

# QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT QUARTER 1. 2020

**PROJECT TITLE: TUVALU COASTAL ADAPTATION PROJECT**

**PROJECT NUMBER: 00100068**

**Applicable Output(s) from the SRPD (2018-2022):**

**ATLAS Output ID: 00103205**

**PIMs ID Number: 5699**

**Implementing Partners: UNDP**

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## **PART 1: DESCRIBE THE KEY ACTIVITY RESULTS ACHIEVED IN THIS QUARTER:**

**RESULTS RESOURCE FRAMEWORK QUARTETLY PROGRESS** (\*\*In some projects, Outputs in Project Documents are equivalent to Activity Results level in ATLAS)

### **1. Project Implementation and Results**

The Project Board approved at its meeting in October 2019, the 2020 AWP for the project. Total budget for 2020 was originally estimated at USD\$8.7 million, but after some revisions, it went down to USD\$6,239,406. Budget for the first quarter 2020 was \$524,764 for all outputs. Again, after some revisions and some unforeseen circumstances, the budget decreased to \$84,456 for Q1, 2020.

This Q1 progressive report is the first of its kind for the project. It highlights the outputs achieved, activities implemented, and challenges encountered and risks arising that cause the delays and hinders the progress of the project. Lessons learnt will also be highlighted.

#### Summary of achievements

1. Five students received scholarships from the project to pursue undergraduate and postgraduate studies under Output 1. Two students will study for their undergraduate degrees while three students will pursue Masters degrees. In February 2020, Simon Willy took up his award at the University of the South Pacific, pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Geospatial Science and Environmental Science. The remaining students will pick up their studies next year at Australian universities due to unforeseen circumstances.
2. Photocopiers for the Curriculum Development Unit and Motufoua Secondary School were procured and delivered to the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport (MEYS) in January as part of the project's assistance to capacity development in the country (Activity 1.3.1).
3. The Coastal Engineer, CTA and Project Manager met in February in Suva and approved the final conceptual design to be presented to island communities (Funafuti, Nanumea, Nanumaga) in March when the team consult with communities.
4. Despite shipping challenges, the Department of Local Government and the TCAP team chartered the government patrol boat MS Mataili to drop them to Nanumea and Nanumaga in mid-March to carry out Kaupule training on climate financing and mainstreaming climate change into their Island Strategic Planning. Due to the declaration of the State of Emergency for Tuvalu, the Mataili and the team were recalled to Funafuti, and were not able to carry out training on Nanumaga.
5. A letter of consent from the Nanumea Island Chief was given to the project, agreeing to let the project use sand from the southern end of the island for the BTB.



### 3. Emerging Risks

- Due to the outbreak of the Corona pandemic, the project may run into the risk of activities being delayed. Mobilisation of PMU and project staff would be restricted, and there will certainly be delays in international travel.
- Short-term trainings under Output 1, where consultants are required to visit Tuvalu for one week to carry out in-house trainings are now on hold.
- Inter-island travel is also an emerging risk, since the country has only one sea-worthy vessel, the MV Nivaga. The Manufofau has been at the wharf since late last year and it has been announced by the Minister of Communication that the inter-island trips has been reduced to once a month until further notice. This will pose some serious issues as the project will certainly delay its outer islands visits.

### **PART 2: PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR SECOND QUARTER 2020**

The activities planned for Q2, 2020 are:

- (i) Revision of scholarship workplan for MEYS and HRM (Sub-activity 1.2.1). The scholarship workplan for both MEYS and HRM was initially scheduled for March, but the officer designated to do this, Mike Ravono was recalled on the last flight out of the country due to the corona outbreak and the closing of borders to Tuvalu. This activity is now scheduled for the second quarter of 2020.
- (ii) Recruitment of Safeguard specialist in April 2020. The consultant will work closely with the project to:
  - a. *Support ESIA process for the 3 project islands of Nanumea, Nanumaga & Funafuti*
  - b. *Update the SESP and ESMP*
  - c. *Advise stakeholders and partners on GoT, GCF and UNDP safeguard requirements*
  - d. *Develop a Grievance Redress Mechanism Document*
  - e. *Develop Safeguards Compliance Monitoring templates*
  - f. *Provide Quarterly audits with audit reports*
  - g. *Write Annual SESP and Compliance Monitoring Reports*
  - h. *Submit Field Mission Reports*
- (iii) Recruitment of Maritime expert. The Maritime expert will assist the project with the identification of suitable companies/firms/consultants to carry out the actual construction of protection measures on the 3 project sites.
- (iv) Review of the ISP under Output 3.1. Plans to have project islands of Nanumea, Nanumaga, and Funafuti review their Island Strategic Plans under Output 3, Activity 3.1 is planned for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, given the availability of local government vessel.
- (v) Tendering of Expressions of Interest

### **PART 3: PARTNERSHIP**

### **PART 4: RISK and ASSUMPTIONS**

Update the **Risk Log** on this section.

**PART 5: KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION**

**PART 6: KEY LESSONS LEARNT AND CHALLENGES**

**PART 7: SUSTAINABILITY AND SCALING UP**

**PART 8: QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

**PART 9: LIST OF EVIDENCE PROVIDED AS ANNEX**

**PART 10: QUALITY ASSUARANCE**

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<sup>1</sup> (VALIDATION ON RBM, EVIDENCE BASED REPORTING & CLEARANCE FOR CORPORATE UPDATE OF RESULTS (ATLAS &CPS))