



### **MINISTRY OF FISHERIES**

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### REFFERAL LETTER

24<sup>th</sup> September 2018

### Honorable Minister for Fisheries

Mr. Semi Koroilavesau Ministry of Fisheries Level 1 Takayawa Building Suva.

Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure of submitting the Department of Fisheries Annual Report for the year ended 31st July 2017.

The report is an account of the establishment, activities, achievements and performance of the Ministry from 1st August 2016 to 31st July 2017.

The Report, has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the section 14 of the Public Service Act 1999 and the Finance Management Act 2004, with the requirements for Annual Reports by the Fiji Government.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr. Naipote Katonitabua

The Acting Permanent Secretary for Fisheries

### PERMANENT SECRETARY'S FOREWORD



The 2016/2017 Annual report provides a summary of the Department of Fisheries undertakings for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017. It is vital that such a report is compiled for transparency and accountability purposes. The report also highlights major achievements of the New Ministry of Fisheries from 1st August 2016 to 31st July 2017.

In line with outcomes under the Roadmap for Democracy and Sustainable Socio – Economic Development (RDSSED) as well as the Ministry's Annual Corporate Plan the Department of Fisheries has achieved milestones. It was a challenging year for the Ministry, strategies and policies were implemented to pursue growth and ensure food security through sustainable marine resource management.

The ministry continued work on key projects that contribute towards an enabling environment for fisheries sector growth, improvement of livelihood for fisher folks and investment. This has been possible through specifically targeted policies. At the same time the ministry focused on the rehabilitation activities for the after effects of Tropical Cyclone Winston.

The support and cooperation of the staff has enabled the ministry to deliver its outputs and services efficiently and diligently.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the Minister for Fisheries for leading and guiding the ministry during the financial year.

VINAKA VAKALEVU

Mr. Naipote Katonitabua
The Acting Permanent Secretary for Fisheries

### MINISTRY'S CORPORATE PROFILE

### **OUR VISION**

The leader in fisheries and forestry sustainability and innovation for small island economies

### **OUR MISSION**

To drive sustainable resource management, economic growth and improve livelihoods through SMAR T fisheries and forest policies that is based on applied research and development

### **OUR VALUES**

### Responsible:

We will discharge our duties with accountability

#### **Resolute:**

We will discharge our duties with determination and be fir m and fair in our decisions

### Respectful:

We will be sensitive to individual needs and the diversity of views

### Resourceful:

We will be practical, creative, effective and efficient and maintain uncompromising integrity in our daily work

#### Reliable:

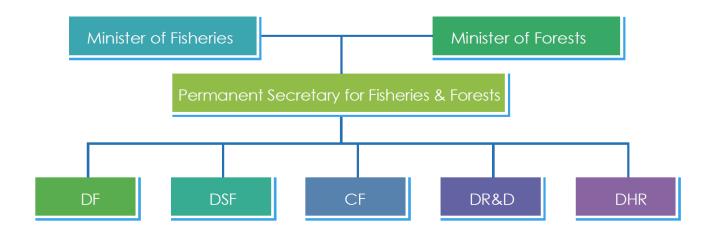
We will do and deliver what we have committed and promised to our customers

### **OUR CORE BUSINESS**

We are a regulatory & service organization responsible for the national fisheries and forestry sector through the following functions.

- Formulate and Implement Fisheries & Forest strategies and policies;
- Provide and administer the regulatory function under the respective Departments legislation and regulations;
- Monitor and evaluate the current strategies, policies and deliverables;
- Develop and promote effective training, communication and awareness and extension advisory services;
- Strengthen community and industry networks and support infrastructure;
- Maintain international bilateral and multilateral commitments; and
- Undertake applied research for sustainable fisheries and forests resource management practices and product development.

### **OUR ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**



### ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT

Legislations	Regulations	Policies	Plans	Manuals
Constitution of the Republic of Fiji 2013 Financial Management Act 2004 Tax Administration Decree 2009 Fiji Health & Safety at Work Act 1996 Public Service Act 1999 Act 2 of 2016 – Amendment to PSC Act Employment Relations Promulgations 2007 & Employment Relations (Amendment) Act 2016	Public Service Regulation 1999 Finance Instructions 2010 Fiji Procurement Regulations & Amendments 2010	General Order 2011 Terms & Conditions of Employment for GWE's 2010 MFF Risk Management Policy	Training Plan 2016	MFF Human Resource Manual MFF Finance Manual

### FISHERIES SECTOR MANAGEMENT

Legislations	Regulations	Related legislations & regulations	Policies	Plans
Fisheries Act (Cap 158) Marine Spaces Act (Cap 158A) Offshore Fisheries Management Decree 2012 Aquaculture Decree – currently in Parliament National Research Bill	Fisheries Regulation (in the various legal notices) Offshore Fisheries Management Regulation 2014	Environment Management Act 2005 Endangered and Protected Species Act 2002 Fiji Maritime Transport Decree Ship Registration Decree I-Taukei Lands Act Surfing Decree	National Fisheries Policy (Draft) Fiji Aquaculture Strategy (Draft)	Tuna Management Development Plan 2014 – 2018 Fisheries Commodities Plan 2014-2018 Sea Cucumber Management Plan (draft) National Plan of Action on Illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing (IUU) National Plan of Action on Sharks

### **OUR PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS**

#	MINISTRY	PROGRAMME	ACTIVITIES	CAPITAL PROJECTS (AUG 2016-JULY 2017)
1	PLANNING & CORPORATE SERVICES	Policy & Admin	General Admin & Accounts Economic Policy, Planning & Statistics	Upgrade of Office & Quarters – F&F Cyclone Rehabilitation – Construction of Fisheries Institutional Buildings
3	FISHERIES	Fisheries	1. General Admin	
			2. Offshore Fisheries	1.Western & Central Pacific Fisheries Commission Forum
			3. Fleet & Technical Services	
		4. Extension & Advisory Services	<ul> <li>2.Coastal Fisheries Development</li> <li>3.Rotuma Ice Plant- Phase 2</li> <li>4.Preparatory Works – Cicia Ice Plant</li> <li>5.Preparatory Works – Moala Ice Plant</li> </ul>	
			5. Research, Resource Assessment & Development	<ul><li>6.Makogai Mariculture Centre Development</li><li>7.Pearl Oyster Research &amp; Development</li><li>8.Marine Resource Inventory Survey</li></ul>
			6. Aquaculture	9.Aquaculture Development 10.Brackish water Development 11.Cyclone Rehabilitation – Seaweed 12.Construction of Multi-Species Hatchery in Ra 13.Food Security Program - Aquaculture

### MFF INPUT ALLOCATIONS

PROG	Total Approved Est. Post	Total Est. Staffing. Strength	Total Approved GWE Post	Total GWE. Staffing. Strength	Total Project Approved Post	Total Project Staffing. Strength	Total Approved Staff Posts By Prog.	Total Staffing Strength By Prog
1 – Policy & Admin	20	15	2	2	7	0	29	17
2 – Forestry	137	127	75	68	48	42	260	237
3 - Fisheries	180	149	64	60	85	71	329	280
TOTAL MFF	337	291	141	130	140	113	618	534

### **FUNDING (Aug 2016- July 2017)**

PROG	Total Operational funding (Seg 1-6)	Total Special Expenditure & Capital Funding ( Seg 7-10)	VAT	Total Prog Funding
1 – Policy & Admin	\$2,050,000	\$281,000	\$135,000	\$2,466,000
2 – Forestry	\$6,263,100	\$4,752,700	\$370,400	\$11,386,200
3 - Fisheries	\$6,024,900	\$6,480,000	\$765,100	\$13,270,000
TOTAL MFF	\$14,338,000	\$11,513,700	\$1,270,500	\$27,122,200

### **OUR TARGETED OUTCOMES & PERFORMANCE OUTPUTS**

Of the 38 Outcomes identified under the Strategic Framework for Change – Roadmap for Change – Roadmap for Sustainable Economic & Empowerment Development Strategy, the Ministry Outputs are aligned to 8 Targeted Outcomes & 11 core Ministry Outputs outlined in Table 1.

### **Targeted Outcomes & Outputs**

TARGETED OUTCOMES	OUTCOME STATEMENT	OUTPUTS
6. Public Sector Reform	To improve public sector efficiency and effectiveness and improve service delivery	Output 1 - Portfolio Leadership, Policy Advice, Financial Services & Secretariat Support
14.International Relations and External Trade	Enhancing Global Integration and International Relations for Political and Economic Advancement.	Output 10 - Strengthen Global, Regional and National partnership Output 7 - Sustainable Trade Environment Output 9 - Value Adding and Down Stream Processing
19.Fisheries Resources	Pursuing growth and ensuring food security through sustainable marine resource management	Output 2-Researchand Development Output 6 - Law Enforcement — Licensing, Compliance and Monitoring Output 7 - Sustainable Trade Environment Output 9 - Value Adding and Down Stream Processing
26.Poverty Reduction	Reducing poverty to a negligible level by 2015.	Output 5 - Food Security and Income Generation
29.Education and Training	Educating the nation for peace and prosperity.	Output 3 - Education and Training Output 4 - Public Awareness & Promotion
31.Gender Equality and Women in Development	Achievement of Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women.	Output 11 - Promote Gender Equality and Women in Development
36.Disaster Risk Reduction and Disaster Management	Building the national resilience to disasters, Reducing vulnerability and risks and adapting to Climate Change.	<b>Output 8</b> - Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation and Resilience

### MINISTRY OF FISHERIES 2016/2017 ACHIEVEMENTS

The new Ministry of Fisheries during the 2016/2017 financial year focused on renewing its relationships with other relevant agencies and development partners in strengthening its approach to improve the ministry's quality of services to the Fijian people especially those living in isolated and remote areas by enhancing their socio-economic capabilities. One of the interventions area was to bring the market to these localities to avoid urban drift.

The ministry endeavored to improve its research and development competencies to assist resilience of coastal-based villages and settlements to natural disasters through adaption strategies by restocking the reefs , re-establishing Makogai Fisheries Station and improving the enforcement to minimize illegal, unregistered and unregulated fishing and better manage their iQoliqoli's or customary fishing grounds.

The contribution of the fisheries sector to the economy was 1.8% during the financial year and the ministry furthered its performance with the continued assistance from its development partners like FAO, FFA and SPC to draft its first ever National Fisheries Policy.

The ministry also made efforts to have an inclusive and united society and involved the women, youths, elderly and the young of the communities in income-generating fisheries activities and benefit the disadvantaged people. These activities were carried out through the various aquaculture and coastal fisheries projects.

To this end, the ministry addressed the welfare of its staff to encourage them and maintain their focus on the outputs that were to be delivered. The ministry ensured that there were resources on hand to assist and support their fisheries activities as well as trained them to productively utilize their attributes as civil servants.

### Outcome: 6 Public Sector Reform

Output 1 – Portfolio Leadership, Policy Advice and Secretariat Support

Sub Output 1.1 Policy Advice - Facilitate Management decision making through provision of policy advice Endorsement of Cabinet Papers by the Ministers [4]

Two [2] Cabinet were endorsed by the ministers.

- i. Cabinet Paper on FAO Port State Measures Approved by cabinet October, 2016.
- ii. Cabinet Paper on MOU between the Ministry of Fisheries, Republic of Fiji & the Hainan Provincial People's Government of the PRC on Fisheries Development

### **Number of Cabinet Decision Implementation Status [1]**

One [1] Cabinet Decision Implementation Update for the Ministry of Fisheries & Forests was forwarded to Cabinet office on 13 January 2016. Scope of the update was on the Ministry of Fisheries Implementation of the Port State Measures.

### Adoption of Policy Analysis briefing papers prepared for the Minister [4]

Two [2] Policy brief was submitted:

- i. Policy brief on Ex Post Financial Analysis of Ice Plants
- ii. Policy brief on Pearl Project MOU with University of the Sunshine Coast/ACIAR

### Speeches & parliament responses drafted for the Minister [4]

Fourteen [14] speeches and parliament responses was drafted for the Minister.

- i. MoF response to the President speech
- ii. Launch of endangered species exhibition at French embassy.
- iii. OFCF meeting, closing and farewell party.
- iv. Kadavu Yaubula roadshow. On World Fisheries day.

- v. FIJI DAY speech-Nadi
- vi. National Fisheries policy- consultation opening
- vii. FLMMA annual meeting address Serua.
- viii. WCPFC opening address
- ix. WCPFC closing address
- x. speech for Minister for the National Workshop on Aquatic Animal Health and Biosecurity 24/01 to 27/01/17
- xi. Chinese Embassy Cheque Handing Over \$40,000.00 (Ministry of Fisheries) Makogai Hatchery Development
- xii. Minister Of Fisheries Speakers Debate Speech
- xiii. Preparation of Speech and Parliamentary Questions
- xiv. 2017-2018 Budget response speech

### Review and development of Sector & Organizational Policies

### National Fisheries Policy developed and completed [1]

One [1] Draft National Fisheries Policy Developed awaiting legal vetting from Solicitor General's Office.

- i. National Fisheries Policy Stakeholder consult held on 16-18 /11/2016
- ii. Internal stakeholder consultation on the National Fisheries Policy conducted on 05-06/01/2017

### Review and development of Legislations & Regulations – Fisheries Number of Acts enacted (Aquaculture Decree) [1]

Review and Development of Fisheries Legislations – the Aquaculture Bill 2016 [Bill No.9 of 2016] was presented on 13 April 2016 during the information session of Parliament.

### **Fisheries Commodity Management Plans**

### Review of Tuna Management & Development Plan 2014 - 2018 [1]

One [1] review of the Tuna Management and Development Plan 2014 -2018 completed in 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2016/2017 financial year.

# Performance Assessment of Plans & Projects ACP M&E report [4 Reports (1 Report per qtr.)]

Four [4] quarterly annual corporate plan monitoring and evaluation report was compiled and submitted to executive management and findings was presented to senior management during fisheries quarterly reviews.

### Capital Projects M&E Monitoring Report [4 Reports (1 Report per qtr.)]

Four [4] Quarterly Capital project monitoring and evaluation reports was compiled and submitted to executive management and findings was presented to senior management during fisheries quarterly reviews.

### Strengthen Stakeholder partnership, collaboration and coordination

Number of commodity councils meeting conducted/Revitalizing fisheries commodity councils (Fiji Marine Aquarium Council/Offshore Marine Managed Area committee/ Fisheries Project Committee/ National Tilapia council; & Seaweed Task force [4 (1 per Qtr.)]

Five [5] meetings was convened during the financial year.

- i. Offshore Fisheries Commodity Council Meeting was held in August 2016
- ii. Fisheries Project Appraisal Committee handover meeting was held with Secretariat at Walu Bay on 11/07/17
- iii. Fisheries Project Appraisal Committee meeting was held at HQ on 21/07/17
- iv. Fisheries Project Appraisal committee meeting was held at HQ on 14/07/17
- v. Seaweed Taskforce meeting was held at HQ with stakeholders on 11/05/17

### **Planning and Accountability Framework Compliance**

### MoF Aug 2017 – July 2018 Budget Request submission to Ministry of Economy [1]

One [1] Budget Request submission was made to Ministry of Economy on April 2017

### MoF PSIP Aug 2017 – July 2018 PSIP Submission to Strategic Planning Office [1]

One [1] Public Sector Investment Portfolio [PSIP] submission made to Ministry of Economy on April 2017

### Outcome: 19 Fisheries Resources

Output 2 – Research and Development – Fisheries

Sub Output 2.1 Encourage private, public partnership for industry driven research and training Collaboration with communities, stakeholders and development Partners to discuss fisheries research and management issues.

### Number of collaborative reports produced [10]

Ten [10] collaborative reports was produced.

- i. Submission of Research Topics to Chief Research & Conservation Officer for the Australian Universities Consortium: 09/11/16
- ii. Sea urchin survey grant agreement submitted to SPC for endorsement 23/12/16
- iii. Submission of Biofin budget for species conservation and Marine protected area to Gilbert (IUCN) 24.01.17
- iv. Fisheries Impact Assessment consultation conducted for CPR in Malaga in collaboration with Lands Department 05- 07/04/2017
- v. Workshop conducted with SPREP (06/04 07/04/2017)
- vi. Collaboration works with Department of Town and country planning for UGMAP workshop along Western Corridor 17/03/2017
- vii. Collaboration with Marine Biologists of Marriot Resort, Momi Bay in regards to reef enhancement program: 11/05/17
- viii. Presentation on Grouper Spawning Aggregation and Management in Fiji at the Pacific Voices for a Global Ocean Challenges: Ocean Conference at USP 8/06 -09/06/17
- ix. 2nd Meeting of the Sessional Committee of the Scientific Council of CMS in Bonn representing the Oceania region 10-13.07.17
- x. Consultation at Nadroga Provincial Office CO Group Sofitel SO Momi Bay Project: 18/07/17
- xi. Pearl Project ACIAR Review at SPC Nabua: 19/07 20/07/17
- xii. Spawning ratio workshop with WCS in Tanoa plaza: 25.07.17 27.07.17

### Sub Output 2.2 Enhanced resource assessment and management of inshore and inland fisheries Fisheries Resource Inventory Survey

### Number of I Qoligoli - Marine & freshwater profiled [15]

Five [5] I Qoligoli was profiled

- i. Marine Resources Inventory Survey (MRIS) for I Qoliqoli Cautata, Vatoa and Waicoka: 24/11 -2/12/16
- ii. Marine Resources Inventory Survey (MRIS) for I Qoliqoli Makogai: 21/11 -3/12/16
- iii. Marine Resources Inventory Survey (MRIS) for I Qoliqoli Taveuni, Tunoloa and Cakaudrove: 5/12 17/12/16
- iv. Marine Resources Inventory Survey (MRIS) for I Qoliqoli Taveuni, Tunoloa and Cakaudrove: 19/01 04/02/17
- v. Marine Resources Inventory Survey (MRIS) for I qoliqoli Tailevu Inventory and Biological Assessment: 09/05 26/05/17

### **Number of Management Plans Developed [15]**

Four [4] Management Plans was developed.

- Management Plan for I Qoligoli Malolo (Survey undertaken in Oct 2016)
- ii. Management Plan for I Qoliqoli Naviti, Yasawa (Survey undertaken in Oct 2016)
- iii. Management Plan for I Qoligoli Cautata, Vatoa and Waicoka (Survey undertaken in Dec 2016)
- iv. Management Plan Posters for I Qoliqoli Wailevu, Labasa, Saolo, Burebasaga, Raviravi and Beqa (Survey undertaken in Dec 2016)

# Development of Fisheries Environmental and impact assessment framework Number of FIA undertaken and report [4]

Fourteen [14] Fisheries Impact Assessments was undertaken and reported.

- i. FIA Druadrua Resort Marina Survey & report complete
- ii. FIA Saweni, Vuda Final Report submitted to Lands
- iii. FIA Naps Development, Nadawa Final report submitted to Lands
- iv. FIA Analysis of coral data for Laucala Onodere channel
- v. FIA Conrads, Tavua: survey completed and report compilation complete
- vi. FIA Natovi Jetty- survey completed, report writing in progress
- vii. FIA Vatuwaqa Bridge survey completed and report
- viii. FIA Humes Industries Limited. Survey and report completed
- ix. FIA Nads Handicraft final report to Lands Department.
- x. FIA Momi Bay- survey and report complete
- xi. FIA Conrad, Tavua Report to Lands Department: 04/02/16
- xii. FIA Rendezvous Fiji, Momi submitted to Lands Department. 09/11/16
- xiii. FIA Natovi Wharf complied and submitted to A/PRO for vetting 11/11/16
- xiv. FIA Wyndham Silkroad Ark Fiji Hotel: 08/12 13/12/16 report completed and submitted to Lands Department

### Number of NDF undertaken and report [3]

Three [3] NDF survey (Yasawa, Yanuca & Serua) was surveyed and analyzed.

### New MPA Gazetting consultation (2017) [2 new MPA's]

MPA activities continued with two [2] identified MPA's

- i. Mapping of MPA Kubuna Fishing Ground Submission to Tailevu Provincial Office: Information/Permit Condition.
- ii. Burebasaga Fishing Ground Gazette: MPA- nursery ground for hammerhead shark- included within the Rewa Development Plan.

### **Research on Species of Special Interest**

Number of monitoring reports on species of special interest [turtles, Mud crab, Pelagic Species/Mobula Rays/Groupers, freshwater eels), Sea urchin, Sea cucumber [7 species reports]

Eight [8] Species of special interests reports was compiled.

- i. Turtle 5 turtle (C.mydas) tagged and release, collected genetic samples from tagged turtles, 2 foraging site surveyed.
- ii. Giant Clam- Compilation of data for information paper
- Mobulla/rays/sharks shark awareness (posters and facts for Rewa Roadshow)

- iv. Eels Literature review on Eels.
- v. Kalia/ Varivoce- Literature review on Bumphead Parrotfish relating to Pacific and Fiji
- vi. Kawakawa Value chain survey (Northern, Central &Western Division). Kawakawa market survey for Fiji in all divisions with Dr. Sidovi: 03/11 05/11/16
- vii. Sea cucumber survey at Taveuni, Tunoloa and Cakaudrove: 19/01 04/02/17 (Continued)
- viii. Sea urchin Biological and Socioeconomic survey at Coral Coast and Suva Peninsula (Districts of Suva, Serua, Malomalo and Cuvu): 23.01 10.02.17

#### Mari culture Research

### Report on spawning of Giant Clams (20,000 6 month old clams) [1]

Two [2] spawning was carried out Makogai Station. 10,000 giant clams was spawned and 108 Giant Clams was transferred from Vatale Reef to Naocobau Bay Reef during the financial year.

- I. Clam Spawning carried out at Makogai station 29.12.16
- II. Clam spawning carried out at Makogai Station 03.01 05.01.17

### Monitoring of Giant Clams in reseeded MPA

### Report on the re-establishing population of Giant Clams in MPA 2 reports (bi-annual status reports)

Eight [8] Giant Clams was monitored during the financial year.

- i. Monitoring of reseeded sites in the Mamanuca group (5 sites) and Mago Island
- ii. Monitoring of Giant clams stocked in Tavarua MPA. [26/5/17]
- iii. Monitoring of Giant Clam at Naocobau MPA on 10/02/17 which was established in 2015. The amount of self Replenishment has doubled the amount that was initially deployed there in the initiation of the MPA.

### Outcome 29: Education and Training

### Output 3 – Education and Training

### **Sub Output 3.2 Basic Fisheries Management Techniques**

Promote Fisheries development and management through Training

Fish farmer training (4)

Thirteen [13] fish farmer trainings was conducted.

- i. Aquaculture Fish Farmer Training for Navutulevu, Serua (Women's Group) 16-17/08/16
- ii. Aquacultue Fish Farmer Training for the Tikina Nabobuco, Naitasiri 10/10/16 at Rewasau and Naqelewai Villages
- iii. Tailevu South Aquaculture Fish Farmer Training 25-28/10/16
- iv. Post-Harvest and Deep Sea Fishing Training in Gau, 50 fishermen participated 13-14/09/2016
- v. Tikina Yawe Womens Fishing Net construction training from 20/12-21/12/2016. Total of 26 participants
- vi. Climate Smart Fishing Training in Vanuabalavu from 23/01-26/01/2017. Total of 79 participants.
- vii. Deep Sea Fishing Techniques Training from 05/12-07/12/2016. Total of 20 participants.
- viii. Mangrove Crab Farming Project Training organized by Ministry of Fisheries from 30/01-04/02/2017 in Bureta, Ovalau with a total of 14 participants
- ix. Fish Warden Training undertaken for Saunaka Village (Yavusa Ua) -29/11-02/12/16
- x. Deep Sea Fishing Training Namalata and Muamua Village, Vanuabalavu 12-27-28/04/2017 Ministry of Fisheries, 68 participants
- xi. AFSP Farmers Training for Central farmers at FTC Coloisuva from 08-13/05/17
- xii. Gillnet Trial Fishing Training with FAO at Namarai for Ra/Dawasamu fishermen: 26–29/06/17

xiii. Seaweed Value Adding Training- trial & setup of value adding@ Yaqeta and Vuaki (Yaqeta village) - 04-09/11/16

Capacity building for technical staff on basic fisheries training (research & aquaculture)

No of Fisheries staff sent on training in areas of special interest. Deploy staff to attend training on areas of special interest Nomination of staff 1 month prior to Training. Compilation of training report -Minimum – [50 staff trained- at least 1 training report per quarter]

Seventy Eight [78] staff attended trainings in areas of special interests.

- Pacific Island Countries Fisheries Specialist Training, Korea (1 staff attended): 24/08-14/09/16
- ii. SPC Aquaculture Inventory Workshop (1 staff trained)-25/10/16
- iii. OMRS Training (2 staffs attended)
- iv. Seaweed and outboard training, 2 days, IHRDP, Vadravadra village, Gau 02 03/08/16 [1 staff]
- v. OMRS, 2 days, [1 staff]
- vi. Technical Training on Data-poor Fisheries Management Implementation, 2 days 13/09/16 [2 staff]
- vii. OMRS Training 2 day, A/PFO 15/09-16/09/2016 [1 staff]
- viii. Electrical training, 5 days, Ministry of Youth & Sports 19 23 /09/16 [2 staff]
- ix. SPC Aquaculture Data Collection Kobo Toolbox Training, 2 days SPC, Nabua 25-26/10/16 [1 staff]
- x. Awareness training on FICAC Prevention, 1 day, FICAC, Levuka Fisheries Station 24/10/2016 [3 staff]
- xi. Fisheries Management Training in Japan: 7/11 26/12/16 [2 Staff]
- xii. Giant Clam spawning training by Ministry of Fisheries Chief Conservation Officer: 16/01 -27/01/16 [7 staff]
- xiii. Policy workshop at Southern Cross from 16-18/11/16 [1 staff]
- xiv. OMR Workshop from 07-08/12/16 [1 staff]
- xv. Giant clam spawning training at Lami Fisheries and Makogai Island from 16-27/01/17 [1 staff]
- xvi. Grass carp breeding workshop facilitated by SPC @ Naduruloulou Research Station from the 21/11 26/11/2016 [10 staff]
- xvii. National workshop on Aquatic Animal Health and Biosecurity organized by JICA and FAO, from 24/01 to 27/01/17 [18 staff]
- xviii. Training in Korea 06.07 07.07.17 [1 staff]
- xix. Job attachment with SPC Coastal Fisheries Program [1 staff]
- xx. Discipline Guideline Training: 10.07 11.07.17 [4 staff]
- xxi. Seminar on Ocean Governance attended funded by the Hainan Province, China, from 21/09-02/11/2016 [1 staff]
- xxii. OMRS Training attended by organized by Ministry of Civil Service on 08/12/2016 in CTD, Nasese [1 staff]
- xxiii. Refresher Training for Ice Plant Operators organized by Department of Fisheries from 28/11-02/12/2016 in Lami Fisheries. [5 staff]
- xxiv. Fisheries Trade, Policy and Investment Appraisal Training at Honiara, Solomon Islands from 20-23/02/17 [1 staff]
- xxv. OMRS Refresher Training for at FTC, Coloisuva on 10/03/17 [2 staff]
- xxvi. ITTO Training at Tanoa Plaza on 27/04/17 [1 staff]
- xxvii. Investigation Workshop from 24-25/05/17 at the Archives Dept [1 staff]
- xxviii. Small Engine Workshop at TPAF from 05-09/06/17 [1 staff]

- xxix. Investigation Officers Training at Vatuwaqa from 12-16/06/17 [1 staff]
- xxx. Designing a Fisheries Training Course Curriculum at Veitiri Conference Room, Suva on 29/06/17 [1 staff]
- xxxi. Sustainable Natural Resource Management through Collaborative Management of Protected Areas" in Okinawa, Japan from 30/06-13/07/17 [1 staff]
- xxxii. 3 weeks training on Fishery using Resource Management Approach Course at Okinawa, Japan from 29/06-15/07 2017 [1 staff]

### Outcome 29: Education and Training

Output 4 – Public Awareness & promotion – Sustainable Fisheries Management

# Sub Output 4.1 Promotion on Sustainable Fisheries Management Participation in National, Government Awareness Programs and International Fisheries Day Report on Fisheries national expositions and exhibitions participated [4]

The ministry participated in Three [3] Fisheries national expositions and exhibitions.

- i. Celebration of World Fisheries Day in Kadavu from 24-26/11/2016
- ii. National World Environment Day celebration at Churchill Park on the 05/06/17
- iii. Agriculture show on the 24-26/05/17.

### Reports on Government Awareness programs participated [8 (2 per Division)]

The ministry participated in Thirteen [13] Government Awareness programs.

- i. Fiji Day Celebration & Exhibition Albert Park 08/10/16
- ii. Rewa Roadshow (10-11/11/16)
- iii. Yaubula Tradeshow in Kadavu from 24-26/11/2016
- iv. Celebration of World Fisheries Day in Kadavu from 24-26/11/2016
- v. Bua Show case @ Nabouwalu from the 10/11 -11/11/16
- vi. Serua/Beqa Roadshow at Lomary Secondary School on 15-16/02/17
- vii. Kadavu Roadshow 06-07/07/17
- viii. National World Environment Day celebration at Churchill Park on the 05/06/17
- ix. Tilak High School open Day celebration on the 26/06/17
- x. Launching of the Nadroga/Navosa Yaubula Day at Nasigatoka Village Hall together with display and Exhibition [14/7/17]
- xi. Nilson Technical Open Day 13/7/17
- xii. Agriculture show on the 24-26/05/17.
- xiii. Sagani Government road Show on the 21-22/06/17

### Promote Fisheries Development through Inter-agency training/& awareness programs Number of Fisheries inter-agency training/awareness programs attended [60]

Two hundred and forty nine [249] inter-agency training and awareness programs was attended.

- i. Fisheries Act Awareness Debrief for Constables and Police (Eastern) HoDs HQ, Nausori: 20/10/16
- ii. Provincial Meeting Naitasiri Vunidawa: 4-5/08/16
- iii. Provincial Meeting Tailevu 26-27/10/16
- iv. Provincial Meeting Namosi 18/10/16
- v. Provincial Meeting Serua 21/10/1611
- vi. District Meeting Nawaidina 30/08/16
- vii. District Meeting Viria 31/08/16
- viii. District Meeting Naitasiri-06/09/16

- ix. District Meeting Nadaravakawalu 08/09/16
- x. District Meeting Nabobuco- 09/09/16
- xi. District Meeting Vunidawa 09/09/16
- xii. District Meeting Naikurukuru 21/09/16
- xiii. Community Meeting Vanua o Kubuna- Bau/Kaba/Kiuva, etc: Live Rock Harvest for N. Turagaiviu: 20/09; 27/09/16
- xiv. Community Meeting Namena Tailevu FIA Natovi: 11/10/16
- xv. Community Meeting Vatoa, Tailevu Brackishwater shrimp 29/09/16
- xvi. Community Meeting Nasilai 12/10/16; 17/10/16
- xvii. Community Meeting Veivatuloa 12-13/09/16
- xviii. Community Meeting Mau 12/09/16
- xix. Community Meeting Culanuku 02/09/16
- xx. Divisional HoD Meeting Serua/Namosi 08/0916; 29/06/16
- xxi. Divisional HoD Meeting Nausori 04/10/16
- xxii. Board /HoD Development Meeting Rewa 08/9/16; 6/11/16
- xxiii. Board /HoD Development Meeting Tailevu 30/09/16; 01/11/16
- xxiv. Board /HoD Development Meeting Naitasiri 16/11/16; 05/12/16
- xxv. Board /HoD Development Meeting Serua/Namosi 15/07/16
- xxvi. HOD Meeting: Tavua
- xxvii. Ra Provincial Council Meeting
- xxviii. Yasawa Tikina Council Meeting
- xxix. Fiji Day Celebrations
- xxx. Reguregu to the Late Tui Nadi
- xxxi. Yaqeta Seaweed Project Scoping Trip: IHRDP/World Bank
- xxxii. Stakeholders' Consultation and Workshop on FELA's most recent draft papers, namely: Regulating Fiji Coastal Fisheries, Policy and law Discussion Paper and towards an effective legal framework for Marine Protected Areas (MPA) in Fiji: How can MPAs be established under existing legislation, and what are the possible scenarios for the future MPA legal regime? 27-28/10/16
- xxxiii. Consultation with Wate Soko to discuss about his UBA exemption that has expired in July and advise him for the divers to stop using the diving gears and for him to sought endorsement for his papers from the Fisheries Department for the renewal of his exemption14/10/16
- xxxiv. Kadavu Yaubula Consultation Meeting 15/10/16
- xxxv. Community consultation at Malaka, Muamua, Avea and Cikobia villages 21-28/09/16
- xxxvi. Consultation with carpenter for the proposed construction of the KFA fish house at Talaulia village
- xxxvii. Consultation conducted for the Tikina Nakasaleka comprising of two villages Vacalea and Nukuvou.
- xxxviii. Consultations with the communities of Vanuabalavu on the Solar System, Coastal Rehabilitation and Income Generation. (Consultation was jointly done by Department of Fisheries, Department of Energy and NGO ADRA),
- xxxix. Consultation with Fishermen Association members at Rakiraki village for new fish company in Kadavu 18/07/16
  - xl. Consultation with Tikina of Bureta together with other government stake holders regarding the Patterson walk way to be constructed at a coastal area in Bureta.
  - xli. BIOFIN Finance Needs Assessments Consultation Workshop at Novotel 15/09
  - xlii. Meeting with Lami Town Council Administrator on the proposed Clean Up Campaign 22/09/16

- xliii. Fiji Rescue Steering Committee meeting at IAS, USP 22-23/09/16
- xliv. Meeting with Sai Yee Seafood Manager to discuss plans to provide better market access for our communities in Maritime Islands 7/08/16
- xlv. Sawaieke Youth Group meeting where the youths were advice on the licensing procedures 01/08/16
- xlvi. Meeting with NZ counterparts on where they could provide assistance to the Fisheries in terms of technical assistance and donating of equipment and materials 18/8/16
- xlvii. Meeting with Roko Tui Lau on the need to visit Cicia and Moala with the inclusion of all in line ministries (Mineral Resources, Ministry of Works, Land Department, Local Authority and PA Lau). 15/08/16
- xlviii. Meeting with ADRA regarding proposed Fishermen training in Vanuabalavu 27/09/16
- xlix. National Fisheries Policy Consultation meeting with the Consultant 13-14/09/16
  - I. Consultation meeting with the Moturiki fishing Scheme held at Nasesara together with Mr. Tomasi Peckham regarding the formulation of the Moturiki Fishing Scheme. 24/10/16
  - li. Consultation meeting with the Vunivesi Fishing Scheme held at Tokou together with Mr. Tomasi Peckham regarding the formulation of the Vunivesi Fishing Scheme. 25/10/16
  - lii. Consultation meeting with the Tikina Levuka Fishing Scheme held at Levuka vaka-viti conducted by Mr. Tomasi Peckham regarding the formulation of the Tikina Levuka Fishing Scheme. Consultation meeting with Fishermen for Fishermen Association for Levuka and Moturiki. 26/10/16
- liii. Consultation meeting with Chief of Levuka regarding the establishment of Levuka Fishermen Association. 20/10/16
- liv. Consultation meeting with fishermen team in Gau conducted by Tomasi Peckham and Babitu Rarawa held at the Gau Fisheries .Conference room. Meeting with Fishermen Association with PA Kadavu and see how we can help them to be successful in their operation.
- lv. Formation of Gau Fishermen Association with 6 Schemes 13-14/09/16
- lvi. Lau Provincial Council Meeting attended by 11/10/16
- lvii. Lomaiviti Provincial Meeting held at Levuka attended 27-28/09/16
- lviii. Provincial Council members including Commissioner Eastern wish to thank the Fisheries Department for the development work done so far for Gau, Batiki, Moturiki and Ovalau.
- lix. Kadavu Provincial meeting held at Studio 6 attended by Anare Luvunakoro and Kaminieli Nabalarua. 04 05/10/16
- lx. District Meeting Tikina at Dakuiloa, Oneata ,FA Venina Vonosese and Akaripa Biudole ,01 03/08/16
- lxi. District Meeting Tikina Sanima, Yale & Ono, Kaminieli Nabalarua, 04/08/16
- lxii. District Meeting Tikina Moturiki, Lovoni, Levuka and Bureta, Sairusi Senilawalawa,04/08/16
- lxiii. District Meeting Tikina Nakasaleka at Nukuvou village, Kaminieli Nabalarua , 05/08/16
- lxiv. District Meeting Tikina Naceva, Kaminieli Nabalarua, 06/08/16
- lxv. District Meeting Tikina Yawe, Kaminieli Nabalarua ,10/08/16
- lxvi. District Meeting Nabukelevu, Kaminieli Nabalarua, 05/08/16
- lxvii. Ciguatera poster/information for Press release: 20.01.17
- lxviii. HOD meeting at CCD on 01/11/16
- lxix. Fisheries Senior Management meeting on 03/11/16
- lxx. HOD meeting on 03/11/16 at Serua Provincial office
- lxxi. HOD Tailevu on 30/11/16
- Ixxii. HOD Rewa meeting on 18/01/17

- lxxiii. HOD meeting for Serua/Namosi province on 13/12/16
- lxxiv. HOD meeting for Serua/Namosi for tropical depression on 15/12/16
- lxxv. DISMAC standby (Serua/Namosi/Navua area) on 17-18/12/16
- lxxvi. EOC Briefing at CCD for flooding preparations on 16-18/12/16
- lxxvii. Attend to Minister's visit to launch the vannamei species to ponds on 15/12/16
- lxxviii. PS MFF visit to Wainibokasi and Nausori office on 03/01/17
- lxxix. PS MFF project meeting at Level 3 HQ on 04/01/17
- lxxx. Ministerial meeting at Pearl Resort from 05-06/01/17
- lxxxi. HOD meeting on 24/01/17
- lxxxii. Resource Management workshop in collaboration with Ministry of Forestry @ Nakavaki, Bua on the 22/11/2016
- lxxxiii. Meeting with Nakalou Women group on seaweed quality control facilitated by Fisheries @ Nakalou on the 11/11/2016
- lxxxiv. Qoliqoli Cokovata meeting in collaboration with WWF @ Naduri from the 17/11 -18/11/16
- lxxxv. Meeting @ PFO(N) office with Marina expert on 28/11/2016
- lxxxvi. Meeting in at JJ's office in Dreketi in regards to electricity & export subsidy on the 28/11/2016
- lxxxvii. Brief on pearl value adding by Justin Hunter & consultant @ Savusavu office to Fisheries, Provincial & Regional office 29/11/2016
- lxxxviii. Integrated Committee Management workshop in collaboration with ICM @ Naulumatua House on the 28/11 29/11/2016
- lxxxix. Community base sea cucumber management plan meeting @ Natuvu, Wailevu on 06/12/2016
  - xc. Community base sea cucumber management plan meeting @ Saolo village on 07/12/2016
  - xci. Resource Management Plan workshop @ Somosomo on the 07/12/2016
  - xcii. Fishermen meeting @ Labasa office on 03/01/2017
  - xciii. Meeting with AMA Rep @ Labasa office on 11/01/17
  - xciv. Consultation with Dr Richard from Taiwan on aquaculture from 09/01 10/01/17
  - xcv. Fish warden training & awareness @ Saolo from the 16/01 27/01/2017
  - xcvi. Giant Clam Spawning training from the 16/01 20/01/2017
- xcvii. Village meeting with Roko Tui Cakaudrove on 17/01/2017
- xcviii. Partners Meeting for TA7753: Strengthening Coastal and Marine Resources Management in the Coral Triangle of the Pacific: 7/11/16
- xcix. Ra Integrated Coastal Management Committee Meeting, Dadamu House, Nanukuloa: 8/11/16
  - c. Inception Workshop for TA 7753: Strengthening Coastal and Marine Resources Management in the Coral Triangle of the Pacific, Vitawa Village: 09/11/16
  - ci. Tavua LB-SR Awareness and Training Workshop: 22-23 Nov. 16
  - cii. Bose ni Tikina Yasawa: 14-17 Nov.16
- ciii. IHRDO&ILO Handing Over of Seaweed Value Adding Equipment to Yaqeta and Vuaki Villages, Yasawa: 14/11/16
- civ. Tikina Bau meeting in Cautata on 20/02/17
- cv. Tikina Nakelo meeting at Nakaulevu on 21/02/17
- cvi. Bose ni Tikina Dravo at Naila on 22/02/17
- cvii. Bose ni Tikina Buretu at Nabouciwa on 23/02/17
- cviii. Bose ni Tikina Nuku at Naselai on 28/02/17
- cix. Bose ni Tikina Namara at Naisausau on 01/03/17

- cx. Bose ni Tikina Tokatoka at Lomainasau on 02/03/17
- cxi. Bose ni Tikina Naqarawai at Naraiyawa, Namosi on 06/03/17
- cxii. Bose ni Tikina Wainikoroiluva at Namuamua village in Namosi on 07/03/17
- cxiii. Bose ni Tikina Dawasamu at Silana, Tailevu- 07/03/17
- cxiv. Bose ni Tikina Veinuqa at Wainiyavu village, Namosi on 08/03/17
- cxv. Bose ni Tikina Namosi at Waivaka village on 09/03/17
- cxvi. Bose ni Tikina in Taivulagei at Vugalei on 13/03/17
- cxvii. Bose ni Tikina Sawau on 14/03/17 at Naiseuseu, Bega
- cxviii. Bose ni Tikina Vugalei at Sote on 14/03/17
- cxix. Bose ni Tikina Raviravi on 15/03/17 at Nawaisomo, Bega.
- cxx. Bose ni Tikina Sawakasa at Sawakasa on 15/03/17
- cxxi. Bose ni Yasana Tailevu at Bau Island from 25-27/04/17
- cxxii. Fisheries Central Division Quarter Review at Wainibokasi on 13/02/17
- cxxiii. Department of Fisheries Quarterly Review at FTC on 16/02/17
- cxxiv. Staff meeting on 20/02/17
- cxxv. PSIP meeting at HQ on 09/03/17
- cxxvi. Capital Budget update to DF at HQ MFF conference room on 10/03/17
- cxxvii. Capital Budget and Operational budget meeting at HQ Level M conference room from 14-16/03/17
- cxxviii. Staff meeting on 14/03/17
- cxxix. Staff Meeting on 03/04/17 at Nausori Fisheries Office.
- cxxx. Budget Capital Project meeting in Lami on 19/04/17
- cxxxi. Consultation meeting with PSMFF, Ministry of Economy at Ro Lalabalavu House on 19/04/17
- cxxxii. Internal Budget Justification meeting at HQ on 20/04/17
- cxxxiii. Staff meeting on 24/04/17 at Nausori office
- cxxxiv. Internal 2nd round of Budget consultation in Lami on 27/04/17
- cxxxv. Nadawa foreshore development consultation at Kalabu on 13/02/17
- cxxxvi. Duavata Community Policy awareness at Lokia village on 16/02/17
- cxxxvii. Liaise with Serua Provincial for the proposed eco-sounding activity around the Yanuca waters on 17/02/17
- cxxxviii. Attended the invitation for the issuance of grant to the people of Serua /Namosi province & Beqa at Thompson Park on 18/03/17
- cxxxix. Attended the ITTO Community Training at Narocake, Rewa on 21/03/17
  - cxl. Meeting at Navatuyaba village in Rewa on the Traditional River Protected Area on 22/03/17
  - cxli. Naigani Island visit on 22/03/17 on the establishment of Solar System.
  - cxlii. Outreach program for wellness at Waiqanake village on 28/03/17. Theme "Climate change and its impact on health
  - cxliii. Community Awareness at Waiqanake village for the Tikina Waiqanake, Rewa on 03/04/17.
  - cxliv. Serua Island Community Meeting at Serua Island on the 04/04/17 Discussed on Fisheries Projects, Planning and way Forward for Community and Fisheries to work in successful development of the projects: Seaweed, Giant clams, FAD and Pearl spats.
  - cxlv. Community Awareness at Navatuyaba village for the Tikina Toga, Rewa on 05/04/17
- cxlvi. Visited Culanuku village to assist Petero Tauseresere for his boat request.
- cxlvii. Nataleira, Dawasamu meeting on boat and qoliqoli issue with MSAF, Police and Fisheries on 07/04/17

- cxlviii. PMs visit to Nakasi squatters land lease approval on 13/04/17
- cxlix. Cyclone Winston Rehab assistance program at Dawasamu on 20/04/17
  - cl. Follow up on solar lights for Nananu on 24/04/17
  - cli. Central Division post processing at HQ on 22/02/17
  - clii. Panel meeting for FA FDU at HQ on 14/03/17
- cliii. Post processing of FA MCS (3 posts) on 20/03/17
- cliv. Post processing FTO Navua/Lautoka interview at HQ on 10/04/17
- clv. Departmental Structure/Post processing meeting for FO E & S C post at HQ on 11/04/17
- clvi. Post processing FO E&S C interview at HQ on 13/04/17
- clvii. Post processing at HQ on 20/04/17
- clviii. FTO Post processing at HQ on 25/04/17
- clix. Post processing for FO E&A on 28/04/17
- clx. BDM Forum workshop at Holiday Inn on 01/03/17
- clxi. Bega/Suva HOD meeting at Commissioner Eastern's office on 02/03/17
- clxii. Women in Fisheries workshop at Suva Business Centre on 08/03/17
- clxiii. FAO Specialist meeting "Response to TC Winston" on 16/03/17
- clxiv. Trial on Nigh Fishing Central and Western Division: PFO N, APFO W/ADF & ASFO C on 16/03/17
- clxv. FAO meeting with PFO W, PFO N, PFO C at Minister's conference room on 17/03/17
- clxvi. Enforcement forum meeting at Level M, HQ on 17/03/17. Attended by Divisional Heads, FELA, WCS and Bob Gillet.
- clxvii. Meeting with Ministry of Planning on 27/03/17
- clxviii. Tailevu Yaubula Management committee meeting coordinated by FLEMMA at Cakobau House on 29/03/17
- clxix. Tailevu HOD Meeting at CCD office on the 30/03/17
- clxx. Tailevu province HOD meeting at CCD on 30/03/17
- clxxi. Meeting with Company owners for tenders for the Wainibokasi jetty.
- clxxii. Agriculture Show Meeting at the Agriculture Conference Room, Nausori on 04/04/17
- clxxiii. JICA meeting at HQ Level 1 on 07/04/17
- clxxiv. Agriculture Show meeting on 12/04/17 at Ratu Cakobau House
- clxxv. Rewa HOD meeting on 12/04/17 at CCD
- clxxvi. 01/03/17 National BDM Forum and launching of 2 reports at Holiday Inn.
- clxxvii. 3 HOD meeting with Commissioner Eastern on a monthly bases regarding fisheries development in the Eastern Division in the 3rd quarter.
- clxxviii. 2 District meeting attended by OIC Kadavu in Naceva and Mataso, Kadavu
- clxxix. 6 Village Meetings attended by FA Kavala for the 3rd quarter regarding fishermen association.
- clxxx. 7 district meetings attended by FA Gau and FA Levuka for Gau Island.
- clxxxi. 2 village meetings attended by FA Vanuabalavu in Malaka Village regarding formulation of Yaubula Association and in Mualevu Village regarding Licensing and markets.
- clxxxii. 1 Fisheries Management Community Training 18-19/04/2017 Yacata Village, Vanuabalavu
- clxxxiii. Meeting with PA Serua and Dept of Lands for Land acquisition for relocation of Navua Station on 03/05/17
- clxxxiv. HOD meeting on 04/05/17
- clxxxv. Launch of Pollution week meeting at HQ on 08/05/17
- clxxxvi. PSC consultation at Nausori conference room on 09/05/17.

- clxxxvii. FAO visit to Naitasiri on 11/05/17
- clxxxviii. Compilation of MCS Forum presentation for meeting on Friday 11/05/17
- clxxxix. MCS Forum on 18/05/17 at Holiday Inn
  - cxc. MCS Information Exchange visit to NZ on 19/05/17
  - cxci. Meeting with PA Serua and Namosi for their AFSP project proposal applicants from community on 19/05/17
  - cxcii. Meeting on Ocean Day Launching at HQ on 22/05/17
  - cxciii. Meeting with FLEMMA reps on 23/05/17
  - cxciv. Fisheries HOD meeting in Lami on 24/05/17
  - cxcv. Pacific Voices for Global Ocean Challenge SDG 14 at USP on 06-07/08/17
  - cxcvi. Base maps for Inshore marine spartial data meeting on 26/07/17
- cxcvii. Meeting with DSFF, SPC Rep and Digital Globe rep in regards to imagery datasets and spatial datasets and also data sharing with SPC and Digital Globe on 29/06/17
- cxcviii. Spatial mapping presentation compilation with APRO and report to Serua Island for FLMMA workshop on 11/07/17
- cxcix. GIS application for Fisheries Management at Tanoa Plaza, Lautoka on 13/07/17
  - cc. Minister of Fisheries Divisional and Principal Fisheries meeting at HQ- 18/7/17
  - cci. Meeting with MCS consultants on review of MCS in Fiji- Central and Western: River House, Nausori on 20/07/17
- ccii. Launch of the Yellow Ribbon Serua/Namosi Network Committee at the Pearl Resort on 28/06/17 for government departments to identify programs that would initially help ex-offenders whilst returning to the 2 provinces
- cciii. Attend to Tikina Namosi literacy training organized by TLTB at Waivaka village on 02/05/17
- cciv. Launch of the Vodafone Tebara Carnival 2017 at Vunimono Hall on 02/05/17
- ccv. Bose ni Yasana Rewa with Hammerhead Shark Gazette at Nabudrau on 04/05/17
- ccvi. Accompany CBS company team to Naigani Island for the solar installation work on 05/05/17. Installation completed by the company on 06/05/17.
- ccvii. Consultation meeting with Mokani community on the floodgate issue raised by PM during ground breaking ceremony for Bau College School 09/05/17.
- ccviii. Company visit to Fiji Aquarium Ltd on 10/05/17 with offshore unit to discuss on outcome of their visit to Hon. Minister's office on 02/05/17 regarding application for UBA exemption for aquarium fish collection.
- ccix. Consultation meeting with PA Tailevu and TNKs from Mokani, Naisogovau and Waicoka on the floodgate issue raised by PM during ground breaking ceremony for Bau College school 11/05/17.
- ccx. Rewa Provincial Council Yaubula committee meeting on 11/05/17
- ccxi. Monitoring of Aquarium Fish Company of live fish and live coral packaging for shipment to UK on 16/05/17
- ccxii. Serua outreach at Korovisilou with other government departments on 17/05/17
- ccxiii. Company visits on 22-23/05/17
- ccxiv. Prepare presentation for upcoming Serua tikina meetings and submit to PA Serua office on 02/06/17
- ccxv. Veivatuloa MPA GPS plotting on 05/06/17
- ccxvi. Submit project paper for Petero Tauseresere to DFs office on 06/06/17
- ccxvii. Dawasamu community meeting at Driti village on 06/06/17 with Police, MSAF and Roko Korovou. Attend to illegal activity by Vaipoe fishing boat.
- ccxviii. Attend to Districts HOD meeting on 07/06/17
- ccxix. Village meeting at Nasilai on 12/06/17 discussion on upcoming Fishermen Training

- ccxx. Attend Serua Distict meeting at Namaquaqua village on 13/06/17
- ccxxi. Attend Tikina Batiwai meeting at Galoa village on 14/06/17
- ccxxii. Survey and registration of new Korean Aid vessel at MSAF 19/06/17
- ccxxiii. Field visit to Kumi village with Professor Kawai from Hiroshima University on 26 & 28/06/17
- ccxxiv. Meeting with CEO Tavua Town Council. Meeting regarding middlemen as vendors. Resolution was for all middlemen to provide correct information of their supplier (fisherman) on the 7th June
- ccxxv. Civil Service Reform Awareness workshop. Held at DO Tavua's conference room on the 22nd June
- ccxxvi. Attended to Crab workshop at Korovou Village, Tavua on the 2nd June in collaboration with FLAMMA and WIFN.
- ccxxvii. Formal endorsement of the Ban in fishing Kabatia for Tavua. Held at DO Tavua's conference room where all village headmen and matanitikina, Tui Tavua, Police officer, Town council representative, WWF representatives, Fiji Sun officer, FBC officer present [27TH June]
- ccxxviii. Handle Case of confiscation by offshore officers Catch with fishing equipment were confiscated due to fishermen not having valid license. [28th June]
- ccxxix. Mud crab training workshop in Nawagarua with FLMMA. [13/7/17]
- ccxxx. Mud crab fattening, handling & post-harvest training for Ba/Tavua facilitated by FLMMA. [26-28/7/17]
- ccxxxi. Collaboration work with DO's office in Ba for Tukuraki Relocation Fish Farming project. Harvest was done on a partial basis.
- ccxxxii. Collaboration works with FLAMMA and WIFN on Crab workshop along Ba and Tavua identifies sites. [02/06/17]
- ccxxxiii. Collaboration work with DO's office in Ba for Tukuraki Relocation Fish Farming project. Harvest was done on a partial basis.
- ccxxxiv. Participated in the Talanoa session with other Government Department and Mr. Khaiyum. [9/06/17]
- ccxxxv. HOD Meeting at DO's office [15/06/17]
- ccxxxvi. Participated in join community awareness with DO and Social Welfare Team at Moto, Ba. [22/06/17]
- ccxxxvii. Attendance To talanoa session with other Government Departments Reps for the Official Opening of the AKP Primary School and Ba Sanatan School by The Honorable Prime Minister. [25/7/17]
- ccxxxviii. Accompany the FLAMA Officials for the Crab Post Harvest training at Votua Village and Tavua.[25-28/7/17]
- ccxxxix. Assist the FLAMA Officials for the Workshop at Nawaqarua. [10/7/17
  - ccxl. Wrap up Meeting for SPC Gender Aquaculture survey and Aqua Team Fisheries in Suva before the publication of Gender Survey Report. [6 /06/17]
  - ccxli. Collaboration meeting on ACIAR Seaweed Project which was facilitated by James Cook University and was attended by other stakeholders namely; SPC, USP, FNU, Hoteliers, NGO's and rep from Seaweed farming community at Tanoa International Hotel in Nadi from 17th -18th July.
  - ccxlii. Participated in the National World Environment Day celebration at Churchill Park on the 5th June.
  - ccxliii. Participated on Tilak High School open Day celebration on the 26th of June
- ccxliv. Collaboration work with DO's office in Ba for Tukuraki Relocation Fish Farming project. Harvest was done on a partial basis.
- ccxlv. Participated in the Talanoa session with other Government Department and Mr. Khaiyum. [9/06/17]
- ccxlvi. HOD Meeting at DO's office [15/06/17]
- ccxlvii. Participated in join community awareness with DO and Social Welfare Team at Moto, Ba. [22/06/17]
- ccxlviii. Attendance To talanoa session with other Government Departments Reps for the Official Opening of the AKP Primary School and Ba Sanatan School by The Honorable Prime Minister.24/7
- ccxlix. Accompany the FLAMA Officials for the Crab Post Harvest training at Votua Village and Tavua

# Promote Fisheries Development through the Media Report on Fisheries visibility in the various media [12 (1 per month)]

Fourteen [14] fisheries visibility in various media was reported.

- i. Talkback Show at FBC-I Taukei: 1-2pm (30/09/16)
- ii. Talkback Show at FBC (Hindi):7-8pm (30/09/16)
- iii. Fisheries Surveillance Kubuna: aired on FBC TV News PRO 25/09/16
- iv. Fiji Sun/Fiji Times Press Release PRO -25-26/09/16
- v. Ciguatera poster/information for Press release: 20.01.17
- vi. Filming of Natuvu village project in collaboration with the Ministry of Women, Children and poverty Alleviation (Poverty Monitoring Unit) at Natuvu Village, Wailevu, and Cakaudrove. (08/03/2017)
- vii. Fiji Times published Access fees consultation on 02/02/17
- viii. Talkback show I taukei on licensing issues on 13/02/17
- ix. Talkback show Hindi on licensing issues on 13/02/17
- x. Radio Talkback Show-Domo i Viti on Kawakawa and Donu Start of Spawning Season (June September): 02.06.17
- xi. Radio Talkback Show-Domo i Viti on Marine Pollution (Plastics): 05.06.17
- xii. Radio Talkback Show on Radio Fiji 2 on Marine Pollution (Plastics) 05.06.17
- xiii. Fiji Times published Agriculture Show MFF Awardees & Bula Friday wear (Central) 24/06/17
- xiv. Diversification of Seaweed Industries Regional Workshop published in the Fiji Times, Fiji Sun & Fiji One News-17-19/07/17

### **Outcome 26: Poverty Reduction**

### Output 5 – Food Security and Income generation

# Sub Output 5.1 Strengthen Freshwater Aquaculture Development through Aquaculture Development Number of Tilapia fries produced and distributed from the hatcheries [1.0 million]

A total of 323,645 Tilapia fries was produced and distributed from the hatcheries.

Tilapia Fries produced and distributed from the Hatchery		
Quarter	Number of Fries	
Quarter 1	44,845	
Quarter 2	120,000	
Quarter 3	120,000	
Quarter 4	38,800	

**Source: Ministry of Fisheries** 

### Volume of Tilapia produced from commercial and subsistence farms [150 metric ton]

A total of 10.965 metric tonnes of Tilapia was produced from commercial and subsistence farms.

Volume of Tilapia produced from Farms		
Quarter	Volume of Tilapia	
Quarter 1	0.765	
Quarter 2	3.6	
Quarter 3	3	
Quarter 4	3.6	

Source: Ministry of Fisheries

### Number of recipients of the Food Security program (8 new farmers – 2 per division & 7/8 dormant farms revived)

Thirty [30] recipients were assisted under the Food Security Program [11- Western Division, 11 – Northern Division, 8 – Central Division]

### Number of prawn PLs reproduced form hatcheries [750,000]

A total of 265,120 prawn post larvae's was produced from the hatcheries.

Prawn Post Larvae from the Hatchery		
Quarter Number of Post Larvae's		
Quarter 1	24,120	
Quarter 2	-	
Quarter 3	107,000	
Quarter 4	134,000	

Source: Ministry of Fisheries

### Volume of prawn produced from commercial and subsistence farms [10 metric ton]

A total of 0.105 metric tons of prawn was produced from commercial and subsistence farms.

### Sub Output 5.2 Strengthen food security and Import substitution through brackish water aquaculture development Number of brackish water PL's produced in the hatcheries [1 million]

A total of 62,000 Vannamei post larvae's was produced in the hatcheries.

• Brooder replacement was done in November 2016, 35,000 Vannamei post larvae was imported from Thailand. This was released in the pond by Hon. Minister for Fisheries on 15th Dec 2016

### Volume of Shrimps obtained from farms [12 metric ton]

A total of 25.128 metric ton of shrimps was obtained from farms.

### Number of sandfish juveniles to be produced [5,000]

A total of 9,500 sandfish juveniles was produced

# Sub Output 5.3 Strengthen Pearl Development through Spat Collection Number of community based spat farms established/revived [4 sites]

Twenty five [25] community based spat farms was established and one survey was conducted for new spat site at Navukailagi.

- Cakaudrove 12 spat farms [Urata, Natuvu, Nacodreudreu, Drekeniwai, Lea, Viani, Korotasere, Kanaka, Vatu, Nukubalavu, Viani Bay, and Karoko]
- Bua 3 spat farms [Vuya, Tavulomo, and Navunievu]
- Macuata 3 spat farms [Nabouono, Raviravi, and Mali]
- Gau 3 spat farms [Somosomo, Sawaieke, and Nawaikama]
- Lau 3 spat farm [Oneata, Waiqori, and Dakuiloa]
- Komo 1 spat farm [Komo Youth Group]
- Survey new site at Navukailagi: 26.07 27.07.17

### Monitoring/Survey of existing spat farms [4]

A total of nine [9] monitoring activities was undertaken

- Monitoring of spat collector lines for Saioko and Verevere
- Monitoring of Spat Collector lines at Kiuva & Serua

- Spat collector monitoring and deployment at Yasawa
- Spat collector Monitoring at Ono
- Monitoring of Yasawa Community Based Spat Collection Farms: 16-26/11/2016
- Monitoring of 11spat farms (Buca ,Manukasi ,Nailou ,Salia ,Navetau ,Wailevu/Tunuloa ,Natewa ,Drekeniwai, Lea ,Viani Village ,Ravita ) also harvesting of 2 spat farms (Viani Bay,Kanakana) 17/03 – 24/03/2017.
- Monitoring of spat farms in Nawaikama and Sawaieke, Gau on 02/02/2017
- Monitoring conducted at Namarai, Naocobau and Nabukadra 22/5-31/5; 18/7/2017
- Spat Monitoring at Nacodreudreu, Urata, Natuvu, Vuya, and Navunievu on the 17/04 06/06 2017.

### Sub Output 5.4 Operation & maintenance of RFSC and Ice Plants

### Completion of Rotuma ice plant – Phase 2 [4 quarterly updates (1 per quarter)]

Rotuma Fisheries station staff quarters and office complex was completed

### **Establishment of Cicia & Moala Ice Plant**

### Preparatory works on Cicia Ice Plant [4 quarterly updates (1 per quarter)]

Land acquisition completed for the Cicia Ice Plant at Natokalau Cicia on 28/02/2017

### Preparatory works on Moala Ice Plant [4 quarterly updates (1 per quarter)]

Land acquisition completed for the Moala Ice Plant on 28/02/2017

### Operation & Maintenance of RFSCs & Ice plants

### Production and supply of ice [500 metric ton]

A total of 2489.144 metric tonnes of ice was produced and revenue generated from sale of ice was \$346,941.56

	Ice Production	Revenue Collected
	[Metric Tonnes]	[FJD]
Central	202.427	\$29,482.68
Eastern	122.59	\$21,623.17
Western	728.92	\$101,345.89
Northern	1,435.207	\$194,489.82
Total	2489.144	\$346,941.56

**Source: Ministry of Fisheries** 

### Sub Output 5.5 Support Income generating inshore commodities Number of FAD deployed (one per division)

Fourteen [14] Fish Aggregation Device [FAD] was deployed.

- i. 1 FAD was deployed at Sawaieke passage on 05/10
- ii. 3 FADs was deployed in Kadavu [1 in Galoa passage, 1 in Richmond sub-merged FAD and 1 in Muitavaya]
- iii. 10 Inshore FADs was deployed [fishing ground; Rakiraki/Naisogoliku Fishing Grounds -7, Nakorotubu Fishing Grounds -2, Dawasamu Fishing Grounds -1]

### Sub Output 5.6 Strengthen Aquaculture through Infrastructure Development Establishment of New Multi-Species Hatchery in Ra - Re-establishment of hatchery [4 (Quarterly)]

- GTB Approval for Construction of Standard Grade 6 Quarters at Caboni 1/11/16
- RIE submission and approval for the construction of Quarters

Sub Output 5.7 Strengthen Food Security and Income Generation through Freshwater Aquaculture Development Number of new freshwater farms established (applications for vetting & processing, site surveys, pond supervision, pond stocking, monitoring & sampling, harvesting and marketing) – data collection [8]

A total of four new freshwater farms was established and seven [7] site surveys was undertaken.

### **Pond Constructions:**

- i. 1 new pond constructed in Namalata Tailevu
- ii. FSP construction works at Lololo, Lautoka 23 24/06/17
- iii. Pond construction for Mr Jitend Kumar of Naroro Sigatoka 14-15/6/17
- iv. Established 20 x 10 x 5 ponds in Lawaki, Kadavu on 28/04/2017 for Niko Ratu financed by Government grant.

### **Site Surveys:**

- i. Site survey at Vakabalea on 24/04/17
- ii. Site survey at Ana Dabea proposed site at Waimicia settlement 26/07/17
- iii. Site survey at Jone Lui at Nabalabala village. Tavua 26/07/17
- iv. Site survey carried out for Selvakumar Lakmanan at Natawa Rakiraki 18/07/17
- v. Site survey carried out for Nirendra Singh of Toko Rakiraki 20/7/17
- vi. Site survey at Isimeli Apimeleki proposed site at Solodamu Village 10/06/2017
- vii. Site survey at Paula Kaitani proposed site at Kadavu Provincial Secondary School 13/06/17

### **Sub Output 5.8 Strengthen Income Generation through Seaweed Development Production volume [100 metric tonnes]**

A total of 3.951 metric tonnes of dried seaweed was produced.

### Number of nurseries established [4]

### Three [3] new seaweed nurseries was established.

Seaweed nursery was established with 25 lines located at Daku village 28/10/16

Seaweed nursery was established with 21 lines located at Qaranimasi 25/04/17

Seaweed nursery was established at Karoko funded by the Commissioner Northern Office 5 -7/06/17

### **Outcome 19: Fisheries Resources**

Output 6 - Fisheries Law Enforcement - Licensing, Compliance and Monitoring

### **Sub Output 6.1 Systematic Monitoring**

Fishing activities within Fiji's archipelagic waters, territorial seas, EEZ, the high seas and other EEZ.

### Number of National Observers Placement - [80]

A total two hundred and five [205] national observer placement was undertaken.

Number of National Observer Placements		
Quarter 1	59	
Quarter 2	52	
Quarter 3	56	
Quarter 4	38	

Source: Ministry of Fisheries

### **Regional Observer Placements [60]**

A total of eleven [11] regional observer placements was undertaken.

Number of Regional Observer Placements		
Quarter 1	2	
Quarter 2	3	
Quarter 3	4	
Quarter 4	2	

Source: Ministry of Fisheries

### **Number of Port Samplings [150]**

A total of ninety five [95] port sampling was undertaken

Number of Port Samplings		
Quarter 1	26	
Quarter 2	13	
Quarter 3	19	
Quarter 4	37	

Source: Ministry of Fisheries

# Implementation of the Offshore Fisheries Monitoring System Number of Landings monitored [270]

A total of forty one [41] landings was monitored.

Number of Landings monitored		
Quarter 1	19	
Quarter 2	-	
Quarter 3	2	
Quarter 4	20	

Source: Ministry of Fisheries

### Number of transshipments in port – [30]

A total of Eighteen [18] transshipments in port was recorded.

Number of Transshipments in Port		
Quarter 1	2	
Quarter 2	-	
Quarter 3	11	
Quarter 4	5	

Source: Ministry of Fisheries

There were no transhipment at sea for the reporting period.

# **Number of data units: [80, 000 data sets]** A total of 85,555 data units was entered.

Number of Data Units		
Quarter 1	26858	
Quarter 2	39325	
Quarter 3	12465	
Quarter 4	6907	

Source: Ministry of Fisheries

# Collaborative field scientific research with SPC Number of biological sampling reports [30 on shore & 30 at sea]

A total of six [6] biological sampling reports was produced.

# Implementation of the Inshore & Offshore Fisheries MCS activities Number of Inshore Fisheries MCS activities undertaken [10 Sea patrol / 10 Land patrol]

A total of twelve [12] sea patrols and fourteen [14] land patrols was conducted.

#### **Sea Patrol:**

- i. Sea patrol Deuba-Dravuni fishing areas 08/10/09/16
- ii. Sea patrol in Lakeba on 04/08/16
- iii. Joint sea patrol operations within Levuka and Moturiki fishing areas conducted on the 25-26/08/16
- iv. Eastern and Central sea patrol combined at Kubuna and Levuka fishing areas on the 22/09/16
- v. Sea patrol at Wainikoro fishing areas on 26/04/2017
- vi. Sea patrol Lautoka- Nadi Fishing Areas [Vanua o Ua] on 31/01/17
- vii. Sea Patrol [Nadroga Fishing Areas [Nakaria/ Nalolo/ Nasoni] on 01/02/17
- viii. Sea Patrol [[Nadroga Fishing Areas [Nakaria/ Nalolo/ Nasoni] on 02/02/17
- ix. Sea patrol Vuda /Malolo Fishing Ground 22/06/17
- x. Sea patrol Tabanivono I Ra / Nalolo FG [23/06/17]
- xi. Joint Sea patrol with NZ Navy, NZ Fisheries, Fiji Navy & Fiji Fisheries around Tabanivono- I –Ra
- xii. Sea patrol Ovalau fishing areas 16 -19/05/2017

### **Land Patrol:**

- i. Land patrol around Levuka town area on 24/09/16
- ii. Land patrols at Yadrana Lakeba 18/10/16
- iii. Land patrols at Yadrana Lakeba 09/09/16
- iv. Land Patrol central division 01/08/16
- v. Land Patrol central division 20/08/16
- vi. Land Patrol central division 30/08/16
- vii. Land Patrol central division 03/09/16
- viii. Land patrol in all the landing sites in Lakeba on 14/11/2016
- ix. Land patrol at Soluk Enterprise in Vunisea jetty on 30/11/16
- x. Land Patrol at the Suva Fish Market, Nausori fish Market 18/03/17
- xi. Land patrol at Lami-Suva-Nausori-Nakelo-Korovou-Bau landing for landing sites, market points on 22/04/17
- xii. Land patrol Ba/Tavua corridor 12/7/17
- xiii. Land patrol Ba/Tavua corridor 19/7/17
- xiv. Land patrol Levuka wharf 17/05/2017

### Consultation on the Inshore Fishing License permit and access fee payment arrangement [4]

Nine [9] Inshore fishing license permit and access fee payment consultations was conducted.

- i. Naitasiri Access fees consultation on 18/11/16
- ii. Access Fees consultation meeting for Naitasiri province on 10/01/17 at Vunidawa
- iii. Access Fees consultation meeting for Namosi province on 13/01/17 at Navua
- iv. Access Fees consultation meeting for Tailevu province on 18/01/17 in Nausori

- v. Rewa Province Access fees consultation at Lomanikoro, Rewa on 23/01/17
- vi. Access Fees consultation meeting with Namosi provincial office at Vunisoco village, Namosi on 20/01/17
- vii. Access fees consultation with Namosi Provincial at Nagara Island on 26/01/17
- viii. Beqa Access fees licensing structure consultation at Nawaisomo village on 31/01/17
- ix. Naitasiri CRFOs Access fees consultation at Nausori Conference room on 02/02/17

# Sub Output 6.2 Effective Control of Fishing Vessels in Fiji Fisheries Water and Ports Offshore Fisheries Licensing and Permitting

### Number of Long-line fishing licenses Issued [60]

A total of sixty [60] Long-line Licenses was issued

### Number of Exploratory licenses [4]

A total of four [4] Exploratory Licenses was issued.

### Number of Deepwater Snapper fishing licenses issued [3]

A total of three [3] Deepwater Snapper Licenses was issued.

### Number of Recreational fishing license [6]

A total of one [1] recreational fishing license was issued.

### Quarterly report of permits issued - [4]

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter reports for the number of permits issued was produced. A total of 3,682 offshore fishing permits was issued.

#### **Inshore licenses**

### Number of IDA Licenses issued [2000]

A total one thousand one hundred and fifty eight [1,858] of inshore fishing licenses was issued.

Division	Number of IDA Licenses Issued
Central	258
Eastern	417
Northern	522
Western	661
Total	

Source: Ministry of Fisheries

### Sub Output 6.3 Surveillance of fishing operations within Fiji fisheries, waters, ports, high seas and other EEZ Implementation of the surveillance & enforcement system

### Monthly reports on dockside boarding & inspection 12 (one per month)

A total of two thousand one hundred and eighty four [2,184] dockside boarding and inspection was undertaken.

Dock side Boarding and Inspection		
Quarter 1	423	
Quarter 2	881	
Quarter 3	456	
Quarter 4	424	

**Source: Ministry of Fisheries** 

### Number of pre-fishing inspections [102]

A total of twenty two [22] pre-fishing inspections was undertaken.

### Quarterly reports on Suva harbor survey [4]

Four [4] Reports on Suva Harbor Survey was completed.

### Inspection of fish and fisheries products for export and import [40]

Twenty seven [27] Inspection of fish and fisheries products for export and import was undertaken

### Satellite monitoring of vessels through the vessel monitoring system & vessel notification Number of weekly analyzed VMS Report [52]

A total of sixty two [62] vessel monitoring system reports was analyzed.

### **Updating of WCPFC RFV**

### Number of updates to the WCPFC RFV [70]

Fifty one [51] updates to the WCPFC RFV was completed from January to March 2016.

### Compliance to conditions of licenses, permits and authorizations

Number of quarterly Compliance Report [4]

Four [4] Compliance to conditions of licenses, permits and authorizations report was completed

### **Sub Output 6.4 Fisheries Market Research – Inshore fisheries**

### Conduct market survey and disseminate appropriate information for decision making [4]

Twelve [12] Monthly market survey reports was consolidated by inshore fisheries officer and disseminated to senior management.

### **Outcome 19: Fisheries Resources**

### Output 7 – Sustainable Trade Environment

Sub Output 7.1 Build local industry capacity on HACCP requirement.

**Domestic & Export Market Development** 

Total Value of Fish Exported [257 Million]

A total of 13,583.22 metric tonnes of Fish was exported with an estimated total value of \$107,158,255.25

Fish Export Volume and Estimated Value		
Month	Metric Tonnes	Value [FJD]
August	834.24	\$7,259,743.20
September	586.72	\$5,134,870.40
October	1,055.36	\$8,726,561.60
November	763.23	\$6,178,454.03
December	1,369.90	\$10,581,672.88
January	307.71	\$2,255,895.85
February	753.28	\$6,061,039.72
March	1,321.41	\$6,061,039.72
April	1,602.15	\$14,113,826.80
May	1,363.70	\$11,319,758.34
June	1,578.90	\$13,052,311.26
July	2,046.62	\$16,413,081.45

**Source: Ministry of Fisheries** 

Sub Output 7. Establishing agreements with neighboring SIDS & Compliance to regional obligations Fulfil obligations required under international, regional and sub-regional agreements Establishing agreements with neighboring SIDS

Number of mandatory reports to WCPFC [6]

Sixteen [16] mandatory reports was submitted to WCPFC.

### Number of reports on the finalization of UST and PIPS

One [1] report on the finalization of UST and PIPS was submitted.

### **Sub Output 7.3 Trade Facilitation**

Development of information toolkit on fisheries trade and business information Business guides reviewed and published [1 for Fisheries]

One [1] 2016/2017 Fisheries Sector Investment Guide was published and disseminated to all fisheries divisions for distribution to fisheries stakeholders.

### **Outcome 19: Fisheries Resources**

Output 8 - Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience

Sub Output 8.1 Ecosystem based conservation management Biodiversity Enhancement (Ridge to Reef) – Reef enrichment Initiative Number of reef replenishment activities undertaken [4]

Three [3] activities was undertaken

- Mangrove replanting-4000 mangrove plants replanted at Nabukadru, Namarai, Nasau and Nayavuira 22-31/5/17
- ii. Stocking of 6000 juveniles (Sand fish) Dairo from Galoa research station at Vitawa MPA areas. [16/5/17]
- iii. Restocked ten [10] giant clams at Outrigger Resort. [3/5/17]

### Number of targeted Awareness & Education, Advocacy forums [15]

Four [4] targeted awareness and education, advocacy forums was conducted.

- Marine Resource management & conservation Training emphasis on Giant clams Management: Vanua Nabila, Momi, Nadroga
- ii. Kawakawa and Donu Campaign at Marriot Momi Resort: 18/07/17
- iii. Campaign and awareness on Groupers at Food Processor: 27/07/17
- iv. Awareness and Advisory at Malolo villages on reef replenishment [Solevu, Yanuya, Tavua, and Yaro] 18-20/07/17

### Site survey on Reef fish spawning aggregations [5 site survey reports and maps]

One [1] Grouper Spawning Aggregation Management in Fiji report submitted to Pacific Voices Book

### **Outcome 19: Fisheries Resources**

Output 9 - Value Adding and Down Streaming Processing

Trade Market (Domestic, Regional & Global) Survey for Value added commodities demand Value Addition potential and Niche market discovery report by 2017 [1 – Fisheries]

One [1] Kai testing, value adding and Commodity profile report compiled.

#### Outcome 19: Fisheries Resources

Output 10 - Strengthen Global, regional and National partnership - Fisheries Development

### Sub Output 10.1 Global, regional and national partnership development

### Collaboration with existing development partners

### Number of MOU/MOA's signed with development partners (national, regional & international) [2]

- i. Final draft with Republic of China (Taiwan) on Monitoring of vessel and catch
- ii. Final negotiation on US Treaty Completed. Submission of Cabinet paper to commence ratification purpose for Fiji as party to the new treaty.

### Number of MOU/MOA developed [7]

### Three [3] MOA's was in development phase at the end of the reporting period.

- i. MOA between Ministry of Fisheries and Republic of China (Taiwan) on Monitoring of vessel and catch
- ii. MOA between Ministry of Fisheries and the Fiji Tuna Boat Owners Association & Fiji Offshore Fisheries Association (Industry
- iii. MOA between the Fiji National University and Ministry of Fisheries / Proposal on the Development Consent for the Construction of a Davit on the Ministry of Fisheries Lautoka Fishing Port

### Number of collaboration Reports produced with partners in development [4]

One [1] report on initial collaboration with University of Fiji and Ministry of Fisheries produced.

### Outcome: 31 Gender Equality

### Output 11 - Promote Gender Equality and Women in Development - Fisheries

### Sub Output 11.1 Promote Gender equality and empowerment of women in fisheries development

Inventory of women activities in inshore fisheries (participation, commitment) [4]

#### **Northern Division:**

- Fisheries programs/projects coordinated by women
- Nakalou women's Group- Seaweed farming project
- Waitabu Womens Group Spat
- Tacilevu Womens Group Spat
- Diseini Lewaca Freshwater aquaculture

#### **Western Division:**

- Namarai Women's Group 8 women involved in value adding of Melamela shells for jewelry
- Rakiraki 7 license fisherwomen
- Tavua 5 licensed fisherwomen (Crab fishers/BDM)
- Ba 32 women licensed fisherwomen and 2 women appointed as fish warden during Votua fish warden training
- Sigatoka 9 Women issued with inshore license- for fresh water mussels.

### **Central Division:**

• 3 Inshore Fishing License issued to women

### **Eastern Division:**

- Inventory of women activities in fisheries
- Number of women with IDA license -12
- Women group at Vunisea engaged in fish parcel sale at Vunisea Fisheries Station
- Aquaculture training at Natokalau Hall with 10 women participated
- Sustainable Fisheries Management Cicia SFM training at Natokalau Village, Cicia with 6 women participated

### Audited Financial Statement 1st August 2016 - 31st July 2017

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18 September 2018

The Honourable Semi Koroilavesau Minister for Fisheries Takayawa Building SUVA

Dear Honourable Koroilavesau

### MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

The audited financial statements for the Ministry of Fisheries and Forests for the year ended 31 July 2017 together with my audit report on them are enclosed.

Particulars of the errors and omission arising from the audit were forwarded to the management of the Ministry for necessary comments on 22 March 2018 and 16 April 2018. Despite several follow-ups, we are yet to receive a response.

Yours sincerely

Ajay Nand

AUDITOR-GENERAL

Mr. Naipote Katonitabua, The Acting Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Fisheries

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# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

### MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS

I have audited the financial statements of the Ministry of Fisheries and Forests which comprise the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, Appropriation Statement, Statement of Losses, TMA Manufacturing Account, TMA Trading Account, TMA Profit and Loss Statement, TMA Balance Sheet, Trust Account Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 July 2017, and notes to and forming part of the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In my opinion, except for the effects on the matters described in the Basis of Qualified Opinion paragraph, the accompanying financial statements are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Financial Management Act 2004 and Finance Instructions 2010 and Finance (Amendment) Instructions 2016.

#### **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

#### Operating Fund Account

 Expenditures amounting to \$276,181 were not recorded in the Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for the year ended 31 July 2017. This amount relates to unrecorded expenditures of \$191,147 paid from Standard Liability Account 84 and retired Accountable Advances of \$85,034 for the current year which were not cleared from the Revolving Fund Account. As a result, the expenditure balance of \$23,012,137 for the year ended 31 July 2017 is understated by \$276,181.

### Trading and Manufacturing Account

- There is an unreconciled variance of \$104,597 between the bank reconciliation and the Cash at Bank general ledger balance. Consequently, I am not able to confirm the accuracy and completeness of the Cash at Bank balance of \$1,896,419 recorded in the TMA Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2017.
- 3. The Ministry paid a sum of \$2.5 million to the Trading and Manufacturing Activity (TMA) account from its operating budget for the purpose of salvaging logs after Tropical Cyclone Winston. Of this amount, a sum of \$301,451 was utilised for this purpose in 2017 leaving a balance of \$2,198,459 as at 31 July 2017. The cash at bank balance of \$1,896,419 recorded in the TMA Balance Sheet is not sufficient to support the remaining balance of \$2,198,459.
- 4. The Ministry recorded total expenses of \$1,288,574 in the TMA Profit and Loss Statement for the year ended 31 July 2017. The Ministry was not able to provide documentations to support expenditures totalling \$515,515. As a result, I was not able to verify the accuracy and completeness of the total expenses recorded in the Profit and Loss Statement.
- 5. The Ministry recorded sales of \$1,161,623 in the TMA Trading Account for the year ended 31 July 2017. The Ministry was not able to provide documentations to support transactions totalling \$306,623. As a result, I was not able to verify the accuracy of the Sales amount recorded in the Trading Account.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Cont'd)

#### Trust Fund Account

6. The Ministry did not maintain a detailed listing of the beneficiaries of the Trust Accounts. Consequently, I was not able to substantiate the completeness of the closing balances of \$190,095 reflected in the Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Trust Fund Account.

#### **Emphasis of Matters**

Without qualifying the above opinion, attention is drawn to the following:

- The Ministry did not carry out a board of survey to verify the existence and condition of the assets under its authority contrary to Section 49 of the Finance Instruction 2010
- The TMA account continue to operate at a loss for eight consecutive years from 2010
- There was an overall excess of liabilities over assets of \$111,344 in the TMA balance sheet as at 31 July 2017.

I conducted my audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities* paragraph of my report. I am independent of the Ministry in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in Fiji and I have fulfilled other responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

#### Responsibilities of the Management and Directors for the Financial Statements

The management of the Ministry is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Financial Management Act and Finance Instructions 2010 and Finance (Amendment) Instruction 2016 and for such internal control as the management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## Auditor's Responsibilities

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISA will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISA, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Cont'd)

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing
  an opinion on the effectiveness of Ministry's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

I communicate with the management and directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

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Suva, Fiji 18 September 2018

## MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

We certify that these financial statements:

- fairly reflect the financial operations and performance of the Ministry of Fisheries and Forests and its financial position for the year ended 31 July 2017; and
- (b) have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Financial Management Act 2004, the Finance Instructions 2010 and Finance (Amendment) Instructions 2016.

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Mr. Najpote Katonitabua	Ms. Bernadette Welch
Acting Permanent Secretary	Acting Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Fisheries	Ministry of Forests

Date: 20/08 / 2016	Date: 3/9//8		

Date: 03/9/18.

Principal Accounts Officer

Maciu Waqa

# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	12months 31 July 2017 (\$)	7 months 31 July 2016 (\$)
REVENUE	<b>\</b>	, , ,
STATE REVENUE		
Native Timber Measurement	332,913	228,092
Fees and Land Survey	1,137	
Vessel Registration	4,994	7,034
Fishing Licence	23,922	13,799
Sale of Fish & Ice	389,814	232,490
Miscellaneous Revenue	312,268	156,146
Drying and Storage Facilities		263
Offshore Fisheries Management Fees	701,848	396,663
Offshore Fisheries Access Fees	465,921	107,666
Offshore Fisheries Application Fees	37,588	13,387
Offshore Fisheries Fees	156,881	79,835
Offshore Fisheries Related Activity Fees	105,184	56,770
Offshore Fisheries Miscellaneous Fees	19,155	11,496
Offshore Fisheries Permitting Fees	127,372	52,404
Offshore Fisheries Authorisation to Charter Fees	3,073	238
Offshore Fisheries Record Fees	36,584	32,419
TOTAL REVENUE	2,718,654	1,388,702
EXPENDITURE		
OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
Established Staff	7,368,289	4,801,264
Government Wage Earners	2,589,736	1,278,765
Travel & Communication	652,581	412,304
Maintenance and Operations	2,251,312	1,791,308
Purchase of Goods & Services	1,009,182	779,516
Operating Grants & Transfers	767,116	690,517
Special Expenditure	1,639,374	955,788
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	16,277,590	10,709,462
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE		
Capital Construction	5,335,191	4,824,823
Capital Purchases	420,869	539,040
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	5,756,060	5,363,863
Value Added Tax	978,487	841,512
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	23,012,137	16,914,837

# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS APPROPRIATION STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

SEG	ltem	Budget Estimate	Appropriation Changes (Note 5)	Revised Estimate	Actual Expenditure	Carry Over	Lapsed Appropriation
		(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
	Operating Expenditure						
1	Established Staff	7,468,758	(98,086)	7,370,672	7,368,289		2,383
2	Government Wage Earners	1,901,012	694,009	2,595,021	2,589,736		5,285
3	Travel & Communication	684,578	(28,918)	655,660	652,581		3,079
4	Maintenance & Operations	2,404,240	(125,292)	2,278,948	2,251,312		27,636
5	Purchase of Goods & Services	1,073,830	(47,818)	1,026,012	1,009,182		16,830
6	Operating Grants & Transfers	804,524	(37,407)	767,117	767,116		1
7	Special Expenditure	3,288,729	(127,099)	3,161,630	1,639,374		1,522,256
	Total Operating Expenditure	17,625,671	229,389	17,855,060	16,277,590		1,577,470
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	Capital Expenditure						
8	Capital Construction	7,825,040	(249,615)	7,575,425	5,335,191		2,240,234
9	Capital Purchases	400,000	23,108	423,108	420,869		2,239
	Total Capital Expenditure	8,225,040	(226,507)	7,998,533	5,756,060		2,242,473
13	Value Added Tax	1,210,200	(2,882)	1,207,318	978,487		228,831
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	27,060,911		27,060,911	23,012,137		4,048,774

# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS TMA – MANUFACTURING ACCOUNT - TIMBER UTILIZATION DIVISION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	12 months 31 July 2017 (S)	7 months 31 July 2016 (\$)
Opening Raw Materials	16,791	7,322
Add: Purchases		
	16,791	7,322
Less: Closing Raw Materials	178,541	16,791
Raw Materials Used	(161,750)	(9,469)
Add: Direct Labour	202,131	52,087
Cost of Goods Manufactured transferred to Trading Account	40,381	42,618

# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS TMA – TRADING ACCOUNT - TIMBER UTILIZATION DIVISION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	12 months 31 July 2017 (S)	7 months 31 July 2016 (\$)
Sales	1,161,623	54,141
	1,161,623	54,141
Opening Finished Goods	1,229	2,599
Add: Cost of Manufactured Goods	40,381	42,618
	41,610	45,217
Less: Closing Finished Goods	21,770	1,229
Cost of Goods Sold	19,840	43,988
Gross Profit transferred to Profit & Loss Statement	1,141,783	10,153

# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS TMA – PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT - TIMBER UTILIZATION DIVISION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	12 months 31 July 2017 (\$)	7 months 31 July 2016 (\$)
Income		
Gross profit transferred from Trading Account	1,141,783	10,153
Total Income	1,141,783	10,153
Expenses		
Maintenance & Operations	1,288,462	3,990
Other Expenses		39,273
Special Expenses	112	
Total Expenses	1,288,574	43,263
Net Loss	(146,791)	(33,110)

# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS TMA – BALANCE SHEET - TIMBER UTILIZATION DIVISION AS AT 31 JULY 2017

Assets         Cash at Bank       1,896,419       2,548,201         Raw Materials       178,541       16,792         Accounts Receivable       — 5,745         Finished Goods       21,770       1,229         Total Assets       2,096,730       2,571,967         Liabilities       2,198,548       2,500,000         Deposits & Deductions       9,526       36,520         Total Liabilities       2,208,074       2,536,520         Net Assets       (111,344)       35,447         Equity       (194,399)       (161,289)         Net Loss for the period       (146,791)       (33,110)         Transfers to Consolidated Fund       229,846       229,846         Total Equity       (111,344)       35,447		12 months 31 July 2017 (\$)	7 mouths 31 July 2016 (\$)
Raw Materials       178,541       16,792         Accounts Receivable       -       5,745         Finished Goods       21,770       1,229         Total Assets       2,096,730       2,571,967         Liabilities       2,198,548       2,500,000         Deposits & Deductions       9,526       36,520         Total Liabilities       2,208,074       2,536,520         Net Assets       (111,344)       35,447         Equity       TMA Accumulated Loss       (194,399)       (161,289)         Net Loss for the period       (146,791)       (33,110)         Transfers to Consolidated Fund       229,846       229,846         229,846       229,846	Assets		
Accounts Receivable       5,745         Finished Goods       21,770       1,229         Total Assets       2,096,730       2,571,967         Liabilities       2,198,548       2,500,000         Deposits & Deductions       9,526       36,520         Total Liabilities       2,208,074       2,536,520         Net Assets       (111,344)       35,447         Equity       TMA Accumulated Loss       (194,399)       (161,289)         Net Loss for the period       (146,791)       (33,110)         Transfers to Consolidated Fund       229,846       229,846         229,846       229,846	Cash at Bank	1,896,419	2,548,201
Finished Goods         21,770         1,229           Total Assets         2,096,730         2,571,967           Liabilities         2,198,548         2,500,000           Deposits & Deductions         9,526         36,520           Total Liabilities         2,208,074         2,536,520           Net Assets         (111,344)         35,447           Equity         TMA Accumulated Loss         (194,399)         (161,289)           Net Loss for the period         (146,791)         (33,110)           Transfers to Consolidated Fund         229,846         229,846           229,846         229,846	Raw Materials	178,541	16,792
Total Assets         2,096,730         2,571,967           Liabilities         2,198,548         2,500,000           Deposits & Deductions         9,526         36,520           Total Liabilities         2,208,074         2,536,520           Net Assets         (111,344)         35,447           Equity         (194,399)         (161,289)           Net Loss for the period         (146,791)         (33,110)           Transfers to Consolidated Fund         229,846         229,846	Accounts Receivable		5,745
Liabilities       2,198,548       2,500,000         Deposits & Deductions       9,526       36,520         Total Liabilities       2,208,074       2,536,520         Net Assets       (111,344)       35,447         Equity       (194,399)       (161,289)         Net Loss for the period       (146,791)       (33,110)         Transfers to Consolidated Fund       229,846       229,846	Finished Goods	21,770	1,229
Deferred Income       2,198,548       2,500,000         Deposits & Deductions       9,526       36,520         Total Liabilities       2,208,074       2,536,520         Net Assets       (111,344)       35,447         Equity       (194,399)       (161,289)         Net Loss for the period       (146,791)       (33,110)         Transfers to Consolidated Fund       229,846       229,846	Total Assets	2,096,730	2,571,967
Total Liabilities         2,208,074         2,536,520           Net Assets         (111,344)         35,447           Equity         (194,399)         (161,289)           Net Loss for the period         (146,791)         (33,110)           Transfers to Consolidated Fund         229,846         229,846			
Net Assets       (111,344)       35,447         Equity       TMA Accumulated Loss       (194,399)       (161,289)         Net Loss for the period       (146,791)       (33,110)         Transfers to Consolidated Fund       229,846       229,846			
Equity         TMA Accumulated Loss       (194,399)       (161,289)         Net Loss for the period       (146,791)       (33,110)         (341,190)       (194,399)         Transfers to Consolidated Fund       229,846       229,846	Total Liabilities	2,208,074	2,530,520
TMA Accumulated Loss       (194,399)       (161,289)         Net Loss for the period       (146,791)       (33,110)         (341,190)       (194,399)         Transfers to Consolidated Fund       229,846       229,846	Net Assets	(111,344)	35,447
Net Loss for the period         (146,791)         (33,110)           (341,190)         (194,399)           Transfers to Consolidated Fund         229,846         229,846	Equity		
Transfers to Consolidated Fund         (341,190)         (194,399)           229,846         229,846	TMA Accumulated Loss	(194,399)	(161,289)
Transfers to Consolidated Fund 229,846 229,846	Net Loss for the period	(146,791)	(33,110)
26.44		(341,190)	(194,399)
Total Equity (111,344) 35,447	Transfers to Consolidated Fund	229,846	229,846
	Total Equity	(111,344)	35,447

## MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS STATEMENT OF LOSSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

#### Loss of Money

There was no loss of money recorded for the year ended 31 July 2017.

## Loss of Revenue

There was no loss of revenue recorded for the year ended 31 July 2017.

## Loss of Fixed Assets

In accordance with the Procurement Regulations 2010 (Clause 52), the Permanent Secretary for Economy approved the disposal and write-off of the following items upon submission of the recommendations of the Board of Survey Report.

Assets	Amount (S)
Office Equipment	11,733
Furniture and Fittings	10,440
Field Equipment	46,077
Total	68,250

# MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS TRUST ACCOUNT - 1/3 SUBSIDY SCHEME - STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	Note	12 months 31 July 2017 (\$)	7 months 31 July 2016 (\$)
RECEIPTS		42.622	112
One - third Subsidy Contribution		47,677	112
Total Receipts		47,677	112
PAYMENTS			
Retention Money		49,478	1,824
Bank Fees Charges		26	
Total Payments		49,504	1,824
Deficit		(1,827)	(1,712)
Opening Balance as at 1 August 2016		191,922	193,634
Closing Balance as at 31 July	6	190,095	191,922

## MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

#### NOTE 1 REPORTING ENTITY

The Ministry of Fisheries and Forests is responsible for the formulation of policies and development to ensure the long term sustainability of Fiji's Fisheries and Forest resources, stimulate economic growth within the two sectors and improve livelihoods for communities that rely on these resources.

The Ministry achieves this by ensuring a balance between resource utilization and resource conservation, and the development and alignment of its policies, strategies and structures in order to better address emerging issues, capture emerging opportunities, ensure effective and efficient service delivery to all our stakeholders.

The organization structure of the Ministry is being realigned to drive economic growth in both the fisheries and forestry sectors for the short and mid-term, and strategies for the mid to longer term to capture emerging opportunities such as aquaculture and tuna certifications in the fisheries sector, and wood energy ad carbon trading in the forestry sector.

The Ministry of Forests operates a trading and manufacturing account that provides assistance in the processing and selling of pine products.

The Ministry of Fisheries maintains a trust account for the one-third subsidy scheme to help rural based fishermen with funding assistance for boat and engine. The scheme was discontinued by government in 2009.

# NOTE 2 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### a) Basis of Accounting

In accordance with Government accounting policies, the financial statements of the Ministry of Fisheries and Forests is prepared under the cash basis of accounting. All payments related to purchases of fixed assets have been expensed.

The financial statements are presented in accordance with the requirements of Section 71(1) of the Finance Instructions 2010 and Financial Management Act 2004. The preparation and presentation of a Statement of Assets and Liabilities is not required under the current government policies, except for that of the Trading and Manufacturing Accounts.

## b) Accounting for Value Added Tax (VAT)

All expenses are VAT exclusive. The Ministry on a monthly basis takes out VAT output on total money received for expenditure from Ministry of Economy. VAT input on the other hand is claimed on payments made to the suppliers and sub-contractors for expenses incurred.

The VAT payment as per the Statement of Receipts and Expenditures relates to the VAT input claimed on payments made to the suppliers and sub-contractors for expenses incurred and VAT payments to Fiji Revenue and Customs Service (FRCS). Actual amount paid to FRCS during the year represents the difference between VAT Output and VAT Input.

## MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

# NOTE 2 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

## c) Comparative Figures

The Ministry of Fisheries and Forests changed its reporting period from 1st August 2016 to 31st July 2017 as per the Ministry of Economy Circular number 04/2017 due to the change in the whole of government reporting period.

Hence, the 2016 - 2017 financial reporting is for the 12 months effective from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017. In comparison, the 2016 financial reporting is for 7 months effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016.

## d) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised when the actual cash is received by the Ministry.

# NOTE 3: SIGNIFICANT VARIATIONS

For the purpose of comparison of results, the current financial result (Fiscal 2017) can be prorated by dividing the respective figure by twelve (12) and multiplying by seven (7); compared to the corresponding result for the previous financial period (Fiscal 2016) consisting of seven (7) months only (January to July 2016).

# NOTE 4: APPROPRIATION MOVEMENTS

Appropriation movements were made through virements as follows:

Virement No.	From	Amount-	То	Amount (\$)	Approved by
V32001	SEG 01	144,467	SEG 02	144,467	Permanent Secretary for Economy
V32002	SEG 08	22,459	SEG 08	22,459	Permanent Secretary for Economy
V32003	Various	328,598	SEG 01	328,598	Minister for Economy
		471,729	SEG 02	471,729	
V32004	SEG 08	23,108	SEG 09	23,108	Permanent Secretary for Economy
V32005	SEG 08	77,813	SEG 02	77,813	Minister for Economy
	SEG 09	39,886	SEG 01	39,886	
DV3201	SEG 01	36	SEG 03	36	
	SEG 01	157	SEG 04	157	Permanent Secretary for Fisheries and
	SEG 01	9,851	SEG 05	9,851	Forests
DV3202	SEG 07	2,885	SEG 03	2,885	
	SEG 07	8,565	SEG 04	8,565	Acting Permanent Secretary for Forests
	SEG 07	141	SEG 05	141	

## MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND FORESTS NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

# NOTE 5: TRADING AND MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

The Trading and Manufacturing Activity consists of commercial undertaking of processed timber and furniture's as reported above.

The Ministry of Forests TMA Unit is currently under investigation by Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption (FICAC). Payment Vouchers and other correspondences relating to the TMA have been uplifted by FICAC Officers for investigation.

# NOTE 6: TRUST ACCOUNT - FISHERIES 1/3 SUBSIDY SCHEME

The Trust Fund Account was opened for the 1/3 subsidy scheme by the government for the purchase of boat and engine for fishermen.

The scheme which operated in the Fisheries Department was closed in 2009. Currently the Trust Fund Account is used for retention money.

