

Mentors for training

The National Empowerment Foundation (NEF) is trying to identify some 50 mentors whose job will be to train women from 7,000 vulnerable families.

The foundation, says Mr. Yousouf Sooklall, a board member, wants to help the women and empower them so they become financially independent and help their families out of poverty.

Mr Sooklall told NEWSNOW that the idea of the programme was favourably received by the newly-appointed Chairman of the NEF, Mr. Robert Desveaux.

“The outcome is extremely positive and opens the way to a whole gamut of possibilities. We will put together a priority list of women in dire need of training so that they can more easily secure a job,” said Mr Sooklall.

“Those who want to start economic activities and want to launch themselves in entrepreneurship will benefit from the guidance of mentors who will be assigned to them for a period of one year to ensure that the business is progressing,” he explained.

The NEF hopes to have finalised its list of mentors within two weeks.