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Quarterly Project Progress Report

Name of Project: Integrated Environmental Management of the Fanga'uta Lagoon Catchment

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Basic Project Information

(Basic information can be completed by UNDP before sharing the report with the partner)

Project Title: Integrated Environmental Management of the Fanga'uta Lagoon Catchment

UNDP Award ID	00077082
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Project Duration	2014-2017
Reporting Period	Quarter 2, 2016
Implementing Partners National collaborating agencies	Department of Environment, Ministry of Meteorology, Energy, Information, Disaster Management, Environment, Climate Change and Communications
Other UN/International collaborating agencies	UNDP
Cost-sharing third parties	National & Local Governments
UNDP Programme Officer/Programme Analyst	Loraini Sivo



Osnat Lubrani site visit with HE Helen Clark to one of the project community site 19 June 2016



Boys from the Seleka Arts Group, artistic expression in recycling waste found at Fanga'uta Lagoon catchment into beautiful ornament June 5, 2016

1. Project Implementation Status and Key Results

Implementation Status Summary *(This needs to be completed by project)*

- ❖ *Briefly assess (<150 words) how the project is progressing towards expected outcomes (UNDAF Outcome), highlighting any key activities or results during the reporting period. If project implementation is delayed, please indicate reason for delay and ways of resolving the issue, accelerating delivery in the next period.*

With regards to UNDAF Outcome Area 1, the project continues to support the efforts towards this outcome in this pass quarter. It was able to host 3 site visit tour with the Osnat Lubrani, Naoko and HE Helen Clark, as well as school tour to the project sites in the quarter. The project is able to complete the draft of policy review, final draft of annual report with monitoring procedures and evaluation indicated with recommendations of follow up, translation of annual report is completed while in process of edition, demographic framework of FLC is also completed and available. Series of consultations and trainings took place to enhance management capacity of relevant stakeholders to address issues faced. Four communities had completed its Special Management Plan and currently in the third phase of process.

- ❖ *Provide details on key Output/Activity during the reporting period in below table. Please add Output/activities as per QWP/AWP*

Implementation Progress Summary

(Table for the first 5 columns can be pre-filled. Project needs to complete last 3 columns. Where implementation delays for an activity, please Indicate alternative actions being suggested or taken)

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<p>Output 1.1: Multi-stakeholder management system established to guide the updating of the EMP FLS and implementation of the FLC Integrated Environmental Management Plan (IEMP)</p> <p>Output 1.1.1: Capacity of NECC and FLC Stakeholders enhanced to more effectively plan and implement an integrated lagoon ecosystem management approaches</p> <p>Output 1.1.2: Measures delivered to fully</p>	<p>Functional enabling environments for conservation and integrated management of the Fanga'uta Lagoon Catchment (FLC)</p> <p>Indicator for Output 1.1.1: Status of a multi-stakeholder FLC management authority with dedicated staff and sufficient budget</p>	<p>By Year 3 the feasibility of conversion of a FLC Management Committee into a National Committee with a statutory mandate has been assessed and implemented as appropriate</p> <p>2016 Target Indicator: 100% of the work completed:</p> <p>a) 5 contact points from government are implementing IEMP concept for FLC and are working towards developing its policy and legislation;</p> <p>b) Plans for setting up a draft statutory mandate for Fangauta lagoon is discussed and implemented;</p>	<p>On track</p>	<p>Activity 1.1: 1.1.1 (d, e, g)</p> <p>d) Assess local training needs annually</p> <p>e) Develop training courses and materials on Integrated Environmental Management (IEM); Conduct trainings</p> <p>g) Formulate a draft statutory mandate of a "Tonga Interagency Council on FLC" to be assessed by Year 3 and adopted before end of the project</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____</p> <p>Activity 1.1.1 d: The list of training needs for the project is already identified for Quarter 3, and the remaining quarter will be finalized in the next quarter.</p> <p>Activity 1.1.1e: Relevant stakeholders responsible for specific trainings have developed training materials suitable for their trainings conducted. The trainings carried thus far for this quarter were: Landuse Mapping; Solid Waste Management; On site Mangroves Rehabilitation; Coastal tree planting, Special Management Area development.</p> <p>Activity 1.1.1g: Is pending until Policy Advisor of project is on board in August this year.</p>	<p>The Technical Working Group (TWG) and the Community Management Committee (CMC) has identified some training focus for the next two quarters of the project.</p> <p>The training engaged locals at national and local levels to develop their management capacity needed at this level. Each training targeted specific skills and knowledge with regards to effective monitoring and implementation.</p>	<p>TWG has active participants of 12 line ministries, 2 NGO and 1 Private Sector. This involves usually 10 females and 11 males; CMC involves 26 Town Officers and 5 District Officers, 1-line ministry and 2 NGOs. This involves 32 males and 2 females. Attendance for draft Community Planning at 4 communities engaged about 227 in total of which 125males/102 females</p>

engage the Fanga'uta Lagoon Catchment (FLC) communities in lagoon ecosystem management	Indicator for Output 1.1.2: Number of FLC villages and concerned entities involved in EMP updating and implementation & Number of individuals and/or organizations engaged in design and implementation of mini-projects from Outcome 2	2016 Target: 50% FLC villages and concerned entities have participated in EMP updating and implementation of mini projects (1 stakeholder consultative meeting on project planning and designing - MIA, District and community; 2 mini-project set-up training; 2 mini-project set-up)	On track	1.1.2 (c, d, e, f) c) Develop a draft strategy for community action, approaches and functions d) Sponsor and organize bi-annual lagoon and catchment NGO and stakeholders' forums e) Undertaken demonstrations (or mini-projects) in FLC areas f) Establish a FLC community-based research and knowledge management centre to generate lagoon community action and positive social change through the use of multiple knowledge sources and networks	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Completed</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>In progress</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Delayed</i> <i>Reason:</i> _____ All activities for this year is currently on track. Refer to specific achievements on the next column. It is only Activity 1.1.2.f that is gradually being pursued with the hope that it will either be establish at either with Internal Affairs or with Tourism Department. Consultation and development on this is currently being pursued further once issues with lands is confirmed.	<u>Activity 1.1.2.c:</u> Nukuleka and Nukunukumotu, Lapaha, Holonga have completed their draft plans and is currently reviewing it with neighboring communities in the effort that they become Special Management Area (similar to LMMA) facilitated by Fisheries and Environment Departments. This is expected to be submitted to Fisheries Committee and Minister in Quarter 3. <u>Activity 1.1.2.d:</u> These forums continue to take place regularly at the various spaces of reflection for the project in the Project Steering Committee, Technical and at Community Management Committee which involves all project relevant stakeholders in this past quarter. <u>Activity 1.1.2.e:</u> In addition to the SMA implementation the development of full implementation proposal (in the nature of a Make Over Approach) is done for Nukunukumotu and Vaini communities. Three additional villages is currently being pursued for this which are Tatakamotonga, Popua and Nukuhetulu. <u>Activity 1.1.2.f:</u> No new development on this from last quarter, it is currently being pursued with Internal Affairs and Tourism Department. Learnings acquired at the grassroots and national level is disseminated through quarterly newsletter (refer to Q2 Newsletter for 2016) and project Facebook page.	communities engaged in which so far involved about 125 men and 102 women TWG has active participants of 12 line ministries, 2 NGO and 1 Private Sector. This involves usually 10 females and 11 males; CMC involves 26 Town Officers and 5 District Officers, 1-line ministry and 2 NGOs. This involves 32 males and 2 females. Beneficiaries for Nukunukumotu involves 20 and for Vaini immediately with a Women's Group of 12, Tatakamotonga engages 26 youths Engages 2 lines ministries involving 6 of its staff, the sharing of learning (knowledge management) is shared to all 55 stakeholders of the project at national and local levels
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Output 1.2: Participatory updating of the Fanga'uta Lagoon Catchment IEMP completed, adopted, endorsed and budgeted for	Amendments to the environmental management plan of the Fanga'uta Lagoon Catchment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By mid-term, the existing EMP FLS has been updated incorporating IEM concepts and adaptive management approaches. • By Year 3, updates/amendments to EMP FLS have been approved and adopted • By the end of the project, the concerned authorities will institutionalize integrated ecosystem management and conservation objective for the FLC within the national development system. 	On track	Activity 1.2 1.2.1 (c-f, h-k) 1.2.2 (a-h) 1.2.3 (a-f)	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Completed</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>In progress</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Delayed</i> Reason: _____ Refer to status for individual output below. General Activity 1.2.1 is in progress as well as with 1.2.3, however Activity 1.2.2 most of it will be implemented in Quarter 3 as advised in AWP for 2016 and is not shared in this report.	Refer to progress below	Refer to progress below

<p>Output1.2.1: FLC IEMP prepared and completed; establishing technical, biophysical, oceanographic, socioeconomic and demographic baselines; updating the EMP completed in 2001 with additional parameters to be established</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amendments to the environmental management plan of the Fanga'uta Lagoon Catchment 	<p>2016 Targets: Updating on situation analysis of ecosystems degradation and ecosystem services management in FLC completed (100% completed)</p>	<p>On track</p>	<p>1.2.1 (c-f, h-k)</p>	<p>Activity 1.2.1c is currently on going with relevant stakeholders where they are including IEMP-FLC activities into their work plan for the year. This is reflected in Fisheries Department, Environment Department, Internal Affairs and Natural Resources.</p> <p>Activity 1.2.1d-e, k (d) Policy review is already done at the moment with draft available now currently edited. However, complete editing of this will be further considered in Quarter 3 when Policy Advisor will be available to join project. (e, k) This activity will be pursued further in Q3 when Policy Advisor arrives to Tonga.</p> <p>Activity 1.2.1f-i (f) is now completed available demographic framework is available, (g) was already completed in Dec 2015; (h-i) is currently being drafted by the national consultants and it is not yet completed.</p> <p>Activity 1.2.1j environmental hotspots is completed and reflected in already on final 2015 Dec annual reports which was available in April. Tongan translation is also completed in Quarter ready for printing and distribution.</p>	<p>At the various levels of stakeholder meetings of the project that is happening monthly or quarterly, relevant stakeholders continue to advise the project which of the project programs and activities that will be implemented from their side.</p> <p>Draft of the Policy Review is now available for editing.</p> <p>Demographic framework for FLC is now available from national consultant.</p> <p>Final Annual report is now available in English, and Tongan translation is also completed ready for editing and printing.</p>	<p>Refer to previous shared beneficiaries above.</p> <p>5 line ministries and 1 Private Sector were engaged in this activity.</p> <p>26 communities, 12 line ministries, 2 NGOs and 2 Private Sectors</p>
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<p>Output 1.2.2: FLC IEMP adopted, mainstreamed and funded</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status of FLC IEMP baseline review and findings completed with key parameters described 	<p>2016 Targets: 1. The amended draft FLC IEMP is developed and discussed with key stakeholders 2. Key government stakeholders will start to discuss potential government budget allocated to administration priorities of the FLC IEMP</p>	<p>On track</p>	<p>1.2.2 (e)</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Completed</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>In progress</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Delayed</i> <i>Reason:</i> _____</p> <p>1.2.2e) Organize biannual capacity building activities for development policy makers and the wider public on FLC IEMP mainstreaming</p> <p>The remaining activities under this output is scheduled 1.2.2 (a-d) is schedule for Q3 while the rest is for Q4</p>	<p>1.2.2 (e): This activity is delayed until quarter 3 until availability of Policy Advisor who will carry this out together in her activities. She was unable to join us at the time expected by the project due to personal obligation but will be with the project in August.</p>	<p>Beneficiaries remains the same as previously stated.</p>
<p>Output 1.2.3: Multi-stakeholder participatory mechanisms conducted to ensure adaptive management during the preparation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of FLC IEMP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular monitoring of current status of lagoon environment and ecosystem services through a set of measurable key indicators and a response system established that enables modifying key indicators 	<p>2016 Targets: 100% of the work completed 1. Monitoring data and information prepared (Annual monitoring reports available; A draft monitoring plan is developed and finalized to track FLC system status and uncertainties including climate change impacts</p>	<p>On track</p>	<p>1.2.3 (a-f)</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Completed</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>In progress</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Delayed</i> <i>Reason:</i> _____</p> <p>Most of the activities (1.2.3b) is completed as reflected in Fanga'uta Status Report 2015 where monitoring and evaluation procedures is provided. Activity (c-e) is currently in progress.</p> <p>Activity 1.2.3f will be pursued in Quarter 4 this year as per advised in the AWP2016.</p>	<p>1.2.3a: Line ministries and authorities is regularly consulted on any related issues raised from communities, government/non-government stakeholders. Main issues address is enforcement of regulations and policies. 1.2.3b, d: Monitoring and evaluation procedures is now available in the Annual Report of Fanga'uta. 1.2.3c: Commitments is already confirmed from all levels in their actively engagement presently in the project. The paperwork for this will be finalized once the updated FLC IEMP is in place 1.2.3e: Mini monitoring activities already began with the community with regards to mangroves and waste component. For fisheries management this will be included in Q4 of this year.</p>	<p>Beneficiaries remains the same as previously stated.</p>

<p>Output 2.1: Improved conditions of critical lagoon habitats, productivity, water quality and fish production through the implementation of priority interventions identified in the IEMP</p> <p>Output 2.1.1: Areas of approximately 80 ha of the lagoon's major coastal habitats (mangroves stands) restored</p> <p>Output 2.1.2: Mechanisms set up to facilitate participatory fishing area and sustainable fisheries resources management by the FLC communities</p> <p>Output 2.1.3: Eco-tourism awareness to FLC community conducted and local initiatives demonstrated</p> <p>Output 2.1.4: Activities based</p>	<p>Status of surrounding habitats and ecosystem services in the Fanga'uta Lagoon</p>	<p>•By project end, key habitats (mangroves) and ecosystem services in FLC improved compared to baseline level</p>	<p>On track</p>	<p>Activity 2.1 2.1.1 (b, c, e, f, g) 2.1.2 (a-d) 2.1.3 (a-d) 2.1.4 (b-d) 2.1.5 (a-i)</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____</p> <p>Refer to the responses under each activity.</p>	<p>Refer to the responses under each activity.</p>	<p>Refer to the responses under each activity.</p>
	<p>2.1.1: Area of mangroves in FL (80 ha)</p>	<p>2016 Indicators: 50 ha (63%) of mangroves and other biodiversity resources remained stable, protected areas conserved and managed mainly for sustainable use of natural ecosystems</p>	<p>On track</p>	<p>Activity 2.1.1 (b, c, e, f, g)</p> <p>F-G will be reported in the quarters they are to be implemented on</p>	<p>Activity 2.1.1b is already completed and is available now.</p> <p>Activity 2.1.1c: Key mangroves conservation hotspots is already identified with necessary actions being followed through with selected communities.</p> <p>Activity 2.1.1e: Training have taken place with Tatakamotonga Youths and communities in mangroves rehabilitation</p>	<p>Monitoring and Evaluation procedure for the mangroves is now available as shared in the Annual Report.</p> <p>All 7 communities engaged last year continued to assist with efforts in seedling collection. Efforts now is pursued is continuation of seedling production, and collection of rare species that are declined in the project sites from other sites that have them in abundance. Also the maintenance of the nursery at Popua is ongoing.</p>	<p>7 communities engaged of which 14 focal points (youths 12 males/2 females) engaged; Waste Authority, Environment, Forestry and GIS are actively involved in this process. This involves 10 local staff, with 30+ from community of which 15% are women. Tatakamotonga has 26 youths of which 13males/13females.</p>
	<p>2.1.2: Status of lagoon fisheries (as contributing to increased fish harvests, improved livelihoods, and healthy lagoon n ecosystems)</p>	<p>20% of the total area within the lagoon is identified and delineated for fisheries conservation and sustainable fisheries management (to be determined during implementation) through expert assessment and consultative process</p>	<p>On track</p>	<p>2.1.2 (a-d). This report will only cover for a, b, c activities that falls in this quarter.</p>	<p>Activity 2.1.2a: This activity is being deferred to Q3-4 during the monitoring activity so that it can be completed together</p> <p>Activity 2.1.2 b: review of existing legal policies is now completed and draft is now available; however, consolidating expert opinion on fisheries is currently being pursued</p> <p>Activity 2.1.2c: Series of technical and consultative meetings have been facilitated this quarter by Fisheries and Environment for 4 communities to mark managed areas</p>	<p>Policy review is now complete with preliminary draft available for the International Policy Advisor joining in Quarter 3.</p> <p>8 consultative/workshop meetings have taken place with Nukunukumotu, Nukuleka, Lapaha and Holonga in which their draft Management Plans is currently reviewed by their neighboring communities for their input.</p>	<p>3 line ministries are engaged in this process</p> <p>4 communities engaging about at least 226 participants in drafting the management process, facilitated by Fisheries and Environment Department.</p>

<p>on sustainable land and forest management demonstrated in the FL catchment areas</p> <p>Output 2.1.5: Capacity for Fanga'uta Lagoon water quality control strengthened and on-site activities demonstrated</p>	<p>2.1.3: Status of eco-tourism activities in FLC</p>	<p>At least 1 proposals to promote eco-tourism in FLC have been received from local tourism service providers At least 60 women and 60 youth have been engaged in eco-tourism activities</p>	<p>On track</p>	<p>2.1.3 (a-d). Only activity (a) to (c) was pursued in this quarter as per AWP.</p>	<p>Only activity (a) and (b) was able to be followed through in this quarter with series of consultation with selected communities already pre-selected by Tourism based on their identified criteria. Activity (a) was already submitted by Tourism, and identification of pilot sites in activity (b) is already done. The execution of the pilot sites is currently in the planning phase.</p>	<p>2.1.3a: Tourism has submitted their proposed eco-tourism program strategy and implementation for review.</p> <p>2.1.3b: 4 areas already identified: Vaini, Tofoa, Havelu and Nukuhetulu has been selected as the eco-tourism sites. Vaini plan is currently being pursued for the detail of its arrangement. The other 3 will unfold throughout the year.</p>	<p>The beneficiaries are: Vaini, Tofoa, Havelu and Nukuhetulu community; Tourism, Environment, Geology, GIS Department; Waste Authority. This is target to engage their women's group and youths, at the moment it has engaged over 40+people in the level of consultations already done.</p>
	<p>2.1.4: Areas with improved vegetation in the lagoon catchment</p>	<p>2016 Targets: A total areas of 30 ha with improved vegetation cover in the FLC areas have been established or replanted • 2 biannual trainings on sustainable land management practices conducted and reported with at least a total of 60 participants attended</p>	<p>On track</p>	<p>2.1.4 (b – d). In the AWP all these activities are to take place at a later period during the year. However, will report on activity 2.1.4(b): Organize an annual campaign to plant trees and raise public awareness and soil conservation</p>	<p>Activity 2.1.4b: Status is in progress.</p> <p>Forestry is continuing distribution of propagules/ seedlings to selected communities. Presently Forestry has distributed there are over 2333 to 227 people in 8 communities</p>	<p>Local campaigns are currently running in 8 communities from facilitated by Forestry and Environment Department. Due to land issues, tax allotment of individuals were pursued to use for the tree planting activities.</p>	<p>8 villages: at the moment it has engaged 7 from the 8 of which about 227+ locals attended the 2nd phase planting of agro-forestry species.</p>

<p>2.1.5: Measures to control pollution discharged from domestic and other sources adopted and enforced</p>	<p>2016 Targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A set of recommendations for improvement of water quality in the lagoon have been prepared and submitted for FLC IEMP • Course content on sanitation improvement and related technical knowledge targeting FLC communities identified and discussion for development with at least 1 training carried out At least one on-site demonstration/pilot activity identified and plans for implementation initiated 	<p>On track</p>	<p>2.1.5 (a-i). This report will provide only for activity (a-g) as intended for this Quarter from the AWP.</p>	<p>2.1.5(a): In progress – results of soil test is currently underway, which will soon be shared once results from University is received.</p> <p>2.1.5(b): In progress - where a set of recommendations is already identified suggesting methodology but not yet complete. Main approach for addressing waste in FL, is cleanup campaign at the communities. This has taken place in 5 communities during Q2 activities where communities assisted in the clean-up with WAL assisting in transporting the waste to Tapuhia landfill.</p> <p>2.1.5(c): This is already done for 2015, however it has been decided this will defer to once a year to take place at Quarter 3 instead so that more time is spend on implementation of solutions rather than on more monitoring.</p> <p>2.1.5(d): Some technologies are already discussed in various forums for controlling pollution in which it will be trialed in one specific community when implementation takes place proposed. However further recommendations are suggested for national sewage system for Tongatapu and this will be a recommendation for a future project.</p> <p>2.1.5 (e): Site for waste cleanup has been selected for more focus Vaini village and Tatakamotonga. The 26 communities’ clean-up will take place in Q3 to pick up waste at the coastal area.</p>	<p>Agriculture Department is taking lead on this, soil test on terrestrial land will soon be available from Institution taken to analyse.</p> <p>Waste Authority is taking lead in assisting the project finalizing this activity with the assistance of Geology, Urban Planning and Infrastructure departments.</p> <p>The next water quality is deferred for Q3, whilst Q1-3 is more focus on implementation on awareness on sanitation, and finalizing demonstration sites.</p> <p>Waste characterization training has taken place with 7 communities to assist with waste clean-up at the marine sites of areas chosen for mangroves rehabilitation. Issues of addressing failed septic system is currently being pursued by another sub-sanitation project funded by ADP to confirm which communities in the lagoon that will be assisted, and that the project will only focus on communities with critical issues due to limited budget availability. Issue with project is the expense to reclaim inundated land if selected homes with failed septic tanks is considered to be replaced. However, this is being delayed until later.</p> <p>Site is already identified, the sanitation proposal for implementation of the project site is still yet to be completed prior implementation. However waste cleanup campaign covers all communities.</p>	<p>8 communities already engaged during the waste training of which over 90+ participants attended, and about 34% where women. This was co-facilitated between Waste Authority and Environment Department.</p>
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<p>Output 3.1: Increased awareness and appreciation of the ecosystem services of the Fanga'uta Lagoon</p>	<p>Increase awareness of the significance of FL management across multiple stakeholders</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production of a series of selected awareness and communication materials, which have been disseminated in all relevant Agencies associated with the NECCC as well as in all lagoon villages and the nearby areas of Tongatapu 	<p>On track</p>	<p>Activity 3.1 a-h For this quarter it will report on (a-c, e-h)</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Completed</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>In progress</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Delayed</i> <i>Reason:</i> _____</p> <p>Activity 3.1.1 a, c, e is currently in progress with regular assessment of communication materials and production using existing structure.</p> <p>Activity 3.1.1b & h is deferred to next quarter as it was not completed due to Information Officer on leave and was not able to conduct this activity.</p> <p>Activity 3.1.1f this is currently done by the Ministry's main website by the IT Officer there.</p> <p>Activity 3.1.1g this is ongoing practice with outreach to schools, TV programs and brochures and newsletter distributed.</p>	<p>TWG, CMC, PSC as well as the Department of Environment continue to review proposed production of awareness materials in their regular meetings. TV ads (4) and TV (2) panel discussions was done during the Environment week campaign. TV panel engaged staff from Agriculture, Environment and R2R to discuss sustainable landuse practices. There were close collaborations with Ministry of Internal Affairs and UNDP on hosting TV programs to mark the Youth Forum day. Ongoing SMS blast of awareness of the project continued to take place weekly. This has led to series of phone calls enquiring more information on the project.</p> <p>Project website has been requested to be included in the Ministry's website, therefore project news release is included in the Environment Climate Change portal of the Ministry.</p> <p>Project also carried out public awareness on its facebook page, TV program, SMS blast on digicel customers and quarterly newsletters and school visit to the for tree planting activities. There was also site visits carried out to promote the project through 3 site visits from HE Helen Clark, Osnat Lubrani and Naoko. In addition the school took students from 2 schools to participant in site visits to various sites of the Fanga'uta Lagoon</p>	<p>Same beneficiaries as mentioned above, including 51,850 digicel subscribers, 90 students from 6 schools – Tailulu, Lavengamalie, Mo'unga'olive, Takuilau and Beulah.</p>
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2. Financial Management

Financial Information Summary

Reporting Period: Quarter 2, 2016

Output	Activities	Source of Funding	Activity Budget (USD)	Expenditure of the current reporting period (USD)	Accumulated Expenditure by the current reporting period (USD)	Delivery Rate of the current reporting period (%)	Accumulated Delivery Rate by the current reporting period (%)
Output 1	1.1	UNDP/GEF	\$51,093	\$10,593.11	\$19,521.11	20.73	38.21
	1.2	UNDP/GEF	\$83,508	\$10,370.24	\$49,162.24	12.42	58.87
Output 2	2.1	UNDP/GEF	\$550,535	\$114,986.67	\$249,697.67	20.89	45.36
Output 3	3.1	UNDP/GEF	\$18,100	\$8,655.07	\$13,901.07	47.82	76.80
Project Management		UNDP/GEF	\$18,126	\$4,638.38	\$4,638.38	25.59	25.58
			Total	\$140,588.39	\$336,920.47	19.53	46.71

Financial Information Summary (against Project Document / Budget)

Reporting Period: 2014-2017 (Year 2016)

Component	Outcome	Source of Funding	Activity Budget (USD)	Accumulated Expenditure of the current reporting year period (USD)	Accumulated Expenditure by previous years (USD)	Delivery Rate of the current reporting year (%)	Accumulated Delivery Rate since start of project (%)
C 1	1.1	GEF/UNDP	\$150,000	\$19,521.11	\$5,484	20.73	16.67
	1.2	GEF/UNDP	\$225,000	\$49,162.24	\$121,831	12.42	75.99
C 2	2.1	GEF/UNDP	\$1,248,220	\$249,697.67	\$473,691	20.89	57.95
C 3	3.1	GEF/UNDP	\$50,000	\$13,901.07	\$8,123	47.82	44.05
C 4	Project Management	GEF/UNDP	\$83,660	\$4,638.38	\$41,746	25.59	55.44
			Total	\$336,920.47	\$653,562	19.53	56.38

3. Project Management and Oversight

(This section should be completed by project in coordination with UNDP)

- ❖ *Briefly assess (<150 words) whether during the reporting period, management and oversight of the project was sufficient to support progress of the project.*

Consider the following questions:

- What M&E work was conducted during the reporting period (e.g. data acquisition, mid-term review...)*
- How identified risks in the project document or identified during the project are being managed, and did any new risks emerge?*
- What significant communications and advocacy efforts have been / are being undertaken in the project?*

• **Monitoring and Evaluation**

(Update indicators as per project document. Indicate how progress monitoring and acquisition of data from project interventions are being captured and utilized.)

With regards to data acquisition much of this has been established in the first year of project (2015), and therefore this year will be the implementation of solutions to the issues raised from previously. A lot of the monitoring activities that took place this quarter was based on the pre-monitoring activities of various sites for project implementation, as well as monitoring of tree planting activities already taken place, waste related and mangroves activity. The mid-term review of the project has yet to take place, in which it is now proposed towards Quarter 4 of this year. The Monitoring and Evaluation of the project has been done via desktop assistance in several occasions with UNDP Program Analyst and also Regional Technical Specialist. The Project Director and the Technical Working Group closely monitored progress in its monthly meeting.

• **Risk management**

(Actual/ anticipated operational, political and environmental risks)

One of the risk observed is on complex land tenure arrangement which impede efforts for land rehabilitation. To address this Policy review was conducted to advise proper mechanisms and strategies for appropriate regulation be placed at correct institutions to ensure sustainability. Furthermore, the communities at the surrounding of Fanga'uta Lagoon at 8 communities has willingly offered their tax allotment to have coastal tree planting taking place around their farm land. In addition, climate change threats to terrestrial and marine resources continue to remain high due to sea level rise. What has been done to address this issue was a cabinet submission that was approved for Ministry of Finance/National Planning to source funds and direction for holistic feasibility study to be carried out for FL and for the government of Tonga to secure funding for dredging the lagoon.

Furthermore, as observed Lack of political support and community buy-in for biodiversity conservation and sustainable land management is another risk. In order to address this, the project continue to strengthen the awareness programs through TV, sms blast, school programs, Tv ads to reach as many of the wide community.

• **Communication and advocacy**

This is one of the project strength in establishing good communications with its stakeholders as well as advocating for the project through various means such as the project facebook page, quarterly newsletter, TV programs, using of TV ads, showcasing short documentaries and making use of the Ministry's portal to share project information and news.

- **Focus on gender equity and equality**

(highlight specific activities and achievements)

In the 86 gatherings plus the 30 trainings/workshops attended locally or at overseas done from 2015-2016 in order to build local capacities or for awareness campaign activities total 2154 participants have attended of which 48% are women. In separating names repeated it is exactly 763 different individuals attending of which 51.5% of them are women attending in these gatherings. What is interesting to note that in the management level of the project 25% of members are women who actively play leadership role in Project Board, Technical Committee as well as its sub-committees and due to their active involvement and consistency work of the project seems to unfold at a continuum Further learning observed as the project continue to play an active role in building capacity of women these activities i.e. meetings, conferences or trainings, I wish to highlight a learning that is noteworthy of sharing: *In the Community Management Committee, general practice for this Town Officers are men, and one of the women is the wife of a sickly Town Officer who had been attending on his behalf for the last 1.5 years. As a result of building her leadership role in this forum as well as supporting her in calling activities in the community, she is the first woman to have won the Town Officer new election in June (recent fact from Ministry of Internal Affairs) and is the only woman Town Officer in the Community Management Committee of 26 Town Officers. As observed when a woman is placed in a leadership role in building her confidence to work confidently with the community she is able to gain the trust of society to a role most known capable only for men to drive. It is observed that at the mostly men are actively pursuing technical skill-related work, while more women are engaged with administrative related work and health related activities, the project is pursuing diligently to provide a balance in this through its training, to encourage more women participation in its activities.*

Woman engagement is observed at the site level for Popua and Vaini communities. The establishment of the nurseries and eco-tourism project is led by women's group.

45% of the Fangauta Lagoon monitoring team are women who supports the two communities. 14% of the youths in the Popua communities that are part of the ongoing maintenance and monitoring of the nursery are female.

About 60-70% of women are participating in training workshops organized by the project such as tree planting and waste management. Most field officers involved in the project are general male and about 30-35% are female, through the ongoing training activities and direct engagement with the community, this number would soon change too before end of the project

Various line ministries such as the Department of Tourism, Environment, Fisheries and NGOs/Private Sector are continuing to play an active role in raising capacity of women to empower them in their capacity to perform administratively and technically unique to the needs of their community in future trainings of the project this year.

4. Management Responses and Recommendations

(To be completed by project in coordination with UNDP)

- ❖ *Update on the implementation of audit, Spot Check recommendations & management responses to project evaluation*
- ❖ *Highlight if there is any key issue that requires the attention of management / steering committee in the next quarter.*

1. Request for Technical Committee to reconsider monitoring expenses with regards to field assistants with all field-related activities as project had over spent by 54,000 on this in the past quarter. Request for additional funding if Local consultant fund is overspend to receive it from International Consultant fund if it is available.

2. The recent change of Town Officers does delay implementation at villages already engaged by the project, and this may result in restarting relationship building with new Town Officers for the next quarter.

3. Change of finance/administration officer for the project has affected project timely financial reporting in June. In mid-July project received a replacement of finance officer however time is consumed in orientation of new staff to be acquainted with the project system in financial related items. This would result in delay in accessibility of funds, however, Project Manager is making this a priority to address with assistance from Project Director. Financial training is requested of the Ministry to assist with capacity building of the PMU staff in this area to ensure securing new knowledge, and also UNDP close assistance will continue to be pursued.

5. Annex/s

(Example of annexes attached to the report as the following, more annexes can be added as appropriate)

- ❖ Combined Delivery Report (provided by UNDP)
- ❖ Draft Quarterly Work Plan for the following quarter
- ❖ Accumulated list of other detailed project information (financial details, activity report, maps, brochures, field visit reports, media, news, internet etc).
- ❖ Faceform for next quarter advance request

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