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49/2023 Can the Minister update parliament on the list of all the projects under the various components of Water Authority for Fiji (WAF) capital and maintenance budget below include –

(a) the budget for each project

(b) the amount committed and sent as per the end of quarter 2 for the Financial year 2022/2023

(c) percentage completion of the work undertaken; and

(d) reasons for any delays and how WAF will be addressing problem areas to the following :

- (i) water sources and water treatment plant**
- (ii) water distribution**
- (iii) integrated water meter management**
- (iv) non revenue water**
- (v) water catchment management process**
- (vi) water treatment**
- (vii) improvement and upgrade of wastewater distribution system**
- (viii) rural water supply systems**
- (ix) relocation of existing wastewater and water pipeline**
- (x) electrical upgrading works; and (xi) ICT infrastructure upgrades**

Please find below response to the question;

Scheme	Budget	% committed	Progress	Reasons for delay	Planned Corrective Action
Water sources and water treatment plant	\$ 4,291,884.90	39%	28%	Low market response, which required extension of tendering process.	WAF is reviewing procurement strategy to better engage with the market. Program will be monitored closely following award for speedy implementation.
Water distribution	\$ 10,836,953.96	76%	70%	Program on track	-
Integrated water meter management	\$ 4,280,574.97	67%	60%	Program on track	-
Non-revenue water	\$ 3,459,356.29	39%	35%	Supply chain delays associated with procuring specialised NRW equipment from overseas. Works have now commenced on-ground.	Program scheduled to still reach 95% utilisation/delivery within this financial year. WAF to closely monitoring progress.
Water catchment management process	\$ 170,673.28	100%	60%	Program on track	-
Wastewater treatment	\$ 1,300,000.00	5%	0%	Extremely low market response, which required extension of tendering process.	WAF is reviewing procurement strategy to service wastewater sector.
Improvement and upgrade of wastewater distribution system	\$ 1,661,466.82	30%	10%	Contract awarded and program scheduled for imminent commencement.	Program scheduled to still reach 90% utilisation/delivery within this financial year. WAF to closely monitoring progress.
Rural water supply systems	\$ 4,962,000.00	4%	0%	Program on Hold awaiting transfer to PWD.	Rural Water function to be transferred to the Ministry of Public Works.

Relocation of existing wastewater and water pipeline	\$ 333,556.45	101%	80%	Program on track	-
Electrical upgrading works	\$ 3,474,834.66	31%	20%	Tendering process just finished with contract award in progress.	Program scheduled to still reach 100% utilisation/delivery within this financial year. WAF to closely monitoring progress.
ICT infrastructure upgrades	\$ 500,000.00	2%	2%	Program includes purchase of essential software and hardware. All goods are procured from overseas by local suppliers, therefore associated supply chain delays.	As it is a procurement exercise, Program will reach 100% utilisation/delivery shortly after award of the tender, well within this Financial Year.