

## Labour Day 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022

A wreath-laying ceremony to commemorate Labour Day was held, on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022, at the stele of Anjalay Coopen in Cottage.

The International Labour Day is one dedicated to workers and encourages them to be aware of their rights.

The Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection, Hon. Soodesh Satkam Callichurn, and representatives of trade unions attended to pay homage to the memory of this key figure who advocated for workers' rights.

We should never forget that Mrs Anjalay Coopen was among the three sugarcane workers killed on 27 September 1943 at Belle Vue Harel Sugar Estate at a time of protests against working and living conditions. The other sugarcane workers were Mr Kistnasamy Mooneesamy, and Mr Moonsamy Moonien. A fourth labourer, Mr Marday Panapen, died of bullet wounds a few days later.







