



Ministry of Agriculture

# ANNUAL REPORT 2016 (JAN–JULY)





# CORPORATE PROFILE

## VISION STATEMENT

To influence market forces through vibrant and sustainable agriculture activity that reduces poverty, reduces the risks of food insecurity and increases the contribution to GDP

## MISSION STATEMENT

To excel in the provision of customer focused and market driven services in the agricultural sector

## VALUES

- Good Governance
- Commitment
- Integrity
- Honesty
- Impartiality
- Professionalism
- Courtesy
- Partnership
- Equity
- Responsiveness
- Responsibility
- Innovation

## THE FUNCTIONS OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE INCLUDES;

- To accelerate agricultural product diversification into crops and livestock products where competitive advantages have been identified;
- To facilitate private sector development;
- To promote food security; and
- To ensure sustainable development in the non-sugar sector

## OUR CUSTOMERS

We take pride in serving our customers by implementing the 'Customer Service Charter' which sets out our commitment to providing high quality standards of services that is beyond customer expectations.

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## MINISTER'S FOREWORD



Hon. Inia B. Seruiratu  
Minister for Agriculture, Rural &  
Maritime Development and  
National Disaster Management

The Ministry of Agriculture is mandated to ensure accelerated growth of Fiji's Agriculture Sector, product diversification and identify competitive advantage and opportunities, facilitate public/ private sector engagement, promote food security and ensure sustainable livelihood for all Fijians. The Ministry's Annual Report present achievements of targeted outputs under these responsibilities.

It reports on committed Strategies, key actions and achievements of overall planned objectives in any fiscal year. This report only covers the first six months of 2016 calendar year which will highlight findings from TC Winston Damage assessment to Fiji's Agriculture Sector.

On Saturday February 20, 2016, Tropical Cyclone (TC) Winston, an extremely destructive Category 5 cyclone, struck Fiji. Experts call it the strongest storm to ever form in the Southern Hemisphere. The scale of destruction to the non-sugar agriculture sector was huge with the value of more than \$208M.

Agriculture suffered enormously as it records losses to most key crop commodities, livestock and infrastructure. As a result of TC Winston, the Ministry have to reorganise its plans and activities to ensure that its response and rehabilitation plan are implemented in a timely manner covering all affected Fijians.

Moving forward, the Ministry will continue to vigorously pursue its commitments and ensure that all its plans are risk informed and the sector is prepared for likely impacts of climate change.

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**Mr. Inia B. Seruiratu**  
Minister for Agriculture, Rural and Maritime  
and National Disaster Management

## ASSISTANT MINISTER'S STATEMENT



Hon. Joeli Cawaki  
Assistant Minister for Agriculture,  
Rural and Maritime Development  
and National Disaster Management

The 2016 Ministry of Agriculture Annual Report highlights the significance of planning and setting targets that can be achieved efficiently and effectively.

Even with the challenges faced by TC Winston, the Ministry still demonstrate the ability to cope by working towards their division's annual plan and achievements which contributed directly to the overall goal of the Ministry as well as to the strategic goals of Government in terms of increasing exports and reducing imports and ensuring food security for all Fijians.

Moreover, this report will inform government as well as stakeholders the Ministry's achievement and its importance towards our progress and also highlight the challenges we face in the first six months of 2016 [Jan-June].

To conclude, I would like to thank the hardworking staff of the Ministry for their continuous commitment and well-coordinated plan in rehabilitating Fiji Agriculture Sector post TC Winston.



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Hon. Joeli Cawaki  
Assistant Minister for Agriculture, Rural and Maritime and  
National Disaster Management



# PERMANENT SECRETARY'S STATEMENT



Mr. Uraia Waibuta  
Permanent Secretary for  
Agriculture

I am pleased to present the Ministry of Agriculture Annual Report for the first six months of 2016 [Jan-Jun] which highlights our commitment to our Mission and Vision.

Earlier this year the Ministry, like other sectors in Fiji was devastated by the effects of Tropical Cyclone Winston. This has forced the Ministry to re-align its work towards rehabilitation and restoring the capacity of Fiji's agriculture sector. According to findings our Detail Damage assessment, the overall damage to crops, livestock and infrastructure was enormous. Despite all that, the Ministry have intended to implement the targeted programs in the next financial year. However, it is uncertain that we will see a drop in the agricultural yield this year.

The Ministry has placed specific emphasis on rehabilitation work that will improve the sector and economy as whole. This will be the right direction towards achieving food security and nutrition. This annual report is aimed at informing all Fijians and stakeholders about the achievements of the Ministry.

To conclude, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all staff of the Ministry for their enormous contribution and continuous support in this first six months that has enable us to deliver timely response to rehabilitating Fijians.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Uraia Waibuta', written over a horizontal dotted line.

Mr. Uraia Waibuta  
Permanent Secretary for Agriculture

# LEGISLATED FUNCTIONS

The Ministry derived its core mandate from the Presidential Decree 2007 and is currently responsible for about 28 legislations. It is envisaged that all the acts specified under the ministerial assignment must be reviewed and ensured that there is no conflict between policy interpretations of existing acts.

## STATUTORY FUNCTIONS

The Ministry's functions include;

- To accelerate agricultural product diversification on crops and livestock products where competitive advantage has been identified;
- To facilitate private sector development;
- To promote food security; and
- To ensure sustainable development in the non-sugar sector.

## LEGISLATIONS & REGULATIONS

The Ministry of Agriculture is guided in its daily operations by the following legislations and regulations:



Table 1: Legislations and Regulations of the Ministry

|    |   |    |   |
|----|---|----|---|
| 1  | Agricultural Land & Tenant Act (Cap.270)        | 15 | Fruit Export and Marketing Act (Cap 154)        |
| 2  | Agriculture Marketing Authority Act (2004)      | 16 | Ginger Council of Fiji Act 1996                 |
| 3  | Animals (Control of Experiment) Act (Cap.161)   | 17 | Goat (Ear marks) Act (Cap 164)                  |
| 4  | Banana Export and Marketing Act (Cap 155)       | 18 | Irrigation Act (Cap 144 A)                      |
| 5  | Birds and Game Protection Act (Cap 170)         | 19 | Land Conservation and Improvement Act (Cap 141) |
| 6  | Brands Act (Cap 163)                            | 20 | Meat Industry Act (Cap 137)                     |
| 7  | Coconut Industry Development Authority Act 1998 | 21 | Pesticide Act (Cap 157)                         |
| 8  | Cooperative Dairy Companies Act (Cap 119)       | 22 | Pound Act (Cap 165)                             |
| 9  | Copra Industry Loans Act (Cap 153)              | 23 | Protection of Animals Act (Cap 169)             |
| 10 | Crop Lients Act (Cap 226)                       | 24 | Rewa Rice Limited Decree 1991                   |
| 11 | Dairies Act (Cap 118)                           | 25 | Stock Improvement Act (Cap 162)                 |
| 12 | Dogs Act (Cap 168)                              | 26 | Trespass of Animal Act (Cap 166)                |
| 13 | Drainage Act (Cap 143)                          | 27 | Veterinary Surgeons Act (Cap 257)               |
| 14 | Fencing Act (Cap 167)                           | 28 | Promulgation of Biosecurity Act 2008            |



# MINISTRY'S OUTPUT LINKAGE TO PCCPP PRIORITIES

This Annual Report presents the Ministry of Agriculture's achievements for the fiscal year ending July, 2016. It reports on publicly committed strategies, key actions and performance measures as outlined in the Ministry of Agriculture Annual Corporate Plan for 2016. It also reflects progress and commitments to Government direction.

The annual report demonstrates effective public performance reporting, transparency and accountability to the people of Fiji, especially farmers, donors and agri-businesses.

The Ministry's activities in 2016 were aligned to the following 5 Government's Key Pillars.

Table 2: Ministry of Agriculture's Output against the Government Key Pillars

| Key Pillar(s) PCCPP   | Targeted Outcome [Policy Objective]      | Outcome Performance Indicators   | Ministry's Output   |
|---|--|--|---|
| Pillar 4<br>Enhancing Public Sector Effectiveness and Service Delivery.             | Public Sector Reform.                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop and review of policies and legislations.</li> <li>Facilitation of consultation and meetings. Increase media coverage and publications</li> <li>Increase coverage in technology services in rural areas.</li> </ul>  | Portfolio leadership, Policy advice and Secretariat support   |
| Pillar 5<br>Achieving Higher Economic Growth while Ensuring Sustainability.         | Non Sugar Agriculture and Livestock      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase Ministry of Agriculture's contribution to GDP from 9% to 15%</li> <li>Increase value of non-sugar agriculture exports from \$406.7m to \$411m by 2015.</li> <li>Value of fruits and vegetables imports reduced from around \$130m to \$100m by 2015</li> </ul> | <p>Maintaining food security through the provision of extension and research services both for livestock and crops.</p> <p>Quick economic recovery through the implementation of Demand Driven Approach and other commodity projects.</p> |
| Pillar 6<br>Making more Land Available for Productive and Social services.          | Land Resource Development and Management | Increase number of land sites for commodity purpose and are compliant to Sustainable Land Management farming practices/ concept.   | Sustainable management of natural resources through flood protection programmes and other sustainable land management practices.  |
| Pillar 7<br>Developing an Integrated Development Structure at the Divisional Level. | Gender Equality and Women Empowerment.   | Increase percentage of women who are economically active in agriculture activities.  | Ensuring equal access for women in agricultural development.  |
|   | Rural and Outer Island.                  | Improve provision of basic services to rural areas in terms of agriculture services.   | ROI communities to meet their basic needs, improve living standards through agriculture development.  |
| Pillar 8<br>Reduce Poverty to a Negligible Level by 2015.                           | Poverty Alleviation.                     | Increase the number of projects supporting young farmers.  | Assist in poverty alleviation by building capacity of farmers to increase production.   |





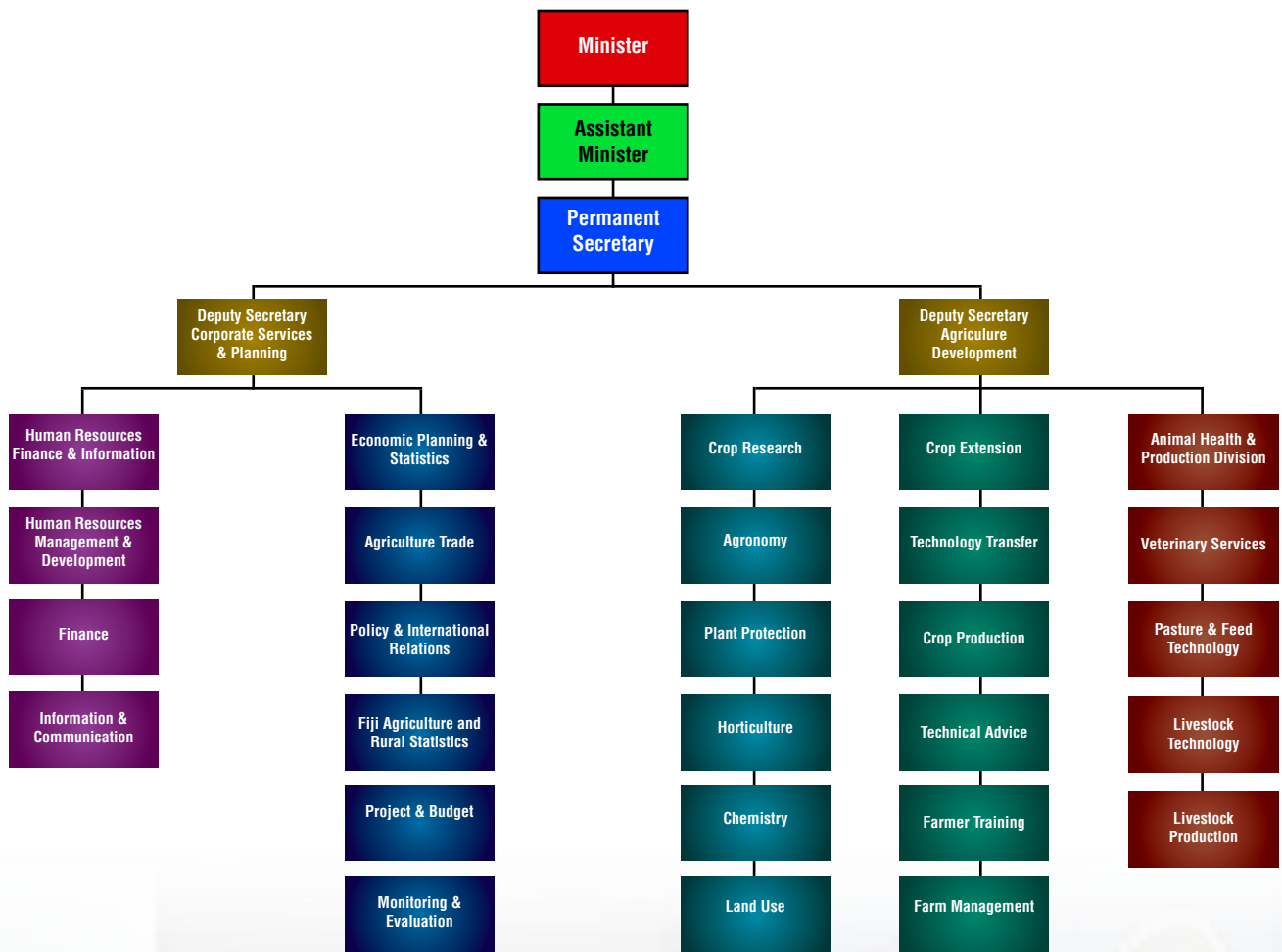
*Ministry of Agriculture Senior Executive Authorities and Staff group photo during the ACP Retreat held in Raiwaqa.*

## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE 2016 APPROVED OUTPUTS

Table 3: The Agriculture Ministry's expenditure for 2016 is driven towards the following outputs as approved by the Ministry of Finance (MoF):

| No. | Description   |
|-----|---|
| 1.0 | Maintain Food Security through the provision of extension and research services both for crop and livestock                         |
| 2.0 | Quick Economic Recovery through the Implementation of DDA and other Commodities   |
| 3.0 | Assist in Poverty Alleviation by building capacity for farmers to increase production   |
| 4.0 | Sustainable Management of Natural Resources through the flood protection programmes and other sustainable land management practices |
| 5.0 | ROI Communities to meet their basic needs, improve living standards through agriculture development                                 |
| 6.0 | Achievement of gender equality and empowerment of women through full participation of agriculture development                       |
| 7.0 | Portfolio Leadership, Policy Advice and Secretariat Support   |

# EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT



## STAKEHOLDERS

### Government Entities

Fiji Rice Ltd, Food Processors Ltd, Agricultural Marketing Authority, Fiji Corporate Dairy Company Limited, Fiji Meat & Industry Board, Copra Millers of Fiji Ltd

### Development Partners

SPC, ACAIR, FAO, IFAD, FCLC

### Development Partners

Ministry of Trade & Tourism, Ministry of Women, Ministry of Youth, Ministry of I-Taukei Affairs, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Rural Development



# TROPICAL WINSTON OVERVIEW

The total value of damages caused by Tropical Cyclone Winston to the Agriculture Sector is \$208.3 million (Refer to Table 4 below). The Acting Permanent Secretary for Agriculture Uraia Waibuta said this include crops, livestock and infrastructure but excluding the sugar sector.

He said that the Northern Division suffered the most damages during TC Winston. “Bulk of the damages sustained was in the Northern Division with \$93.8 million, whereas in the Western division was \$52.8million, Central division was \$40.5million and \$21.2million in the Eastern Division” (Refer to infographics).

Waibuta said that Vanuabalavu, Lomaiviti, Cakaudrove, Bua, Tailevu North and Ra were identified as the most affected areas. However, he added that the interior parts of the Island were also affected, which include Naitasiri, Navosa and even the other surrounding area in the Sigatoka Valley. With Yaqona being one of the major commodities for local and export market and of high value, it suffers \$116 million of damages.

“The total value of standing crop of yaqona before the

cyclone was \$498.8 million but the total value of yaqona damaged is around \$116million”, said Mr. Waibuta.

All the yaqona in Koro Island and Taveuni was totally devastated and shortly there will be a drastic increase in price because bulk of the areas sending yaqona to the market has been affected which are Koro, Taveuni and part of Ra”, he added.

“But we are thankful that Kadavu is still there, Serua, Namosi, part of Naitasiri and Tailevu that still can supply some of the yaqona in the local market”. Dalo is the other major commodities for the local and export market that has been destroyed by the cyclone. “The total value of the damage to the taro (Dalo) was around \$20 million. The exact figure is \$17.9 million and bulk of that is in the Northern division in Taveuni, Cakaudrove main land and also part of Ra”, said Waibuta.

Mr. Waibuta added there are about \$55million worth of Dalo that can be recovered and harvested for the local and export market after the cyclone from the areas of Central Tailevu, Tailevu South, Serua, Namosi, and lower Naitasiri.

Table 4: Summary of Agriculture Sector Damage

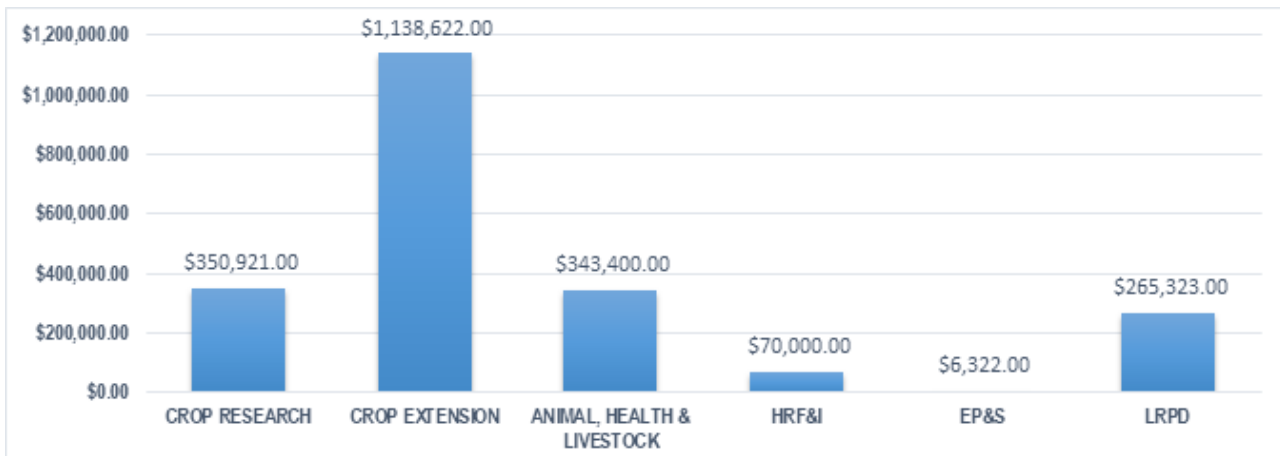
| Province/Division  | Damages to Crops, Livestock & Infrastructure | No. of Farmers |
|--------------------|--|----------------|
| <b>WESTERN</b>     |  |                |
| Ba                 | 22,481,550.14                                | 12,112         |
| Nadroga/Navosa     | 3,569,380.74                                 | 2,985          |
| Ra                 | 26,839,337.36                                | 4,961          |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>52,890,268.23</b>                         | <b>20,058</b>  |
| <b>CENTRAL</b>     |  |                |
| Tailevu            | 16,461,446.04                                | 4,982          |
| Rewa               | 1,191,872.66                                 | 2,021          |
| Naitasiri          | 21,826,277.26                                | 4,392          |
| Serua              | 509,780.26                                   | 547            |
| Namosi             | 557,804.00                                   | 1,082          |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>40,547,180.22</b>                         | <b>13,024</b>  |
| <b>NORTHERN</b>    |  |                |
| Cakudrove          | 33,158,004.86                                | 4,510          |
| Taveuni            | 33,842,321.26                                | 2,107          |
| Bua                | 26,830,736.00                                | 2,528          |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>93,831,062.12</b>                         | <b>9,145</b>   |
| <b>EASTERN</b>     |  |                |
| Lomaiviti          | 18,573,100.99                                | 1,867          |
| Lau                | 2,805,365.42                                 | 785            |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>21,378,466.41</b>                         | <b>2,652</b>   |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b> | <b>208,646,976.99</b>                        | <b>44,879</b>  |

(Source – TC Winston survey data)



The rehabilitation programme was implemented in three phases (immediate, midterm and long term) with a total budget of \$2.2M (Fig. 1). Immediate relief and rehabilitation work was carried out concurrently with the assessment.

Figure 1 : Ministry Divisional Funds Vired For Tropical Cyclone Winston Rehabilitation



(Source – TC Winston survey data)



# 2016 MoA KEY NUMBERS: JANUARY - JULY

MoA Total Budget (2016 Jan - July)



**\$48.3million**

MoA Actual Expenditure (2016 Jan - July)



**\$26.6million**

Agriculture (Crop & Livestock GDP) - 2015



**\$542 million**

Agriculture (Crop & Livestock) Production - 2016 Jan - July



**100,162 mt**

## AGRICULTURE (Crop & Livestock) TRADE

Crop & Livestock Sector  
Export



**\$224 million**

Crop & Livestock Sector  
Import



**\$717 million**



# CROP EXTENSION DIVISION



*Extension and Research Meeting in Nadave.*

The Crop Extension Division's core responsibility is service delivery. Their role is to extend proven information from researches to farmers, assist and enhance the transitioning of farmers from subsistence to semi and commercial level.

## Overview of Crop Extension Division

In 2016 (Jan - July), the Crop Extension Division was allocated \$8.8M through Capital Programmes for the development and expansion of Crop Commodities. There were eighteen (18) approved Capital Programmes which is 38% more than the 2015 budget allocation.

With the \$8.8M budget provision, the Division was anticipated to achieve certain Outputs through implementation of targeted activities in collaboration with other Divisions and Stakeholders.

Table 5 (see page 16) records the achievement of the Ministry through Crop Extension Division Programmes from January to July 2016 despite the drastic impact of TC Winston in February that affected the planned programmes and activities.

*Figure 15: Crop Extension Capital Programme Distribution*

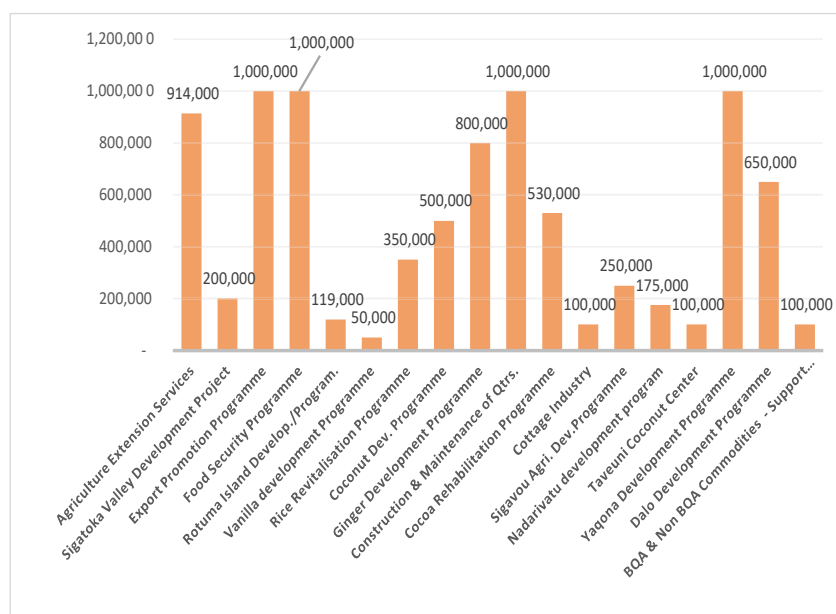


Table 5: Achievement of Crop Extension Division from January - July 2016.

| <b>Output 1: Maintaining Food Security Through The Provision of Extension And Research Services for Crops, Livestock And Veterinary Services.</b>                         |  |   |   |
|---|--|---|---|
| <b>SUB- OUTPUT</b>  | <b>STRATEGIES</b>  | <b>INDICATORS</b>   | <b>2016 (Jan – July) Actual Achievement</b> |
| Increased crop and livestock production   | Implement researched best farm practices for adoption by farmers                       | Number of best farm practices and technology widely disseminated and adopted.   | 9   |
|   |  | Number of farmers diversifying to increase farm production  | 125   |
|   | Increase supply of seeds and planting materials to farmers.                            | Number of commodities distributed to farmers.   | 20  |
|   |  | Promotion of mechanized farming options   | Number of farming machineries purchased.    |
| Enhance Food Security and Livelihoods for All through a Co-ordinated and collaborative effort to support capacity building and raising awareness in a variety of formats. | C o o r d i n a t i o n of Programmes I m p l e m e n t e d by Ministries & NGOs       | Number of integrated programmes as assisted and implemented   | 24  |
|   |  | % of farmers provided with relevant training to prepare and adapt to risks from Climate Change and Disasters through the relevant programmes. |   |
|   | Conduct food security awareness and support to farm household, village and settlement. | Number of food security Awareness conducted   | 48  |
|   |  | Number of farmers adopting and implementing traditional techniques to enhance food security and livelihoods.                                  |   |
| Setting up of backyard garden to promote accessibility of local healthy food in the communities   |  | Number of farmers assisted under Food Security programs (FSP).  | 59  |
|   |  | Number of backyard gardens Established.   | 3   |



|   |  |   |    |
|---|--|---|----|
| Reducing the risks from Climate Change and Disasters through strengthened adaptation and preparedness measures. | Strengthen effective planning, response and recovery. Emergency Plan [Preparedness & Response] | Number of awareness on disaster response and preparedness % of staff fully Capacitated through capacity building and training on disaster response and preparedness | 40 |
|   |  | Number of awareness on sustainable farming practices for Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Adaptation   | 11 |

### Output 2: Quick Economic Recovery Through The Implementation of Demand Driven Approach And Other Commodity Projects

| SUB- OUTPUT   | STRATEGIES   | INDICATORS   | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|---|--|--|--------------------------|
| Establish Commodity protocols with existing & new markets.  | Capacity Building at community level for commercial agriculture                              | Number of farmers trained  | 600                      |
| Strengthening of existing BQAs & Commodity Protocols.   | Provide effective agriculture advisory Services & coordination to promote export commodities | Number of BQA farmers capacitated  | 50                       |
| Improve accessibility of farmers to credit facility and Improve linkage with financial insitutions. | Coordinate partnership between farmers and financial institutions                            | Number of joint awareness with lending institutions to farmers for agriculture purpose           | 12                       |
|   |  | Number of Farm Plan and agricultural commercial loan proposals prepared                          | 201                      |
|   | Coordinate linkage with local tourism industry-e.g. ATS, Hotels, Catering                    | Number of farmers linked to tourism Industry   | 8                        |
| Reduce Import Bill on Agriculture Products  | Encourage local production of imported agriculture commodities                               | Awareness & trainings to farmers on increasing local production of imported agriculture products | 14                       |

### Output 3: Assist In Poverty Alleviation by Capacity Building of Farmers to Increase Production

| Sub- Output                 | Strategies                               | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan - July) Actual |
|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------------------|
| Capacity Building of Farmer | Capacity building on subsistence farmers | Number of farmer training / farmers field school conducted        | 28                       |
|                             |  | Number of farm visit and advice to farmers                        | 6,215                    |
|                             |  | Number of subsistence farmers progressed to semi-commercial level | 10                       |
|                             | Promote sufficiency at community level   | Number of commodities clustering formed                           | 4                        |
|                             |  | Number of Clustered farmers profiling                             | 8                        |

### Output 4: Sustainable Management of Natural Resources Through Flood Protection Programmes And Other Sustainable Land Management Practices

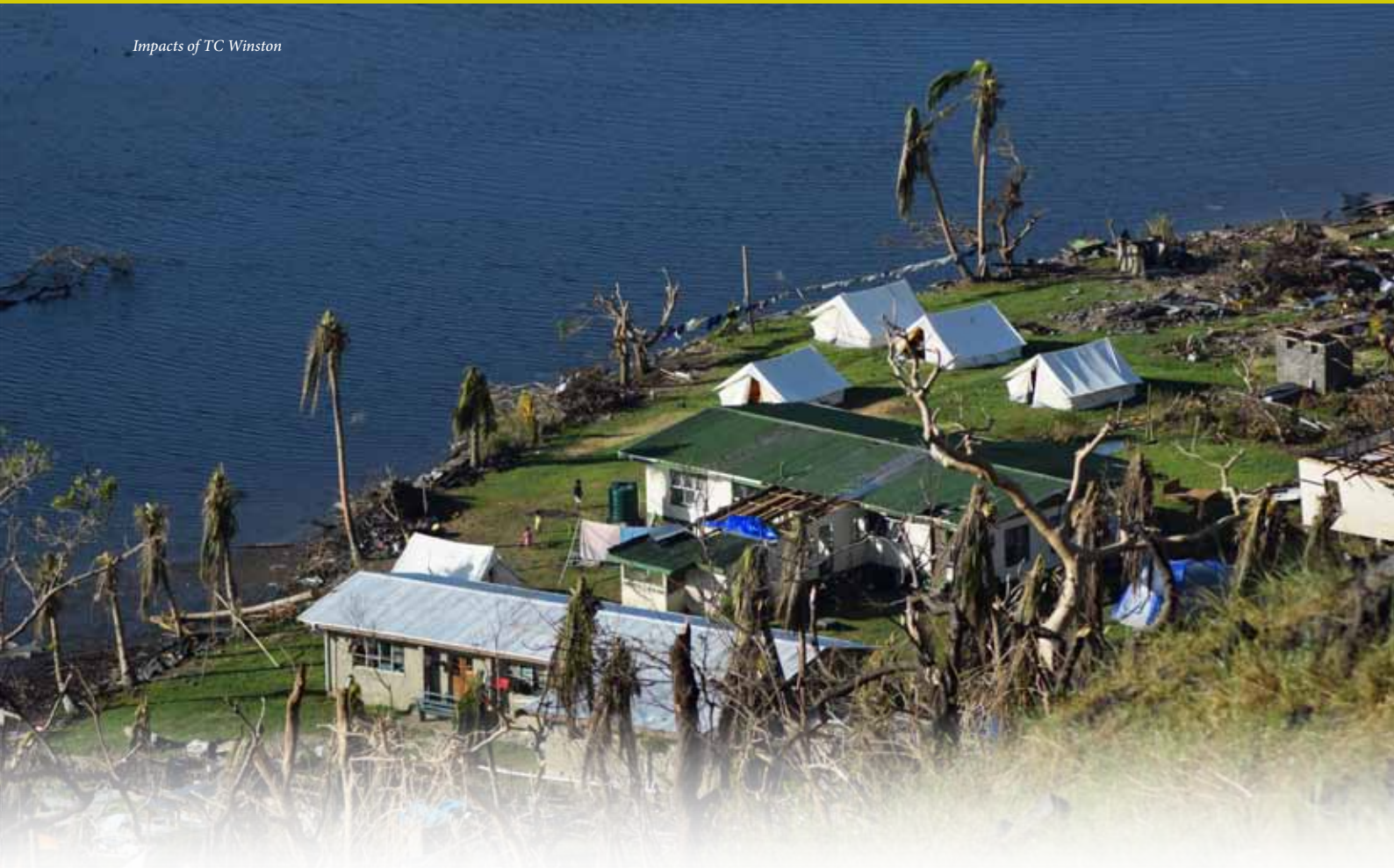
| Sub - Output                | Strategies                               | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan - July) Actual |
|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------------------|
| Sustainable Land Management | Effective land use management practices. | Number of land cleared, prepared and utilized for agriculture purpose | 10                       |

### Output 5: Ensuring Equal Access For Women In Agricultural Development

| Sub - Output                                  | Strategies                                       | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan - July) Actual |
|---|--|---|--------------------------|
| Participation of Women on Economic Activities | Strengthen cottage industry to create employment | Number of women groups trained/assisted and progressed in Agriculture development | 31                       |

### Output 6: ROI Communities To Meet Basic Needs, Improve Living Standards Through Agriculture Development

| Sub- Output  | Strategies  | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan - July) Actual |
|--|---|---|--------------------------|
| Improve provision on basic services to rural & maritime areas in terms of agriculture services | Coordinate & implement Agriculture projects with stakeholders | Number of Agriculture projects: identified with project proposal submitted                                  | 13                       |
|  |   | No. of consultations/ meetings to increase market access on agriculture products& upgrading infrastructure. | 16                       |



Extension Officers distributing seedlings to the farmers in Dawasamu, Tailevu after devastation by TC Winston.



Government of India donates Farm Machineries to boost Agriculture Services in Fiji.



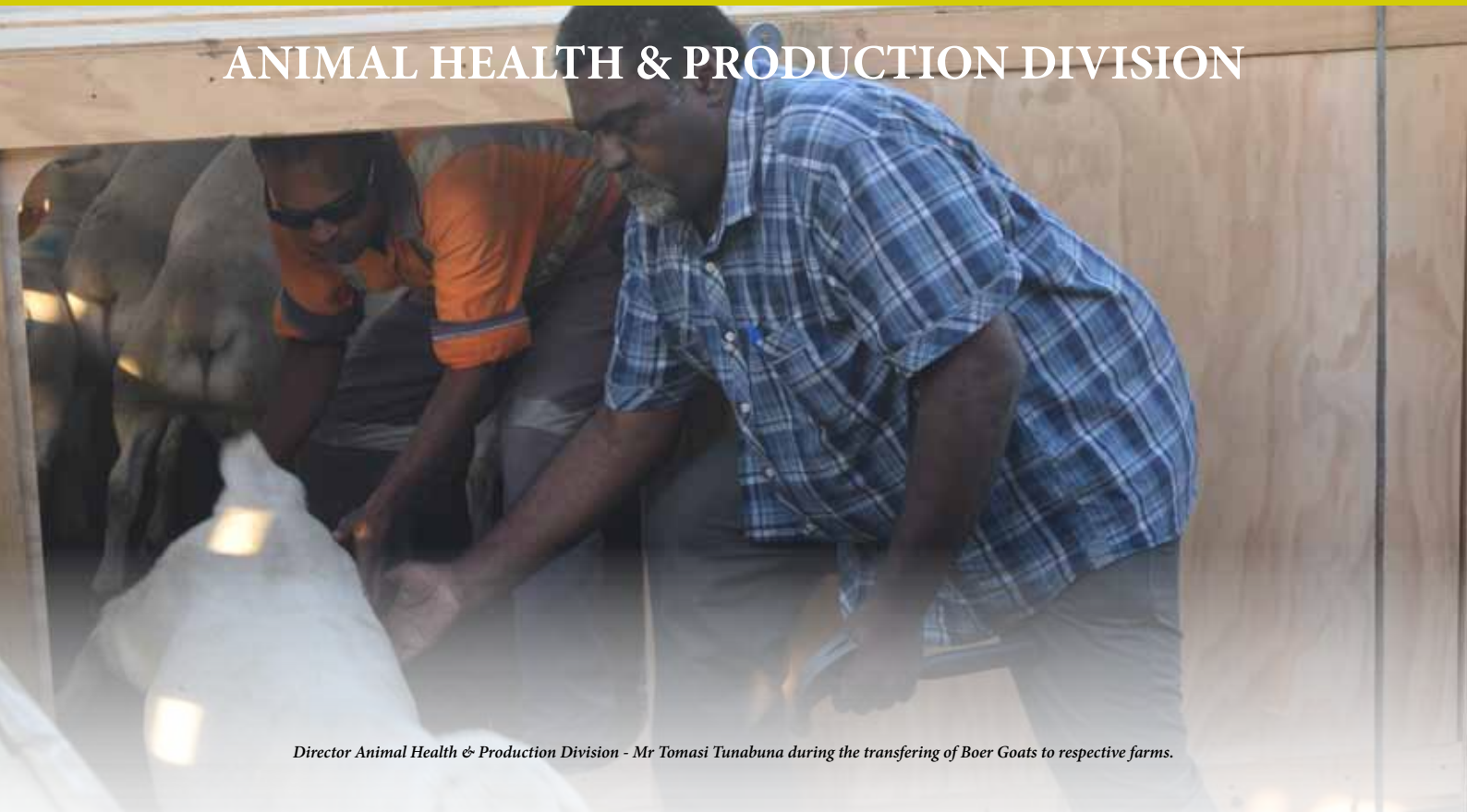
Extension Officers carryout Damage Assessments on farms affected by TC Winston.



MoA staff affected by the devastation of TC Winston in Koro.



# ANIMAL HEALTH & PRODUCTION DIVISION



Director Animal Health & Production Division - Mr Tomasi Tunabuna during the transferring of Boer Goats to respective farms.

The core role of the Division is to provide knowledge and other livestock related services to livestock industries, processors and distributors, importers and exporters smallholder livestock farmers and clients necessary for the adoption best practices.

With the \$6.2M budget allocation, the Division was expected to achieve certain Outputs through implementation of targeted activities in collaboration with other Divisions and Stakeholders.

## Overview of Animal Health & Production Division.

In 2016 (Jan - July), the Animal Health & Production Division was allocated \$6.2M through Capital Programmes for the development and expansion of Livestock Commodities/ Farms. There are sixteen (16) approved Capital Programmes which is 6% more than the 2015 budget allocation.

Table 6 (see page 21) shows the achievement of the Ministry through Animal Health and Production Division Programmes from January to July 2016 despite the drastic impact of TC Winston in February that affected the planned program and activities.

Figure 3: AH&P Capital Programme Distribution

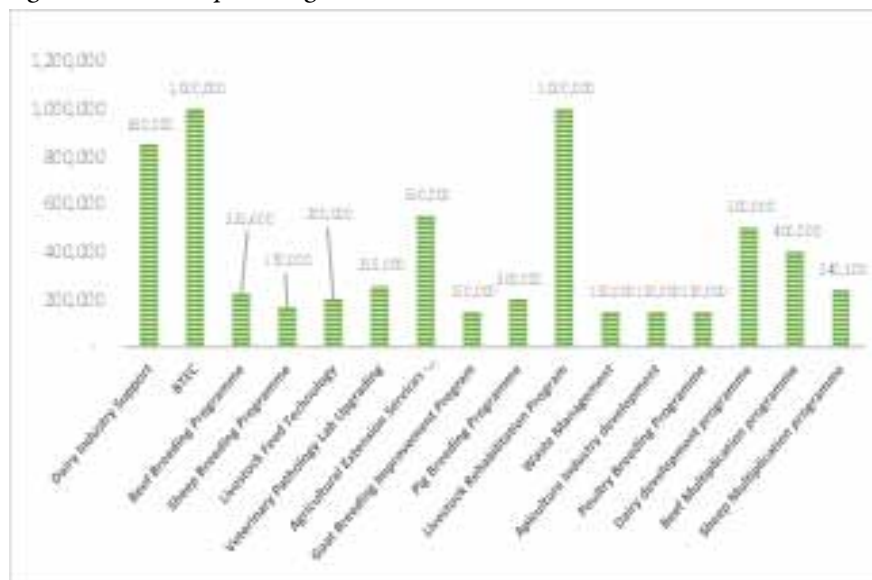




Table 6: Achievement of AH&P Division from January - July 2016.

| <b>Output 1: Maintaining Food Security Through The Provision of Extension And Research Services For Crops, Livestock And Veterinary Services</b>                          |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| <b>Sub-Output</b>   | <b>Strategies</b>  | <b>Indicators</b>   | <b>2016 (Jan - July) Actual Achievement</b>  |
| Increased crop and livestock production   | Implement researched best farm practices for adoption by farmers | Number of best farm practices and technology widely disseminated and adopted.   | 9  |
|   |  | Number of farmers diversifying to increase farm production.   | 125  |
|   | Increase supply of seeds and planting materials to farmers.      | Number of commodities distributed to farmers.   | 25   |
|   | Pest and Disease Control   | Pest's Management strategies developed to reduce the prevalence of target crop pests and disease  | 26   |
| Enhance Food Security and Livelihoods for All through a Co-ordinated and collaborative effort to support capacity building and raising awareness in a variety of formats. | Coordination of Programmes Implemented by Ministries & NGOs      | Number of integrated programmes as assisted and implemented % of farmers provided with relevant training to prepare and adapt to risks from Climate Change and Disasters through the relevant programmes. | 20   |
|   |  | Conduct food security awareness and support to farm household, village and settlement.  | Number of food security Awareness conducted Number of farmers adopting and implementing traditional techniques to enhance food security and livelihoods. |
|   |  | Number of farmers assisted under Food Security programs (FSP).  | 40   |
|   |  | Number of agriculture promotional activities and materials  | 4  |
| Strengthening Agriculture Research Services   | Conduct progressive research on best farm practices for farmers  | Number of farm practices researched   | 8  |
|   | Co-operation for joint fund research                             | Number of joint fund research programmes between government stations and university researches  | 2  |

|  |  |  |     |
|--|--|--|-----|
| Reducing the risks from Climate Change and Disasters through strengthened adaptation and preparedness measures | Promote and strengthen food security programmes to enhance community based disaster risk reduction initiatives | Conserve economic crop germ-plasm  | 19  |
|  |  | Provision of planting materials  | 20  |
|  |  | Provision indigenous breed for livestock to support community rehabilitation   | 200 |
|  | Strengthen effective planning, response and recovery. Emergency Plan (Preparedness and Response)               | Number of awareness on disaster response and preparedness % of staf fully capacitated through capacity building and training on disaster response and preparedness | 20  |
|  |  | Number of farmers capacitated during training  | 100 |

### Output 2: Quick Economic Recovery Through The Implementation of Demand Driven Approach And Other Commodity Projects

| Sub- Output   | Strategies  | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan - July) Actual |
|---|---|---|--------------------------|
| Establish Commodity protocols with existing & new markets   | Strengthening of industry councils to spearhead & co-ordinate commodity development | Number of number of industry profiles and industry plans completed                  | 2                        |
| Strengthened Demand Driven research and extend partnership with private sector and established institutions | Capacity building at community level for commercial farmer                          | Number of farmers trained   | 250                      |
|   | Co-ordinate linkage with local tourism industry- e.g ATS, Hotels, Catering          | Number of farmers linked to Tourism industry  | 3                        |
| Strengthen institutional linkages & quality data collection   | Coordinate monitoring & evaluation on Capital and non Capital projects              | Quarterly divisional progressive/ production statistics reports on capital projects | 1                        |
| Reduce Import Bill on Agriculture Products  | Encourage local production of imported agriculture commodities                      | Supply of quality livestock to farmers  | 1                        |

### Output 3: Assist In Poverty Alleviation By Capacity Building Of Farmers To Increase Production.

| Sub-Output                  | Strategies                               | Indicators   | 2016 (Jan - July) Actual |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--------------------------|
| Capacity Building of Farmer | Capacity building on subsistence farmers | Number of farmer training / farmers field school conducted       | 15                       |
|                             |  | Number of farm visit and advice to farmers                       | 350                      |
|                             |  | Number of subsistence farmers progressed to semicommercial level | 6                        |

### Output 5: Ensuring Equal Access For Women In Agricultural Development

| Sub-Output                                    | Strategies                                       | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan - July) Actual |
|---|--|---|--------------------------|
| Participation of Women on Economic Activities | Strengthen cottage industry to create employment | Number of women groups trained/assisted and progressed in Agriculture development | 13                       |

### Output 6: ROI Communities To Meet Basic Needs, Improve Living Standards Through Agriculture Development.

| Sub-Output   | Strategies  | Indicators   | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| Improve provision on basic services to rural & maritime areas in terms of agriculture services | Coordinate & implement Agriculture projects with stakeholders | Number of Agriculture projects: identified with project proposal submitted                                 | 13                       |
|  |   | No. of consultations/ meetings to increase market access on agriculture products& upgrading infrastructure | 16                       |

### Output 7: Portfolio Leadership, Policy

| Sub-Output                           | Strategies  | Indicators   | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|
| Portfolio Leadership & Policy Advice | Review & Develop MoAs and MoUs                                  | Number of MOUs and MOAs developed                      | 2                        |
|                                      | Formulate new and review existing Acts, Legislations & policies | Number of new Acts, legislations & policies formulated | 1                        |
|                                      |   | Number of Acts, legislations & policies reviewed       | 1                        |
|                                      | Cabinet papers submission to Cabinet                            | Number of Cabinet papers submitted                     | 1                        |
| Media Coverage & Publications        | Research Publications   | Number of Research Publications                        | 6                        |



Chief Guest at the World Food Day Minister for Education - Dr. Mahendra Reddy tours through the livestock display booth.





*The Waidallice Chilling Centre (WCC) farmers' co-operative in partnership with the Pacific Feeds Limited and in conjunction with the Ministry of Agriculture officially launched the distributorship of the animal feed at WCC Farmers' Cooperative Warehouse in Tailevu on 9th February.*



*Fiji Livestock Sector Working Group Chairman Dr. Robin Yarrow [sitting-second from left] is flanked by the Hon. Minister, PS Agriculture, Senior Agriculture Officials during a meeting at Headquarters*



*The New Zealand's Foreign Affairs Minister Hon. Murray McCully visited the Dairy Section at the Koronivia Research Station on 18th February 2016.*

The Acting Permanent Secretary for Agriculture Uraia Waibuta acknowledged the NZ's government for its assistance through the Dairy Development Indicative Program total of \$10m NZ for a period of five years. The program is focuses at sustaining and increasing milk production in Fiji.

The projects major activities include:

1. Training of Extension Staff and farmer;
2. Construction of a new dairy shed for Research and Training at Koronivia Research Station;
3. Review of the milk purchase and pricing agreement;
4. Infrastructure Improvement on chilling centres;
5. Procuring of tractors and implements for pasture improvements;
6. Provision of a Veterinarian in the country.



# CROP RESEARCH DIVISION



Research Officials conducting Research Analysis on Kavika varieties at the Food Tech Laboratory in Koronivia.

The core function of the Division is to complement and support the department of Agriculture, through innovation of new technologies and its transfer to suit the need of farmers, the clients and the stakeholders for the enhancement of the agricultural sector. Facilitate scientific, technical and professional support services for Agriculture Development.

## Overview of Crop Research Division

In 2016 (Jan-July), the Animal Health & Production Division was allocated \$2.3M through Capital Programmes for the development and expansion of Livestock Commodities/Farms. There were ten(10) approved Capital. Programmes which is 38% more than the 2015 budget allocation. With the \$2.3M budget allocation, the Division was predicted to achieve certain Outputs through implementation of targeted activities in collaboration with other Divisions and Stakeholders. Table 7 (see page 26) records the achievement of the Ministry through Crop Research Division Programmes from January to July 2016 despite the extreme impact of TC Winston in February that affected the planned programmes and activities.

Figure 4: Crop Research Capital Programme Distribution

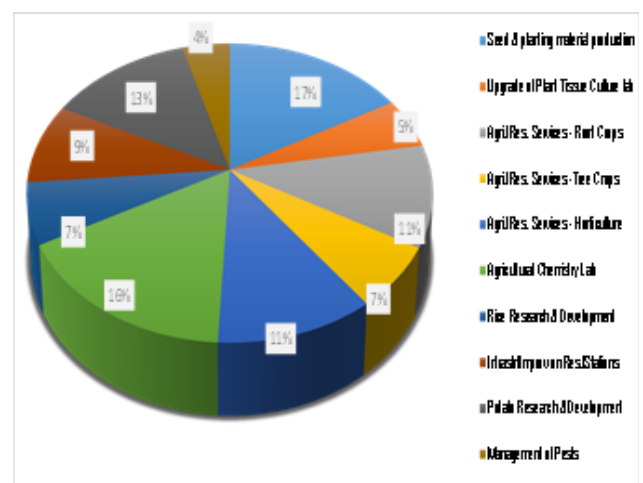


Table 7: Achievement of Crop Research Division from January - July 2016.

| <b>Output 1: Maintaining Food Security through the Provision of Extension and Research Services For Crops, Livestock and Veterinary Services.</b>                         |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| <b>Sub- Output</b>  | <b>Strategies</b>   | <b>Indicators</b>   | <b>2016 (Jan - July) Actual Achievement</b> |
| Increased crop and livestock production   | Implement researched best farm practices for adoption by farmers                      | Number of best farm practices and technology widely disseminated and adopted.   | 3   |
|   | Pest and Disease Control  | Pest's Management strategies developed to reduce the prevalence of target crop pests and disease  | 26  |
|   |   | Number of plants pest diagnostic & plant health clinics   | 2   |
| Enhance Food Security and Livelihoods for All through a Co-ordinated and collaborative effort to support capacity building and raising awareness in a variety of formats. | Coordination of Programmes Implemented by Ministries & NGOs                           | Number of integrated programmes as assisted and implemented % of farmers provided with relevant training to prepare and adapt to risks from Climate Change and Disasters through the relevant programmes. | 16  |
|   | Conduct food security awareness and support to farm household, village and settlement | Number of food security awareness conducted number of farmers adopting and implementing traditional techniques to enhance food security and livelihoods   | 25  |
| Strengthening Agriculture Research Services   | Conduct progressive research on best farm practices for farmers                       | Number of farm practices researched   | 18  |
|   |   | Value addition and product development  | 1   |
|   | Conduct progressive research on pest and disease management on crops and livestock    | Number of new control measures and management programmes developed and implemented  | 5   |
|   | Agriculture Chemistry / Purchase of Equipment   | Number of quality programs in place, tests conducted and Lab machines purchased   | 2   |
|   | Co-operation for joint fund research programs   | Number of joint fund research programmes between government stations and university researches  | 3   |
|   | Infrastructure Improvement  | Improvement of Research Service Delivery and Research infrastructure  | 1   |

### Output 1: Maintaining Food Security through the Provision of Extension and Research Services For Crops, Livestock and Veterinary Services.

| Sub- Output  | Strategies  | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan - July) Actual Achievement |
|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| Reducing the risks from Climate Change and Disasters through strengthened adaptation and preparedness measures | Promote and strengthen food security programmes to enhance community based disaster risk reduction initiatives. | Conserve economic crop germplasm  | 19                                   |
|  | Revitalisation of indigenous disaster resilience crops/ livestock (e.g. via)                                    | Number of indigenous crops established – domestication, promotion, planting materials availabilities, method of storage | 8                                    |

### Output 2: Quick Economic Recovery Through The Implementation Of Demand Driven Approach And Other Commodity Projects

| Sub- Output   | Strategies   | Indicators   | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|---|--|--|--------------------------|
| Strengthened Demand Driven research and extend partnership with private sector and established institutions | Conduct research activities in partnership with established institutions | Number of research activities on DDA                                     | 8                        |
| Compliant Food standards for all commodities  | Co-ordinate monitoring & evaluation on Capital and non Capital projects  | Number of awareness & training done to stakeholders on CODEX requirement | 3                        |

### Output 3: Assist In Poverty Alleviation by Capacity Building of Farmers to Increase Production

| Sub- Output                  | Strategies                               | Indicators                                 | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------|
| Capacity Building of Farmers | Capacity Building on subsistence farmers | Number of farm visit and advice to farmers | 40                       |

### Output 5: Ensuring Equal Access For Women In Agricultural Development

| Sub- Output                                   | Strategies                                       | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|---|--|---|--------------------------|
| Participation of Women on Economic Activities | Strengthen cottage industry to create employment | Number of women groups trained/assisted and progressed in Agriculture development | 6                        |

### Output 6: ROI Communities To Meet Basic Needs, Improve Living Standards Through Agriculture Development

| Sub- Output  | Strategies  | Indicators   | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| Improve provision on basic services to rural & maritime areas in terms of agriculture services | Coordinate & implement Agriculture projects with stakeholders | Awareness to rural and maritime staffs on new farming technologies | 2                        |



## Output 7: Portfolio Leadership, Policy

| Sub- Output                                    | Strategies  | Indicators   | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| Portfolio Leadership & Policy Advice           | Formulate new and review existing Acts, Legislations & policies | Number of Acts, legislations & policies formulated                             | 1                        |
| Media Coverage & Publications                  | Research Publications   | Number of Research Publication   | 9                        |
|  |   | Number of Fiji Agricultural Journal Published                                  | 1                        |
| Improved productivity and performance of staff | Capacity building for staff                                     | No. of extension officers trained on technical aspects of farming technologies | 50                       |



*Agriculture staff conducting plant health clinics in Nadi town.*



*Research Officials conducting soil analysis at the Koronivia Chemistry Laboratory.*





*Tissue Culture products on display during the World Food Day.*



*Crops and Seedlings on display during the World Food Day*



*Dr. Apaitia Macanawai with the Japanese Minister for Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries Hon. Hiroshi Moriyama.*



*Extension and Research Meeting held in CATD Training Facility in Nadave*

# LAND & WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DIVISION



[From Left] Director Extension - Mr. Jone Sovalawa, Director LWRM - Mr. Collin Simmons and Director LRPD - Mr. Nacanieli Waka in Parliament during the LWRM Bill Consultation with Parliamentary Committee.

The role of the Division is to mitigate flood risks which may result in damage to agricultural crops, livestock, property and human life. Provision of efficient and effective drainage to maximise agricultural land utilization. Increase crop yield and enhance food security with timely and efficient irrigation services.

### Overview of Land & Water Resource Division

In 2016 (Jan - July), the Animal Health & Production Division was allocated \$13.4M through Capital Programmes.

There are six (6) approved Capital Programmes which is 7% more than the 2015 budget allocation. With the \$13.4M budget allocation, the Division was projected to achieve certain Outputs through implementation of targeted activities in collaboration with other Divisions and Stakeholders.

Table 8 (see page 31) records the achievement of the Ministry through Land Water and Resource Division Programmes from January to July 2016 despite the severe impact of TC Winston in February that affected the planned programmes and activities.

Figure 5: Land & Water Resource Capital Programme Distribution

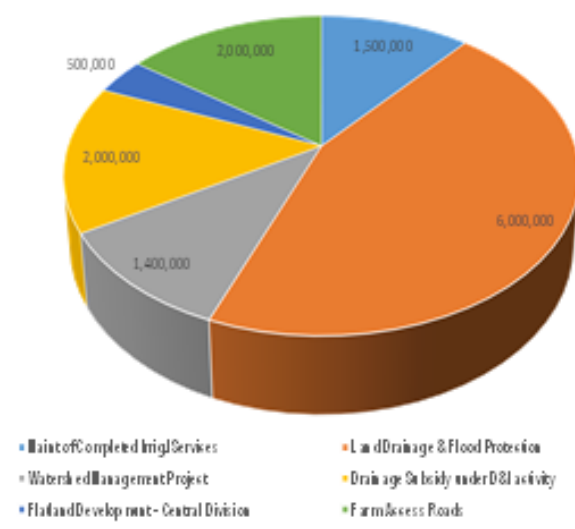




Table 8: Achievement of Land and Water Resource Management Division from January - July 2016

| <b>Output 4: Sustainable Management of Natural Resources through Flood Protection Programmes and other Sustainable Land Management Practices</b> |  |   |   |
|--|--|---|---|
| <b>Sub- Output</b>   | <b>Strategies</b>  | <b>Indicators</b>                       | <b>2016 (Jan – July) Actual Achievement</b> |
| Flood Protection Programmes  | Timely delivery of Flood Protection, Land Drainage & Irrigation Infrastructure | Number of river dredging works          | 2   |
|  |  | Number of drainage schemes maintained   | 51  |
|  |  | Number of water logged farms addressed  | 9   |
|  |  | Number of irrigation schemes maintained | 1   |
|  |  | Number of rainfed areas improved        | 3   |
|  |  | Number of Flatland areas developed      | 8   |
| Water Resource Management  | Drought Mitigation Plan and Preparedness and Response                          | Number of Potential sites identified    | 2   |
| Farm Access Road   | Upgrading of Farm Access Roads   | Number of Farm Access Roads upgraded    | 6   |



LWRM Division booth display during the World Food Day celebrations at Suva Grammar School.



# LAND RESOURCE PLANNING DIVISION



Director LRPD - Mr. Nacanieli Waka (with purple shirt) flanked by LRPD Staff during the World Day to combat Desertification in Lautoka.

The core role of the Division is to promote sustainable land use practices with major emphasis on land conservation and land degradation issues, updating farm management manual and capacity building for farmers and agriculture officials in the areas of farm business planning and farm business advisory services.

## Overview of Land Resource Planning Division

In 2016 (Jan - July), the Land Resource Planning Division was allocated \$0.68M through Capital Programmes for the development and expansion of Livestock Commodities/Farms. There are two approved Capital Programmes which is 48% more than the 2015 budget allocation.

With the \$0.68M budget allocation, the Division was expected to achieve certain Outputs through the implementation of targeted activities in collaboration with other Divisions and Stakeholders. Table 9 (see page 33) below records the achievement of the Ministry through Land Resource Planning Division Programmes from January to July 2016 despite the drastic impact of TC Winston in February that affected the planned programmes and activities.

Figure 6: Land Resource Planning Capital Programme Distribution

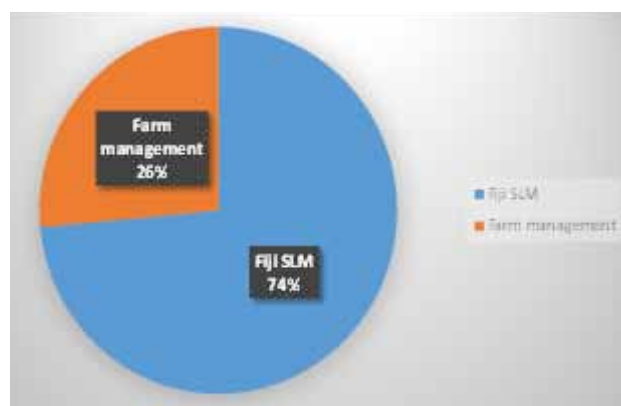


Table 9: Achievement of Land Resource Planning & Development Division from January - July 2016

| <b>Output 1: Maintaining Food Security Through The Provision of Extension And Research Services For Crops, Livestock And Veterinary Services</b>                          |  |   |   |   |
|---|--|---|---|---|
| <b>Sub- Output</b>  | <b>Strategies</b>  | <b>Indicators</b>   | <b>2016 (Jan – July) Actual Achievement</b>                 |   |
| Increased crop and livestock production   | Implement researched best farm practices for adoption by farmers   | Number of land use and farm plans incorporating best farm practices and technology that are disseminated and adopted by farmers   | 11  |   |
| Enhance Food Security and Livelihoods for All through a Co-ordinated and collaborative effort to support capacity building and raising awareness in a variety of formats. | Coordination of Programmes Implemented by Ministries & NGOs  | Number of integrated programmes as assisted and implemented % of farmers provided with relevant training to prepare and adapt to risks from Climate Change and Disasters through the relevant programmes. | 12  |   |
|   | Conduct food security awareness and support to farm household, village and settlement.                         | Number of agriculture promotional activities and materials  | 3   |   |
|   | Incorporation of best garden practices into primary school curriculum to promote food security                 | Number of school gardens established  | 3   |   |
|   | Setting up of backyard garden to promote accessibility of local healthy food in the communities                | Number of backyard gardens established  | 1   |   |
|   | Maintain agro ecosystem services to sustain food production and livelihood                                     |   | Number of conservation farms established                    | 3 |
|   |  |   | Number of established demo plots & nurseries maintained     | 3 |
|   |  |   | Number of NFT's & Hedgegrows planting materials distributed | 3 |
| Reducing the risks from Climate Change and Disasters through strengthened adaptation and preparedness measures  | Promote and strengthen food security programmes to enhance community based disaster risk reduction initiatives | Number of soil conservation measures and soil health management materials to address DRM and Climate Change   | 3   |   |

### Output 2: Quick Economic Recovery Through The Implementation of Demand Driven Approach And Other Commodity Projects

| Sub- Output   | Strategies   | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|---|--|---|--------------------------|
| Improve accessibility of farmers to credit facility and improve linkage with financial institutions | Co-ordinate partnership between farmers and financial institutions | Number of farm plans and agriculture commercial loan proposals prepared | 8                        |

### Output 3: Assist In Poverty Alleviation by Capacity Building of Farmers to Increase Production

| Sub - Output                | Strategies                               | Indicators                                    | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------------------|
| Capacity Building of Farmer | Capacity building on subsistence farmers | Number of farm visit and advice to farmers    | 150                      |
|                             |  | Number of farmers implemented SLM/FM Training | 10                       |

### Output 4: Sustainable Management of Natural Resources Through Flood Protection Programmes and other Sustainable Land Management Practices

| Sub- Output                 | Strategies  | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|-----------------------------|---|---|--------------------------|
| Sustainable Land Management | Effective land use management practices                             | Number of Tikina based baseline biophysical reports provided to stakeholders and land users               | 2                        |
|                             |   | Number of Land care group established and adopting SLM technology and further developed into cluster      | 3                        |
|                             |   | Number land use plan and farm plan implemented and distributed to farmers                                 | 30                       |
|                             | Effective waste management  | Report on the impact of consultation with stakeholders on better land utilization Govt, NGOs and Churches | 1                        |
|                             | Encourage partnership with stakeholders for better land utilization | No. of impact assessment on the FM Manual from stakeholders   | 2                        |
|                             | Farm Management Manual  | No. of SLM/FM Training of trainers for Extension officers   | 1                        |

### Output 5: Ensuring Equal Access For Women In Agricultural Development

| Sub- Output                                   | Strategies   | Indicators | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|---|--|------------|--------------------------|
| Participation of Women on Economic Activities | Strengthen cottage industry to create employment                                   |            |                          |
|   | Number of women groups trained/ assisted and progressed in Agriculture development | 15         |                          |



## Output 7: Portfolio Leadership, Policy

| Sub- Output                          | Strategies  | Indicators   | 2016 (Jan – July)<br>Actual |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------|
| Portfolio Leadership & Policy Advice | Review & Develop MoAs and MOUs                                  | Number of MOUs and MoAs developed                      | 1                           |
|                                      | Formulate new and review existing Acts, Legislations & policies | Number of new Acts, legislations & policies formulated | 1                           |



Participants of the Sustainable Land Management & Farm Management Training held in Nawaka, Nadi.



Agriculture Officer - Joeli Waradi presenting during the World Day to Combat desertification held in Lautoka.



LRPD and Extension staff during the World Food Day celebrations at Suva Grammar School.



Agriculture staff during the World Day to Combat Desertification held in Nadave.



LRPD conducting a workshop for better service delivery.

# ECONOMIC PLANNING & STATISTICS DIVISION



Israel Government donates Solar System to Ministry of Agriculture.

The core function of the Division is to formulate the Agriculture Sector development policies, appropriate strategies and subsequent program activities in accordance with the Government Strategic Plan, establish and enhance effective sustainable linkages with external organizations, including global donor agencies at bilateral, plurilateral and multilateral levels, analyses policy and assess its impact to the agriculture sector.

## Overview of Economic Planning & Statistics Division

In 2016(Jan – July), the Land Resource Planning Division was allocated \$8M through Capital Programmes for the development and expansion of Livestock Commodities/ Farms. There were thirteen (13) approved Capital Programmes which is 29% more than the 2015 budget allocation. With the \$8M budget allocation, the Division was anticipated to achieve certain Outputs through the implementation of targeted activities in collaboration with other Divisions and Stakeholders.

Table 10 (see page 37) shows the achievement of the Ministry through Economic Planning & Statistics Programmes from January to July 2016 despite the drastic impact of TC Winston in February that affected the planned program and activities.

Figure 7: Economic Planning & Statistics Programme Distribution

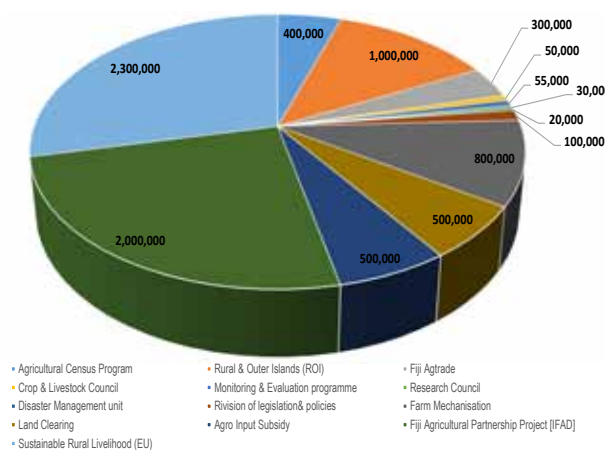


Table 10: Achievement of Economic Planning & Statistics Division from January - July 2016

| <b>Output 1: Maintaining Food Security Through The Provision of Extension And Research Services For Crops, Livestock And Veterinary Services</b> |  |  |                                 |
|--|--|--|---------------------------------|
| <b>Sub- Output</b>   | <b>Strategies</b>  | <b>Indicators</b>  | <b>2016 (Jan – July) Actual</b> |
| Reducing the risks from Climate Change and Disasters through strengthened adaptation and preparedness measures                                   | Strengthen effective planning, response and recovery. Emergency Plan( Preparedness and Response) | Number of awareness on disaster response and preparedness % of staf fully capacitated through capacity building and training on disaster response and preparedness | 3                               |
| <b>Output 2: Quick Economic Recovery Through The Implementation of Demand Driven Approach And Other Commodity Projects</b>                       |  |  |                                 |
| <b>Sub- Output</b>   | <b>Strategies</b>  | <b>Indicators</b>  | <b>2016 (Jan – July) Actual</b> |
| Establish Commodity protocols with existing & new markets  | Facilitate Market Development & Market Access  | Quartely Ag Trade News Letter  | 4                               |
|  |  | Number of marketing scoping  | 1                               |
|  |  | Number of market promotion   | 1                               |
|  |  | Number of Export promotion programme   | 1                               |
|  | Strengthening of industry councils to spearhead and co-ordinate commodity development            | Number of meetings & consultations with Industry councils  | 4                               |
| Compliant food standards for all commodities   | Coordinate linkage with local tourism industry-e.g. ATS, Hotels, Catering                        | Number of food demand survey report  | 1                               |
|  | Co-ordinate and monitor Compliance of CODEX requirements   | Number of awareness & training done to stakeholder on CODEX requirement  | 1                               |
| Strengthen institutional linkages & quality data collection  | Develop Quality Agricultural Statistics System   | Improvement of Agricultural Statistics System: FBHS 2016   | 1                               |
|  |  | Standard Survey Design & Methodology   |                                 |
|  |  | Standard Survey Frame  |                                 |
|  |  | Agri Stats Database  |                                 |
|  |  | Stats GIS & Information Technology   |                                 |
|  |  | Divisional quarterly report on compilation and analysis of agriculture production and trade statistics   | 4                               |
|  |  | Consultation with global stakeholders – united nations global initiative to improve agricultural statistics  | 1                               |



## Output 2: Quick Economic Recovery Through The Implementation of Demand Driven Approach And Other Commodity Projects

| Sub- Output | Strategies  | Indicators   | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|-------------|---|--|--------------------------|
|             | Co-ordinate Monitoring & Evaluation on Capital & Non Capital projects | Quarterly monitoring and review activities of Capital programs   | 6                        |
|             |   | Review and Analysis Performance of Capital Projects & DDA projects   | 1                        |
|             |   | Number of brochure highlighting successful stories and lessons learned from implementation of Capital projects | 1                        |

## Output 3: Assist In Poverty Alleviation by Capacity Building of Farmers to Increase Production

| Sub- Output                 | Strategies                               | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------------------|
| Capacity Building of Farmer | Capacity building on subsistence farmers | Number of farmer training / farmers field school conducted                                  | 2                        |
|                             | Promote sufficiency at community level   | Number of commodities clustering formed   | 1                        |
|                             |  | Evaluation and monitoring report on success story of women in agriculture(Cottage Industry) | 1                        |
|                             | Improved Agriculture Gender Statistics   | Gender Aggregated Data Report   | 1                        |



From left: PEPO Stats Ms. Sera Bose with Ministry staff during the TC Winston Response Relief trip to West, distributing seedlings to affected farms.

## Output 7: Portfolio Leadership, Policy Advice and Secretariat Support

| Sub- Output                                  | Strategies  | Indicators  | 2016 (Jan – July) Actual |
|--|---|---|--------------------------|
| Portfolio Leadership & Policy Advice         | Review & Develop MOAs and MOUs                                  | Number of MOUs and MOAs developed   | 1                        |
|  | Formulate new and review existing Acts, Legislations & policies | Number of new Acts, legislations & policies formulated  | 1                        |
|  |   | Number of Acts, legislations & policies reviewed  | 1                        |
|  | Cabinet papers submission to Cabinet                            | Number of Cabinet papers submitted  | 5                        |
| Improved productivity & performance of staff | Public sector capacity to support agri business                 | Establish of agribusiness unit within MoA   | 1                        |
|  |   | Consultation to develop an advance skills and resources required to drive the agri business development process | 1                        |



Monitoring and Evaluation Policy Framework training.



# HUMAN RESOURCE, FINANCE & INFORMATION DIVISION



Ministry provides assistance to staff affected by TC Winston at Dobeulevu Agriculture Station, Rakiraki, Ra.

The core role of the Division is to formulate and review current organizational structure and implementation of public service reform, implement the best practises in managing human resources and effective delivery of service therefore ensuring good governance in the administration and deployment of financial and other resources.

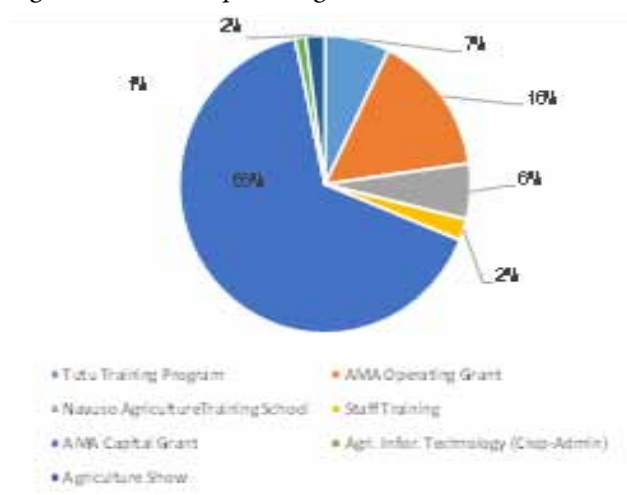
## Overview of Human Resource Finance & Information Division

In 2016 (Jan – July), the Human Resource Finance & Information Division was allocated \$8.5M through Capital Programmes to assist the Division in undertaking its core role. There are seven (7) approved Capital Programmes which is 167% more than the 2015 budget allocation.

With the \$8.5M budget allocation, the Division was anticipated to achieve certain Outputs through implementation of targeted activities in collaboration with other Divisions and Stakeholders.

Table 11 (see page 41) records the achievement of the Ministry through the Human Resource Programmes within the month of January to July 2016 despite the drastic impact of TC Winston in February that affected the planned program and activities.

Figure 8: HRF&I Capital Programme Distribution





**Table 11: Achievement of Human Resources Finance & Information Division from January - July 2016**

| <b>Output 7: Portfoli Leadership, Policy Advice and Secretariat Support</b> |  |  |                                 |
|---|--|--|---------------------------------|
| <b>Sub- Output</b>  | <b>Strategies</b>  | <b>Indicators</b>  | <b>2016 (Jan - July) Actual</b> |
| Portfolio Leadership & Policy Advice  | Formulate new and review existing Acts, Legislations & policies      | Number of new Acts, legislations & policies formulated                                   | 1                               |
| Media Coverage & Publications   | Provide exclusive media coverage on agriculture promotion activities | Quarterly reports on impact of agricultural promotion activities                         | 8                               |
| Information Communication & Technology                                      | Increased coverage through telecommunication services to rural areas | No. of agriculture stations accessed to telecommunication, govnet and kinked to intranet | 4                               |
| Improved productivity & performance of staff                                | Capacity building for staff  | Quarterly staff trainings local & overseas   | 4                               |
| Financial Statements  | Provide annual financial statements                                  | One reliable and accurate annual financial statement                                     | 1                               |
| Annual Procurement Plan   | Formulation of Annual Procurement Plan 2016                          | Provide Submission of 2016 APP to PS and MOF   | 1                               |
| External Audit Report   | Implementation of External Audit recommendation                      | Provide report of external audit recommendation  | 1                               |
| Expenditure Report  | Submission of reconciled Expenditure Report                          | Submission of one report to PS   | 1                               |

*Newly built quarters in Ra to accomodate MoA Officials.*







*Ministry of Agriculture HR Staff leading the Parade during the World Food Day Celebrations held at Suva Grammar School Ground.*



# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015





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### MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AGENCY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

#### INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

##### Scope

I have audited the special purpose financial statements which have been prepared under the cash basis of accounting and notes 1 to 3 thereon of the Ministry of Agriculture for the year ended 31 December 2015. The financial statements comprise the following:

- (i) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure;
- (ii) Appropriation Statement;
- (iii) Consolidated TMA - Manufacturing Account;
- (iv) Consolidated TMA - Trading Account;
- (v) Consolidated TMA - Profit and Loss Statement;
- (vi) Consolidated TMA - Balance Sheet;
- (vii) Trust Account Statement of Receipts and Payments; and
- (viii) Statement of Losses

The management of the Ministry of Agriculture is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the special purpose financial statements and the information contained therein.

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these special purpose financial statements based on my audit.

My audit was conducted in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the special purpose financial statements are free of material misstatements. My audit procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the special purpose financial statements and evaluation of accounting policies. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the special purpose financial statements are fairly stated and in accordance with government policies in Note 2 and the Audit Act and the Financial Management Act 2004, so as to present a view which is consistent with my understanding of the financial performance of the Ministry of Agriculture for the year ended 31 December 2015.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

#### Basis for Qualifications

##### Trading and Manufacturing Account (TMA)

1. Included in the Trading and Manufacturing Account (TMA) Balance Sheet is Deposits & Retention of \$22,113. I was not able to verify the amounts as the Ministry was not able to



ascertain the accuracy and completeness of liability in the Trading and Manufacturing Account as at 31 December 2015.

2. Included in the TMA Trading Account is Closing Stock of Finished Goods of \$709,078. I am unable to express an opinion on the accuracy and completeness of Closing Stock of Finished Goods as the Ministry did not carry out an independent stock take for the year ended 31 December 2015 and audit was not able to confirm the balance through alternative procedures given insufficient appropriate evidence.
3. There is an un-reconciled variance amounting to \$263,038 between the FMIS General Ledger cash balance and the TMA bank reconciliation statement. Accordingly, I was unable to ascertain the accuracy and completeness of the TMA Cash at bank balance of \$394,430 as at 31 December 2015.

#### **Trust Account Statement of Receipt and Payments**

4. The closing balance of the Trust Account Statement of Receipts and Payments of \$456,998 did not correspond to the Cash at Bank FMIS general ledger balance of \$968,582. Accordingly, I am unable to ascertain the accuracy and completeness of the Main Trust Fund balance as at 31 December 2015.

#### **Statement of Loss**

5. The Ministry did not carry out a Board of Survey for 2015. In the absence of a Board of Survey Report, the losses of fixed assets, if any, that occurred during the year could not be substantiated. Furthermore, the Ministry's loss report for 2015 did not include losses for the months of January to June. Consequently, I was not able to verify the accuracy and completeness of the Statement of Losses.

#### **Qualified Audit Opinion**

In my opinion, except for the effects of the matters referred to in the basis for qualified opinion paragraphs,

- (a) the financial statements present fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies stated in Note 2, the financial performance of the Ministry of Agriculture for the year ended 31 December 2015.
- (b) the financial statements give the information required by the Financial Management Act 2004 in the manner so required.



Atunaisa Nadakuitavuki  
for AUDITOR GENERAL

Suva, Fiji



08 August 2016

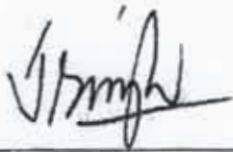


MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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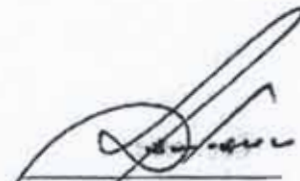
We certify that these financial statements:

- a) fairly reflect the financial operations and performance of the Ministry of Agriculture and its financial position for the year ended 31 December 2015; and
- b) have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Financial Management Act 2004 and the Finance Instructions 2010.



Jitendra Singh  
Permanent Secretary for Agriculture

Date: 23/7/16



Sikeli N. Baleisuva  
A/Principal Accountant

Date: 28/7/16.

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

|  | Notes       | 2015           | 2014           |
|--|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>REVENUE</b>                         |             |                |                |
| Agricultural produce & Inspection Fees |             | 92             | 2,345          |
| License                                |             | 75,359         | 60,427         |
| Meat Inspection                        |             | 23,635         | 20,484         |
| Veterinary and Animal Quarantine       |             | 13,865         | 32,470         |
| Sale of Sheep and Wool                 |             | 33,872         | -              |
| Rest house                             |             | 12,520         | 6,736          |
| Rental for quarters                    |             | 59,269         | 80,495         |
| Registration                           |             | 3,954          | 4,845          |
| Commission                             |             | 24,738         | 13,790         |
| Sale of farm produce                   |             | 44,763         | 97,665         |
| Miscellaneous revenue                  |             | 258,764        | 293,771        |
| Overpayment recoveries                 |             | 37,335         | -              |
| Water charges                          |             | 1,169          | 4,380          |
| Rural electrification                  |             | 1,629          | -              |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                   | <b>3(a)</b> | <b>590,964</b> | <b>617,408</b> |

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE (CONT'D)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

|                                    | Notes | 2015<br>\$        | 2014<br>\$        |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>EXPENDITURE</b>                 |       |                   |                   |
| Established staff                  | 3(b)  | 13,336,531        | 13,143,921        |
| Government wage earners            | 3(c)  | 5,704,307         | 6,001,018         |
| Travel and communications          |       | 747,722           | 813,229           |
| Maintenance & operations           |       | 2,001,578         | 2,291,822         |
| Purchase of goods and services     |       | 608,131           | 1,078,682         |
| Operating grants and transfers     | 3(d)  | 1,810,254         | 3,680,398         |
| Special expenditures               |       | 2,037,870         | 1,252,880         |
| <b>Total Operating Expenditure</b> |       | <b>26,246,393</b> | <b>28,261,950</b> |
| Capital construction               | 3(e)  | 15,925,337        | 17,707,996        |
| Capital purchase                   |       | 389,914           | 325,847           |
| Capital grants and transfers       | 3(f)  | 6,992,224         | 7,295,128         |
| <b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>   |       | <b>23,307,475</b> | <b>25,328,971</b> |
| Value Added Tax                    |       | 3,021,994         | 3,480,184         |
| <b>Total Expenditure</b>           |       | <b>52,575,862</b> | <b>57,071,105</b> |



**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE**  
**APPROPRIATION STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

| SEG | Item                             | Budget Estimate   | Appropriation Changes | Revised Estimate  | Actual Expenditure | Carry - over | Lapsed Appropriation |
|-----|----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------------|
|     |                                  | \$                | \$                    | \$                | \$                 | \$           | \$                   |
| 1   | Established Staff                | 14,162,446        | -                     | 14,162,446        | 13,336,531         | -            | 825,915              |
| 2   | Government Wage Earners          | 6,112,800         | -                     | 6,112,800         | 5,704,307          | -            | 408,493              |
| 3   | Travel & Communication           | 791,377           | -                     | 791,377           | 747,722            | -            | 43,655               |
| 4   | Maintenance & Operations         | 2,170,340         | -                     | 2,170,340         | 2,001,578          | -            | 168,762              |
| 5   | Purchase of Goods & Services     | 704,800           | -                     | 704,800           | 608,131            | -            | 96,669               |
| 6   | Operating Grants & Transfers     | 2,221,000         | -                     | 2,221,000         | 1,810,254          | -            | 410,746              |
| 7   | Special Expenditure              | 2,339,980         | -                     | 2,339,980         | 2,037,870          | -            | 302,110              |
|     | <b>Total Operating Costs</b>     | <b>28,502,743</b> | <b>-</b>              | <b>28,502,743</b> | <b>26,246,393</b>  | <b>-</b>     | <b>2,256,350</b>     |
|     | <b>Capital Expenditure</b>       |                   |                       |                   |                    |              |                      |
| 8   | Construction                     | 22,086,000        | -                     | 22,086,000        | 15,925,337         | -            | 6,160,663            |
| 9   | Purchases                        | 920,000           | -                     | 920,000           | 389,914            | -            | 530,086              |
| 10  | Grants & Transfers               | 9,130,000         | -                     | 9,130,000         | 6,992,224          | -            | 2,137,776            |
|     | <b>Total Capital Expenditure</b> | <b>32,136,000</b> | <b>-</b>              | <b>32,136,000</b> | <b>23,307,475</b>  | <b>-</b>     | <b>8,828,525</b>     |
| 13  | Value Added Tax                  | 4,333,488         | -                     | 4,333,488         | 3,021,994          | -            | 1,311,494            |
|     | <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>         | <b>64,972,231</b> | <b>-</b>              | <b>64,972,231</b> | <b>52,575,862</b>  | <b>-</b>     | <b>12,396,369</b>    |

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CONSOLIDATED TRADING AND MANUFACTURING ACCOUNT (TMA)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

|  |      | 2015             | 2014             |
|--|------|------------------|------------------|
|  |      | \$               | \$               |
| <b>MANUFACTURING ACCOUNT</b>                               |      |                  |                  |
| Opening Raw Material                                       |      | -                | -                |
| Purchases  |      | <u>1,035,006</u> | <u>1,122,045</u> |
|  |      | 1,035,006        | 1,122,045        |
| <i>Less:</i> Closing Raw Material                          |      | <u>-</u>         | <u>-</u>         |
| Raw Material Used  |      | <u>1,035,006</u> | <u>1,122,045</u> |
| <i>Add:</i> Direct Labour                                  |      | <u>7,858</u>     | <u>15,071</u>    |
| Cost of Manufacturing Goods transferred to Trading Account |      | <u>1,042,864</u> | <u>1,137,116</u> |
| <br><b>TRADING ACCOUNT</b>                                 |      |                  |                  |
| Sales  | 3(g) | 1,239,504        | 1,295,692        |
| Opening stock of finished goods                            |      | 1,014,577        | 1,058,578        |
| <i>Add:</i> Cost of manufacturing goods                    |      | <u>1,042,864</u> | <u>1,137,116</u> |
|  |      | 2,057,441        | 2,195,694        |
| <i>Less:</i> Closing stock of finished goods               |      | <u>709,078</u>   | <u>1,014,577</u> |
| Cost of finished goods sold                                |      | 1,348,363        | 1,181,117        |
| <i>Add:</i> Other Income                                   |      | <u>773</u>       | <u>-</u>         |
| Gross (Loss)/Profit  |      | <u>(108,086)</u> | <u>114,575</u>   |

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 CONSOLIDATED TMA PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

|  | 2015             | 2014             |
|--|------------------|------------------|
|  | \$               | \$               |
| <b>INCOME</b>                                    |                  |                  |
| Gross (Loss)/Profit transferred from Trading A/C | <u>(108,086)</u> | <u>114,575</u>   |
| <b>Total Income</b>                              | <u>(108,086)</u> | <u>114,575</u>   |
| <b>EXPENSE</b>                                   |                  |                  |
| Travelling & Communication Expenses              | 8,672            | 39,495           |
| Maintenance & Operation                          | 281,478          | 339,284          |
| Other Expenses                                   | <u>42,089</u>    | <u>153,846</u>   |
| <b>Total Expense</b> 3(h)                        | <u>332,239</u>   | <u>532,625</u>   |
| <b>Net (Loss)/Profit</b>                         | <u>(440,325)</u> | <u>(418,050)</u> |



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 COSOLIDATED TMA BALANCE SHEET  
 AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015

|  | 2015<br>\$              | 2014<br>\$              |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>LIABILITY</b>                             |                         |                         |
| Deposits & Retention                         | <u>(22,113)</u>         | <u>-</u>                |
| Total Liability                              | <u>(22,113)</u>         | <u>-</u>                |
| <b>EQUITY</b>                                |                         |                         |
| TMA Surplus Capital Retained                 | 1,845,486               | 2,263,536               |
| Net (Loss)/Profit                            | (440,325)               | (418,985)               |
| Write Off                                    | <u>(255,813)</u>        | <u>-</u>                |
|  | 1,149,348               | 1,844,551               |
| TMA Surplus transferred to Consolidated Fund | <u>(23,727)</u>         | <u>220,629</u>          |
| Total Equity                                 | <u>1,125,621</u>        | <u>2,065,180</u>        |
| <b>Total Liability and Equities</b>          | <u><b>1,103,508</b></u> | <u><b>2,065,180</b></u> |
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                |                         |                         |
| Cash   | 394,430                 | 1,031,806               |
| Accounts receivable                          | -                       | 18,797                  |
| Finished goods                               | <u>709,078</u>          | <u>1,014,577</u>        |
| Total Assets                                 | <u><b>1,103,508</b></u> | <u><b>2,065,180</b></u> |

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LAND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND LAND RESETTLEMENT PLANNING  
AND DEVELOPMENT

TRUST ACCOUNT STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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|  | 2015           | 2014           |
|--|----------------|----------------|
|  | \$             | \$             |
| <b>RECEIPTS</b>                          |                |                |
| Retention Money                          | 269,813        | 656,559        |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>                    | <u>269,813</u> | <u>656,559</u> |
| <b>PAYMENTS</b>                          |                |                |
| Retention Money                          | 203,063        | 589,809        |
| <b>Total Payments</b>                    | <u>203,063</u> | <u>589,809</u> |
| <b>Surplus</b>                           | 66,750         | 66,750         |
| Opening Balance at 1 January             | 390,248        | 323,498        |
| <b>Closing Balance as at 31 December</b> | <u>456,998</u> | <u>390,248</u> |

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
STATEMENT OF LOSSES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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Loss of Assets (Livestock)

Loss of livestock resulted from death of sheep, pig and cattle. The losses do not include submissions for write offs from the annual board of survey.

| Description | 2015<br>(\$)  | 2014<br>(\$)  |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| Sheep       | 7,008         | 10,661        |
| Pig         | 525           | 3,086         |
| Cattle      | 1,250         | 2,370         |
| Goat        | 1,274         | 1,063         |
| Chicken     | 4,109         | 1,581         |
|             | <u>14,166</u> | <u>18,761</u> |



## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

### NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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#### NOTE 1 REPORTING ENTITY

The Ministry of Agriculture focus on diversifying, be market driven and improvements in its service delivery to realise the sector's full potential. Diversification into niche export and domestic markets is therefore necessary thus priority will be given to: facilitating private sector involvement in the development of agri-business; capacity building of farmers to raise levels of production from semi-subsistence to commercial levels; enhancement of Agricultural linkages; and promote food security and ensure sound land management and development.

#### NOTE 2 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### a) Basis of Accounting/Presentation

In accordance with Government accounting policies, the financial statements of the Ministry of Agriculture is prepared on cash basis of accounting. All payments related to purchases of fixed assets have been expensed.

The financial statements are presented in accordance with the Financial Management Act and the requirements of Section 71(1) of the Finance Instruction 2010. The preparation and presentation of a Statement of Assets and Liabilities is not required under the current Government policies, except for that of the Trading and Manufacturing Accounts.

##### b) Accounting for Value Added Tax (VAT)

All income and expenses are VAT exclusive. The Ministry on a monthly basis takes out VAT output on total money received for expenditure from Ministry of Finance. VAT input on the other hand is claimed on payments made to the suppliers and sub-contractors for expenses incurred.

The VAT payment as per the consolidated statement of receipts and expenditure relates to the VAT input claimed on payments made to the suppliers and sub-contractors for expenses incurred and VAT payments to FRCA. Actual amount paid to FRCA during the year represent the difference between VAT Output and VAT Input.

##### c) Comparative Figures

Where necessary, amounts relating to prior years have been reclassified to facilitate comparison and achieve consistency in disclosure with current year amounts.

##### d) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised when actual cash is received by the Ministry.

##### e) Consolidated Trading and Manufacturing Activity

The consolidated Trading and Manufacturing Activity consist of Commercial Undertaking Livestock, Crop Extension, Machinery Operation Hire and Fuel & Oil operation.

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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NOTE 3 SIGNIFICANT VARIATIONS

- (a) Total Revenue collected dropped by \$26,444 in 2015 mainly due to the enforcement of the rent deduction percentage from 8% to 4%.
- (b) Established Staff increase by \$218,611 in 2015 compared to 2014. The increase in expenditure was a result more vacant positions were filled in 2015. There were also approved leave compensation and overtime payments made in the same year.
- (c) General Wage Earners expenditure decreased by \$296,711 in 2015 compared to 2014. The decrease is a direct result in the prudent management of overtime hour and overtime compensation.
- (d) Operating Grants and Transfers expenditure decreased by \$1,870,144 as a result of the reduction in the budget for SEG 6. Biosecurity Authority of Fiji grants of \$1.6 million was reduced from the 2015 budget Authority.
- (e) Capital Construction expenditure decreased by \$1,782,659 in 2015 mainly due to difficulty faced by officers in trying to implement capital programs. Problems such as difficulties in obtaining reputable companies to provide services specifically in projects where construction of farm roads and repair and maintenances of quarters are involved and the delay from the suppliers due to non-availability of required materials.
- Capital programs undertaken during the year were mainly related to the Crop Extension Services, Livestock Extension Services, Research, Irrigation Improvement and Land, Drainage and Flood Protection services provided by the Ministry.
- (f) Capital Grants and Transfers decreased by \$302,904 in 2015 compared to 2014. It was mainly attributed to delay in the implementation of the Land clearing project and Beef multiplication program.
- (g) The TMA sales decreased by \$56,188 in 2015 compared to 2014.
- (h) The TMA expenses decreased by \$200,386 as there were no purchase of new truck or renovations like in 2014.



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