



BACK TO OFFICE REPORT (BTOR)

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<p>1. Practice Area: Resilience & Sustainable Development 2. Service Line(s):</p>	
<p>3. Mission Period (incl. of travel days):</p> <p>From: 24 October 2019 To: 19 November 2019</p>	
<p>4. Type of Service/Mission</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy <input type="checkbox"/> Analysis <input type="checkbox"/> Policy Advice <input type="checkbox"/> Programme / Technical Backstopping <input type="checkbox"/> Resource Person <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Technical Consultations <input type="checkbox"/> Training / Capacity Development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others (specify): TCAP Project Board Meeting #4, Consultation with Funafuti Community, Gender consultation with government partners, NGO's, community groups and other stakeholders</p>	<p>5. Client(s)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tuvalu Government ➤ Funafuti Community ➤ TANGO (Tuvalu Association of NGO's) ➤ TNCW (Tuvalu National Council of Women) ➤ Youth Groups
<p>6. Purpose of Mission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend TCAP Project Board Meeting • Attend to consultation with the Funafuti community • Together with the Gender consultant, to undertake consultations with our government partners, NGO's, community groups and other interested stakeholders • (Supposedly) attend to community consultations with the communities in both Nanumea & Nanumaga islands – this visit was however cancelled due to non-availability of a boat 	<p>7. Documents, Materials, Resources from Mission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Board meeting papers ➤ File notes from consultations with Government Partners, NGO's and Community groups ➤ Photographs
<p>8. Mission Member(s) (include consultants if any)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Kevin Petrini (Oct 26-31) ➤ Arthur Webb (Oct 26 – Nov 9) ➤ Aishath Azza (Oct 26-29) ➤ Aliti Vunisea (Gender consultant) – (Nov 5-19) ➤ Jone Feresi (Oct 24 – Nov 19) 	<p>9. Cost (for RCC staff only)</p>
<p>10. Brief Summary of the Mission: 10A. Findings</p> <p>1. <u>TCAP Board Meeting</u>: The Minister of Finance, Seve Paeniu, is the new co-chair for the TCAP Board. He is also the GCF NDA for the government of Tuvalu. AWP for 2020, with a budget of USD\$8.7m has been approved. The Board were informed that the ESIA component of the Coastal assessment is currently being done by SPC which will ultimately inform the engineering design. Construction works is anticipated to commence in October of 2020. The Minister, in his capacity as co-chair echoed his</p>	

sentiments on the need to increase the visibility of TCAP to all our stakeholders through having a sound communications strategy.

2. Community Consultation - the Funafuti Kaupule and the Funafuti community were appraised on the approved interventions for Fogafale which is the foreshore reclamation from Queen Elizabeth Park (QEP) to Tausoa Beach – covering a total area of 7.8hectares. They were also appraised on the outcome of the LIDAR airborne survey. The community have once again voiced their support for the reclamation works – viewing it as an extremely beneficial investment for Funafuti. Some concerns were also raised on the rightful ownership of the newly reclaimed area.
3. Community Training on the PBCRGS (Grant system) – the Funafuti Kaupule and community were also trained over 2 days on the Performance Based Grant System which they could qualify for provided they meet the minimum criteria and comply with the performance measures. Discussions also focused on areas TCAP will be providing assistance on to strengthen the capabilities of the Kaupule – especially in planning, budgeting, reporting, etc
4. Gender Strategy – together with our Gender consultant, Ms Aliti Vunisea, consultations were held with all our 5 government partners (DRD, CCD, PWD, DOE, DOLS). Other departments consulted included Ministry of Finance, Gender & Women’s Department, Social Welfare Department, Waste Management Department, Fisheries Department, Statistics Department, TANGO, TNCW, Youth groups, Women’s group, Nanumaga & Nanumea representatives living in Funafuti, R2R & FASNETT Projects.
5. Gender Training – a 1day training was conducted at the end of the consultation and both the government stakeholders, NGO’s and the community, including the youth groups) were well represented.
6. Cancellation of Outer Island visit – the outer island consultation visits to both Nanumea and Nanumaga had to be cancelled at the 11th hour due to non-availability of a boat. This had to be deferred to mid-January 2020 as the inter-island ferries were confirmed to be available then.

10B. Results Achieved (concrete outputs)

- i. AWP for 2020 approved by the Board
- ii. Support from the Funafuti community towards the reclamation works for Fogafale
- iii. Appreciation from the Funafuti community on the LIDAR survey results
- iv. Kaupule and community getting trained on the PBCRGS system

11. Key counterpart(s) and persons you met in each location and their contact details:

Name:

Government Partners (PWD, DRD, CCD, DOE, DOLS)

Ministry of Finance – Lee (CEO)

Gender & Women – Asita (Director)

Social Welfare – Lupe

Statistics – Grace (Gov Statistician)

Funafuti Kaupule

Fisheries Department

TANGO – Aoiluma

12. Follow-up Action Matrix

Actions to be taken	By Whom	Expected Completion Date
Circulate Minutes of Project Board Meeting to Corporate Team	Jone Feresi	06/12/2019
Work on action Items raised from the Board meeting	Jone Feresi	31/01/2020

13. Distribution List (BTOR sent to):

RSD Team - Group Email