peacefully

terrorist trained nationals

Responded to that earlier.

To pursue and encourage others to join.

Their muslim fervour, military training and link to ISIS.

ISIS' stated aim is literally to spread the Caliphate via conquest. Why would we be immune?

Answered already in previous question

They have the ability to mislead the young and impressionable minds down a path of failure and death.

Yes they can persuade other to join, as well as create cells in the country

because they have now identified with a different way of life which will create conflict

Rapists and other low lifes get deported from America easily with no records being produced down here so it can be the same with ISIS fighters

Only a matter of time before the ideals are brought home.

No gainful employment for them on return.

ISIS focuses heavily on recruitment to continue their war. At some point, they will send locals back to recruit in person.

The skills that are learned abroad would probably be implemented here to worsen the crime wave.

Whatever drove them to join, started in T&T. So returning, they would exact their anger towards their fellow citizens.

a real threat to our social norms. a repeat of 1990 may be imminent

They want to put their training into practice
Their is no policy preventing them from coming back. Their families seem sympathetic and would welcome them back.

Because they feel that they can come here and do the same thing. Have guns and live how they feel with all their training it is just possible to use it

They return thinking they are better than others and their religion is best. They will be martyrs if they die for the cause

Some might return cowed and unwilling to follow through, but there is always the possibility that at least one will return with the intent to fulfil some jihadist mandate of ISIS.

because I have no faith and/knowledge of systems in place at our borders to catch these people who return

Because they will also be returning with their values and belief system, and very little stands on their way, if they decide to force those ideals upon society through way of violence

Another coup could be instigated

They can return and train others or have made contact with others overseas which could result in future meetings between the two even on our shores

Nothing exists in a vacuum - the ideology wil not remain limited to abroad

These ppl may have been brainwashed into believe their lives are worth sacrificing & may do whatever it takes to make a stand, inclusive of violence.

Q19.2(TEXT) - No

No

Not important enough

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Because they think they are migrating for a greater purpose.

We already have issues with violence. We're an inherently violent society. I don't think that their return will make much of a difference.

The things isis fights aren't really expressed here.

It's a matter of economics. Syrian based ISIS fighters aren't going to come back to an island economically run by Syrians and disrupt possible cash flow and a possibly safe haven in the western hemisphere to produce an obvious caliphate on US doorstep

Q19.3(TEXT) - Maybe

Maybe
They make seek to make an impact here since they have no other options

Our military is capable of defeating them here. And also while they may be at odds with other countries who have been in conflicts with their counterparts overseas, trinidadians are patriotic to their country where they have their friends and families. Also we practice more religious tolerance in Trinidad than anywhere else on the globe. The US and UK included.

Maybe a frustrated reaction to measures being put in place to stop the travel flow that support these activities.

There does not appear to be any specific economic leverage or advantage in the countries besieged by ISIS i.e. Syria, Philippines, Afghanistan therefore it is quite possible that a threat remains

I am not sure of the survival rate of those joining ISIS. I also don't know what, if any counter measures are in place. More info is needed on my end.

it depends on if T&T is a threat to them or whomever leads or funds them.

There is no telling what their motivation for leaving ISIS OR returning to T&T is, so I don't know

Nobody knows the agenda

Nobody wants to blow up their granny. They will probably go elsewhere.

Trinis have long lived with the fear of another coup. I would say the conditions for violence against the government are ripe.

The way this country is going with crime anything is possible

Because we are generally a loving people who loves our nation, our core value of kinship as a nation may inhibit their desire to annihilate our country. But the possibility exists that some of them could be so driven by the cause and shift in philosophy that they can commit acts of terror against us.

If they do make it back alive, the T&T police force does not seem to be capable of keeping them under tabs or preventing attacks.

Trinidad tends to try to mimic the USA. Given that the USA/Western lifestyle is a common target for ISIS, our desire to be like Americans may make the country a likely target.

There are no checks and balances as to who these individuals are and what they do upon their return to Trinidad. Are they training others? Are they forming their own cells locally? Are they joining the Jamaat to cause discord?

Q19_4.TEXT - Neutral

Neutral

I really don't know. But I believe the possibility should be taken seriously.
Q20 - Do you think that other states such as the United States are under threat from fighters returning to Trinidad from ISIS? What makes you feel this way?

Yes
No
Maybe
Neutral
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Q20_1_TEXT - Yes

Yes

They are the principle parties in this exchange and are closure to us. Their are many people of east indian descent financially more capable of travelling to the US and are also muslims. Because of the racial biases of the US those would be the ones easier to penetrate US borders undetected.
The United States is just another main target of the caliphate

I think if the US believes this, their intel must be giving them proof of this. Also since it is easier for our citizens to travel to the US, we may serve as a port of entry to the US.

Because they would believe that they could enter their boarders and try to bring harm to their people

Because the ideology may persist towards countrieed that are deen as the enemy

You look at the news and see what allies have endured

Trinidad and Tobago is not currently under any official terrorist watch, therefore they can travel to that country undetected

Foreign installations here and the current ease of travel to most First World countries.

point of contact

The US is always a target

The US is the big target for freedom haters

Every country is under threat. There Really no exceptions. Even if one country is attacked, we now all globally connected and every economical bloc is linked.

Anyone who joins ISIS could end up acting as a terrorist so I don't see how Trinidian would be exempt from that.

Putting their training into play

We dont know what ideals these people hold. They are a treat to everyone

Same reason. Terrorism and fighting is their option and way

They are brainwashed into thinking theirs is the only religion and it's "them" against "us": segregation

As above - Trinis are everywhere

Q20_2_TEXT - No

No

Numbers do not convey power

they are not allowed to return

The aren't returning to the US, they're returning to Trinidad.

ythey have the best security system to check persons entering the US from T&T given the new electronic passport for detection of undesirables
measures are in place to identify potential threats to the US by their government

I'm not sure why I feel this way but I doubt that Trinidadian recruits would be willing to engage in such extended and detailed activities necessary for this. Added to the fact that I'm sure the surveillance on returned fighters would be high, both by local and foreign security forces.

I am sure the U.S. intelligence apparatus monitors such individuals.

I don't think they have any interest in returning and if they want to its almost impossible

The US is the one who made Isis why would they be under threat!

Unless they return with sufficient knowledge and resources to threaten anyone, I don't believe so.

Too specific. There've been more "ISIS" terror events in the US from US citizens against other US citizens than they have been from non-US based terror cells, much less from ill ole Trinidad.

Q20.3_TEXT - Maybe

Maybe

Unlikely they can really have an impact there

As the ideologies learned are usually poised at bringing harm to the western world.

Well I can't say, its a feeling.

I am not sure of the survival rate of those joining ISIS. I also don't know what, if any counter measures are in place. More info is needed on my end.

but why ask about the US and none of the other countries? maybe you should ask why is the US more of a target as compared to other countries. i dont think the probability of a threat to the US is any greater than Trinidad. but this also rests on my limited understanding.

Same as above

Dont have all the facts

So many aspects. Country's geographcial importance to US; our diplomatic relationship, ties with T & T's citizens who now live and work in US

You never no, but at this moment don't think so

Possibility exists for both capacity to restrain and capacity to commit terror acts

What really is there to stop them from meeting up with other well-equipped radicals in the US and carrying out a large-scale operation?

If their surveillance systems are sufficient, they might be able to successfully identify potential threats.

Perhaps Trinidad may become a transit hub for fighters to the USA or otherwise.
Maybe

I do not know if the ones who return to Trinidad will go on to the US.

If they are directed as such, it is possible.

It's happening with other countries who have recruited persons to ISIS. Nothing makes Trinidad immune.
Q21 - Do you think that Trinidad and Tobago is susceptible to terrorist threat? What makes you feel this way?

Yes

No

Maybe

Neutral

Prefer not to answer

All countries are at risk, and our history and large Islamic base makes it plausible.
Young and stupid citizens without any standing in society may find value in expressing themselves via terrorist means. If they return from ISIS controlled areas and are not able to find acceptance here Trinidad to could also be a target.

Pressure of the need to execute methods learned if they are stifled within Trinidad and Tobago.

Any group that has the radical ideology and capability should be considered a threat.

Our Ministry of National Security is now becoming part of the Cyber Age and persons have no faith in them protecting the country.

Because the thinking is contagious.

Because if the Islamic beliefs.

It is clear no one is safe anywhere.

Returning fighters dealing with economic challenges may resort to what they know.

Trinidadians are easily influenced more negatively than positively by external forces.

Our authorities do not appear to be ready for such a threat.

It happened before.

The only terrorist threat may occur within T&T by locals.

See the first answer in this section. Summary, if the citizens aren't being tracked, inequality remains and a pipeline between T&T remains open there will always be a valid threat.

Because every country is susceptible to terrorist threat.

The relax attitude of persons in society who believe that, those kinds of acts only happen in other countries.

Crime is at an all time high. Even though our security forces are better equipped and trained there is still the unknown element.

Lack of a strong governance and legal/lawful enforcement.

Returning fighters come back with their newfound ideologies.

Location, unknown political agendas.

Lack of authority.

Every country is susceptible.

The security services are a joke.

All countries are susceptible. Angst and anger lead to such acts.
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**Q21_3**

No

Overseas terrorist threat no, but I would not put it past the local group to do something again.

Too many other threats breaking Trinidad apart but not terrorist

**Q21_3**

Maybe

Maybe

I do not know if we would be considered a viable target by most terrorists.

We are having problems with devaluation of our local currency and a shortage of foreign exchange.

as long as the notion of terrorist recruitment exists or the presence of terrorists are verified then Trinidad is susceptible once conditions favor an attack.

Islam hates other religions and it’s purpose is subjugation. If we have enough of them, it will threaten everyone else

I really do not think that we are important but at the same time, I feel like anything could happen anywhere.

Is anywhere in the world truly safe from a terrorist threat of some way these days?

A domestic act, and not in as large a scale as 9/11 or other terrorist attacks.

Depends on the type of threat. Trinidad may have value as a port for drugs or an economic haven for ill begotten funds but absolutely no value as a military location for ISIS, since Trinidad is on the US doorstep and the US has itchy trigger fingers.

**Q21_4**

Neutral

Neutral

I do not know

I am not sure, maybe
Q26 - Do you think that terrorism is a security concern for Trinidad and Tobago?

Yes
No
Maybe
Neutral
Prefer not to answer

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Q26_1_TEXT - Yes

Yes

For all countries

But also social!

We have significant multinational interest that can be considered soft targets
Yes

To ensure the safety of nationals

After everything in the world we would be fools not to prepare

We are a trans-shipment point for Latin American drugs!

It’s a public safety issue

it is for everyone

No plan for dealing with returning fighters or dealing with how and where they were converted and indoctrinated.

Undoubtedly.

Because it is a security concern for every country

like any country in the world you have factor in that there are persons willing to do harm to the state to satisfy their own agenda

one word,...globalization

There was a roas vlock 2 years ago. Trinidas waa in lockdown. People were complacent ans only cares about thr world in their bubble. A terrorist act will be the same. Ans rhere wouls be no one to contril it

It has become a global scourge and in the best interest of every country to address asiduously.

Same as above

help drugs and arms filter across our borders

We have a lucrative drug trade and are in fact a central location in the transatlantic drug trade, socioeconomic conditions are deteriorating and to be frank governments are in a mess. It's a huge concern.

Yes it is and it should be high on the list, seeing the problem we no face with crime

Because there are already a lot of illegal weapons in trinidad and innocent people are being killed everyday.

Local terrorism, yes. The guys going to join ISIS are likely being taught actions they would not learn on their own in TT.

It is a global concern!

economic difficulties. Instability. People may use it as a form of redress

At this point, I think that every country with ease of international travel has the potential for a terrorist attack.

For the reasons stated above.

It's a concern world wide we should also be concerned.
No

Apparently not because little is being done to curb the travels to these countries

I think white collar crime, and to a lesser extent blue collar crime needs to be more of a security concern. The guns and drugs don't get manufactured in Trinidad and there is a complex web of corruption that allows these societal diseases to infest Trinidad.

Maybe

Not at the moment. The issues are in the infancy stage so I'm uncertain

I do not know because I haven't looked into it.

Terrorism against Muslims, yes.

Currently it's just pockets of drug-related crime and violence, but I believe the threat may get more serious as time goes on and terrorist cells have more time to organise, plus a number of ISIS-trained operatives.

I think there may be more efficient and effective ways of gaining power here than through terrorism

Neutral
Q23 - Do you think that the previous government of Trinidad and Tobago (The People's Partnership government) took terrorism seriously? What makes you feel this way?

- Yes
- No
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- Prefer not to answer

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Q23_1_TEXT - Yes

Yes

They attempted with certain legislation and the no nonsense attitude
I believe the former National Security Minister, being a former military officer, was more aware of the problem and tried to implement measures to deal with it.

I think they tried to deal with it.

Q23.2_TEXT - No

No

They had other priorities

Our relationship deteriorated with the US from our lack of action in the war against terror

According to reports they disbanded national security services and didn't replace it

Trinis are very lackadaisical and believe that certain things can't happen to them. However, I'm aware that a lot of things aren't related to the public so I can only speak from what I've observed

border controlled was loosened

Focus what bullshitting the public for personal gains

Typical, not much thinking and planning happens in Trinidad and Tobago because our culture has always been 'We will cross that bridge when we meet it'.

We got an inkling of the problem when a group of Trinidadians was held in Venezuela for doing military training and attempting to get to Syria. No plan was put in place to deal with them or their indoctrination centre.

They never openly addressed it as an issue.

ey way of treating border control was very weak. They dismantled rather than build on the systems that were in place

the dismissed security since they dismantled all security programmes and policies implemented by the previous PNM government

my response is only based on lack of reports by media during their term

I don't feel that they took anything seriously

no, because of the many security measures that were in place that were done away with

We never take anything seriously in this country

They played the blame game, spouted rhetoric and did nothing to increase national security.

No ine does. There is no authority in trinidad

Terrorism at home was not a key issue for most of their tenure.
I don't have an explanation. I don't think any government takes anything seriously in general.

Throughout their term I never once heard them mention a plan to begin dealing with the problem of locals leaving to join ISIS. It didn't seem to even come up on their radar.

Lack of action.

No government thus far seems to be taking terrorism seriously

I don't think they took anything seriously except lining their pockets

Because the previous Government had garnered a significant level of intelligence on the nationals who left to assist with ISIS activities in the Middle East and nothing was done to threat with that.

Nothing was visible

Q23.3_TEXT - Maybe

Maybe

They attempted to recover assets from the Jamat al Muslimeen and so i could say they expressed some level of the need for justice. But their Hindu majority base use social mediums to criticise muslims in a religious fundamental level and so such efforts had the opposite effect.

My first answer was NO and its mainly because of the cancellation of security system already in place while planning and waiting to put the measures in place.

Based on the agreements with the international agencies

I am not sure about the facts, so I'm not sure!

certain crimes we held at bay whereas some were allowed to flourish so it's a 50-50

I don't know, I have lived outside of Trinidad and Tobago since 2012 and have been in and out before that and wasn't connecting with the news

Well, national security which is not evident to ordinary citizens, one can never know the entire plan

Not sure

Kamla had signed anti terrorist agreement with the US

To an extent, from their declaration of a state of emergency during a spate of high fatal criminal activity which meant that there was some attention being placed on the possibility of growing terrorism

They did seek to ban returning fighters, indicating some awareness of the possibility of a threat.

Aside from some Legislation passed, I can't quite recall anything concrete done by them to combat terrorism

Both parties haven't done enough. No one party is to blame
I do not know.

Not sure about that government's actions. However, they inherited a big mess to clean up and a huge crime problem.

Crime was lower that's all.

I don't know.

I tend to think our government is useless, no matter which party is in power.
Q24 - Do you think that the current government of Trinidad and Tobago (The PNM government) takes terrorism seriously? What makes you feel this way?

Yes
No
Maybe
Neutral
Prefer not to answer

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Q24_1_TEXT - Yes

Yes

Legislation has been past to counter terrorism. Security mechanism and policies have been established or some have at least been initiated to counter the treat of terrorism.
Yes

attempts made to improve border security

Since the 1990 the Manning administration had collaborated with CARICOM to treat with security on both national and regional scale,(CARICOM IMPACS) This was done with collaboration with the US security department

the implementation of measures that identify and seize assets of persons who have been identified as having terrorists links and the beefing up of security protocols

Not with their own terrorist but they seem to pay much attention on those who have left or can potentially leave to join isis

More seriously than the previous but no by a large margin. I feel that US economic interests are at play in affecting government priorities.

Q24_2.TEXT - No

No

Because they are shutting down all major crime fighting initiatives

We have seen an increase of serious crimes if they can't have that under control how can they take terrorism seriously

It does not seem to be a focus to make the population aware of the fight aggressively from my viewpoint

Bigger issues more in focus

Knowing that we have all of these persons with ISIS, no clear plan for dealing with them seems to be in place.

Many home grown Islamic terrorists come from traditionally PNM areas. The PNM's patrimonial approach to politics subsidised this phenomenon.

I feel the same about the previous government

They don't take anything seriously

No government takes anything other than their own agenda seriously

Do they take anything seriously besides taxation?

They play the blame game, spout rhetoric and do nothing to increase national security.

I really don't think so based on the news I read about Trinidad and Tobago and Facebook feeds from my friends who live in Trinidad and Tobago

All of our politicians are useless jokers

To date, the current government hasn't presented a crime prime. And the recent fiasco involving Marlene McDonald begs the question of whether party members are in league with criminal elements.

This govt and ones before are short-sighted and have multiple problems to deal with. Not is taken seriously in Trinidad until the problem is staring you in the face, by which time it is too late of course.
I think they are not doing all to fight this problem of crime.

The crime rate is higher and the guns are plentiful.

See above answer. At the same time, politics is a complicated game. Perhaps their hands are tied and they "cannot" do anything.

More and stricter measures should be placed.

I still haven't heard of any comprehensive anti-terrorism or anti-radicalisation plan.

Lack of action.

As above.

They seem to be in denial that it is even an issue.

I think they give lip service to it now because it's such a hot topic and the facts are out about our connection to ISIS but I don't see anything major being done.

They continue to deny in the media that there are ties to ISIS among locals or that locals are joining ISIS to be trained.

Doesn't seem so.

As above.

Q24.3_TEXT - Maybe

Maybe.

I don't think it's at the top of their priority list given the economic issues.

My first answer is yes, as I did not observe the tenacity to disrupt the security system they met in place.

I am not sure about the facts, so I'm not sure.

It doesn't feel that way but I don't have facts to be sure.

They have been pushing for legislation and significant changes in the way crime is handled.

same approach as previous.

Most likely their preventative measures cannot be wisely discussed in public.

Same as above.

They are barely dealing with isolated crime activity, but if the danger escalates they may seek to defend our people as any government ought to, hopefully before it is too late.
This present administration has lost momentum from the undertakings of the previous Patrick Manning led administration.

I do not know

I honestly don't think terrorism could be taken seriously by any government

I don't know their stance. Maybe not, because TT governments are afraid to dictate to religions.

Same as previous.
Q27 - Do you think that the current government of Trinidad and Tobago (The PNM government) needs to take terrorism more seriously? What makes you feel this way?

Yes

No

Maybe

Neutral

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Q27_1_TEXT - Yes

Yes

There is precedence to suggest that it could happen again. And considering our harsh economic situations are as similar to what there was then, lightning could strike twice.
Yes

Better to be prepared than unprepared, especially when taking into consideration of the current global trends as it pertains to terrorism

Because the ideas still get into the young minds of the youths

Start putting taps on the persons they sent back ensuring they are not coming back to recruit

But how would the population know what is being done? Wouldn't that be construed as a breach of security?

We do not feel safe and our information is limited to this situation from the authorities

But I'm not sure if they have any policies against or how serious they are about this

in talks with the US to get their support in fighting terrorism

Our very nature is. Wong reactive. We need to deal with the threat proactively

We are an oil-based economy which will be seriously affected by any terrorist activity.

ISIS fighters enter and leave Trinidad as they please. What functional state would allow this?

if your neighbor house is on fire you need to wet yours

With the alleged numbers of T&T fighters, there are connections with friends and family at home, so measures should be put in place to avert any security threat.

I do not know what actions, if any, are taken covertly. That said, their lack of overt or public actions leaves me concerned.

They need to take crossing the road more seriously, so yes - terrorism becomes part of the everything they need to take more seriously

for the simply fact that it is better to try and prevent a possible attack than react to an attack

History has shown that under ALI PNM Governments crime has escalated

The number of murders and unlawful activities are not dealt with as it is, what will change if s terrorist act happens.

Do they have a plan? For anything?

They don't right now

Absolutely; we have a problem because some people of Trinbagonian descent feel disenfranchised and disengaged enough to leave Trinidad and Tobago to commit crimes against humanity (e.g. Rape of Yazidi women; beheading of journalists)

There is still no definitive word on if suspected ISIS nationals can legally return or not.

Well, if current crime situation seems to be beyond what it can manage, one wonders about a terrorist act

Yes I think they do to avoid another incident like the couple taking place
Because more and more reports are stating that Trinidadians are going to fight with ISIS

because it can become a runaway train

Yea but nothing to do with ISIS. Terrorism is existing in this country long before ISIS and has nothing to do with the coup. Citizens are being killed in broad daylight and their killers get away with it. Our government is so focussed on what is going on abroad when our own country is being terrorised with criminal without a conscience

As I said above there are too much guns in trinidad and anyone come to trini and stay they won't pick up with them

Of course, I think the current Muslimeen group is a bunch of thugs and criminals.

They are generally not serious. However, I think that on the subject of terrorism, they need to do a proper job of investigating the motives as to why someone would involve themselves in terrorism and create ways to deter them for pursuing such a path.

As a small nation with big interests, we need to oreserve our assets and safeguard a future for our children.

In my opinion it is more a threat and so i believe the army should be better utilised

If nothing else, just because of the sheer proportion of ISIS-trained operatives within the population of the country.

Every government should, but Trinidad's more so, given the high per capita no. of ISIL recruits

Is there anything to suggest the government are not in denial about terrorism (amongst other things)?

Fact that Trinidad is linked to isis is hurting our economy. Travel bans to and from island is not what we want nor need.

For the reasons already stated.

We regularly have people going off to ISIS. At least some of them will return. That should say enough.

They need to act on the intelligence that they have

They can no longer live with their head in the sand and deny statistics coming out of the US on the level of involvement of nationals joining ISIS,unless they wish a repeat of 1990.

Of course. If developed nations such as France and the UK are susceptible, why should we see ourselves as exempt of such activity?

The threat seems larger now with more media stories of people going abroad to fight for ISIS

I think they need to look at terrorism as a symptom of the corrupt inner structure of government and focus on ways to limit and stem the localized effects of external forces.
Maybe

Yes, but domestic terrorism is very hard to control by nature

Yes and no. If they start to fix the broken social and educational systems then it may allow them to focus on terrorism. Then again is the police force in a state to deal with terrorism? Probably not. It is quite a complex issue and I think to look at it as a separate issue will just encourage them to waste more resources on blimps etc.

Neutral

i honestly dont know if that would be good or bad for the safety of citizens. it rests on the competence of security intelligence
Q22 - Do you think that Trinidad and Tobago citizens take the issue of terrorism seriously? What makes you feel this way?

Yes

No

Maybe

Neutral

Prefer not to answer

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Q22.1_TEXT - Yes

Yes

We always look to see how we are viewed on the foreign news

We are ill prepared for an attack.
Yes

Well, many moderate Muslims living here always feel the need to stand up and condemn what is going on with groups such as ISIS because they believe they don't represent Islam. They take it seriously because they believe their religion is being hijacked by extremists and Islamophobia is growing. The rest of the population just feeds off what the media says.

Everyone is aware. Because of media and social media. There is a realisation that it can hit home.

Q22.2_TEXT - No

No

We don't yet see it as a relevant major threat at home.

We are too carefree as a society which has never been subjected to the fear of terrorist activities other than the 1990 coupe the memory of which has long dissipated.

We are just too laid back! #sigh

I think most people still do not believe that terrorism is something that could happen here.

They are wrapped up in Rim and party.

Trinidadians take nothing seriously.

Culture to lackadaisical

Our national psyche has been numbed over 50 years by a 'feel good' mantra. We fear violence and would much rather run from terrorism in our homes than oppose it.

Trinidadians have a laissez-faire attitude about everything.

nothing is taken seriously.

The belief that nothing bad can happen here.

if it has to interrupt our right to fete we will have serious issues.

Trinidadians are a fun loving, easy going people and tend to be reactionary.

Track record. History.

the mind set is that, that can't happen here.

no protests, no vigilante justice...we like it so...quiet and afraid.

Everything is a joke with trinis.

Most think it will never happen I feel.
We are a party republic, and we only see as far as the next party or lime

Once it doesn't affect them or their social network, it's easy to disregard.

They don't take storms or climate change seriously. They take very little seriously. Terrorism is a low priority issue.

Seriously? Everything is rum and roti in this country

Enough time has elapsed to fade concern about home-soil attacks.

I think citizens are more concerned with petty bandits than the threat from an organised group.

One word- culture

Noone seems concerned

because it's not affecting us since the coup attempt and we have short memories

Everyone is happy and free.

It's seen as something that happens "out there." As someone who travels regularly (especially to Europe), people always warn me to be careful. Truth be told, I feel much safer and at ease in Europe than I do at home.

Because of how fortunate we have been, and because we do not consider our history of terrorism as significant events as a nation. Maybe some people, but as a whole we have a poor attitude and we do not take things seriously as we should, ignorance thrives far too much.

People don't take anything seriously.

We don't take anything seriously

Cause they're too busy jamming still (the party mentality of the people override everything in this country)

Perhaps it hasn't hit home for a lot of people - still too distant

fete the normal way

Because we wining still

People like to live in ignorant bliss and perpetrate the attitude of that could never happen to us. That is a foreign issue.

We don't take natural disasters seriously, far less for terrorism
Maybe some ppl yes, some ppl no

Individuals have become more aware since 1990 but as a collective, one is not sure

I have tons aye aye because not everyone is concerned at least not the ones who are educated enough to understand what is and could happen to our country.

As long as it's not affecting them, per se,

Some seem to never give it a thought while many others are legitimately concerned.

Q22_4_TEXT - Neutral

Neutral

It is something that my social circles discuss and are aware of, but I can't speak for others outside my immediate sphere.
Q25 - Do you think that citizens of Trinidad and Tobago need to take the issue of Terrorism more seriously? What makes you feel this way?

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Q25_1_TEXT - Yes

Yes

Everyone is at risk

Because we are a global citizen and although bounded by a tiny island we do impact the world more than we realized
Because of the current Global trends

It affects us all

For there safety

The question of information technology, lowered travel cost and softened immigration policies lend to a recipe ripe for a higher chance of any terrorist event

Terrorism is all surrounding usually 2

Not enough is done to discourage this from our citizens

We are ill prepared for an attack. We have no systems in place to treat with any attacks.

Everyone should take personal and public safety seriously

it is a global problem and we are not immune

Its potential effect on our economy and way of life. We are also unprepared for any disaster whether man-made or natural.

It's an issue which is rooted in local inequality (real and perceived) but has implications for the entire region. Also, terrorism leads to a loss of life as well as instability in a variety of sectors which can lead to larger socioeconomic problems.

Because we need to recognise that terrorism is an INTERNATIONAL threat that no one is exempt from

because of the movement of persons from all over the world coming into Trinidad and Tobago without proper screening and identification of individuals

if we want our country to remain a paradise

Need to force the government to act!

We are unaware of the disastrous effects

Heck yeah. Nip this in the bud before it gets out of hand. That’s why the Muslimeen continues to exist. They started as squatters. They weren’t nipped in the bud and instead were allowed to evolved, used politically and now are blackmailers in chief for businesses needing to pay them protection money. Nip this issue in the bud before it comes back to REALLY haunt us.

We need to order take many things more seriously, in general.

It can happen anywhere. More attention to shift in attitudes

But that change will be a long time in coming. This mentality probably goes back to colonialism. They can only focus on issues at hand and generally have no idea how to effect meaningful change.

Things can get out of control

because there are groups operating with impunity and they have deadly agendas
because terrorists isn't only muslims. they pretend to be muslims and there's a lot in trinidad.

it could potentially affect us one day. one never knows.

we are part of the world, anything can happen. major global events will directly impact our economy and stability.

open their eyes and see what has already happened (coup) and how much worse things could be.

if the citizens show that this is an issue they are really concerned about it could prompt the authorities to come up with a plan to take action.

it is not just a global threat, it is one that our fellow citizens are actively contributing to, in a bad way. it is too close to home not to affect us.

same as previous.

terrorism hurts everyone, directly and indirectly.

for the reasons already stated.

because the threat is there, lurking around the corner.

we have a knee jerk reaction to things and do not plan or act with foresight.

as stated, if we do not we're doomed to repeat history.

threat is real.

it's not a problem to be ignored.

domestic acts of terrorism will only increase the threat level within tt, which is already exorbitantly high as a result of preexisting gang violence.

q25_2_text - no

no

q25_3_text - maybe

maybe

we can't live in fear, but we must be conscious, aware, alert and be knowledgeable on what is terrorism.

once national security does their part in encouraging the public to report any potential radicalisation, and has implemented processes to deal with reports, only then would it make sense to have citizens focus on it more. otherwise, more public concern with the issue is of no use.
Q33 - Do you remember when you had this experience?

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Q32_4_TEXT - Other

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