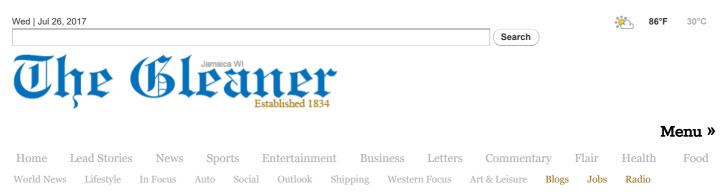
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The Government will be seeking to implement a number of programmes, in partner-ship with Japanese educational institutions, as part of an integrated approach to safety and security in the local school curriculum.

Addressing yesterday's post Cabinet media briefing at Jamaica House, Education Minister Ruel Reid announced that partnerships have been established with universities and high schools in Japan for the development and offering of programmes on disaster science and green engineering, as well for the setting up of a new science school in the island.

"This approach will be utilised to engage students to learn strategies for disaster management. This approach will also demonstrate the right strategies they would use to protect themselves and their families," Reid said.

The minister added that the partnerships with the Japanese institutions would ensure that Jamaicans have a wide knowledge of strategies to use, in the event of a disaster, after noting how Japan utilises those approaches within its schools.

"What Japan is doing could be utilised across the world globally, and so we have integrated this within our school curriculum so we can utilise appropriately," he said.

Reid stated that this was another important aspect for the development and improvement of schools within Jamaica.

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