

APPENDICES

Appendix One

Written Response by the Ministry of Youth and Sports



REPUBLIC OF FIJI

Clarification of Issues - Ministry of Youth and Sports
Annual Report 2017-2018



Ministry of Youth and Sports

PARLIAMENT STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL AFFAIRS

QUESTIONS

1. How does the Ministry plan to increase the provision of its services in urban areas, to women, and persons with disabilities?
 - Appointment of 29 Assistant Youth Officers to demarcated areas including urban and peri urban areas and no longer according to Provincial/rural boundaries.
 - Number of AYO's recently recruited 12/28 are females; almost 50% women
 - Target groups as per National Youth Policy definitions include: "**Youths in Vulnerable Situations**" covers youth with disabilities as well.
 - Youth Club registration policy promotes 50% Females as Office Bearers including Club membership
 - Ministry works very closely with Fiji National Council of Disabled People in terms of Disability programs. They are also part of the National Youth Policy Multi Sector Coordination Committee.
 - Women within the ages of 15 – 35 years is our target and not all women. The Ministry promotes inclusivity in all its programs and services. Empowerment and skills programs included.
 - On-line learning platform is currently being explored for effective inclusive service delivery to all youths even to the unreached.
2. Youth Training Centres:
 - a. Provide a breakdown of the number of youth who graduated in each training programme from the 5 Youth Training Centres in 2017 - 2018.

YTC Trainings 2017-2018

	YTC Naleba		YTC Naqere		YTC Nasau		YTC Yavitu		YTC Valelevu		Total Graduate
	Enroll		Enroll		Enroll		Enroll		Enroll		
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Agriculture Training	31	5			12	12					60
Short courses: Sewing, Hair and Beauty Therapy and Screen Printing		50									50
- Bee Keeping					30	14					44
- Arc Welding					16						16
- Block Laying					41						41
Carpentry Class 3			49		21		15				85
Carpentry Class 2					15						Did not graduate
Music									36	15	28
											324 graduates

- b. Explain the reasons for the shortfall in achieving the annual target of 285 graduates in the 2017 -

2018 fiscal year.

- Actually 347 participants enrolled but 324 participants graduated. Target was achieved.
 - 15 participants from the Carpentry Class 2 did not graduate due to their inability to pay for their examination fees with FNU since the course was franchised with FNU.
 - Some did not meet the requirements to sit for trade test. (Example : Candidate should completed 2 years working in construction industry)
- c. Are the training programmes offered in the Youth Training Centres accredited and recognised by Higher Education Institutions around the country? How have graduates strived to upgrade their qualifications in the respective courses?

Yes. All courses offered at our YTCs are accredited and recognized under the Fiji Qualification Framework but probably not all Higher Education Institutions recognize our programs.

For example, we offer Carpentry Level 3 at our YTCs and we have graduating students that have gone further to complete levels 1 and 2 at FNU.

- d. Outline the challenges faced whilst trying to increase student enrolment in the five centres and the plans in place to address this issue.
- Resources, Funding, Staff, Facility and Location for YTC Yavitu is too isolated
- e. What are some of the success stories of the graduates of the 5 YTCs?

Please refer to Appendix 1

- f. Provide reasons for the partial completion of capital works carried out at the following Youth Training Centres in the 2017 - 2018 financial year:
- **YTC Naleba - \$109,000** was Budget for Naleba Youth Training Centre – Works were partially completed for Electrical power extension due to delay in assessment and costing by EFL due to other major projects initiated in Northern Division. Only 20% was committed to EFL during the end of final year for contract commencement sum. VT set installation was also not fully completed due to delay in Installation by the Contractor as per the timeline proposed and also due to the issue not while conducting actual installation to identify a suitable location for better internet speed. The Construction of Smokeless stove was not completed due to issues with the current facility set-up, where a suitable location was to be identified in Naleba, which needs to be safe and accessible during wet weather.
 - **YTC Naqere- \$90,000** was Budget for Naqere Youth Training Centre – The Construction of new 24 x 16 House for was delayed due to the slow supply of materials for timely completion of works and also due to non-availability of Labourers and also adverse weather conditions affecting timely completion of the project . The fencing materials were procurement during the financial year, however the physical implementation was delayed due to training break at Youth Training Centre Naqere, where the current trainees were on vacation.

- **YTC Yavitu - \$70,000** was budgeted for Yavitu Youth Training Centre – The funds were for the extension of the current workshop building at YTC Yavitu. The Ministry was initiating all Purchase of Materials from Main land Vitilevu through approved supplier and at various occasion noted delay in the supplier of materials. Also, it was challenging for the Ministry to transport the Materials to Yavitu from Vunisea Jetty, which was risky during adverse weather conditions and also the non-availability of skills Laborers, works were to be carried out with the existing trainees at Yavitu YTC. The hardship faced with obtaining timely materials and availability of Labour was the key factor that had led to delay in the physical implementation of the projects. Purchasing of Vunisea Workshop tools and Generator was completed during the financial year.

Have all outstanding works to the above training centres been completed?

No. Work is still in progress.

3. Provision of assistance to youth and villages affected by TC Winston in partnership with the Ministry of Women, Children & Poverty Alleviation:
 - a. Provide further details on the accredited training offered to youth with the Technical College of Fiji. Provide the sex disaggregated data of the youth that benefitted from this initiative.

During TC Winston – Koro Island was assisted by the Ministry of Youth and Sports in providing Basic Carpentry Training for all the Youth Clubs in Koro Island through the TCF and 10 Carpentry tools were provided to the Trained Youth Clubs to assist in the rehabilitation and restoration of the communities' shelters. 30 individuals male youths attended one session of training – hence a total of 300 males were trained during the 10 training sessions.

- b. What monitoring mechanisms did the Ministry have in place to ensure that youth, following the completion of their training, contributed effectively to rehabilitation works in their respective villages?

Upon completion of training by Technical College of Fiji, the Youth Clubs were provided with Carpentry tools and Government had provided housing assistance – through this partnership they effectively contributed to the rehabilitation, a follow up evaluation was conducted to Communities where Village Headman was interviewed and rehabilitation works were witnessed first-hand by Monitoring Officers (Youth Officers).

- c. Provide the names of the villages that received basic carpentry equipment to assist in the rebuilding of homes.

Eastern Division

The Villages in Koro included:-

Nasau	Kade	Sinuvaca
Namacu	Naqaidamu	Tuatua
Navaga	Mudu	Nakodu
Nabasovi		

Western Division included the following areas:

Ra Province		
Mataiveikai	Navuniyaumunu	Namara
Nailawa	Naraviravi	Nailuva
Nabalabala	Naivutu	Naqelecibi
Vunisea	Nokonoko	Nabalesere
Maniyava Sett	Burelevu	Nararavou

Ba Province (Tikina Rukuruku)

Nawaqadamu	Rararua	Dreke
Uto	Vunamoli	

Central Division included:

Tailevu Province	
Silana	Burelevu

Northern Division include:

Taveuni		Bua	
Korovou	Kanacea	Nasolo	Sawani

4. What has been the progress in accrediting the boat master's training (BML) and how many women have undergone this training from 2017 to date? What are the future plans of the Ministry in expanding this training to other maritime areas not yet covered?

The BML is offered by MSAF. They provide the training and also the licensing authority for Boat Master and Boat Captain Class 6 (restricted) licenses. MYS coordinates trainings only.

EASTERN

All Eastern Division Training on Boat Master License was conducted by MSAF – all their courses are accredited and recognized under the FHEC. In the Eastern Division mostly males were trained in these skills area, however this does not limit women's to be part of the training. From 2017 to date, Eastern have successfully conducted Boat Master Training in the Lau, Kadavu and Lomaiviti Province, whereby 8 trainings were delivered and more than 20 women attended this training.

For future plans, the Eastern Division will be expanding this training to other islands which were not part of this training. With Eastern, Fiber boat transport is the only means of travelling from island to island,

hence it is paramount that Boat owners are qualified with Boat Master skills with active licensed in place to ensure safety of passengers.

NORTHERN

FY	Training Type	Training Venue	Training Date	Participant s	
				M	F
2017/2018	Boat Master License & Restricted Master/Engineer Class 6 [BML & RME6]	Navetau Village, Saqani, Cakaudrove	25/09/2017 - 13/10/2017	60	3

WESTERN

No.	Dates	Venue	Training	Female	Male	Total
1	28/08 - 01/09/17	Korovou, Tavua	BML Training	6	54	60
2	06/08 - 08/08/17	Malake, Rakiraki	BML Training	7	43	50
3	25/09- 06/10/ 17	Ba Holdings Office	BML Training	5	30	35
4	20/11-01/12/17	Vatulele	BML Training	4	38	42
5	12/03-23/03/18	Navolau	BML Training	3	70	73
6	01-12/10/18	Narewa	BML Training	4	34	38
7	01-12/04/19	Nailaga	BML Training	26	98	124
8	24/06- 12/07/19	Waya	BML Training	8	54	62
Total				63	421	484

- Actually MYS is not mandated to conduct training to all maritime areas and to all people. Our targets are our client's, youth age 15 to 35. However over the period many requests were raised through village and tikina meetings for MYS to coordinate BML trainings for rural people and maritime islands. Majority of request came from fisherman beyond the youth age group. In fact Ministry of Fisheries should coordinate trainings for their clients (Fishermen). Even MSAF should take the lead role and take the training to the rural and maritime communities for they are the licensing authority.
- Now, MSAF levy for the training is exorbitant. Usually, MYS pays for training fees and trainers transport to and from venue plus one meal for trainees per day for duration of two weeks. (10 days) The community provided meals and accommodation for trainers. MSAF paid their trainers subsistence. However, recently, if MYS wants training we have to pay for their trainer's subsistence

as well which is expensive. We are collaborating very closely with MSAF for an integrated approach which will best meet the needs of everyone.

- Request for training keeps coming from those young people wanting to have Boat License. Likewise majority from coastal populations who depend on sea for their livelihood. Perhaps funding is the major constraint.

5. What progress has been made in the expansion of the Seeds of Success programmes to the Western and Northern Divisions?

Western Division had completed 6 SOS trainings in Ra. The six areas were marked red zone areas for crimes including drugs and violence against women. Apart from the 6 trainings we included SOS in every empowerment trainings conducted. SOS is a component of empowerment training. In 2018 -2019 we completed 19 empowerment trainings and 2019 -2020 we had 11 trainings.

Only two staff were trained as trainers after the SOS had been revised. One of the staff's contract had expired and only one remained.

In the North, Seeds of Success is embedded as an integral part of the Empowerment programs and this is made compulsory to all intakes at the 2 Youth Training Centres in the North.

6. In relation to Page 10 of the Annual Report, explain how the Ministry achieved each of the stated Policy Objectives and related Strategies in respect of *Youth Development* and *Sports Development*.

Goal: Policies and Strategies (Youth Development)

Goal: Empowering youth to be critical agents of change and development.		
Policy Objective	Strategies	Remarks
To develop youth to become productive, participatory, and increase their influence in decision making.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the development and empowerment programmes for youth under the Ministry of Youth and other relevant agencies • Promote youth issues and their participation in leadership and decision making processes, at all levels • Initiate collaborative strategies between government and communities to increase the capacity and engagement of Fiji's youth in the community and economy 	<p>These objectives and strategies are courses of action outlined to effectively streamline youth development work. The Ministry develops and implements empowerment programs which involves Leadership training, Seeds of Success and other skills program to empower and build youth capacity as highlighted in the Annual Report.</p> <p>Youth issues are cross cutting and needs effective collaboration between line Ministries and Stakeholders. This is made possible through our stakeholders consultations and the National Youth Policy Quarterly Multi Sectorial Coordination Committee meetings</p>
To promote the education and training of young people to secure decent employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the establishment of small and micro-enterprise projects for youth in rural and urban centers. 	<p>The Ministry's training programs are offered through its 5 Youth Training Centres and also to communities Fiji wide. Included* in our program is the</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance job-skills through better education and strengthening of National Employment Center Promote technical and vocational and lifelong skills training for the young as mentioned in Chapter 9.1 on Education 	<p>establishment of SMEs through our grants to help improve livelihood and foster innovation and employment opportunities amongst young people. Our focus is also to provide youth with a second chance to education and training given their inability to cope with mainstream education. Through our programs many youths have returned to formal education platforms and engaged in formal employment opportunities. The Ministry's Operational Plan reflects activities, programs and strategies to strengthen youth participation and contribute to socio-economic development and ensure the NDP Objectives and strategies are fully realised.</p>
To improve young people's personal health, hygiene and healthy lifestyle.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement the strategies as in Chapter 9.2 on Health 	<p>Our Youth and Sports Grant program supports health and wellness training for youths as an important policy area in the National Youth Policy.</p>

Goal: Policies and Strategies (Sports Development)

Goal: Building a sporting environment that includes all citizens, develops elite sportspeople and cultivates healthy lifestyles		
Policy Objective	Strategies	Remarks
Build the enabling environment that develops local athletes into elite athletes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision for the hire of international coaches in annual budgetary allocation Provision of sports grants to National Sporting Organisations (NSO). Review current development programmes with NSOs and develop an overarching National Sports Talent Identification and Development Programme to strengthen it. Establishment of the National Academy of Sports 	<p>The Ministry through the Fiji National Sports Commission provides funding for international coaches and servicing National Sporting Organisations. The Ministry works closely with Fiji National Sports Commission for sports trainings conducted in communities as part of sports outreach programs. Identification of sports talents are made possible through some of these programs. Apart from the need for Sports, the Ministry looks at the long term development pathway for the athletes as well through the provision of sports scholarships to promising and talented individuals who meet the selection criteria. The National Academy of Sports is a long term plan which will provide necessary support and the conducive environment needed for future effective athlete development</p>
Provide every citizen with the access to proper sporting facilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Government tax incentives on sports sponsorship for national sporting federations. Continue with construction of rural 	<p>The Ministry through Fiji Sports Council continues to provide the public with relevant support towards maintenance and development of sports grounds and facilities. These facilities have been made</p>

	sports complex projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue with rural sports ground fields projects • Continue with upgrade of Fiji Sports Council's facilities • Encourage mass participation in the National Sports Day holiday. 	available in rural and urban areas to reduce the disparity on access and inclusion in sports. Despite the exclusion of the National Sports Day Holiday, the Ministry continues to reach out through its programs and activities to promote sports within the country.
Ensure that young children obtain the proper teaching in physical education.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review physical education curriculum in primary and secondary schools • Implementation of Fiji National Sports Commission sports outreach program. • Encourage tertiary institutions to incorporate sports specific subjects into courses and programmes 	With the development of a new Quality and Physical Education policy by the Ministry of Education, schools should now implement PE as an important activity to promote holistic education and wellbeing. Through the Fiji National Sports Commission and NSOs, sports development in learning of basic sports techniques/skills are now implemented in schools and at grass roots level. The Ministry incorporates Sports as an important component in all its training programs particularly with the newly developed empowerment and skills modules.

7. Provide a breakdown of the number of youth assisted under the Empowerment program in each Division and a breakdown of how the \$283,000 budget allocated for this program was utilised.

Empowerment Training/Grants Summary			
Division	No. of Trainees	Cost of Training	Empowerment Grants
North	670	\$ 41,226.23	\$ 28,574.50
Western	498	\$ 76,499.17	
Eastern	300	\$ 49,127.54	\$ 8,820.88
Central	299	\$ 32,248.98	\$ 30,436.29
	1767	\$ 199,101.92	\$ 67,831.67

8. How does the Ministry determine the targets for the number of youth participants in the Duke of Edinburgh Award program each year?

Based on the achievements of the previous year, budget and the number of new schools willing to engage in the DEIA program.

9. Mobile Skills Training:

- a. Inform us on whether the community based training courses offered under the Mobile Skills Training

program are provided free of charge.

Yes. These Trainings are offered free to youths.

- b. Provide data on how participants have ventured into income generating projects and sustainable livelihoods following the completion of training.

The primary objectives of Mobile Skills Training are in three folds: That is for participants to:-

- i) Attain an employable skill(s) to increase their chances to find a job or secure a paid job.
- ii) Start their own income generation project as a source of their income
- iii) To provide the provision or pathway for them to go for further trainings or join formal education.

WEST

Unfortunately, the Western Division Office does not have the full or complete data to determine how many have ventured into income generating projects or sustainable livelihoods following the completion of Mobile Skills Training, but we have unsubstantiated information that majority moved on to find employment in tourism sector and tourism related after Hospitality trainings. Example:-

- 1) Soon after Hospitality training in Nadi 4 participants were taken by Tokatoka Resort, 2 at Radisson Hotel, Denarau.
- 2) Sewing Training , 4 participants were employed by Danam Garments.
- 3) Basic Safety Food Management, 5 participants were recruited by Punjas & Sons.
- 4) BML trainings - Majority are fishermen and divers. The training provide them with the provision that enable them to get a license to operate boats to go fishing. This really support their economic activities at sea.

Mobile Skills training program is duly relevant. However the outcome or objectives cannot be measured soon after the training, but spread over the period of time from 3months to 6 months or even 1 year. MYS did not consistently have post monitoring and evaluation to capture data or outcomes of trainings for the duration above. That is why we lack data or information on the question.

This training program, enables MYS or government to provide young people opportunities to obtain employable skills especially for those young people in peri-urban and urban centers. Cost of training is high at HEIs and we give them this free opportunity. In reality, many young people are so thankful to government for providing them with such opportunities.

The Participants from the Division were trained in different areas of Skills such as:

- **Small Engine Repair**
- **Boat Master / Class 6**
- **Farm Management & Land Use**
- **Organic Farming**
- **Book Repair**
- **Group 2 Driving**
- **Sewing**

Since, Eastern Youths are all based in the Maritime Islands, most of the requested Mobile Skills Courses were enclosed around Boat Master & Class 6 since water transport was the only mode of transport to travel from island to island. Most of the Youths, managed to purchase their Fiber boats or possess one but without a proper license, hence, having a License in place enabled them to transport passengers from their respective villages to Town i.e. Gau – Suva, Kadavu – Suva, Ovalau – Suva. These were return trips. This was a source of income apart from Sustainable Farming under the Land

Use and Farm Management Training that enabled them to boost their income as youths residing in the village.

For our Eastern Urban Youths, they were provided with Book Repair and Group 2 Driving Training, from the Group 2 some of these youths had the knowledge to drive a car but did not have a proper license, hence through this training, they are now into Taxi Business and having their own private car for rentals. The Book Repair, the participants who undertook this training were able to continue their studies in FNU, this training created a pathway for them in gaining a formal working area.

Our Youths were also part of the Small Engine, Sewing and Organic Farming, all these trainings have an impact in the youths in the rural communities. They were able to put into good use what has been learnt during the training as witnessed first-hand during field works. Despite the locality, the youths made a difference with the skill being provided to them through our programs.

The Mobile Skills Training offered by the Northern Division are mainly Chainsaw operator Training, Boat Master License, Sewing, Hair and Dye, Food and Nutrition, Screen Printing, Small Engine Repairs and the likes. The benefits derived from our Mobile Skills Training are:

One of the advantages of having Chainsaw Operator training is during natural disaster where trees have fallen on homes and also blocking access road. These trainees are the first respondents to their communities where we normally rely on to work with Police, EFL and NFA in clearing this obstacles to allow access. This also applies to our trainees who have undergone Carpentry training in our YTC by helping to rebuild homes when damages are sustained or homes are completely destroyed.

We empower Women Youths with these skills such as sewing, screen printing and food and nutrition as well as hair and dye due to the fact that there is a high number of our Young women who are being divorced by their husbands to fend for themselves and their children. These skills empower our young women encountering this situation to enable them to start small income generating activities through these skills learned to sustain themselves and their children financially.

For BML skills training, we normally provide this mobile skills training to our youths who are based in our maritime areas especially those who use the sea for transportation and sea products to sell for the livelihoods. Obviously, those who have undergone this BML mobile skills training will enhance their fishing skills to maneuver through the seas and also enable them to be law abiding citizen in having a license to operate a boat in the sea. Additionally, this BML training not only allow the trainees to qualify to purchase a boat for their business but also this training also equip our youths on what to do when in trouble while out at sea.

For information there are young entrepreneurs coming up with their hair and beauty salon business (3 in Labasa and 1 in Nabouwalu) and a couple have indicated to have attached themselves to various hair saloon to gain experience before venturing out to become entrepreneurs.

c. What monitoring mechanism does the Ministry have in place to ensure that youths utilise their skills to engage in sustainable livelihood and contribute more effectively to their communities?

- Divisional Youth Officers conduct monitoring on a quarterly basis and provide reports.
- Engagement of stakeholders for technical advice during monitoring
- Linking youth projects to relevant stakeholders for further assistance
- Stakeholders' conference on community development (NGOs and Line Ministries) is attended by invited youths with special projects

10. How does the Ministry partner with other stakeholders to organise sports competitions in rural areas to entice unemployed youth in urban centres back to their villages?

The Ministry works closely with Fiji National Sports Commission for such initiatives. In these initiatives,

trainings are conducted in community and attended by Youth and Sports Club reps in areas like coaching and administration. Through the Administration Course, a topic covered is the Successful Hosting of Events. Youths and Sports Club reps are equipped with the necessary tools and opportunities available for them to use and partnership available in their area.

Fiji National Sports Commission together with the National Sporting Organisation, FASANOC and OSEP facilitates training of trainer of local coaches/officials/ administrators on any particular sport, running referees course, sports administration course and other courses that help the development of sports to our youth and not limiting to all race, age and disable brothers and sister.

For example, one of the successful and annual event is the Tiliva Sevens in Kadavu where the Ministry and FNSC assisted in the provision of sports equipment, match officials costs to host this event. This event is also one of the annual sevens events that the National Men's and Women's 7s team participate in before they continue with their leg to NZ, Australia and Hong Kong. This event is also a platform where raw talents are identified and selected to join the national training squad. Through these events, communities also participant by selling produce and food during the tournament which also increase the economic benefit to Kadavu.

Through these initiatives, Sports People are going back to their villages or provinces and developing the sport in their respective community. Through these learnings there has been a great change in how sports events are being facilitated or hosted. For instance, in any Sports, Player or Athlete Welfare is paramount. Now Rugby Sevens organisers are cautious of hosting events due to the requirements for player welfare basically the ground conditions and also spectator welfare which were not practiced for years. Ground size which can be disputed has also been one of the great challenges witnessed in local sports competitions.

11. How has the Ministry worked together with the Fiji National Sports Commission in the development of a system that supports and nurtures the development of sportspeople from beginner levels to elite levels? To this end, what incentives have been formulated for corporate bodies to support the development of sports in Fiji?

The Fiji National Sports Commission, assists all National Sporting Organisations in the development of sports all over Fiji where the need arises. Apart from the need for the Sports, the Ministry looks at the long term development pathway for the athletes as well. For instance, in the recent years, the Ministry together with MEHA had come out strongly on the participation of kids to contact rugby at a very young age of 9 years old. These early introduction of Athletes at a very young age is contradicting the physiological and psychological development of any young Athlete.

For an elite athlete, the Ministry together with FNSC, work together in the identification of Sports Scholarships and short term and long term overseas training camps through the Bilateral Agreements by the Ministry of through FNSC or sometime one off requests from Regional Organisations.

Each NSO or Sports Club is always encouraged to seek partnership with Corporate bodies and work out ways of benefits exchange between the two parties.

For NSO who host international events in Fiji, they can use the Tax Rebate options offered by the Government for their local sponsors.

12. Provided on the following page is an extract from the National Development Plan (NDP) 2017-2021 on the planned Programmes and Projects of the Ministry of Youth and Sports. Inform us on whether the Annual targets set out for the Ministry were achieved for the following years:

- 2017-2018 financial year
- 2018-2019 financial year 2019-2020 financial year (progress made to date)

In instances where annual targets were not met, provide reasons and the measures put in place to ensure that all programmes and projects are completed as scheduled.

	2015	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019
	Target/Achievement	Target/Achievement	Target/Achievement	Achievement
Young Farmers Established	52/40	no data	Covered through Empowerment program	This was phased out from Ministry but will be included in the new FY
Youth Family Gardens	80/120	112/110		
Empowerment Training	658/600	1429/720	3713 / 1260	2412
			C 1418 , 1037 W, 551 N and 707 E	[C - 1233, W - 619, N - 360 E - 200]
Leadership Training	144/120	140/180	This programme has been incorporated in the Empowerment Training program	
Mobile Skills Training	353/200	393/390	1590/360	1986
			C-630,W-398,E-281,N-281	[C - 992, N - 480, W- 334, E - 180]
DEIA Participants	258/600	1108/450	395/325	718
			C-100,W-109,E-11,N-75	[W - 448,E-112,C-113,N - 45]
Youth Grant	37/60	65/36	104/50	60
			C-32,W-16,E-17,N-39	C-12 W-4,E-22,N-22
Young Entrepreneurs	no impementation	41/40	Covered through Empowerment program	20
				C-6 W-2,E-6,N-6
Youth Groups Registered	173/150	502/240	332/190	273
				W - 78, C -64, N-88,E- 43
YTC participants	193/185	229/145	178/285	145

				W - 46, C -41, N-36,E- 22
Multiskills	157/220	290/225	This programme has been incorporated in the Mobile Skills Traing program	
	C-79/80, W-20/40,E- 38/80,N-20/20	C-96/100 W-34/30 E-37/50, N-123/45		

13. **Section 3.1.8 of NDP YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT**

Goal: Empowering youth to be agents of change and promoting sports for development

PROGRAMME	ANNUAL TARGET					TOTAL OUTPUT	LEAD
	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	EXPECTED	AGENCIES

Youth Training Centres (Number of trainees)	175	175	175	212	286	1023	
Number of training centres upgraded and new centres established	5 YTC -Nasau, Yavitu, Valelevu,		1 new Ra Province	2 new Naitasiri and Bua Province	2 new- Nadarivatu and Nasinu Peri-Urban	5 - Upgraded 5 New Centres	
Training and youth development programmes (number trained)	670	700	700	750	750	3570	MYS
Duke of Edinburgh International Awards	325	325	400	400	400	1850	
Youth Family Garden	100	100	120	120	150	590	
Mobile Skills Training	360	400	400	400	400	1960	
Youth Clubs Registration (number registered)	190	190	190	190	190	950	
Youth Empowerment Programme (recipients)	630	630	630	630	630	3150	
Sports Infrastructure Development							
Construction of rural sports complex	(Works in Sawaieke, Gau; Vunisea, Kadavu and Vunidawa, Naitasiri)	2 (Works to be completed in Sawaieke, Gau; Vunisea,	Works in Korovou, Tailevu and Keiyasi, Nadroga and completion	Works in Korovou, Tailevu and Keiyasi, Nadroga)	Completion of works in Korovou, Tailevu and Keiyasi, Nadroga)	5 Rural sports complexes constructed	MYS
Rural sports ground fields	20	15	11	11	11	68	MYS

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14. Provide a breakdown of how the allocations for Rural Sports Fields (\$500,000) and Construction of Rural Sports Complexes (\$2,085,120 - R) were utilised.

- Funding of \$79,046.71 was utilized from **Rural Sports Fields** allocation as follows;

No	Description	Amount	Remarks
1	Materials for Construction of Multi-Purpose Court – Navosa Central College	4,699.17	*Materials for the completion of Multi-purpose Court for Navosa central College. Including Gravel, Sand, and Rod and marking Paints.
2	Materials for Gym House at Vunimono Village - Nausori	4,222.54	*Materials for the construction of Gym House in Vunimono Village. Materials Includes General Building items.
3	10% Payment for the Upgrading of Waidina Secondary School Sports Field – Engagement of Contractor	4,700.00	*10 % Payment for engagement of Contractor (Earthlink) for the Upgrade of Waidina Secondary School Sports Play Ground
4	10% Payment for the Upgrading of VanuaVou Primary School Sports Field – Engagement of Contractor	4,650.00	*10 % Payment for engagement of Contractor for the upgrading of VanuaVou Primary School Sports Ground
5	65% Payment for the Upgrading of Waidina Secondary School Sports Field – Completion Payment	30,550.00	*65% Payment to the Contractor (Earthlink) for the Completion of Waidina Secondary School Sports Play Ground
6	10% Payment for the Upgrading of Vanua Vou Primary School Sports Field – Completion Payment	30,225.00	*65% Payment to the Contractor for the Completion of VanuaVou Primary School Sports ground
Total		79,046.71	

*Funding of \$513,678.55 was utilized for the Construction of Rural Sports Complexes.

No	Description	Amount	Remarks
1	Construction of Rural Sports Complex – Sawaieke (Gau)	489,108.00	*Being for Payment of 70% to RFMF for the Construction of Soil Embankment for Sawaieke Sports Complex (Gau Island).
2	Geo technical Survey	7,081.80	*Being for Payment to Ministry of Lands for conducting required Geo Technical Survey for proposed Vunidawa Sports Complex
3	Topography Survey	17,488.75	*Being for Payment to Ministry of Lands for conducting required Topography Survey for proposed Vunidawa Sports Complex
Total		513,678.55	

15. The following questions relate to the Ministry's Appropriation Statement for the year ended 31 July 2018:

SEG 7 - Special Expenditures:

a. Provide reasons for the following:

Unutilised budget for leasing of photocopiers

- **Unutilized budget for leasing of photocopies - \$25,920** was allocated in FY 17/18 for leasing of at least 6 Multi-functional copiers for the Ministry, however approval for two (2) was granted for leasing, which include 1 x Mono (black and White) and 1 x Color Printer/copier. Thus, \$18,961.41 was utilized in FY 17/18 towards the payment of monthly leasing cost for the two (2) Multi-Functional Copies on leasing from 2017 – 2022. \$5,591.74 was also utilized for the Purchase of 1 x high end printer for Sports Section.
- Proposed budget of \$25,920 was for the leasing of 6 Multi-functional copier / printing for , Labasa Office (1) , Sports Section (1), Lautoka Office (1) , administration Section(1), KMU/Accounts (1) and Executive Office (1) – Color. Thus, only two (2) were approved for KMU/Accounts (black and White) and Executive Office (1 x Color) for Leasing from Remington.
- Therefore the Savings due to approval of only two (2) Multi-functional devices instead of 6.

Unutilised cash grant for Child protection – UNICEF

- **Unutilized Cash Grant for Child Protection – UNICEF - \$25,000** was allocated under Requisition of Funds, Funding was earmarked for Human Rights and Gender based Violence against Women and Children Training. Funds were released into SLG 84 allocation as per the nature of Account. \$25,000 was released from UNICEF as per funding authorized and certificate of expenditures dated 10 August 2017 and further utilized for conducting Gender, Violence against women and children Trainings in partnership with the Fiji Women's crisis Centre from 28 /11/ - 2/11/16 and 5/6/17-12/6/17.
- Trainings were also organized for Youths from Gau, Rotuma, kadavu and Nairai.
- Thus, the funds were utilized to meet the logistical training cost for Ministry's Staffs from all division and offices.

SEG 10 - Capital Grants & Transfers:

- b. We note that the Capital Grants and Transfers cost decreased by \$5,724,182 in 2018 compared to 2017 due to the redeployment of \$400,000 from the Rural Sports Facilities allocation towards the Government's Home Care Initiative. Explain which different programs under the CARE for Fiji initiative were funded using this amount.

\$400,000 was redeployed from the Ministry's FY 17/18 Budget provision for Rural Sports Fields towards CARE for Fiji Program. Cabinet on 18.05.2018 approved the redeployment of \$60 million in the 2017-2018 budget to fund the CARE for Fiji Program, which included \$400,000 being redeployed from the Ministry's Rural Sports field allocations. The deployment of Funds were managed through the Ministry of Economy and key implementing Ministry.

- c. How did the redeployment of funds impact programmes and activities budgeted for under the Rural Sports Facilities allocation?

Due to the redeployment of funds the following Rural Sports Fields were not upgraded as per the annual Work plan and differed to new financial year for further consideration. Thus, the Ministry target was not achieved for upgrading of earmarked Rural Sports Fields as tabulated below

Rural Sports Fields	Remarks
1. Vatoa Youth Club	deferred
2. Vanuavou Primary School	Completed in FY 17/18
3. Waqavuka Rugby Club, Ovalau	deferred
4. Nawairuku District School	deferred
5. Navutulevu ground	deferred
6. Wainimakutu Secondary School	deferred
7. Cautata District School	deferred
8. Balevuto, Naloto, Ba	deferred
9. Waidina Secondary School	Completed in FY 17/18
10. Solevu Catholic Primary & Secondary School	deferred
11. Reserve - Navuakece District School	deferred
12. Reserve - Lomolomo Public School	deferred

- d. Why was there a delay in Government Tender Board approval for phase 3 of the Vunisea Sports Complex?

The delay was due to the delays in obtaining the estimated scope of works that needed to be furnished for Phase 3 at Vunisea Sports complex with major drainage works and construction of required facilities. Upon various stages of consultation the Ministry had obtained the estimated cost and scope of works from the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport (MOIT) on 21 May 20 May 2018 and upon assessment of work value and any potential contractor, request for waiver was submitted to the Ministry of Economy of 08 June 2018 for consideration and further approval to engage MOIT as per the provided scope of works for the following reasons;

- The MOIT has the required qualified engineers and trades people to conduct the activities.
- As it's a maritime area, the MOIT is well suited to place personnel there to do the work and more interested in actual construction for phase 3 (ablution, hard courts etc); and
- The MOIT is able to mobilize quickly, procure quality materials at the right time, and provide detailed plans and quality work.

On 2 July, 2018 the Ministry of Economy had approved the request for waiver to engage the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport (MOIT) as the contractor for Phase 3 works at Vunisea Sports Complex. Due to the time constraints and closing of Accounts for financial year 17/18, the agreement was further executed on 1st August 2018 for FY 18/19 and funds were released to MOIT in the new financial year to commence the works as per scope.

Therefore, the initial delays in obtaining the scope of works were the primary cause in the Government Tender Board approval.

APPENDIX 1

YAVITU

Our graduates from Yavitu with Carpentry III Certificate, are now into the Construction Industry undertaking role as a Carpenter, Junior Carpenter and Block Layer. Most of the graduates were from rural communities, hence, having a Certificate in these areas have provided them the opportunity start their own Carpentry business in their own villages and communities nearby.

NASAU

In Agriculture every year OISCA International sponsored three ex-trainees from Youth Training Centre Nasau for 1 to 2 years trainings in OISCA training Centres in Japan. Majority find employment in tourism sector on their return due to their understanding of Japanese language.

Below a few of the many ex-trainees doing well in employment sector and farming.

#	Name	Course	Employment / Activities
1	Sisa Macedru	Agriculture	Ministry of Agriculture ,Rakiraki
2	Josiliva Vukirewa	Agriculture	Pacific Destination, Nadi
3	Nacanieli Douglas	Agriculture	Yatule Resort, Nadroga
4	Maraia Marama	Agriculture	Tour Manager, Nadi.
5	Lute Taoba	Agriculture	HIS Nadi
6	Jiutasa Bogisa	Agriculture	Doing farming, Navuso, Naitasiri
7	Amit Prasad	Agriculture	Farming, Saru, Lautoka
8	Joseva Vurebere	Agriculture	Farming, Naocobau, Nakorotubu, Ra
9	Atunaisa Naququ	Agriculture	Nasivikoso, Mogodro, Ba
10	Semi Leiene	Agriculture	Director Navunisariki Logging Company

For carpentry, most trainees involved a lot in community development, building houses and some find jobs in construction industry. Many ex-trainees helped in the rebuilding work after TC Winston. Eventually YTC trainings is very much contributing to the communities and country as a whole.

VALELEVU

Batch 2016 - 2017		
Females		
1	Analisa Teiti	Navy Band
2	Dulcinea Binauea	Band Apprentice NYB
3	Kesaia Rokotuibau	Airport Hotel
4	Logapila Salailagi	Pearl Resort
5	Teumiti Papa	Band Apprentice NYB
6	Raijeli Ratulevu	Pearl Resort
Males		
7	Epeli Drodrolagi	MH, Nakasi
8	Jone Malani	Prison Band
9	Letia Uluikadavu	Police Band
10	Maciu Mareau	Pearl Resort
11	Mosese Vutikani	Prison Band
12	Nacanieli Ciri	Navy Band
13	Neori Lasaga	Prison Band
14	Noa Serulumi	Prison Band
15	Paula Raseru	Prison Band
16	Paul Kaitu	Mind Pearl
17	Sakiusa Matavola	Prison Band
18	Taniela Bavou	Navy Band
19	Tenaea Tekram	Prison Band
20	Tevita Bainiloga	Attached Military Band
21	Vaiji Dranivonu	National Fire Authority
22	Viliame Uluinaceva	Band Apprentice NYB

Batch 2018		
Males		
1	Amenatave Somia	Band Apprentice NYB
2	Aseri Waqanisauvaki	Band Apprentice NYB
3	Daunisai Veilawa	Band Apprentice NYB
4	Manasa Tuisawai	Band Apprentice NYB
5	Meli Nakalevu	Band Apprentice NYB
6	Sekaia Tawake	Navy Band
7	Sitiveni Draunidalo	Band Apprentice NYB
8	Suliasi Naitala	Attached Military Band
9	Tomasi Nasuikau	Band Apprentice NYB
10	Mitieli Ravudolo	British Army

NALEBA and NAQERE

YTC Naleba- Ex- Trainees Monitoring Records									
Graduate monitored	Economic Status	Assessment of Farm Established							Comments
		Crops Planted/ Livestock reared	Number planted	Qty. of harvest in 1yr	Cost/unit	Total Revenue Generated	Expenses	Profit made	
Saula Tuiqalau	·Engaged in subsistence agriculture	Pinapple (to be harvested in November)	3000	3000	\$5/bundle	\$3,000			· Poor record keeping.
	·Engaged in some form of self-employment								· Rearing goats for family use.
	·Engaged in seasonal work (currently cutting cane in Naleba)								· Challenges:
		Yaqona (harvest after 4 years)	500	500	\$300/plant	\$150,000			· Drought have been affecting his farming; lack of water, crops burned, hard soil, etc. His yaqona farm is located in Vagani Village, Saqani, Cakaudrove because of the physical characteristics of soil and the climate condition of his land in Qelemumumu
		Goat	4	4	\$200/head	\$800			· Goals: to buy own fiberglass

									boat and outboard engine for fishing.
Mohammed Muveen	Engaged in some form of self-employment	Sugarcane	10acres	56 ton (2017)	\$80/ton	\$4,480			Poor record keeping
				202 ton (2018)		\$16,160			Vegetable crops and livestock rearing are semi-commercial. They also farm for family use.
		Long bean				\$600			Savings - \$2000 pa
		Chin. cabbage				\$350			Challenges:
		Cucumber				\$300			Drought is his major factor affecting vegetable crops. Dryness of soil structure with lack of water.
		Dhania				\$400			Monthly report template were not delivered as he requested.
		Lettuce				\$50			
		Tomato				\$50			
		French bean				\$50			
		Bullock	2	2 (2017)	\$2000/hd	\$4,000			
		Goat	17	17	\$200/hd	\$3,400			
		Ducks	10	10	\$30/hd	\$300			
		Chicken	40	40	\$20/hd	\$800			
Suliano Kulaniloga	Engaged in some form of self-employment	Yaqona	300	300	\$300/plant	\$90,000			Poor record keeping
	Also engaged in	Pineapple	2 block	2 block	\$5/bundle	\$700			Livestock farming for

	subsistence agriculture							family use.
		Pig	7 (1 Sow and 6 piglets)	3 piglets	\$50/piglets	\$150		Challenges:
		Cattle	9					• Drought prevents him to cultivate vegetable crops.
		Horse	2					
Josefa Vakabiwaqa	• Currently engaged in full time employment with Nausori Meat at a rate of \$3/hour. Employed since August this year.	Yaqona	900	900 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$270,000		• Josefa keeps records of what he planted.
	• Engaged in some form of self-employment							• He planted dalo and vegetable crops for food security because his main enterprise is yaqona.
	• Also engaged in subsistence agriculture							• Challenges:
								• Climate: because of the dryness of land and low supply of water makes the soil unsuitable for his yaqona farming. Josefa went to Valeni village and started his yaqona

									farm there which have the suitable soil for farming.
		Dalo	100						· Distance of farm to the main road is very far.
Watisoni Moroca	Engaged in subsistence farming and;	Yaqona							· Poor record keeping; does not count the number of crops planted.
									· He planted vegetables for food security.
	In part time formal employment								· He planted yaqona in Nakavika which is 2yrs old now and went to his village in Naitasiri to plant some more yaqona which is 1 year old now.
		Long bean							Challenges:
		Chinese cabbage							· Theft of yaqona makes him came back to Nakavika and secure his farm.
		Watermelon							Goal: Since his family were originally from Delaidamanu, Naitasiri, he planned to build a house there in his own village.
Isireli Tuinabavatu	· Engaged in some form of self-employment	Yaqona	150	100	\$200/plant	\$20,000			· Very poor in record keeping

	· Also engaged in subsistence agriculture							· After graduation he went for further studies at FNU Koronivia for Trade diploma in Fisheries from 2011-2013. However, he didn't complete his study and came to the village for farming.
								Challenges:
		Chinese cabbage	6 plot	Harvest 3 times a year	\$100/harvest	\$300		· Climate condition: dryness of soil and lack of water is a major factor that kills his crops.
		Banana	200	144 buckets	\$15/bucket	\$2,160		· No Nursery: have no nursery to grow his seedlings for yaqona and other vegetables.
								Goal: To build own house.
Saula Tique	· Engaged in some form of self-employment	Dalo	7200	240 bundles	\$10/bundle	\$2,400		· Dalo is the main source of income. He sells approx. 20 bundles per month @\$10 each = \$200 monthly income.
	· Also engaged in subsistence agriculture							· Market: FRIEND usually buys Dalo from his village every month.

								<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · He planted vegetables for family use
								Challenges:
								<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Climate condition: drought really affects his continuous cultivation.
								<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Lack of Farming tools and equipment.
		Yaqona	500	Harvest in 3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$150,000		Goal: His yaqona to be harvested in 3yrs time to finance the construction of his own house.
Luke Nalou	· Engaged in some form of self-employment	Yaqona	800	800 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$240,000		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Luke was monitored in 2015 and was told to be assisted with farming tools.
	· Also engaged in subsistence agriculture							<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Yaqona is his major source of income and cultivate cassava, banana and plantain just for food security.
								<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Poor record keeping.
								Challenges:
		Dalo	400	400 plants	\$2/kg	\$1,600		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Climate: the long dry weather that he experienced right now have killed some of his

								yaqona plants.
		Cassava	For food security					· Animals have no proper fence which prevents him from planting vegetable crops.
		Plantain						
		Banana						
Aleksio Racule	· Engaged in some form of self-employment	Yaqona – 2017	300	300 plants	\$100/kg	\$9,000		· Aleksio have harvested his yaqona selectively according to its age. The reason behind this there were less kasa last year so he planted them randomly.
	· Also engaged in subsistence agriculture							· He also planted other crops like cassava only for family use.
								· Poor in record keeping.
								· Assisted with 2000 dalo suckers, unfortunately the crop got infested by wild pigs.
								Challenges:
								· On-going dry weather is a challenge for his yaqona.
		Yaqona – 2018	600	20 plants	\$100/kg	\$2,000		· Distance from farm to the main road is very far and

								hilly. Very difficult to carry produce from farm to the road.
		Yaqona – 2018	600	580 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$174,000		· Pest: wild pigs have prevented him to plant root crops and vegetables.
		Yaqona – 2018	300	300 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$90,000		Goal: to build his own house; and he currently financing the renovation of his mother's kitchen
Emori Raqatiqa	· Engaged in some form of self-employment	Yaqona	50	50 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$15,000		· Poor in record keeping
	· Also engaged in subsistence agriculture							· Emori is good in sports particularly in rugby. Sometimes he went out for tournaments and missed out on his farming activities.
								· Just started planting yaqona this year and currently there are 200 dalo on the ground.
								· Planned to start planting 1000 yams because of its current market value.
								Challenges:
								· Dry weather

								condition and lack of water
								· Pest: wild pigs are his major pests for his root crops and vegetables.
								· Theft: his farming tools were stolen along with some of his yaqona plant.
		Dalo	500	500	\$2/kg	\$1,000		Goal: To buy a solar electricity system and run a Frozen foods business.
Sekaia Mikaele	- Engaged in some form of self-employment	Yaqona	400	400 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$120,000		· Sekaia planted root crops and vegetables for family use only.
	- Also engaged in subsistence agriculture							· He also sold dried coconuts to Kilaka Tabagone Dryer at \$0.35/kg when in need of money.
								· Sold his yaqona plant with his brothers and build a farm house.
								· Poor in record keeping.
								Challenges:
								· Theft: his prior yaqona farm which is located far out in the interior were

								<p>stolen 16 plants of 4 years.</p> <p>· Distance of farm to the main road is very far.</p>
Farasiko Ramerumeru	<p>- Engaged in some form of self-employment</p> <p>- Also engaged in subsistence agriculture</p>	Yaqona	300	400 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$90,000		<p>· Farasiko join the Fiji Red Cross recently after graduation from Naleba. He worked as a carpenter assistant in various parts of Fiji after TC Winston as part of the rehabilitation programme constructing houses. Received an allowance of \$400 a week.</p> <p>· Planted vegetables and root crops for family use.</p> <p>· He also sold dried coconuts to Kilaka Tabagone Dryer at \$0.35/kg when in need of money.</p> <p>· Working in scheme with Sekaia and his brothers.</p> <p>Challenges:</p> <p>· Distance of farm to the main road is very far and need a horse to help him carry his</p>

								produce
								· Market: he can only sell to those in Kioa island
Laua Serelo	- Engaged in full time employment							· Laua currently work in a construction company in Savusavu at a rate of \$4.20/hour. · He only came to Kioa on weekends and was employed there for 3 years now.
Kelese Savea	- Engaged in some form of self-employment	Watermelon	900	900 fruit about to be harvested	\$5/fruit	\$4,500		· Kelese continued farming since after graduation from YTC Naleba.
Jotame Nacili	- Also engaged in subsistence agriculture	Yaqona	1000	1000 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$100,000		· Was assisted with 10 roofing iron for the farm house and was successfully standing till today.
		Chinese cabbage	500	500	\$2/bundle	\$250		· Poor record keeping
		Cucumber	100	200 fruit	\$1/fruit	\$200		Challenges:
		Long bean	200	1000 fruit	\$1/bundle	\$100		· Experiencing the current dry weather and lack of

								water really affects the growth of his crops.
		Dalo	500	500	\$10/bundle	\$710		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distance from farm to the main road is far and produce need to pay \$50 boat fare to transport product to Natuvu Jetty
		Dalo	500	500	\$10/bundle	\$710		
								Jotame have left Kioa and lived in Suva. There is no phone number given to contact him.
Samisoni Manoa	- Engaged in some form of self-employment	Yaqona	500	500 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$150,000		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Samisoni is married with a child and have been supporting his family through his farming.
Josefa Vakamini	- Also engaged in subsistence agriculture	Chinese cabbage	300	3x300	\$2/bundle	\$600		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is a semi-commercial farmer and was assisted with 10 roofing iron for his farm house.
		Cucumber	50	3x50	\$1/fruit	\$300		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He joined with Kelese in scheme for their yaqona farming.
		French bean	50	3x50	\$1/bundle	\$60		Challenges:
		Long bean	30	3x30	\$1/bundle	\$45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experiencing the current dry weather

									and lack of water really affects the growth of his crops.
		Tomatoes	50	3x50	\$2/heap	\$200			• Distance from farm to the main road is far and produce need to pay \$50 boat fare to transport product to Natuvu Jetty.
		Uvi	100						• Lack of farming tools
		Bele	60						
		Bagin	40						
		Pumpkin	20						
		Cassava	500						
	- Engaged in some form of self-employment	Yaqona	500	500 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$150,000			• Josefa graduated from Naleba in 2016, he has been farming yaqona and Dalo till to date.
James Makario	- Also engaged in subsistence agriculture	Dalo – 2017	3000	30 bags	\$3/kg	\$4,950			• Dalo is his main source of income at home and usually sold 5 bags monthly in 6 months.
	- Recently enrolled in further informal training.	Dalo – 2018	600	12 bags to be harvested this year	\$3/kg	\$1,980			• Recently enrolled in Tutu Rural Training Centre, Taveuni for a 3 years course.

	- Engaged in some form of self-employment								<i>There was no phone number given and was not in his village during visitation.</i>
Petero Soroalau	- Engaged in full time employment								<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Petero have been a seafarer for 5 years recently after he graduated from Naleba. He board a Chinese fishing vessel and sometimes when he arrived home, he joined some construction company building houses in Suva area.</i>
Atonio Mualele	- Engaged in full time employment								<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Today he joined a construction company that build houses around Taveuni with the rate of \$160 a week (Approximately \$4/hr).</i>

Daniele Jone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engaged in full time employment - Engaged in full time employment 							<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Since Daniele graduated from YTC Naleba, Laucala Island Resort took him because of the Certificate 3 in Agriculture that he attained from Naleba. · Daniele is working there for 3 years till today with the rate of \$6/hr.
Joji Loloma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engaged in full time employment - Engaged in some form of self-employment 							<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · He started working in their farm but now he has been selected to work in the hotel rooms serving guests.
Elia Ravonu		Yaqona	500	500	\$300/plant	\$150,00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Poor record keeping
		Chinese cabbage	160	plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$2/bundle	0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · His good source of income too is fishing and sold them in the village.
		French bean	40	160	\$2/heap	\$106		
				40		\$20		
	- Engaged in some form of self-employment	Dalo	400					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Uate is very successful in vegetable farming. His earnings from

									vegetables have made him achieved his 5 year plan which is to build a house for his family.
	- Also engaged in subsistence agriculture	Dalo Yaqona	400 500	500 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$150,000			· He currently financing the constructing of his house and also bought his chainsaw in cash by selling vegetables.
Uate Raqosa		Dalo Yaqona	400 500	500 plants – to be harvested in 2-3yrs time	\$300/plant	\$150,000			· Poor farm record keeping
		English cabbage	1000	to be harvested in 2-3yrs time 1000 plants	\$2/plant	\$1,800			· Challenges:
		Chinese cabbage	500	500	\$2/bundle	\$300			· Climate condition: this long dry period have affected his farming. Lack of water and hardness of soil have stunted the growth of vegetables.
		Capsicum	100	100	\$5/kg	\$200			· Changes of youth workers have affected his submission of reports.
		Long bean	100	100	\$2/bundle	\$100			· Target: to have a small scale layer birds cage system.

NAQERE YTC				
NAME	FORMAL/SELF EMPLOYMENT	COMMUNITY WORK	FURTHER TRAINING	COMMENTS
Mosese Tuinadave		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 houses in the village 6 toilets 1 village church 		Provided labor for free due to lack of tools. Tools were provided by property owner.
Mosese Mena	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Musket Cove Resort (2yrs) Ø 6 villas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 village church 		Currently unemployed
Jale Seruvatu		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 toilet & bathroom 1 concrete house 24 x 18 wooden house House extension 		<p>All development work done in the village without cash payment.</p> <p>Received a bullock as payment for the concrete house.</p>
Henry Mills (Small Engine & Fiberglass boat Repair)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Employment Ø 2 brush cutters Ø 1 generator Ø 1 fiberglass boat 			<p>Running own business – livestock, fish middleman</p> <p><u>Assets:</u></p> <p>Solar panel</p> <p>6" Freezer</p> <p>20 coil fishing nets</p> <p>3 bamboo rafts</p> <p>Savings - \$1,400.00</p>
Tevita Seru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 house for \$200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 house 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nawaca Technical College 	Currently pursuing further studies
Sekaia Ratukonadi		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 house extension (Rehab) 		Currently farming
Ratu Nemani Keavali	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 house for \$500 1 house for \$200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 houses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nawaca Technical College 	Currently on work attachment with Tivi Construction as part of the training. Weekly allowance of \$100
Tomasi Naisoro (Small Engine & Fiberglass boat Repair)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 fiberglass @\$60 each Formal employment in Suva 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 brush cutter 2 chainsaw 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nawaca Technical College (Completed) 	Awaiting immigration clearance to travel to Japan for further studies provided by current employer.
Farasiko Naulu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 houses @\$3.10/hours 3 bathrooms & flush toilets for \$300 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13 houses (Rehab) 5 flush toilets 		Currently engaged in the school maintenance project at Ratu Emeri Memorial School.

	• School maintenance \$4,000			
Karalo Ratusake	• 500 Yaqona & root crop farming	• Volunteered with RFMF Engineering Corps for 8 months	•	Currently building own farm house and engaged in yaqona & root crop farming
Manueli Pita (Small Engine & Fiberglass Repair)	• 9 Generators servicing @\$30/generator			Registered and currently runs his own garage
	• 7 vehicles servicing @\$60/vehicle			
	• 4 Outboard engines @\$60/engine			<u>Savings: \$2,723.00</u>
	• 15 General welding \$10/item			
	• 7 tyre repair \$10/tyre			
	• 13 tyre maintenance @\$5 each			
	• 10 Chainsaw servicing @\$20 each			
	• 15 brush cutter repair @\$25 each			
Kuar Singh	• 2 houses for \$1,500	• 2 houses		Registered his own construction company.
		Ø 24 x 18 double story		
		• 4 house extensions		
Orisi Rarokodali		• 1 bathroom & toilet		Continuing with assisting in the village with house construction/maintenance and farming
		• 20 x 17 wooden house		Providing services for free due to unavailability of tools
		• 3 house steps (maintenance)		
		• 3 house extensions		
		• 1 bathroom plumbing system		
		• 1 water tank foundation		
Isireli Tamainai	• Azad Construction for 3 months @\$3.17/hour	• 3 houses		Currently with Tabua Builders in Labasa
	• Tabua Builders for 4 months @\$3.50	Ø 24x16 wooden house		

Voreqe Luita	•	• 2 wooden houses • 7 house maintenance	• Naduna Technical College (Completed Plumbing Training)	Currently looking for work attachment for plumbing training completed.
**Aliko Livai	•	• 1 house extension	•	Currently building own house Ø 24x18 wooden house
Viliame Vulakauvaki	• 34x20 wooden house @\$20/day for 6 weeks • 28x20 wooden house @ \$3.50/hour for 4 weeks • 5 toilets for \$300 • 28x18 wooden house @\$100/week for 3 weeks • Toilet and bathroom tiling for \$100	• 9 wooden houses (Rehab) • Church maintenance	•	Received \$100 as token of appreciation for church maintenance No bank account Currently engaged in seasonal work – cane cutting for village project
Iliesa Cagi	• Double walling of 1 house @\$20/day for 5 days • House plastering @\$20/day for 5 days	• 5 houses	•	Currently engaged in seasonal work – cane cutting for village project
Peceli Viriki	• 16x10 greenhouse for \$510	• 3 houses (Rehab) • Foreman for village project – footpath • 24x10 house extension	•	Currently engaged in the village project.
Iosefo Siliona	• 2 houses @\$20/day for 9 months • 2 house extensions @\$5/hour for 2 weeks each	• 2 houses Ø 24x16 wooden houses	•	Just completed the 2 houses
Tevita Daunibau	•	• 1 bathroom & toilet • 24x10 house extension • 1 bathroom slab • 1 village hall (Kanakana Village)	•	Currently engaged in regular rugby competition and farming
	• Sanjay Construction @\$3.50/hour Ø 3 concrete houses			Full time employment with Sanjay Construction currently working on the establishment of a new

Iosefo Takala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ø 2 wooden houses Ø 1 swimming pool 			resort in Taveuni
Mikaele Cabealawa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shah Constructions @\$3.20/hour for 3 months 6 houses for \$300 each 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Village Evacuation Centre 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work rate slow because of the current tools. Need power tools to be able to complete projects faster. Currently helping in the construction of the Village Evacuation Centre
Samuela Tui	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hari Deo Company @\$3.50/hour for 1 year 3 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 houses (Rehab) Ø 24x16 wooden house 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tutu Rural Training Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planted 1,000 yaqona, 400 to be planted 600 dalo Currently pursuing further training
Paulo Pese	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part-time Tour Guide @\$20/trip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 houses (Rehab) Ø 24x16 wooden house 1 x Double concrete classroom 2 Staff Quarters 1 house (donated by Fiji Red Cross) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently a member of the Ovalau Under 20 Rugby Team for the Vodafone Vanua Cup Competition
Rafaele Manaseva	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part-time Tour Guide @\$20/trip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 houses (Rehab) Ø 24x16 wooden house 1 x Double concrete classroom 2 Staff Quarters 1 house (donated by Fiji Red Cross) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Also engaged in semi-commercial farming Ø Dalo @\$3/kg Ø Waka @\$100/kg Ø Lewena @\$70/sack
Sailosi Qaloiwai		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 houses (Rehab) Ø 24x16 wooden house 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Started with farming Ø 250 yaqona plants (2yrs) Also a member of the Navakaoa Rugby Team
Mariselo Kalokalodravu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chand Construction @\$4/hour Castaway Island Resort @\$3.50/hour for 1 year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 houses (Rehab) Ø 24x16 wooden house 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full time employment with Chand Construction in Taveuni

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mana Island Resort @\$3.50/hour for 6 months 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yacata @\$4.50/hours for 1year 			
Nacanieli Bola	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter's Contractors @\$150/week for 5 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renovation and extension of family house 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently engaged in farming • Ø 600 Dalo • Ø 400 cassava • Also member of the Nasinu Young Boys Rugby team
Ela Tuibua	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uprising Beach Resort @\$3.50 for 4 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 houses 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concentrating on farming now
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ø General maintenance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ø 2 24x16 wooden 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ø 1,500 yaqona (3yrs)
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ø 1 24x18 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ø 600 dalo
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 house extensions 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ø 600 cassava
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 bathroom and toilet 		
Sakaraia Sakiusa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharwan Construction @\$3.50/hour for 6 months 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 600 Yaqona (2 months) • 40 Dalo • 600 Cassava
Josefa Tadra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farina Construction @\$3.00/hour for 5 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 verandah extensions 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 500 Yaqona
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 house extension 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,000 Dalo
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 Cassava
Jovesa Vudidra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farina Construction @\$3.00/hour for 5 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 verandah extensions 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 500 Yaqona
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 house extension 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300 Dalo
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently a member of the U20 Cakaudrove team for the Vodafone Vanua Cup Competition
Iliesa Turaganilali	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently employed by Mataika Builders @\$4/hour for the last 9 months 			
Gaberiele Pokai	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently with Singh's Construction @\$20/half day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 houses (Rehab) 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ø 20x26 wooden house 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 month with Habitat 		
Joeli Monovou		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 houses (Rehab) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 Yaqona (2 years)

		Ø 20x26 wooden house		400 Yaqona recently planted
				500 Dalo
				300 Cassava
Viliame Ramere		7 houses (Rehab)		150 Yaqona recently planted
				200 Dalo
				1000 Cassava
Veresa Koliloa	Volunteered with MYS in the extension of the YTC Naqere kitchen	2 house extensions		1700 Yaqona (2 years)
		Ø 20x10 wooden		2000 Tavioka
		1 house		1000 English Cabbage
		Ø 40x30 wooden		800 Chinese Cabbage
Peni Vere	Currently employed at Mataika Builders			
	Ali's Construction @\$3.60/hour for 8 months			
	Iceman at Walu Bay for 5 months @\$3.20/hour			
	Crest @\$4.10/hour for 4 months			
Paula Marika	Renovation of Planters Club @\$6/hour for 1 month			250 Yaqona (3 years)
	Kinon Shop renovation \$6/hours for 1 month			1000 Cassava
	Koro Sun Resort @\$5/hour for 2 weeks			
	1 wooden house for a month @\$5/hour			
Nimilote Beka		1 wooden house 20x20		1500 Yaqona (2 years)
		1 wooden house 30x40		300 Dalo
		1 house partition		400 Tavioka
		1 verandah extension		
Samisoni Tamaibari	Work attachment with RFMF Engineering Corps for 6 months @\$100/week	12 houses 24x16 (Rehab)		1500 Yaqona (3 years)
		1 nursery		50 Dalo
				5000 Cassava

Appendix Two

Supplementary Response



**Ministry of Youth
and Sports**

**In Response to the Standing
Committee on Social Affairs on the
COVID 19 Pandemic and Its Impact
on the Ministry of Youth and Sports.**

The Ministry of Youth and Sports responds in relations to the following;

a. **What adjustments and relief measures has the Ministry sought to implement to cushion the impact of COVID-19 on its operations?**

The Fijian Ministry of Youth and Sports is mandated by the Government for two major roles; Youth and Sports Development. Youth Development centres on the provisions of assistance to youth through advisory, non-formal education, empowerment and capacity building initiatives, including specific skills training. Youth in Fiji is defined as persons between the ages of 15 – 35 years old.

The Sports function of the Ministry focuses on the development of sports, policy advice, incorporating physical activity and its infrastructure development nationwide.

The Ministry's vision for the strategic period of 2019 - 2023 is "Building healthy and socially engaged youth through non-formal education and a physically active nation through sport". To achieve this, the Ministry aims to promote values and social cohesion through national sports development and empowering youth through engagement, qualifications, knowledge, skills and resource development contributing to sustainable success for all.

The COVID-19 pandemic has had adverse impacts not only on the health sector but also on the employment and businesses sectors including the livelihood of Youths. A drastic drop in employment has had many negative implications not only on the economy but on the lives of many young people in the country. With unemployment amongst youth, comes a whole host of socio-economic issues such as mental health problems, domestic and gender violence, alcohol and drug use. Additionally, being unemployed is associated with increased risk of death by suicide and negatively affects the physical well-being of youths, hinders skills development, causes youth homelessness and increased poverty, especially in urban and semi-urban communities.

Additionally, the pandemic is also creating human crisis as food security and sustainability is at risk, and unless immediate action is taken, there could be a global food emergency. Fiji will also not be immune to this crisis. Therefore, it is vital for Fiji to maintain its local food supply to ensure every Fijian has access to basic food items. Relevant interventions are needed to ensure youth innovation and energy is appropriately channeled for positive development.

To Cushion the Impact of Coronavirus (COVID 19) on the operations the Ministry has implemented preventive measure at Youth Training Centre's (Nasau , Naleba , Naqere and Valelevu) and implemented adequate measures for all staffs and clients to its offices.

The Ministry had tighten measures in boarding facilities and highly emphasized on hygiene and social distancing in delivery of its key youth and sports development programs. The programs are now focused on protection of most vulnerable and improved

foods security through providing required training and assistance to Youths for Income Generating programs.

Ministry has purchased the Thermal Guns and Sanitizers for all its offices and staff temperatures are taken and hand sanitized daily. The Ministry transports also carry hand sanitizers and officers travelling out to communities have to have their hand sanitized when they come in the vehicle after any community or offices visit while travelling.

Ministry also has strict requirements set for Youth Training Centres on daily temperature checks and hygiene amongst students and teachers. And recording of visitors and temperature checks, sanitization and recording of visitations.

A customer register is maintained where all that visit our offices have their hand sanitized, temperatures taken and details recorded, daily before they are allowed to visit ant staff for services.

For Ministry Programs registration is done for all youths and members of the community who are attending the programs, their temperature is taken and hands sanitized. Participants are requested to download Fiji Care App while attending Ministry's programmes and all Ministry's staff are also directed to have the Fiji Care App on their official mobile phones.

Officers remind all that a safe distancing is to be followed and an arms space is to be around every person in a room/ hall while in a closed training venue.

People who are sick are reminded to stay away from the training hall and seek medical attention.

b. **Inform us on the lessons learnt from COVID-19 and what operational areas the Ministry will be strengthening to be better prepared for future crises.**

Training: The Ministry will develop online learning management systems to further complement the face to face community based youth empowerment trainings and facilitate at lower cost with higher reach and more impactful. Also introduction of new trainings/programs such as Youth farm Initiative, Climate Change Adaptations and Disaster Risk Reduction to youths.

Small Scale Youth Grant: Grant support for youth projects particularly those that can stimulate economic activities and improve food security.

Ministry staff (Work from Home) strategies has made officers to be more prepared to go virtual in their programs and work activities.

Data: Improving the Ministry's Youth and Sports Club database Management Systems to better access information's to communicate with the Youths and deliver the Ministry's Training programs through virtual learning.

Information: Also, the Ministry will capacity build to support:

1. More messages in i-Taukei and Hindi for communities and youths with disabilities to be prepared;
2. Programs and support in times of disasters-especially for women and children since violence issues escalate in times of crisis; and
3. Religious bodies to be provided with necessary support to assist in times of crisis.

c. **With the reduction in Budgetary allocation to the Ministry of Youth and Sports in 2020/21 FY, how will the Ministry prioritize its programmes and activities to ensure optimum service delivery?**

The Ministry will prioritize work activities and exercise better control and discipline to manage the allocations effectively in all areas of operation.

The Ministry will identify gaps and key areas for Youth and Sports development and work in collaboration with various stakeholders and line Ministries in delivering its Youth and Sports Programs, especially focus on important programmes such as Youth leadership Training, Gender Based Violence Training, Disability Programs and Sports or Recreation Trainings.

The Ministry will focus on key youth and sports development programs and capacity building trainings / workshops and create partnership with donor agencies to cushion budget constraints and ensure optimum service delivery.

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