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# Steelband must become more accountable

**ALL STEELBANDS should be required, annually, to provide finan-**

**cial information to Pan Trinbago and demonstrate their financial**

**solvency as a pre-condition to participating in national events,**

**said Pan Trinbago's Foundation Board.**

It is also recommended

that steelbands be required to have a constitution, an organisational

structure, keep official minutes and records, and maintain financial

records including complete financial statements.

This is in an effort to ensure pan organisations demonstrate greater financial and managerial accountability to their stakeholders, which will be made available to its members, sponsors and Government.

It is believed that most pan orchestras possess assets, which are significantly under-utilised, and that such organisations needed to pay more attention to commercial matters by strengthening their marketing, financial, legal and managerial capability.

And once again the crucial need to make better use of technology to put orchestras on a levelled playing field with DJs and conventional bands has been underscored.

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