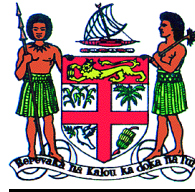


APPENDICES

Appendix 1
Written Evidence
Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources



PARLIAMENT STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

MINISTER FOR LANDS AND MINERAL RESOURCES ANNUAL REPORT - 2011, 2012 & 2013

13/10/2020

QUESTIONS

1. Can the Ministry of Lands explain on the significant rise in land rent arrears over the 3 years period (2011, 2012, and 2013)?

The increase in Rental Arrears could be due to the following factors:

- i. Additional non-payment of leases from current lessees
 - ii. Increase in annual rent due to re-assessment. Every five years, rental is re-assessed and new rent is charged accordingly.
 - iii. Expired leases are being renewed and retrospective rent is charged. This leads to annual rent being increased and backdated to the year that rental re-assessment was missed. The longer the process of renewal, the greater the retrospective rent will be charged.
 - iv. A natural disaster eg in 2012 Fiji was hit by a serious flood.
2. What measures have the Ministry taken to recover those arrears?

The following strategies were adopted by the Ministry;

- i. A team was deployed to collect rental arrears;
- ii. The Engagement of Project Officers;

- iii. Strengthen awareness program and activities where lessees were informed on their lease conditions and responsibilities;
- iv. Site visits to lessees in the respective; and
- v. Statement Notices were issued to the lessees.

3. What was the land rental collected in 2011, 2012 & 2013?

- **2011 – \$13,462,829.31**
- **2012 – \$12,382,626.79**
- **2013 – \$13,718,929.83**

4. Does the Ministry have any plans to be able to operate sustainably with so much revenue in arrears?

- The Ministry will continue to work in collaboration with our lessees to pay their rental arrears.
- As shown in the collection trend for the 3 years, payments have improved; hence the Ministry is positive and optimistic that the lessees will take ownership and pay their dues while the Ministry will continue to make more state land accessible and available for economic/social use. This should increase government revenue.

5. Can the Ministry provide the land arrears for each zoning i.e. commercial, industrial agricultural, residential and others?

Arrears of Leases in 2013	
Row Labels	Sum of RENT_DUE
AGRICULTURAL	\$5,224,643.49
COMMERCIAL	\$3,449,540.66
DEVELOPMENT	-\$1,847.50
EDUCATIONAL	\$131,497.78
FORESHORE	\$699,418.84
GARDENING	\$22,075.62
GRAZING	\$49,574.88
INDUSTRIAL	\$3,524,066.88
JETTY	\$23,264.11
PIPE LINES	\$75.03
RECREATION	\$11,034.16
RELIGIOUS	\$19,238.87
RESIDENTIAL	\$5,571,419.77

RIGHT OF WAY	\$115.00
SPECIAL	\$2,865,855.56
TENN AT WILL	\$1,673.92
TOURISM	\$86,378.03
TRAMLIN	\$301.40
Grand Total	\$21,678,326.50

6. Can the Ministry provide the committee the number of agriculture leases in Fiji and the pending renewal of leases?

2013

- **Total 228** pending agriculture leases to be renewed
- **By Division - N: 45, W: 151, CE: 32**

7. The Ministry to explain the steps undertaken for the turnaround time for lease applications?

- One year before expiry of lease, the lessee is advised to apply.
- If Lessee does not apply, 6 months before expiry, Inspection is carried out – 5 days.
- Submission is prepared for DL’s Approval – 10 days.
- Upon DL’s approval, Diagram is prepared – 2 days.
- Rental assessment is done during the inspection stages.

- Offer letter and draft lease is prepared – 5 days
- Acceptance of offer letter and payment of fees – lease released for execution – 6 months' time
- Once lessee submits the lease documents it normally takes 2½ months for registration of lease subject to all requirements met at Registrar of Titles Office i.e. discharge documents from the Bank if the bank does not wish to pursue with the mortgage or letter from Bank if they wish to pursue with the mortgage.
- Full set of probate and Court Order documents.
- **Note:**
 - ✓ For straightforward cases the timeframe may be between 3 months to 9 months depending on the time the lessee executes the offer letter and the lease documents.

8. What is the timeframe for mortgage and transfer consent?

During the years (2011-2013), there had been no specific timeframe but consents were processed as and when received.

9. How much money has been paid to the landowners of Nawailevu and how much is held in trust? How have the landowners benefitted from this land deal?

Mineral Royalty Fair Share

Bauxite export started in mid-2013 and mineral royalties were paid to the Nawailevu landowners in December 2018 after the promulgation of the Fair Share of Mineral Royalty Act in May 2018.

- Total Mineral Royalty Fair Share paid: \$1.027M
- Total held in Trust: \$485,705 (landowners below 18 years of age)

10. In accordance with the Ministry's Values on "Good Governance, Integrity and Fairness, Transparency and Openness"

Why the trust Account Statement of Receipts and Payments were not provided for audit as required. Qualification statement seems to contradict Qualified Audit Opinion (b) - please explain?

The True Trust Account for Lands Department was opened in year 2012 which was basically the reason why the statement of receipts and payments was not reflected in the 2011 annual financial statement. The True Trust for Mineral Resources Department was reflected as a note in the Annual Financial Statement for year 2011 and not fully disclose as a statement of receipts and payments. Proper reporting of True Trust was effective from year 2012.

11.2012 annual report - Can the Ministry provide updates of surveys of government stations on iTaukei land throughout the divisions?

The following government stations were surveyed in 2012 fiscal year:

<u>Western Division</u>		
<u>Nos.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Update</u>
1.	Namarai Government Station	Plan still not approve (SO 8418)
2.	Nalotawa Health Center	Scheme plan still with TLTB for vetting
3.	Cuvu Health Center	Scheme plan vetting at TLTB
4.	Waimacia Government Station	Not yet surveyed
5.	Legalega Government Station	Under requisition – SO 6155
<u>Northern Division</u>		
1.	Naleba Youth & Sports	Plan has been Approved – SO 6508
2.	Automatic Weather Stations	Plan has been Approved –SO 6588
3.	Saqani Government Stations	Plan has been Approved – SO 6582
4.	Vunivutu Government Stations	Plan has been Approved – SO 6509
5.	Bagasau Nursing Station	Plan has been Approved – SO 6555

6.	Seaqaqa Research Station	Plan has not been Approved – SO 4388
<i><u>Central/Eastern Division</u></i>		
1.	Raviravi Nursing station	Not yet surveyed
2.	Raralevu Police Post	Survey Plan Has Been Approved
3.	Vunidawa Sports complex	Survey Plan Approved (SO6633)
4.	Korovisilou Health Center	Not yet Surveyed.

12. 2012 annual report – P10, 11, 12 - why only a few survey plans approved by Divisions? (DSCE 6, DSW 1, DSN 3)

This is an area we tried to strengthen and improve on. The lack of monitoring mechanism resulted in few plans being approved. The division has devised a system where all division plans were to be prioritized when lodged for checking and approval at Plan Assessment Unit.

13. 2012 annual report, page 14 - Can the Ministry explain why only 93 plans were approved out of the 220 submitted to Director Town and Country Planning (DTCP)?

The 220 plans submitted to Director Town and Country Planning (DTCP) was to seek DTCP’s clearance. DTCP has its own processing timeframe and not all 220 survey plan can be cleared for approval at one time. Some plans may be

rejected if they find out that the developer failed to comply with some development conditions imposed when they approve the scheme plan.

The 93 plans were approved meaning that DTCP has verified the plans and it had complied with all the conditions imposed when approving the scheme plan.

14. Can the Ministry explain why its vision keeps changing from year to year?

The vision in 2012 was reflective of management vision for that financial year.

15. What is the Ministry's relationship with the Department of Environment in terms of licensing approval for gravel, sand, minerals and soil extraction?

It is a mandatory requirement for any proposed development or operation within the ministry is for an Environment Impact Assessment (EIA – EMA 2005) to be undertaken prior to granting of license and lease by the Director of Mineral Resources and Director of Lands. The EIA approval granted by the Department of Environment has conditions which are closely monitored by the Environment Division for the ministry.

The ministry is also part of the EIA review committee and Environment Monitoring Committee for the development. The ministry works closely with the Department of Environment in terms of facilitating the process to accommodate requests from the investors and public.

16. Gender – Can the Ministry provide a breakdown of number of female staff in the workforce and highlight those that are in Executive positions?

Year	No. of Female	Total Established Positions	No. of Female in Executive Position(s)
2011	109	435	1 – Director Land Use
2012	111	435	1– Director Land Use
2013	115	435	2 – Director Land Use & (Actg.) Director Geospatial

17. Implementation of Ministry Policies, process in place, for instance, Land Administration Standard Operating Procedures, SOP. Were there any challenges faced by the Ministry in terms of its implementation?

Meeting timelines is always a challenge especially when one process involves various divisions within the ministry and also requires comments/approval from other government or related agencies e.g. approval of survey plans, foreshore development and land bank initiatives.

Further, there had been no written or formalized SOP then to be followed by respective units/divisions along the processing line. This has created more unclear and duplication of work among the processing line.

18. 2011 Capital project completion-The Ministry to highlight its capital projects for 2011 and whether those projects were accomplished in 2011. Please also provide details for 2012 and 2013?

MINISTRY OF LANDS & MINERAL RESOURCES					
CAPITAL PROJECTS					
No.	Budget Submission	2011 Budget (\$)	2012 Budget (\$)	2013 Budget (\$)	REMARKS
Department of Mineral Resources					
1	Fiji Groundwater Assessment & Development on Small Islands	100,000	100,000	100,000	Project is on-going till to date. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
2	Fiji Groundwater Assessment & Development on Large Islands	120,000	620,000	100,000	Project is on-going till to date. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.

3	Mineral Investigation	100,000	800,000	300,000	Project is on-going till to date. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
	Total Seg 8	320,000	1,520,000	500,000	
4	Purchase of Technical Equipment	100,000	100,000	200,000	Project was on-going up until financial year 2019 - 2020.
	Total MRD	420,000	1,620,000	700,000	
Department of Lands & Survey					
5	National Geodetic Infrastructure	50,000	100,000	150,000	Project is on-going till to date. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
6	Survey of Government Properties on <i>iTaukei</i> Land	100,000	200,000	200,000	Project is on-going till to date. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
7	Survey of Namosi Mines	100,000	285,000	285,000	Project was on-going up until 2015. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
8	Survey of Mahogany Plantations	300,000	300,000	300,000	Project is on-going till to date. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
9	Development of State Land	300,000	400,000	1,000,000	Project is on-going till to date. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
10	Maintenance of Existing Subdivisions	200,000	200,000	200,000	Project is on-going till to date. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
11	Aerial Survey	400,000	0	0	Project was executed and completed in year 2011
12	Aerial Triangulation	70,000	75,000	50,000	Project was on-going up until 2015. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
	Total Seg 8	1,520,000	1,560,000	2,185,000	
13	Survey Equipment	100,000	100,000	100,000	Project was on-going up until 2018 - 2019 Financial year. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.

	Total Seg 9	500,000	100,000	100,000	
14	Landuse Master Plan	0	100,000	100,000	Project is on-going till to date. Project tittle has been renamed as Fiji Geospatial Information
15	National Land Register	150,000	150,000	100,000	Project was on-going up until 2015. Targets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 were executed as planned.
16	Land Bank Investment	2,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	Project is on-going till to date. In 2011, a sum of \$5m was being allocated however a sum of \$3m was redeployed by MOE to meet Government's urgent commitment (Natural Disaster)
	Total Seg 10	2,150,000	5,250,000	5,200,000	
	Total Lands	4,170,000	6,910,000	7,485,000	
	Total MLMR	4,590,000	8,530,000	8,185,000	

Appendix 2
Supplementary Response
Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources



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To: The Secretary-Parliament Standing Committee on Natural Resources

From: The Permanent Secretary for Lands & Mineral Resources

Date: 23.10.2020

RE: **MINISTRY OF LANDS AND MINERAL RESOURCES
RESPONSES TO THE SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS – 2011,
2012 and 2013 ANNUAL REPORTS**

- 1.0 The Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources has been advised by your high office to provide responses to the above subject sent via email on 14/10/2020.
- 2.0 Accordingly, please find attached is the Ministry responses submitted for your consideration.
- 3.0 We will be glad to provide assistance should you require further clarifications.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Raijeli Taga'.

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Raijeli Taga (Mrs)

Permanent Secretary for Lands and Mineral Resources.



PARLIAMENT STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

MINISTER FOR LANDS AND MINERAL RESOURCES ANNUAL REPORT – 2011, 2012 & 2013
SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

23/10/2020

QUESTIONS

1. Can the Ministry give a breakdown of Special Zoning as stipulated under the table in the response to question no.5?

Sum of RENT_DUE	Column Labels	
Row Labels	SPECIAL	Grand Total
CENTRAL/EASTERN	\$444,452.33	\$444,452.33
NORTHERN	\$41,820.44	\$41,820.44
WESTERN	\$2,379,582.79	\$2,379,582.79
Grand Total	\$2,865,855.56	\$2,865,855.56

2. The Ministry to provide the arrears of lease on separate years of 2011 and 2012?
- 2011 - \$17,263,587.64
 - 2012 - \$20,460,784.78
3. Could the Ministry provide the number of agricultural leases in Fiji per district? Please provide data for 2011 and 2012?

2011			2012		
DIVISION	DISTRICT_NAME	Total	DIVISION	DISTRICT_NAME	Total
CENTRAL/EASTERN	BAU	227	CENTRAL/EASTERN	BAU	243
	BEQA	1		BEQA	1
	LOMAIVUNA	41		LOMAIVUNA	41
	NABUKELEVU	1		NABUKELEVU	1
	NAITASIRI	257		NAITASIRI	261
	NAKASALEKA	1		NAKASALEKA	1
	NAKELO	2		NAKELO	2
	NAMOSI	1		NAMOSI	1
	OVALAU	2		OVALAU	2

	REWA	1		REWA	1
	SAWAKASA	1		SAWAKASA	1
	SERUA	123		SERUA	122
	SUVA	17		SUVA	16
	TAILEVU	18		TAILEVU	18
	TAVUKI	3		TAVUKI	3
	VEIVATULOLOA	2		VEIVATULOLOA	2
	VERATA	9		VERATA	8
	WAINIMALA	1		WAINIMALA	1
CENTRAL/EASTERN Total		708	CENTRAL/EASTERN Total		725
NORTHERN	BUA	4	NORTHERN	BUA	4
	CAKAUDROVE	41		CAKAUDROVE	36
	DOGOTUKI	1		DOGOTUKI	1
	DREKETI	1		DREKETI	1
	LABASA	729		LABASA	735
	MACUATA	138		MACUATA	149
	SAVUSAVU	2		SAVUSAVU	2
	TAVEUNI	4		TAVEUNI	4
	WAILEVU	4		WAILEVU	5
NORTHERN Total		924	NORTHERN Total		937
WESTERN	BA	937	WESTERN	BA	940
	BARAVI	41		BARAVI	41
	CUVU	46		CUVU	46
	LAUTOKA	435		LAUTOKA	433
	MAGODRO	6		MAGODRO	6
	MALOMALO	138		MALOMALO	136
	NADI	537		NADI	531
	NALAWA	3		NALAWA	3
	NAVITI	1		NAVITI	1
	NAVOSA	13		NAVOSA	14
	NAWAKA	3		NAWAKA	3
	RAKIRAKI	281		RAKIRAKI	284
	RUWAILEVU	1		RUWAILEVU	1

	SAIVOU	272		SAIVOU	270
	SIGATOKA	206		SIGATOKA	206
	TAVUA	595		TAVUA	591
	VUDA	164		VUDA	167
WESTERN Total		3679	WESTERN Total		3673
Grand Total		5311	Grand Total		5335

4. Why is there more pending leases to be renewed? Please also provide for 2011 and 2012?

Most of the pending leases for the year 2011 and 2012 have been renewed. The leases that are pending for renewal are due to:

- i. Awaiting probate documents in respect of estate matters; and
- ii. Court proceedings on the land

5. The Ministry to explain why the lease execution takes 6 months? How could the Ministry reduce the turnaround time?

The 6 months' timeframe is allowed as per the State Lands Cap. 132, Section 17 at the discretion of the lessee

6. The Ministry to explain to the committee the normal timeframe for mortgage and transfer consent considering that the applicant has provided full documentation?

The time frame to process transfer and mortgage provided all documentation has been provided is 10 working days. This is due to the various sections involved in processing the consent. The breakdown is as follows:

- Inspection by Lease Inspector – Valuation Section – 2 Days
- Approval of Inspection Report by Senior Valuer – Valuation Section – 1 Day
- Consent submission preparation by Lands Officer – Lands Admin Section – 2 Days
- Recommendation by senior Lands Officer – Lands Admin Section – 1 Day

- Recommendation to ADL and DL by DLM/Approval – 1 Day
- Courier and marking of Files by Registry to ADL and DL for approval – Registry HQ – 1 Day
- Recommendation to DL by ADL/Approval – ADL(HQ) – 1 Day
- Approval by DL(HQ) – 1 Day
- Notification to the applicant – Land Officers for consents approved at Divisional level and SLO(HQ) for consents approved by Assistant Director of Lands and Director of Lands – Within the day.

7. Does the Ministry have any plans to streamline the turnaround time for lease applications?

Yes, the Standard Operating Procedures for lease processing was approved in 2014 and now upon receipt of application within 10 working days, the lessee is notified of the decision.

- If the lease is renewed, the lessee is given the offer letter and this is where the lessee is given 6 months' time to accept the offer, pay the fees and provide requested documents. State Lands Act Section, 17 allows 6 months' time to do so and as the Act is superior to the policies and regulation we have to abide to it.
- Once the lessee accepts the offer letter and provides all documents with fees paid, then Lands department shall take 5 days to prepare the Lease and give it to the lessee for execution.
 - Once documents are submitted by the lessee then it shall take 3 months for the registration process:
 - 1 week for verification and Director Lands endorsement
 - 8 weeks for registration.
 - 1 week for noting in accounts
 - 1 week for verification of noting in GIM section
 - 1 week for divisional office to notify lessee to collect lease documents and pay rental first.

8. Can the Ministry define the criteria for applying for a land to lease?

Upon advertisement, the interested applicant can apply. Different criteria has been set for different classes of lease, which are as listed below:

8.1 Agricultural Lease (in order of preference)

- i. Applicant to be a bona – fide farmer and one who will commit in cultivating/tilting the land
- ii. No other Agricultural Holdings – applicant must not have any other form of an agricultural holding
- iii. Farm Plan to be submitted by the applicant to determine the type of farm he/she wishes ...
- iv. Financial Status & Farming Implements: applicant to have sufficient savings to use as capital in developing the farm
- v. Farming Experience – minimum of 5 years of farming experience with a confirmation letter from MOA
- vi. Age – minimum years 21 years...maximum 60 years
- vii. Financial Equity Status – present residence and ownership of properties or other equities
- viii. Family Background – Married or Single with dependents

8.2 Residential (in order of preference)

a. **Financial Capability**

- i. Financial Capability – must show evidence of couples income
- ii. Ability to pay premium charges
- iii. Financial ability to erect a residential dwelling

b. **No Other Holdings** – Other Holding Searches from Titles office will be conducted

- iv. Building Plan – to be submitted
- v. Nationality – must be a Fiji Citizen
- vi. Marital Status
- vii. Occupation

viii. Age

8.3 Commercial/Industrial (in order of preference)

a. Feasibility of the Commercial Project

b. Financial Capability

- i. Evidence of funds to complete the development within the term of the development lease
- ii. Evidence of financial ability to construct the building within 1 year of issuance of registered lease
- iii. Ability to pay premium

c. Economic/Environmental Benefits

- i. Create employment
- ii. Safeguard and protect environment for its sustainability

d. Applicant to state - whether applying as a Company or an Individual

9. Can the Ministry provide the numbers of registered surveyors in Lands Department for the period 2011- 2013? If possible can the committee be advised of the number of registered surveyors currently working in the Department?

Table 9.1 Number of registered surveyors in the Lands Department from 2011 - 2013

Year	Total
2011	12
2012	12
2013	8

Table 9.2 Registered Surveyors working in the Ministry by Division/Section

Year	West	North	Central Eastern	Control Section	Head Quarters	Total
2011	2	2	3	1	4	12
2012	2	3	3	2	2	12
2013	1	1	2	2	2	8

10. How can the Ministry facilitate licensing approval process?

The Licensing approval process is clearly stipulated in the Surveyors Act and Surveyors Regulations with the following criteria;

- Academic Qualification – Diploma/Degree in Land Surveying plus 2 – 5 year work experience
- Project – Complete 5 projects (Engineering design, Subdivision design, Geodetic survey, Town survey and Country survey)

*The Ministry has an annual target of one new surveyor to be registered and the target is achieved every year.

11. What was the reason for the change of the vision statement for 2011 and 2013?

The vision was mainly instigated by management / the Permanent Secretary who as the incoming PS from 2012 had a different perspective for the ministry directive. Also In 2013, the ministry undertook a brief Strategic Development Plan review which took collective discussions on the Vision/Mission statements this also resulted in the changes.

12. Could the Ministry provide an update on the land buy back initiative?

The Buy Back Scheme was suspended on 20/1/2011, denoting that there will be no more reversion of state freehold land to landowners. It was also noted at this period the exorbitant amount owed by LOU who have breached their sales and purchase agreement through defaulted re-payments.

To-date government is still owed \$1,088,344.56 million dollars in arrears which accounted for the 20 LOU re-payment defaulters to-date. Consequently, with a lapse of 15 years since the last purchase, a total of \$931,080.22 has been collected to date accounting 21.12% of payment recovered.

A. Status of Successful Payment (2011-2013): 1

Yavusa Wairuku/Waivunia/Nasavusavu – The Freehold Title was transferred in 2011

B. Summary of Freehold Purchase and Payment Status to-date:

TOTAL LOU ASSISTED	-	24
TOTAL NUMBER OF PAYMENTS SETTLED	-	1
TOTAL FREEHOLD ACREAGE RECOVERED FOR LOU [24]	-	7,192.738acres[2,912.04ha]
TOTAL AMOUNT RECOVERED THROUGH FULL SETTLEMENTS	-	\$224,250.80
TOTAL PAYMENTS RECEIVED FROM LEASED/UNLEASED FHBB [20]	-	\$372,432.08
TOTAL AMOUNT IN ARREARS	-	\$435,337.82

13. Could the Ministry briefly explain on the Committee of better Utilization of Land (CBUL) initiative?

a) The members of the CBUL include the Ministry of Agriculture and i’Taukei Land Trust Board (TLTB), the Ministry of Sugar, Sugar Industries/FSC and the Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources. The Ministry of Lands involvement was mainly due to the ALTA related cases.

b) The Committee of Better Utilisation of Land (CBUL) ensures better utilisation of land through:

- i. Monitoring of all State Land and cancellation of leases which are not utilised
 - ii. Advertisement of vacant state land
 - iii. Land Use Capability report be obtained from Ministry of Agriculture to determine the best use of the land to obtain the maximum yield
 - iv. Liaising with FSC and for those farmers who are not producing more than 50% of the yield requested from the farm, notices be given if land is partially utilised
- c) The achievements of the CBUL include:
- In 2011 The ALTA Schedule was gazetted for implementation;
 - The positive rate of land lease renewals which was 77.4% (1997-2019). Of the 12,577 expired ALTA leases, 9,734 were renewed; and
 - Agricultural tenants now obtain longer term leases, 50 years now compared to the previous 30-years term.

14. Could the Ministry brief the committee on the land bank initiative and provide the total hectare were under this initiative from 2011 - 2013?

The Land Bank initiative was developed under the establishment of the Land Use Division in 2011 with the primary role to facilitate the efficient leasing of lands which are currently idle and un-utilized under the terms and conditions which are attractive to both the landowners and tenants.

The total hectares (Ha) for the abovementioned years are as listed below;

2011 Total Area 2772.68 Ha			2012 Total Area 742.54 Ha			2013 Total Area 1895.27 Ha		
	Mataqali	Village		Mataqali	Village		Mataqali	Village
1.	Mat NALUTU	NAVIQIRI	1.	Mat NAKOROVATU	WAIBALAVU	1.	Mat DEVO	SEAQAQA
2.	Mat NORO	KAVULA	2.	Mat NAVUGAYAGO	MAU	2.	Mat NABARAMAI	WAIQANAKE/MUAI VUSO
3.	Mat NAICOBO	NAWAILEVU	3.	Mat BUREIWAQA	YARO	3.	Mat SAVAI	KORONISAGANA
4.	Mat LEWEINADROGA (Tok BITOBALAVU)	VOUA	4.	TOKATOKA LALO	MATAWALU	4.	Mat NATABUIVALU	NATAWATAWADI
5.	Mat NAKOROSAGO	VEREVERE	5.	Mat NAVORA	UDU	5.	Mat NALOTAWA	KORONISAGANA
6.	TOK YAVUTU [Mat YALALEVU]	NAILAGA	6.	Mat YALAMARAWA [TOK NAQILOVATU]	NALOTAWA	6.	Mat TABUAILAGI	NATAWATAWADI
7.	Mat NADOTADRA	NUKULAU	7.	Mat NATUSARA	DRAVUNI	7.	Mat KETENATUKANI	KORONISAGANA
8.	Mat LUVUKA	KESE	8.	Mat NAOCOKAVIKA	NASELE	8.	Mat NABUKEBUKE	DADA (NAKAVIKA)
9.	Mat NAVUSA	CEVAI	9.	Mat NABATI	NANANU	9.	Mat BALEIMOTO	DELAIDAMANU
10.	Mat NATODRE	WAIQANAKE	10.	Mat NAKAUSOQO	VUNISEI	10.	Mat TORA	DELAIDAMANU
11.	Mat NANIUKALOU	NASAUTOKA	11.	Mat NADRANI [TOK TUBAILOMAWAI]	YAKO	11.	Mat NAVORARA	MUANA
12.	Mat NAKOSO	VUADOMO	12.	Mat QALITAKALA	NAKAUNAKORO	12.	Mat NAKOROSAGO	NANANU
13.	Mat NAICOBO	NAWAILEVU	13.	DESC OF MERE MARAMANIVULU	LOGANI	13.	Mat VUNILOLO	NASELAI
14.	Mat BURENITU	VUNAVUTU	14.	Mat VUNAMAOLI [TOK VUNAMASEI]	SAUNAKA	14.	Mat KOROSILA	TOGA
15.	Mat MATANIVUNUKU	DAKU	15.	Mat KETEKETE	VUAKE	15.	Mat TAUYASA	TOGA
16.	Mat KORONIKULA (Tok SARAVI)	YADUA	16.	Mat NAIRAIRAI	DELAIDAMANU	16.	Mat MATAIDREKE	NAQELEQAQA
17.	Mat YALAMARAWA [TOK NAVUTI]	NANUKU	17.	Mat VOLIVOLI	SAVUDRODRO	17.	Mat WAYASEWA	NAMARA

18.	Mat NAVAKAUNU	TALAUlia	18.	Mat NATIVI	NAILAWA	18.	Mat MATASAU	SAWANI
19.	Mat NAIKIAKIA	NABOUVA	19.	Mat BATILEKA	NABASOVI	19.	Mat NAOCOKAVIKA & Yav NADAKUNI	NASELE
20.	Mat VUNIVADRA	TALAUlia	20.	Mat YAVUSA SIYO	SAUNAKA	20.	Mat NAVORA	UDU

Appendix 3
Annual Report Summary
Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources
for the Year 2011, 2012 and 2013



Annual Report Summary – Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources Annual Report for 2011, 2012 and 2013 For the Standing Committee on Natural Resources

	2011	2012	2013
Vision	Effective, efficient and economical in administering and facilitating the development of Fiji’s land, mineral and groundwater resources for sustainable socio-economic growth	Achieving Socio-Economic Growth through the Sustainable Development of Fiji’s Lands, Minerals and Groundwater Resources	Our Lands & Minerals - Smart Management for Growth
Mission	The Ministry’s priority is to implement Government’s reform initiatives on lands, mineral and groundwater resources for sustainable socio-economic growth at the national level, by 2012. The Ministry aims to provide outstanding administrative and facilitative services to its customers inclusive of both local and foreign investors. It will invest in technology to provide high quality services and it will work within the allocated public funds while striving to generate the appropriate revenue to assist with Government’s nation-building efforts. The Ministry’s leadership is dedicated to a management that recognizes the importance of its people. Importantly, the Ministry aims to gain a competitive advantage by using the	The Ministry’s priority is to implement Government’s reform initiatives on land, mineral and groundwater resources for sustainable socio-economic growth at the national level, by 2012. The Ministry aims to provide outstanding administrative and facilitative services to its customers inclusive of both local and foreign investors. It will invest in technology to provide high quality services and it will work within the allocated public funds while striving to generate the appropriate revenue to assist with Government’s nation-building efforts. The Ministry’s leadership is dedicated to a management that recognizes the importance of its people. Importantly, the Ministry aims to gain a competitive advantage by using the constructive and creative abilities and energies of its staff. The Ministry will	Laying the Platform; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vigorously implement government’s reforms and policy initiatives on lands, minerals and groundwater resources • Provide outstanding administrative and facilitate services to our customers • Keeping abreast with technological changes and modern approaches to ensure timely and quality services • Improving revenue collection to assist with government nation building efforts; • Embracing a corporate culture that is based on ethical and moral values • Molding team leaders and members to be agents of change • Developing a sense of societal and environmental responsibility



	<p>constructive and creative abilities and energies of its staff. The Ministry will contribute to the economic strength of the nation and function as a good corporate citizen. Furthermore, the Ministry will recruit, develop, motivate, reward and retain personnel with exceptional qualities by providing excellent working conditions, superior leadership, recognition on the basis of performance, opportunity for growth, and a high degree of employment security.</p>	<p>contribute to the economic strength of the nation and function as a good corporate citizen. Furthermore, the Ministry will recruit, develop, motivate, reward and retain personnel with exceptional qualities by providing excellent working conditions, superior leadership, recognition on the basis of performance, opportunity for growth, and a high degree of employment security.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruiting, developing, motivating, rewarding and retaining capable personnel through good leadership and conducive working environment
Background	<p>The Ministry of Lands & Mineral Resources is made up of two Departments, namely the Department of Lands & Survey and the Department of Mineral Resources.</p>		
Principal Activity	<p>The Department of Lands & Survey is a service department to other government agencies, statutory bodies and private sectors and its functions and responsibilities are categorized under the following entities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land Use Unit State Land Administration Land Survey and Development Mapping & Land Information Database Valuation Corporate Services 	<p>The Department of Lands & Survey is responsible for the effective and efficient administration, development and management of all State land activities. Activities under this programme include Surveying, Land Valuation, Development and Maintenance of State Land and Geographic Information Systems and additionally the Land Use Unit which coordinates the implementation of Government's Land Reform initiatives to improve socio-economic growth focusing on equitable returns to landowners and the security of tenure</p>	<p>The Department of Lands & Survey - is responsible for the administration, development and management of all State land activities. Activities under this programme include Land Surveying and Valuation, Development and Maintenance of State Land and Geographic Information Systems and the Land Use Unit, which coordinates the implementation of Government's Land Reform initiatives to improve socio-economic growth, focusing on equitable returns to landowners and the security of tenure for the tenants. Functions and responsibilities of the department are</p>



	<p>The Department of Mineral Resources oversees and facilitates development of the country’s mineral sectors and groundwater resources. It undertakes studies in relation to geographical hazards, minerals and groundwater development and manages the development of the Mining and Quarrying Sector with a mandate under the mining, petroleum (Exploration and Exploitation), quarries, explosives and the Continental Shelf Act. The department consists of three divisions which constitutes the overall mining and groundwater resources. These are namely the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geological Services Division • Geological Survey & Information Division • Mining Division 	<p>for the tenants. Functions and responsibilities are categorized under the following entities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land Use Unit • State Land Administration • Land Survey and Development • Geospatial Division • Valuation • Corporate Services <p>The Department of Mineral Resources oversees and facilitates development of the country’s mineral sector and groundwater resources. It undertakes studies in relation to geographical hazard assessment which includes earthquake and tsunami monitoring, mineral and groundwater development and manages the development of the mining and quarrying sector with a mandate under the Mining, Petroleum (Exploration and Exploitation), Quarries, Explosives and Continental shelf Acts. The department consists of four divisions which constitutes the overall mining and groundwater resources. These are namely the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geological Services Division • Geological Survey & Information Division • Mining Division 	<p>further categorized under the following entities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Land Management Division • Land Use Unit • Land Survey Division • Geospatial Division • Land Valuation Division • Corporate Services Division <p>The Department of Mineral Resources - oversees and facilitates development of the country’s mineral and groundwater resources. It undertakes studies in relation to geographical hazard assessment which includes earthquake and tsunami monitoring, mineral and groundwater development and manages the development of the mining and quarrying sector with a mandate under the Mining, Petroleum (Exploration and Exploitation), Quarries, Explosives and Continental shelf Acts. The department consists of the following divisions which constitutes the overall mining and groundwater resources. These are namely the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geological Services Division • Geological Survey & Information Division • Mining Division
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<p>Key Output Areas</p>	<p>There are twelve (12) Key Output Areas that are used as benchmarks to measure the performance and successful achievements of the Ministry of Lands & Mineral Resources namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Portfolio Leadership Advice & Secretariat Support 2) Research Publications—Geological Survey & Database 3) Consulting Services—Groundwater Boreholes & Development 4) Licensing, Compliance & Monitoring — Geological Hazard Assessment & Earthquake Monitoring 5) Licensing, Compliance & Monitoring—Explosives, Mining & Exploration Tenements 6) Licensing, Compliance & Monitoring— Survey & Valuation 7) Client Complaint Investigations— Land Management Systems 8) Public Awareness Promotions— Mining Development Opportunities 9) Maintenance Of Land & Geographic Information System 10) Licensing, Compliance & Monitoring— Environmental Law 11) Land Management Services—Lease & Valuation & State Land Management; Land Survey & Development 12) Land Reform <p><i>(full details can be seen on page 5 of the 2011 annual report & page 6 of the 2012 annual report)</i></p>	<p>• Mineral Development</p>	
<p>Organisation Structure</p>	<p>The organisation structure can be seen on page 9 of the annual report. Mr. Filimone Kau was the Permanent Secretary. The list of senior management is stated on page 23 of the annual report.</p>	<p>The organisation structure can be seen on page 5 of the annual report. Mr. Tevita Boseiwaqa was the Acting Permanent Secretary. <i>Total Established Staff: 352</i> <i>Total Government Wage Earners: 83</i> <i>Total Project Officers: 46</i> <i>Total Attaches: 10</i></p>	<p>The organisation structure can be seen on page 5 of the annual report. Mr. Tevita Boseiwaqa was the Permanent Secretary.</p>



Achievements/ Major Highlights	2011	2012	2013
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening of the Nawailevu Bauxite Mine in Nawailevu, Bua • Capital Projects 2011: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Groundwater Assessment & Development on Major Islands (\$120,000) - Completed drilling boreholes in Macuata, Ra, Tailevu and Groundwater Monitoring for Vitilevu and Vanua Levu ➤ Groundwater Assessment & Development on Small Islands (\$100,000) - Completed drilling boreholes at Yaqeta Primary School and Yaqeta Village in Yasawa ➤ Mineral Investigation (\$100,000) - Compiled three (3) Final Prospect Reports for Wainikoro-Koroiwa Prospect; Mouta Prospect and Solove Prospect ➤ Purchase of Technical Equipment (\$100,000) - Installation of Lab Equipments (Microbiology Monitors—37mm) and chemicals from overseas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Land Use Unit (LUU) is a promulgation of the Land Use Decree 2010. Highlights for the year were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The issuing of lease to Kokomo Island resort on an island in Yaukuve, Ono, Kadavu. ➤ Lodgement of the Natodre Master Concept Plan (MCP) to Town & Country Planning. The MCP focuses on sustainable development of proposed zones such as residential, industrial, civic etc. that would meet the social obligations of the State. This land has an optimum area of 1078.008 hectares. ➤ The Unit in partnership with Department of Environment (DoE) and a few other stakeholders was able to install bio-fuel and windmill at various parts in Fiji especially the Maritime region. The achievement by LUU in this case would be the number of leases issued under the Land Bank. <p><i>(full activities carried out by the Unit can be seen on page 7 of the annual report)</i></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Lands Administration Division deals with the issuance of state land leases and licenses. The Division consists of four (4) units strategically positioned at each divisional office namely: the Divisional Lands Office—Western, Divisional Lands Office—Northern, Divisional Lands Office—Central/Eastern and Headquarters. • Highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In line with ACP target 2013, the Division managed to surpass its annual target of 3500 by processing 4681 legal documents for the year ending 2013. ➤ Developing of the draft SOP for Lands Administration. <p><i>(full details can be seen on pages 6 & 7 of the annual report)</i></p> • The Land Survey Division deals with the Regulation and Checking of all land surveys attended by Registered Surveyors in accordance with the Surveyor Act Cap. 260 and Surveyors Regulation. • Highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Development of State Land ➤ Maintenance of Existing Subdivision



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Survey of Namosi Mines (\$100,000) - NLC Survey of Namosi continued ➤ National Geodetic Infrastructure (\$50,000) - Plan drawings for Tabia-Dreketi Controls & Galoa-Naboutini Controls to be verified ➤ Survey of Government Stations (\$100,000) - Completed drilling boreholes at Yaqeta Primary School and Yaqeta Village in Yasawa ➤ Development Of State Land (\$300,000) - Completed Sealing of Road 2 and 3 at Nakorovou Subdivision, Wainibuku ➤ Maintenance of Existing Subdivisions (\$200,000) - Maintenance work at Bulileka Subdivision in Vanua Levu will be completed in 2012 and completed 2 Lots at Narere (Lot 20 & 25) ➤ Land Bank Investment (\$2,000,000) - Re-deployed \$3,000,000 and 75% was paid out to Mataqali Nabaramai and Mataqali Nakaubeqa— 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Land Administration Division is responsible for administering all state land dealings within the Ministry. It is one of the major divisions within the Ministry responsible for the legal documentation for all land administration. The major achievement was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Development of a draft State Land Administration Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) which is to be completed and implemented in 2013. The numerous anomalies, public complaints and constraints“ against/encountered by the Ministry throughout the years saw the Divisions initiative and drive to develop an updated SOP. The production of this manual is therefore aimed to assist address this problem for quick turnaround time to the satisfaction of our customers. ➤ The Control Survey Section is committed professionally to the establishment of a very precise geodetic survey datum through good leadership, and the optimum use of modern survey 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Survey of Mahogany Plantations ➤ Survey of Namosi TLC Boundaries ➤ National Geodetic Infrastructure ➤ Replacement of Survey Equipment <p><i>(full details can be seen on pages 8 & 9 of the annual report)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Land Valuation Division provides professional valuation expertise to and on behalf of government. There are four main areas of valuation that the Division provides service to government and these are: Land acquisition, Rental and Estate valuation, Rating valuation and Valuations for iTaukei land used for government purposes. • Highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Staff Realignment - in order to address land management issues to be able to provide a more customer oriented service, embarked on new goal through the re-alignment of valuation staffs. ➤ Payment of Municipal Council Rate Arrears - The government is required to pays city/town rates to Councils for its properties within municipal boundaries:
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	<p>road acquisition leading up to the Natodre lands</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Aerial Triangulation (\$70,000) - Work to commence in 2012 due to weather conditions ➤ Survey Of Mahogany Plantations (\$300,000) - Survey of Mahogany Plantations at Galoa, Nukurua and Naboutini commenced ➤ Replacement Of Survey Equipment (\$100,000) - Achieved in the 3rd Quarter, 2011 ➤ Land Use Programmes (\$1,000,000) - Survey plans lodged for Burenitu, Navakaunu, Nakoso, Likuliku and work progressing in Nanukalou, Dedega and Vunivesi ➤ National Land Register (\$150,000) - Completed 98% of State Land Register ➤ Aerial Survey (\$400,000) - Aerial photography was hampered by continuous cloudy weather and work progress commenced 	<p>equipment by well trained employees to ensure maximum return to government and the private sector.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Surveys undertaken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>2012 Geodetic Control Survey:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Savusavu - Natewa Geodetic Controls ○ Tabia - Dreketi Geodetic Controls ○ Nabouwalu ○ Dreketi Secondary Controls ○ Galoa – Naboutini Secondary Control ○ Galoa – Naboutini Geodetic Control <u>Galoa Mahogany Survey:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Road Survey:</i> To comply with the town and country planning act the access to all allotment was surveyed. Total of 8.51km access to serve allotment 10 & 11 was surveyed during the year. ○ <i>Boundary Demarcation & Survey:</i> The following allotment was surveyed and plan was drawn in accordance to notices to surveyor and yet to be lodge 	<p>\$3million paid to all Councils as final arrears. <i>(full details can be seen on pages 10 & 11 of the annual report)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Land Use Unit was established in July of 2010 as a direct result of the promulgation of the Land Use Decree of July 2010. Services provided by the unit include public relations services, land surveying and valuation, land conveyance services, land capability identification and geospatial information services. • Highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The issue of a lease for 687.97 hectares of prime cane land belt to Fiji Sugar Corporation. The Land owning unit, the members of Mataqali Devo of Natua, Macuata were paid out a premium of \$220, 000 in February, 2013 as a condition of the issued lease ➤ The issue of a Residential lease to Ministry of Local Government for the relocation of 7 households at Wailekutu Settlement ➤ The establishment of the Land Use Unit at Manager West office
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		<p>to computing office for checking and approvals.</p> <p><u>Namosi NLC Survey:</u> The surveyed carried out in the year covers parts of the periphery of the Namosi/Naitasiri provincial boundary and parts of Wainikoroiluva/Namosi tikina boundaries. The surveyed covers 20km total periphery chainage demarcated and surveyed.</p> <p><u>Viwa NLC Survey:</u> Allotments surveyed and plan drawings in progress</p> <p><i>(full details can be seen on pages 8 & 9 of the annual report)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Divisional Surveyor Central Eastern (DSCE) office plays a critical role in the stewardship of State land related resources within its Division. It also manages and provides submissions to Management for its highest and best use of State land whether is it residential, agricultural, commercial, industrial purposes and others. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Work undertaken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Survey of Nukurua Mahogany Plantation 	<p><i>(full details can be seen on pages 12 & 13 of the annual report)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Geospatial Information Division performed tasks such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Providing efficient mapping and aerial photography services ○ Coordinate and implement land computerize system and the ultimate establishment of a national Spatial Data and land tenure system ○ Development and coordinate cadastral and land tenure system ○ Providing efficient information and statistics on status and rights to land ○ Support for the Land Reform initiative • Major Projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ National Land Register ➤ National Land Use Master Plan ➤ Aerial Triangulation <p><i>(full details can be seen on pages 14 & 15 of the annual report)</i></p> • The Mining Division is responsible for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ensuring effective and efficient development of Fiji’s mineral sector through regulatory
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Maintenance of Existing Subdivision ○ Survey of Government Stations on ITaukei land ○ Development of State Land <p><i>(full details can be seen on page 10 of the annual report)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Divisional Surveyor Western (DSW) office started off with a challenging year since it was twice hit with severe flooding in all its responsible designated areas of work that is from Sigatoka, Nadi, Lautoka, Ba and Rakiraki areas. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Work undertaken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Surveying of State Land, State Freehold Land and I Taukei Land leased to State (Redefinition, Topographic, Engineering & cadastral) ○ Maintenance of Existing Subdivisions ○ Development of State Land ○ Native Lease to State (Capital Project) – 100% Completed ○ Naboutini Mahogany Survey (Capital Project) ○ Ad hoc Surveys (National Interest) – 100% completed 	<p>framework that exists in the Mining Act, the Explosives Act, the Quarries Act and the Environmental Management Act, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Formulating, reviewing and offering advice on policies; administer mining tenement; environmental monitoring and protection, social impact assessment liaison. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gold and Silver production decreased in 2013 when compared to 2012. The decrease in the production was due to a change in mining methods introduced by the General Manager of Vatukoula Gold Mines whereby underground ore production was generated from slope mining <i>(refer to table 7 on page 49 of the annual report for details)</i> ● Production also decreased because of a lack of tailing storage facility and the delay in the proposed Tailing Storage facility due to land issues. ● Bauxite mined for export increased in 2013 when compared to 2012 <i>(refer to table 8 on page 49 of the annual report for details)</i> ● The total revenue collected from the Mines Division was \$531,082.74
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		<p><i>(full details can be seen on page 11 of the annual report)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Divisional Surveyor Northern (DSN) Surveying work covers provinces of Cakaudrove, Bua and Macuata. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Surveying of Government Stations on I Taukei Land (100% completed) ➤ Four (4) Maintenance of Existing Subdivision (100% completed) ➤ Five (5) Development of Existing subdivision on State Land <p><i>(full details can be seen on page 12 of the annual report)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fiji Land Information Section (FLIS) is a major government project designed to create a coordinated system for storing and providing „core“ information about Land in the republic of Fiji. In addition it is tasked with two other government projects namely the National Land Register and National Land Use Master Plan. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The National Land Register will allow for the integration of all land information in Fiji which can facilitate effective and efficient land reform policies. 	<p><i>(refer to table 9 on page 50 of the annual report for details)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The review of the Mining Act ➤ The Eleventh (11th) draft of the Mineral Exploration and Exploitation Decree (MEED) is with the Solicitors General’s office. The Mineral Development Technical Committee was revived to review the MEED during the year. <p><i>(full details can be seen on pages 16-18 of the annual report)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Geological Services Division provides technical services and geological hazard information to the public and private sector. These include, Seismology & Geo-hazards (monitoring of earthquakes, tsunamis) <i>(refer to table 4 on page 48 of the annual report for list of Community Boreholes drilled and status)</i> <p><i>(full details can be seen on pages 19-21 of the annual report)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role of the Geological Survey & Information Division is to provide
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Land Use Master Plan will assist in identifying economic viability of each land development type or use and in which area. <i>(full details can be seen on pages 13 & 14 of the annual report)</i> • The Mining Division is one of the major Divisions within the Ministry earmarked to rake in revenue for Government. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In view of the divisions' functions and deliverables on a national basis as outlined within the RDSSED¹, the annual expenditure of \$105,464,040.31 from 2011 – 2012 has resulted in the establishment of two (2) mines. ➤ According to national statistics Gold export value totalled \$101,267,577.00 which exceeded the RDSSED target growth rate of 12.9%; with Silver export value amounting to \$449,761.25 at a growth rate of 10.99%. <i>(full details can be seen on page 16 of the annual report)</i> 	<p>geoscience information to support and regulate development of mineral (metalliferous and industrial), hydrocarbon and geothermal resources within Fiji and its EEZ for the benefit of Fiji and to provide information on geohazards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Geological Survey division's major work undertaken for the year 2013 included the Viti Levu Mineral Investigation project in the Rakiraki Area (Vunitogoloa to Togovere) and on Ovalau (Lovoni). • Two Marine Scientific Cruises were carried out in Fiji's national waters and the Division had two staff onboard as observers. The first was collecting bathymetric data for laying of cable from Suva to Port Vila. The second was a Marine Scientific Cruise conducted by KIOST for mapping of Deep-Sea Minerals in their offshore tenement. • The Division assisted in the geological/geotechnical assessment for the relocation of Narikoso Village on Ono in Kadavu and also Tukuraki Village in Ba. <i>(full details can be seen on pages 22 & 23 of the annual report)</i>
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¹ RDSSED stands for Roadmap For Democracy And Sustainable Socio-Economic Development



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Financial Statements		2011 \$	2012 \$	2013 \$
	Total Revenue	16,077,421	14,031,420	15,203,586
	Total Operating Expenditure	15,308,214	13,313,517	17,623,178
	Total Capital Expenditure	1,784,422	4,689,981	2,156,356
	Total Expenditure	18,673,976	19,105,917	21,194,954
	Total Receipts	Not provided	4,312,981	4,774,554



	Total Payments	Not provided	3,028,560	3,623,604
	Net Surplus/(Deficit)	Not provided	1,284,421	1,150,950
Auditor's Opinion (OAG)	2011	2012	2013	
	<p><u>Qualifications</u> The Trust Account Statement of Receipts and Payments required under Finance Instruction 2010 Schedule 1 and Financial Management Act 2004 and appropriate accounting records were not provided for audit. The Main Trust account general ledger showed a balance of \$3,498,895.15 for the year ending 31 December 2011.</p> <p><u>Qualified Audit Opinion</u> In Auditor's opinion a) except for the matter referred to in the qualification paragraphs, the financial statements present fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies stated in Note 2, the financial performance of the Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources for the year ended 31 December 2011. b) the financial statement give the information required by the Financial Management Act 2004 in the manner so required.</p>	<p><u>Audit Opinion</u> In Auditor's opinion a) the financial statements present fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies stated in Note 2, the financial performance of the Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources for the year ended 31 December 2012. b) the financial statement give the information required by the Financial Management Act 2004 in the manner so required.</p> <p>Without qualifying the accounts, attention is drawn to the following matter: The Ministry did not prepare a Trust Account Statement of Receipts and Payments for 2011 to substantiate the opening balance as at 1 January 2012. The balance of \$3,498,895 was obtained from the general ledger (FMIS).</p>	<p><u>Audit Opinion</u> In Auditor's opinion a) the financial statements present fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies stated in Note 2, the financial performance of the Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources for the year ended 31 December 2013; and b) the financial statement give the information required by the Financial Management Act 2004 in the manner so required.</p> <p>Without qualifying the accounts, attention is drawn to the following: Section 15 of the Finance Instructions 2010 requires all payments to be recorded in the financial management information system (FMIS) and an Expenditure Ledger. The Ministry prepared its Financial Statements from the FMIS without reconciling to an Expenditure Ledger as there was none maintained by the Ministry. The Auditor obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of his</p>	



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Gender Equality	No information on Gender was provided in the annual reports.		

28 September 2020

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