

#### FOR FEBRUARY 2019

#### I. GENERAL

**Project Name:** Tuvalu Coastal Adaptation Project (TCAP)

**Project No:** 00100068

**Project Objective:** To reduce the vulnerability of three islands of Tuvalu namely, Funafuti, Nanumea

and Nanumaga, to the impacts of climate-induced sea level rise and intensifying

storm events

Starting Date: June, 2017

**Reporting Period:** December 2018 – January 2019

**Reporting To:** Director, Disaster & Climate Change Department

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## II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This update, for the month of December 2018 – January 2019, is tied to each of the project's three (3) outputs, namely:

- <u>Output 1</u> Strengthening of institutions, human resources, awareness and knowledge for resilient coastal management;
- Output 2 Vulnerability of key coastal infrastructure including homes, schools, hospitals and other assets is reduced against wave induced damages in Funafuti, Nanumea and Nanumaga; and
- Output 3 A sustainable financing mechanism established for long-term adaptation efforts

#### III. UPDATE ON PROGRESS

**Output 1**: Strengthening of institutions, human resources, awareness and knowledge for resilient coastal management

Output No.	Activity No.	Sub-Activities	January Updates
	1.1 Technical capacity, knowledge and awareness of the Government and community strengthened for coastal monitoring, protection and maintenance of coastal protection infrastructure		Radio talks to increase awareness on the TCAP institutional setup and activities commenced on 29th January. Awareness was raised on the

1	1		upcoming LiDAR survey that will commence on 19th March until 5th April. Stakeholders involved in this awareness raising include the Department of Lands and Survey, the
			Department of Aviation, and the Fire Department
resource awarenes.	1.2 Long-term national human resource capacity and awareness enhanced for sustainable coastal protection		TCAP scholarship student Mr Palakua Sakaio (studying Bachelor of Civil Engineering at the University of Canterbury in New Zealand) was given another chance to study under the TCAP scholarship programme. He left for New Zealand on 14th February 2019

**Output 2**: Vulnerability of key coastal infrastructure including homes, schools, hospitals and other assets is reduced against wave induced damages in Funafuti, Nanumea and Nanumaga

Output	Activity No.	Sub Activities	January Updates
No.			
2	2.1 Coastal protection design, site-specific assessments and Environmental and Social Impact Assessments undertaken in all islands in a participatory manner		<ul> <li>Radio Talk on involvement of Fugro for the LiDAR survey continued with the Department of Aviation and the Fire Department</li> <li>Talks with the GCF on the Fogafale reclamation started on 22<sup>nd</sup> February</li> <li>A meeting with the NDA and Prime Minister of Tuvalu and his delegation with UNDP RR Bakhodir and TCAP officials on the Fogafale Land Reclamation and Tripartite meeting in Songdo was discussed at the Tuvalu High Commission on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019.</li> </ul>
	<b>2.2</b> Coastal protection measures implemented		• This activity is awaiting completion of 2.1

**Output 3**: A sustainable financing mechanism established for long-term adaptation efforts

Output No.	Activity No.	Sub Activities	January Updates
	3.1 All Islands Strategic Plans and annual budgets integrate island-specific climate risks through existing gender sensitive, participatory processes		ISP Consultant, Mr Feue Tipu was recruited and is now drawing up workplan for all islands' ISP activities.

3.2 Capacity of Kaupules, Falekaupules and community members strengthened for monitoring coastal adaptation investments	<ul> <li>Consultant expected to incorporate feedback from RTA regarding the Operational Manual;</li> <li>Skype meeting (22nd February 2019) between Team Leader Kevin Petrini, TCAP Project Coordinator, Secretary to Government Tine Leuelu, and Climate Change Director Pepetua Laatasi from Suva and TCAP ISP Consultant Feue Tipu in Tuvalu, regarding transfer modes for funds (to TSF and Kaupules) based on PBCRG procedures.</li> <li>Tuvalu Government want TCAP funds to go into Tuvalu Survival Fund (TSF).</li> <li>Finalisation of Gender Expert completed.</li> </ul>
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## **Induction for Project Manager and Communication Officer**

- The Project Manager and the Communications Officer went to Suva for their induction from 5<sup>th</sup> February to 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019
- Project Manager stayed for 4 more days to discuss with UNDP Resident Representative, Team Leader, Chief Technical Advisor and Prime Minister of Tuvalu and his delegation on the way forward for Output 2.
- Completed the APR and sent the Co-Financing letter to the NDA for his signature at the Tuvalu High Commission in Suva

#### Financial and Risk Management Mission - Project Finance Associate

- Project Finance Tuvalu Mission 21 February 5 March 2019.
- Brief the Ministry of Home Affairs and Department of Rural Development on the required HACT Questionnaire and scope of work.
- Be part of the HACT closing meeting. Outline new HACT Reporting template and implications.
   Discuss timelines, roles and responsibilities and way forward based on overall risk rating identified.
- Assurance activities for Ministry of Education Youth and Sports (MEYS)
- Work closely with MEYS to finalize quarterly workplans and finalize the Face Form disbursement request.
- Understand Tuvalu Survival Fund regulations and accounting for co-financing agreements for future APR reporting
- Assist in the finalization of the Performance Grant Operational Manual. Outline the UNDP financial management and reporting requirements and ways on how to integrate Operational Manual framework to the payment modality proposed.

# IV. TARGET FOR FEBRUARY/MARCH

#### **High Priority**

- Approval of the reclamation concept for Fogafale shoreline currently awaiting approval from GCF:
- Tripartite meeting at Songdo between Government of Tuvalu, UNDP and GCF;
- Approval of the Nanumea and Nanumaga concepts— awaiting approval from government on the submitted options; PM has provisionally agreed to the berm design for Nanumea and Nanumaga
- Finalized Operations Manual;

## **Medium Priority**

- Finalize, and printing of the TCAP project brochure;
- TCAP staff mission to Nanumea, Nanumaga, and Funafuti island communities;
- Engagement of a Gender Consultant;
- Advertisement of M&E Consultant;
- Advertisement of a Social and Environment Safeguard Local Consultant

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