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Your Excellency

Honourable Minister

FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION 2019/2020 ANNUAL REPORT

On behalf of the Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption (FICAC), I am pleased to present the Commission's Annual Report for the period 1 August 2019 - 31 July 2020 as required under Section 17 of the Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 2007.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully

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Date: 1 August, 2020

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VISION, MISSION & VALUES STATEMENT



OUR VISION

Ensuring the people of Fiji live a life free of corruption

OUR MISSION

The Commission is committed to effectively combating corruption in order to promote transparency and accountability for the attainment of zero tolerance of corruption, set the foundation for good governance and create sustainable development for the benefit of all citizens of Fiji

OUR VALUES

- Independence
- Professionalism
- Integrity
- Commitment
- Impartiality

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Pursuant to Section 17 of the Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 2007, it is my pleasure to present to you, on behalf of the Commission, our Annual Report for the period 1 August 2019 – 31 July 2020.

Despite the global pandemic of the coronavirus which hit in 2019 and 2020; the Commission ensured that it continued to fulfill its functions, duties and responsibilities in line with the guidelines issued by the Government.

Though operations were trimmed down to ensure the safety of its Officers during the height of the global pandemic, the Commission managed to charge forty – three (43) cases, with forty-six (46) accused individuals and eleven (11) companies facing corruption relating offences.

Private companies, the Land Transport Authority and the Ministry of Local Government recorded the highest number of individuals charged by the Commission while offences such as Obtaining Financial Advantage, Bribery and Falsification of Documents were the highest chargeable offences recorded for the fiscal year.

The Commission had a conviction rate of sixty-seven (67%) while nineteen percent (19%) of its cases were acquitted; nine percent (9%) of its cases were filed for Nolle Prosequi and five percent (5%) of its cases were withdrawn.

The Commission continued to foster and strengthen relationships and partnerships with new and existing stakeholders with a total of one hundred and eighty-seven (187) anti-corruption programmes conducted to various sectors of society.

The proactive function of the Commission faced challenges during the third and fourth quarters of the reporting fiscal year due to the global pandemic of the coronavirus and abiding by the health measures implemented by the Government therefore activities of its proactive function were limited to in-house only.

With the onset of the global pandemic of the coronavirus, the Commission through its proactive function was compelled to reimagine and redesign ways in which it could continue to facilitate its anti-corruption programmes to the general public by way of virtual platforms which would be trialled and executed in the new fiscal year.

Embracing the revolution of technologies as a newer methodology of conducting anti-corruption trainings, ensured continuity of these programs as well as expanding access to participants from around the country.

In the face of corruption, the Commission stands unwavering, fuelled by an unyielding determination to uphold justice and integrity within the various sectors of society. Officers of the Commission embrace a steadfast dedication and commitment to safeguard the trust placed in them by the Government, tax payers and general public of the country.

Through the rigorous investigation, courage and integrity, Officers of the Commission strive to ensure its mandated vision of **“ensuring the people of Fiji live a life free of corruption”** serves as a beacon of hope, inspiring others to join the fight against corruption where fairness, honesty, transparency and accountability prevail over greed and deceit.

Rashmi Aslam
Acting Deputy Commissioner



Established in 2007, the Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption was founded with the vision of ensuring the people of Fiji live a life free of corruption. Since its inception, FICAC has been dedicated to promoting transparency, accountability, and integrity, working to eliminate corruption at all levels of society.

KEY FEATURES

Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption (FICAC) Act

With amendments to the Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption Act No. 11 of 2007, the Commission has extended its powers to include the following:

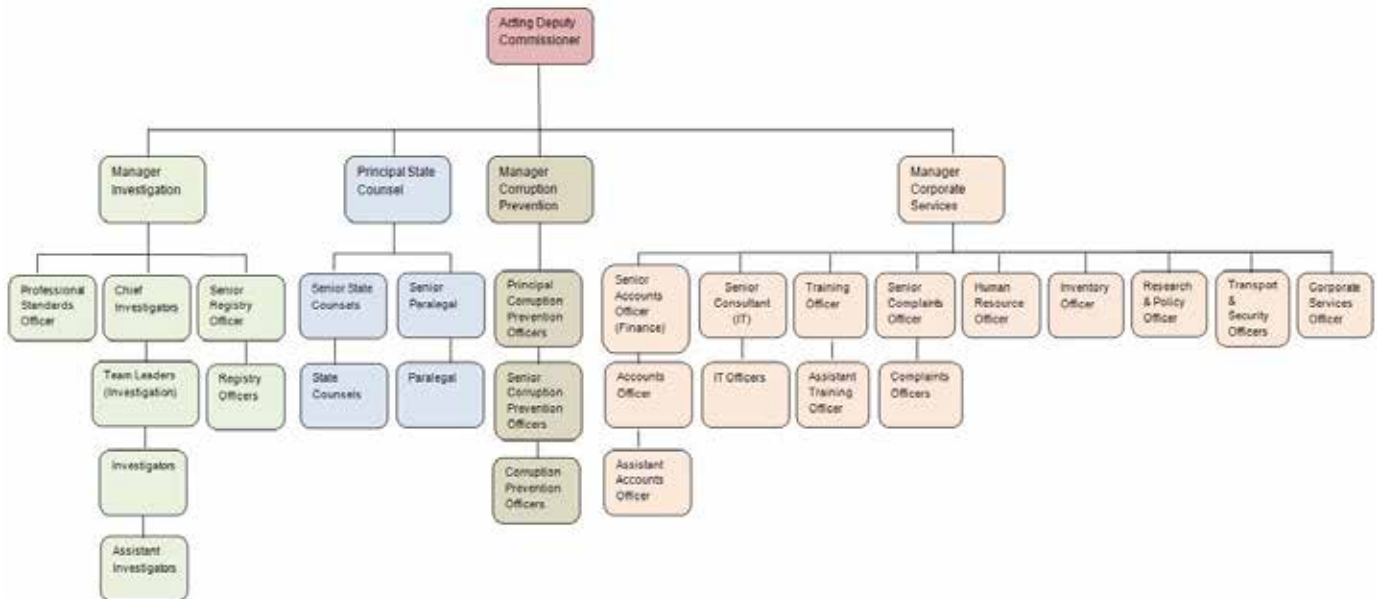
- a. The Commissioner may appoint Officers necessary to assist the Commission in the performance of his or her functions in accordance with this Act;
- b. The Commissioner has full powers to institute proceedings for Asset Recovery and Money Laundering under the Proceeds of Crimes Act;
- c. Any Commission Officer may exercise any other powers given to police officers under Part III of the Criminal Procedure Decree 2009;
- d. Powers granted to the Commission to execute interception warrants with the sanction of the High Court;
- e. Powers of the Commission to impose stop departure through the Immigration Department.


Organisation

The Commission comprises of the Office of the Deputy Commissioner and four (4) functional departments, namely:

- a. Investigation;
- b. Legal & Prosecution;
- c. Corruption Prevention; and,
- d. Corporate Services

FICAC ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE





FICAC investigators are steadfast in their commitment to uncovering and addressing corruption, working tirelessly to ensure a safer, more transparent Fiji. Their dedication plays a crucial role in protecting the integrity of the nation and securing a future free from corruption.

INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

Under Section 12 of the Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption (FICAC) Act, the Commission shall receive and consider complaints alleging corrupt practices and investigate such of those complaints as the Commissioner considers practicable.

As mandated under the FICAC Act, the Investigations Department has the responsibility to the following:

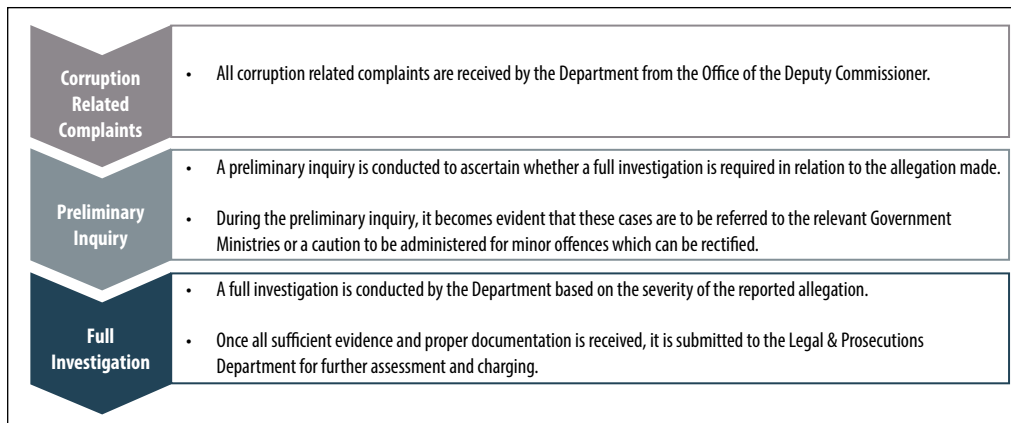
- a. Investigate the suspected or alleged occurrence of an offence to which the Act applies; and
- b. Investigate any conduct of a prescribed officer(s) which, in the opinion of the Commissioner is connected with or conducive to corrupt practices and to report thereon to the President.

The Investigations Department comprises of four (4) sections and oversees the functions of the Western and Northern Divisional Offices:

- a. Professional Standards
- b. Investigators
- c. Digital Forensic
- d. Registry

Process of Investigation

The following flow chart depicts the process taken in relation to the corruption related complaints received by the Department:



The Investigations Department makes every effort to complete all cases within the reporting year; however, it is crucial to note that certain cases investigated during the financial year are complex in nature and would therefore require an extended timeframe in order to obtain, review and analyze the volumes of documents as well as locating witnesses to verify facts and information surrounding the allegations made.

Summary of the Investigations Department Activities

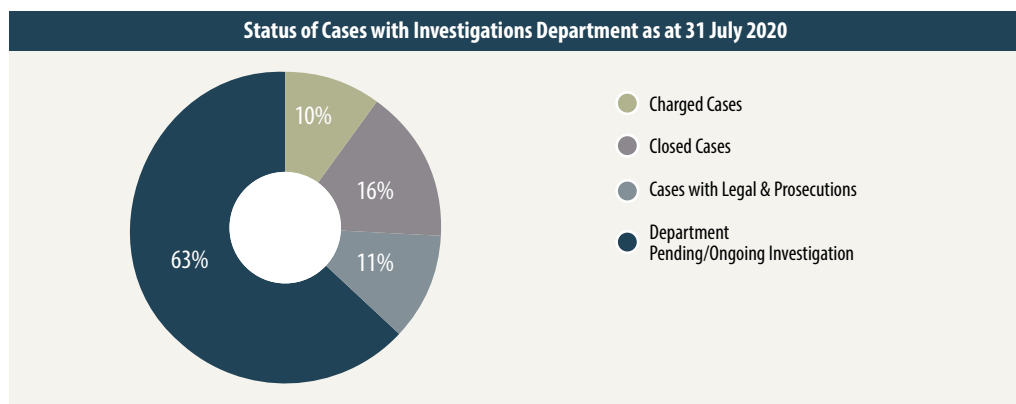
For the reporting financial year 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020, a total of one hundred and forty-four (144) new cases were registered by the Department while three hundred and three (303) cases were carried forward from the previous financial year.

Cases Received by the Investigations Department	
Description	Quantity
Newly registered cases	144
Cases carried forward from the previous year	303
TOTAL	447

For the reporting period 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020, the Investigations Department charged a total of forty-three (43) cases, closed seventy-two (72) cases, forwarded forty-nine (49) cases to the Legal & Prosecutions Department for further assessment while a total of two hundred and eighty-three (283) cases were carried forwarded to the new financial year (1 August 2020 to 31 July 2021)

The table and graph below depict the achievements of the Investigations Department for the reporting financial year 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020.

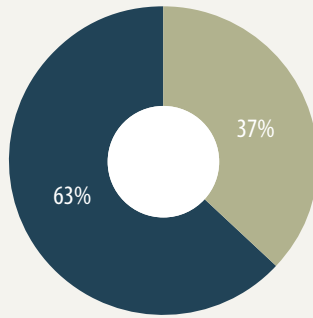
Status of Cases with Investigations Department as at 31 July 2020	
Case Status	Quantity
Charged Cases	43
Closed Cases	72
Cases with Legal & Prosecutions Department	49
Pending/Ongoing Investigation	283
TOTAL	447



Completed Files/Cases

Of the one hundred and fifteen (115) completed cases, forty-three (43) cases were charged while seventy-two (72) cases were recommended for closure pending endorsement from the Office of the Deputy Commissioner due to insufficient evidence to institute criminal proceedings.

Percentage of Completed Cases as at 31 July 2020



Percentage of completed cases August 2017 - July 2018

- Charged Cases
- Closed Cases



The following table outlines the details of the forty-three (43) cases charged for the reporting financial year 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020.

Details of Cases Charged		
No.	Case Details	Alleged Offence
1.	Allegations against DO Seaqaqa for Mismanagement of about \$6000.00 for the Borehole Water project for Naseva, Seaqaqa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conspiracy to Defraud and Causing a loss
2.	Allegations of falsification of documents and obtaining a Financial Advantage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Falsification of Documents Obtaining a Financial Advantage
3.	Allegation against a Nadi Agriculture Officer i for obtaining \$1,800.00 cash from a farmer in Nadi sometimes in 2016 without receipting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two counts of General Dishonesty – Obtaining a Gain
4.	Complaint against Bio-security Officer namely for soliciting a bribe amounting to \$500.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corrupt Transaction with Agents
5.	Case against the Officer of Registrar of Titles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Falsification of Documents
6.	Mismanagement of Free Education Grant at Naboro Sawanikula Primary School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escape from Lawful Custody
7.	Allegation against an employee of the Ministry of Agriculture for allegation of Obtaining a financial advantage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Dishonesty – Obtaining a Gain
8.	Complaint is against an Officer for submitting a false claim to the Ministry of Heritage during an official trip to Gau Island in March this year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conspiracy to Defraud – Obtaining a Gain Obtaining a Financial Advantage Forgery
9.	Escaping from FICAC custody after being arrested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escape from Lawful Custody
10.	Allegation against the former FSCL Cane Development Manager by using his position obtained a government sugarcane grant of \$5000.00 which he was not entitled to.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtaining a Financial Advantage
11.	Complaint against Labasa Town Council Market manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtaining Financial Advantage
12.	Allegations of Bribery against Land Transport Authority Officer, Lautoka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two (2) counts of Bribery
13.	Allegation of Bribery against Setareki Vakayadra for soliciting and accepting an advantage from one Savenaca Viriviri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two (2) counts of Bribery
14.	Allegation of forgery and Using Forged document against Setareki Vakayadra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forgery Using Forged Document
15.	Allegation of General Dishonesty – Obtaining a Gain against Setareki Vakayadra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Dishonesty – Obtaining a Gain
16.	Allegations against Ministry of Health Staff CWM for misappropriation of funds.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Falsification of Documents General Dishonesty-Obtaining a Gain
17.	Complaint against former Ambassador to the US namely Solo Mara for misleading FICAC officers by providing the wrong password to his Gmail account and also disobedience of a lawful order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disobedience of lawful order
18.	Allegation against an Immigration Officer for receiving \$500.00 from one Miss Yei Ha Yuen in January 2019.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bribery Alternative count: Accepting an Advantage

Details of Cases Charged

No.	Case Details	Alleged Offence
19.	Complaint against Mohammed Ifraz and Mr Chand for alleged collusion in the submission of forged documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forgery • Using Forged Document
20.	Referral from Fiji Revenue & Customs Service for investigation into an alleged identity breach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giving False Information • Making False Statement • Giving False Information
21.	Allegations of Soliciting a bribery against a Police Officer Nausori Police Station	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three (3) Counts - Bribery
22.	Report on the investigation carried out at the Fiji Embassy in Washington on allegation of mismanagement and financial irregularities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining Financial Advantage • Causing a loss
23.	Complaint against the Manager IT of Nasinu Town Council Embezzled Council funds to cater for his lavish lifestyle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conspiracy to Defraud – Obtaining a Gain • Four (4) counts of Bribery • Aiding and Abetting Bribery • General Dishonesty – Causing a Loss • Destroying of Evidence
24.	Complaint against Nasinu Town Council former IT Officer and AK Investment Company for bribery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conspiracy to Defraud- Obtaining a Gain • Two (2) counts of Bribery • Causing a Loss
25.	Complaint against Nasinu Town Council former IT Officer and Printzone Company for Bribery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conspiracy to Defraud – Obtaining a gain • Three (3) counts of Bribery • General Dishonesty – Causing a Loss
26.	Complaint against Nasinu Town Council former IT Officer and Business Equipment Company for bribery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five (5) counts of Bribery
27.	Complaint is against a person for a post on social media (Facebook) which suggested that 2018 General Election was rigged	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making a False Statement
28.	Ministry of Fisheries Case – Allegation against their staff for Misappropriation of Funds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining a Financial Advantage • General Dishonesty – Causing a Loss
29.	Referral from the Ministry of Health regarding allegations of abuse of office, causing a loss to government and conspiracy to defraud against a staff at the Fiji Pharmaceutical & Biomedical Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining Financial Advantage • General Dishonesty – Causing a Loss
30.	Complaint against one Mr Raneel Ravin Prasad for submitting falsified documents to the Attorney General's Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • False or Misleading Information
31.	Allegations of obtaining financial advantage and general dishonesty-causing a loss against a staff at Land Transport Authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four (4) counts of Obtaining Financial Advantage • Four (4) counts of General Dishonesty – Causing a Loss
32.	Allegation against iTLTB Officer at Namaka for receiving \$300.00 from one Jason Zhong in December 2018.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two (2) counts of Bribery • Alternative Charge – Accepting an advantage
33.	Complaint against the School Manager of Nakorotubu District School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining a Financial Advantage
34.	Complaint against ADO Macuata for misappropriation of travelling allowance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining Financial Advantage • Falsification of Documents
35.	Complaint against ADO Macuata on the misuse of government revenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining Financial Advantage • Falsification of Documents

Details of Cases Charged		
No.	Case Details	Alleged Offence
36.	Alleged impersonation of OHS Inspector of Ministry of Employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personating a Public Officer • Falsification of Documents • Obtaining Financial Advantage
37.	Complaint against FDB Labasa in regards to the Small Business Grant amounting to \$1000.00 which she did not received until todote	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining a Financial Advantage by Deception
38.	Complaint against Fiji Sugar Corporation Sector Officer for misuse of cane planting grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining a Financial Advantage; • Falsification of Documents
39.	Complaint against iTaukei Land Trust Board Officer for soliciting a bribe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two (2) counts of General Dishonesty – Obtaining a Gain
40.	Allegations against a person for not observing the blackout period for the General Elections of 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campaign Restrictions During Polling
41.	Allegation against a staff at Family Court Maintenance Section, Suva for forging the signature of maintenance recipient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Embezzlement by Servant; • Obtaining a Financial Advantage
42.	Referral from LTA for investigation into an allegation for un-accounted revenue by a Customer Service Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conspiracy to Defraud • Falsification of documents • Obtaining a Financial advantage • Aiding and Abetting
43.	Allegation against Auto Hardware Supplies Labasa for colluding with two Army Officers in the payment of \$50,000.00 for the supplies of five (5) houses for Cyclone Evans in March 2014 but only two (2) housing materials supplied.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receiving a Corrupt Benefit • Giving Corrupt benefits to Public Official

On-Going Investigations

A total of three hundred and thirty-two (332) cases are yet to be completed. This includes the forty-nine (49) cases submitted to the Legal & Prosecutions Department for further assessment and two hundred and eighty-three (283) cases which would be forwarded to the next financial year as the cases are still under investigations.

FICAC's Legal and Prosecution team plays a vital role in the Commission's efforts to combat corruption. Responsible for providing expert legal advice and prosecuting cases on behalf of the Commission, they ensure that those involved in corrupt activities are brought to justice, strengthening Fiji's commitment to transparency and accountability.



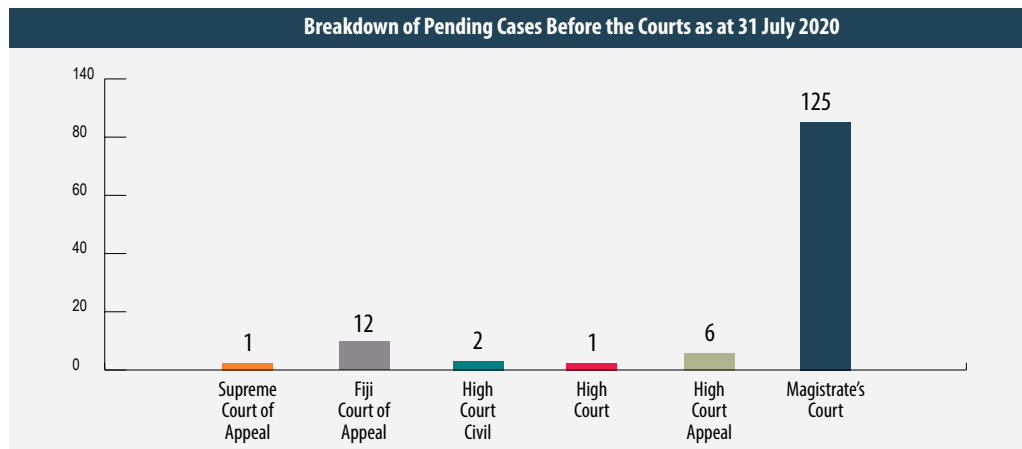
LEGAL & PROSECUTIONS DEPARTMENT

The Legal & Prosecutions Department is responsible for providing legal advice to the Commission and prosecuting cases on behalf of the Commission.

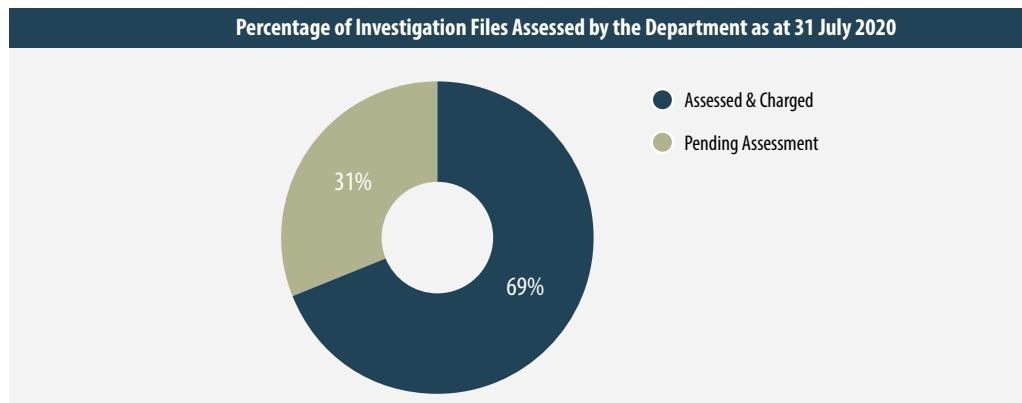
The Legal & Prosecutions continued to achieve its deliverables earmarked despite the challenges and setbacks experienced during the third and fourth quarters of the reporting financial year 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020.

Summary of Legal and Prosecution Activities

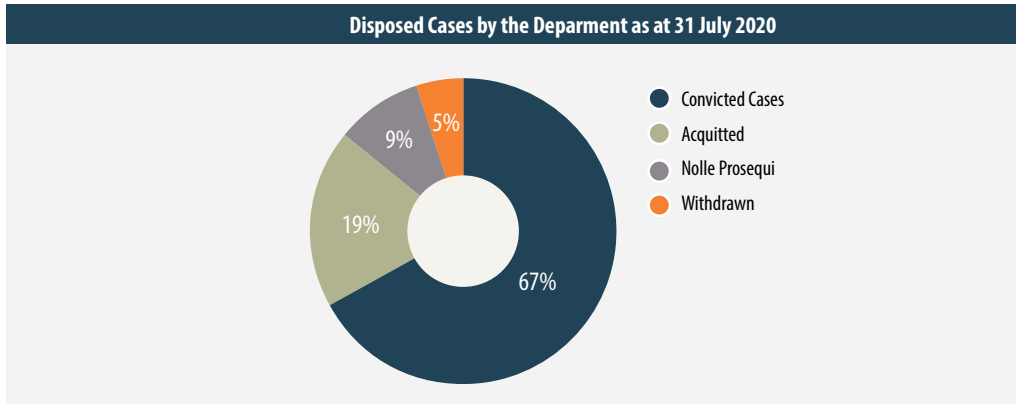
For the reporting financial year 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020, a total of one hundred and forty-seven (147) cases are pending before the Courts as depicted in the graph below:



The Department assessed and analysed a total of forty-nine (49) Investigations files, of which thirty-four (34) files were scrutinized and taken to Court while fifteen (15) files are still pending for further taskings, legal assessment and research.



Furthermore, the Department disposed off a total of twenty-one (21) cases of which fourteen (14) of these cases were successfully convicted, four (4) cases were acquitted, and two (2) cases were Nolle Prosequi while one (1) case was withdrawn as the accused was not medically fit to undergo Court proceedings.



Of the four (4) cases which were acquitted, three (3) cases were appealed and are pending before the High Court Appeal and Fiji Court of Appeal respectively while one (1) case was not appealed as the accused in this case has a pending case before the Magistrate's Court.

Summary of Disposed Court Cases from 1 August 2019 – 31 July 2020

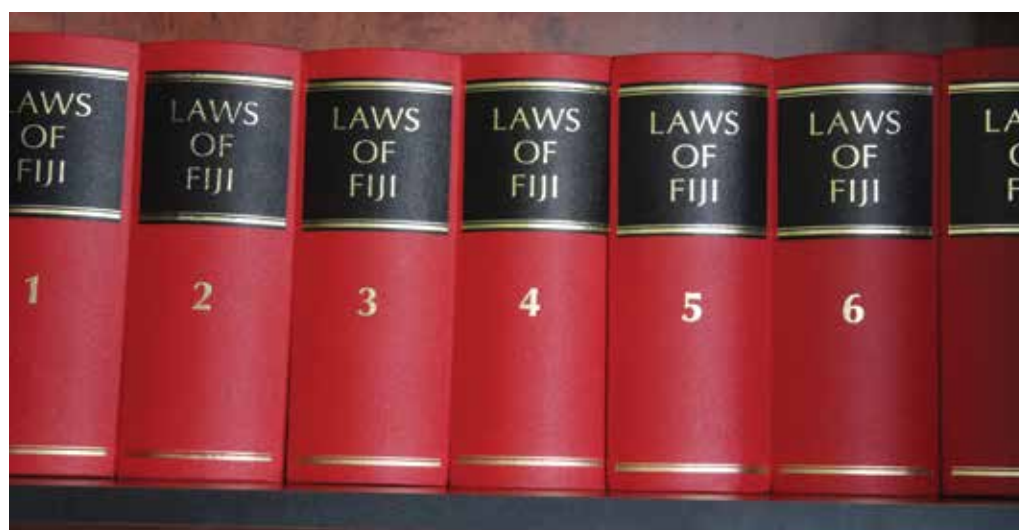
CRO & File Number	Centre	Accused	Offence Charged	Offence Convicted / Acquitted	Sentence / Ruling
F/135893 F/39467	Suva HC	Ifereimi Vasu Peniasi Kunatuba	[2 Counts] • Abuse of Office	Acquitted after trial	Both accused found not guilty and was acquitted accordingly. 30 days to appeal
F/15276 HAC:069/2019	Suva HC	Laisiasa Valesu	[3 Counts] • Abuse of Office • Forgery • Obtaining a Financial Advantage	Convicted – PG	Convicted and sentenced to an aggregate sentence of 6 years imprisonment with a non parole of 4 years
F/134140 HAC:069/2019	Suva HC	Pauliasi Waite Simione	[1 Count] • Aiding and Abetting Obtaining A Financial Advantage	Nolle Prosequi	Prosecution file “Nolle Prosequi”
F/127828 HAC 99/2014	Suva HC	Ana Laqere	[29 Counts] • 1 Count – Abuse of office • 28 Counts – Causing a Loss	Convicted – PG	The Accused was sentenced to 5 years and fixed a non-parole period of 4 years
F/59942 HAC 99/2014	Suva HC	Vaciseva Lagai	[25 Counts] • 1 Count – Abuse of office • 24 Counts – Causing a Loss	Convicted – PG	The Accused was sentenced to 5 years and fixed a non-parole period of 4 years
F/129456 HAC 99/2014	Suva HC	Vilisi Tuitavuki	[4 Counts] • 1 Count – Abuse of office • 3 Counts – Causing a Loss	Convicted – PG	The Accused sentenced to 3 years with a non parole period of 2 years
O/4472 C/F: 735/2017	Rotuma MC	Penamino Tavo	[1 Count] • Giving False Information	Acquitted	The 3A in this case was acquitted during the NCTA stage whereby the Court has informed that there is no evidence placed before the court by the prosecution viable and credible enough to prove a case for the 3A. Prosecution has filed a timely appeal.
F/152000 C/F: 108/19	Nausori MC	Adi Filomena Adibalenavuravura	[1 Count] • Obtaining a Financial Advantage	Convicted – PG	Orders: (i) Sentence to 2 years and this will be suspended for 3 years (ii) 28 days to appeal
F/127829 CR.:9 – 20/15 CF:955/15	Suva MC	Laisa Halafi	• Conspiracy to commit a felony • Abuse of office		Accused sentenced to 15 months imprisonment to be run concurrent to any prison sentence serving.
F/122041 CR.:9 – 20/15 CF: 955/15	Suva MC	Amelia Vunisea	Conspiracy to commit a felony (2 Counts) Abuse of office (2 Counts)	Convicted	Accused sentenced to 6 years and 3 months imprisonment to run concurrent to any prison sentence serving.

Summary of Disposed Court Cases from 1 August 2019 – 31 July 2020

CRO & File Number	Centre	Accused	Offence Charged	Offence Convicted / Acquitted	Sentence / Ruling
F/148634 C/F: 2262/18	Suva MC	Joji Cavalevu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtaining Financial Advantage Obtaining a Financial Advantage by Deception 	Convicted	Accused sentenced to 2 years, out of which 1 year imprisonment have been suspended for 5 years and the balance of 1 year is to be served in custody
F/93701 C/F: 378/14	Suva MC	Jone Vula	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bribery [Section 4 (2) (a) of the Bribery Promulgation] 	Convicted -PG	Accused sentenced to 17 months imprisonment term, 5 months to serve in custody to take effect forthwith and balance of 12 months suspended for 2 years
I/114722 C/F: 833/17	Suva MC	Anita Mala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bribery (2 Counts) 	Convicted -PG	Accused pleaded guilty and sentenced to 12 months imprisonment, 05 months to serve in custody and balance 7 months suspended to 2 years. \$500 fine to be paid within one month. 28 days to appeal
O/14765 I/80688	Suva MC	Wingham Ham Wong Abdul Irshad Ali	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Dishonesty Causing a Loss False or Misleading Documents Aiding & Abetting False or Misleading Documents (Alternative Charge) 	Nolle Prosequi	Prosecution file "Nolle Prosequi"
F/43751 C/F: 2091/18	Suva MC	Jale Baba	<p>[1 Count]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making a False Information 	Convicted – PG	Accused pleaded guilty and sentenced to 11 months imprisonment suspended for 3 years
F/139529 C/F:1920/2016	Suva MC	Kalisi Sakiusa	<p>[2 Counts]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conspiracy to influence public officials Abuse of office 	Convicted – PG	<p>Sentence is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Count 1 – 4 years imprisonment Count 2 – 4 years imprisonment Sentences to be served concurrently Sakiusa will serve a minimum term of 12 months before he is entitled to any early release by the Fiji correction Service.
I/113272 C/F: 1748/16	Suva MC	Bobby Maharaj	<p>[1 Count]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abuse of office 	Acquitted	<p>Orders:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The defendant has no case to answer and is acquitted pursuant to section 278 of the CPA 2009 28 days to appeal.
I/119447 C/F: 1126/19	Suva MC Appeal	Ravnesh Vidya Sagar	<p>[2 Counts]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Falsification of Document General dishonesty – Obtaining a Gain 	Convicted – PG	<p>The sentences for Count One and two are to be served concurrently:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Count 1 – 14 months imprisonment Count 2 – 18 months imprisonment <p>The accused will serve an immediate sentence of 18 months 28 days to appeal.</p>

Summary of Disposed Court Cases from 1 August 2019 – 31 July 2020

CRO & File Number	Centre	Accused	Offence Charged	Offence Convicted / Acquitted	Sentence / Ruling
I/85377 C/F:1305/2012	Nadi MC	Aniz Ahmed [2]	[1 Count] • Attempting to prevent the course of Justice	Acquitted	The charge is dismissed and Accused acquitted accordingly
O/14838 C/F: 93/18	Lautoka MC	Elizabeth Cokomata	• General Dishonesty – Obtaining a Gain	Convicted -PG	Accuse sentenced to eighteen months imprisonment out of which fifteen months is suspended for 3 years. Accuse to serve three months in imprisonment in custody. 28 days to appeal
I/116130 C/F: 05/17	Lautoka MC	Saleshni Lata	• Obtaining a Gain Falsification of Documents	Convicted – PG	Accused sentenced to 15 months imprisonment and suspended for a period of 2 years effective forthwith
F/149808 C/F: 34/2019	Lautoka MC	Iosefo Rabeka	[2 Counts] • Obtaining Financial Advantage	Convicted – PG	Sentenced to 22 months imprisonment. 28 days to appeal.
F/148046 C/F: 501/18	Labasa MC	Taniela Kepa Cavu Jerema	[2 Counts] • Obtaining Financial Advantage • Causing A Loss	Convicted – PG	Orders: (i) 12 months imprisonment term to serve in custody (ii) 8 months imprisonment term suspended for 2 years 28 days to appeal.
F/126900 C/F: 1/2013	Labasa MC	Tevita Nalawa	[1 Count] • Abuse of Office	Withdrawn	Charge withdrawn and struck out as accused is not medically fit to undergo court proceedings.





Statistics on New Cases Taken to Court

For the reporting period 01 August 2019 to 31 July 2020, the Legal & Prosecutions Department charged a total of forty-three (43) cases, of which thirty-four (34) cases were from the Investigations files that were scrutinized and taken to Court while nine (9) cases were brought forwarded from previous investigations.

A total of forty-six (46) accused persons and eleven (11) companies were charged in the 2019 – 2020 fiscal year. Among the fifty-seven (57) accused, private companies recorded the highest, followed by Land Transport Authority and Ministry of Local Government officials as depicted in the table below.

Summary of Individuals Charged		
Ser	Government Ministry OR Department	Number of Officers
1.	Land Transport Authority	8
2.	Ministry of Local Government	6
3.	Ministry of Rural and Maritime Development	4
4.	Ministry of Sugar	3
5.	Ministry of Education	3
6.	Ministry of Agriculture	2
7.	Ministry of Health and Medical Services	2
8.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	2
9.	iTaukei Lands Trust Board (iTLTB)	2
10.	Registrar of Titles Office – Ministry of Justice	1
11.	Department of Heritage – Ministry of Education	1
12.	Department of Immigration	1
13.	Fiji Police Force	1
14.	Ministry of Fisheries	1
15.	Attorney General's Office	1
16.	Judicial Department	1
Ser	Private Sector	Number Of Officers
17.	Private Companies	11
18.	Private Citizen	7

Furthermore, the Commission has charged the individuals for thirty-three (33) different offences fitting its legal scope. For the reporting period 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020, Obtaining Financial Advantage, Bribery, Falsification of Documents and General Dishonesty – Causing a Loss were seen to be the most common offence charged and recorded by the Commission as depicted in the table below.

Summary of Offences		
Ser.	Offences	Percentage
1.	Obtaining Financial Advantage	26
2.	Bribery	25
3.	Falsification of Documents	10
4.	General Dishonesty – Causing a Loss	7
5.	General Dishonesty – Obtaining a Gain	6
6.	Conspiracy to Defraud – Obtaining a Gain	4
7.	Causing a Loss	3
8.	Forgery	3
9.	Accepting an Advantage	2
10.	Aiding and Abetting Obtaining a Financial Advantage	2
11.	Conspiracy to defraud – Causing a Loss	2
12.	Giving false Information to Public Servant	2
13.	Making a False Statement	2
14.	Personating a Public Officer	2
15.	Using Forged Document	2
16.	Abuse of Office	1
17.	Aiding and Abetting	1
18.	Aiding and Abetting Bribery	1
19.	Campaign restrictions during polling	1
20.	Conspiracy to Defraud	1
21.	Corrupt Transactions with Agents	1
22.	Destroying of Evidence	1
23.	Disobedience of Lawful Order	1
24.	Embezzlement by Servant	1
25.	Escape from Lawful Custody	1
26.	False Information	1
27.	False or Misleading Information	1
28.	Fraudulent falsification of Accounts	1
29.	Giving Corrupt Benefits to Public Official	1
30.	Giving Information Derived from false documents	1
31.	Obtaining a Financial Advantage by Deception	1
32.	Production of False Documents	1
33.	Receiving a Corrupt Benefit	1

FICAC is dedicated to raising anti-corruption awareness across Fiji. Through outreach programs, workshops, and educational initiatives, FICAC empowers rural populations with the knowledge and tools to recognise and resist corruption. By promoting integrity and transparency at the grassroots level, FICAC works to create a corruption-free environment, ensuring that all Fijians, regardless of location, are equipped to uphold accountability in their communities and institutions.



CORRUPTION PREVENTION DEPARTMENT

The Corruption Prevention Department performs its functions pursuant to Section 12 (d) – (h) of the FICAC Act No. 11 of 2007; and therefore, is responsible in educating the public against the evils of corruption; and to instruct, advise and assist organisations in systematically rectifying risk areas in order to achieve transparent and accountable operations.

The Department faced significant challenges during the third and fourth quarters of the reporting financial year due to the global pandemic of COVID-19 and abiding by the health measures implemented by the Government therefore activities were limited to in-house only.

Accordingly, the Corruption Prevention Department from 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020 successfully facilitated a number of different programs to achieve its mandate.

Summary of Corruption Prevention Activities

The following outlines and discusses corruption prevention programs executed within the reporting year to benefit the targeted audiences.

a. Awareness

The aim of the awareness program is to inform participants and to create a sense of empowerment to act against corrupt practices. The awareness program is conducted to the public and private sectors, tertiary institutions, schools, communities and civil societies. Awareness programs are conducted in the three (3) vernacular languages, that is, English, iTaukei and Hindi, largely depending on the preference of the participants.

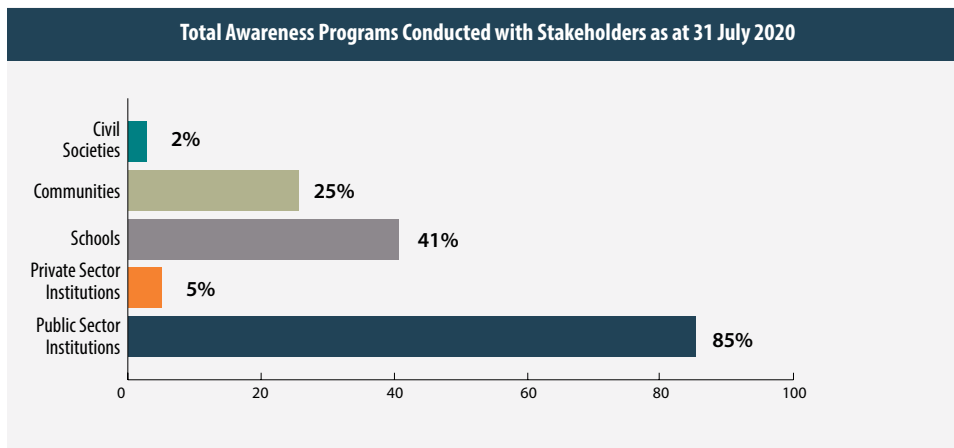
With the duration of forty-five (45) minutes to an hour, the awareness programs are specifically tailor-made to suit the targeted audience and discuss topics such as successful convicted cases prosecuted by the Commission, the relevant laws and the recommended anti-corruption measures to be adopted to curb corruption in society.



- School Teachers of Primary Schools;
- School Teachers of Secondary Schools;
- Students in the Upper Years/Grades; and
- School Management Committee.



For the fiscal year 2019 – 2020, the Team conducted a total of one hundred and fifty-eight (158) awareness programs as depicted in the graph below:



b. Corruption Risk Assessment (CRA) Workshop

The aim of the Corruption Risk Assessment (CRA) Workshop is to review policies and processes of the participating organisation, through the use of anti-corruption tools, in order to identify loopholes and address with counteractive policy changes.

The workshop is conducted over duration of two (2) days; and is specifically targeted at the Government Ministries, Departments and Statutory Authorities. The risk assessment involves the identification of corruption risk management through the usage of the Corruption Prevention and Risk Reduction (CPRR) tool as well as the Corruption Risk Management (CRM) tool which is specifically designed to understand operations and current practices.

With the use of the above-mentioned tools, four (4) domains are covered which are (i) People Management; (ii) Resource Management; (iii) Operations Management and (iv) Anti-Corruption Measures.

The four (4) domains are then used to scrutinize and assess the policies, processes and procedures in the system as well as identify gaps and loopholes which may pose as potential risks of corruption.



After the completion of the workshop, responses from group discussions and information gathering during the workshop are assessed and collated in a report. In the report, a number of recommendations are provided to the participating organisation to implement in order to minimize the risks of corruption.

A benchmark of six (6) Corruption Risk Assessment (CRA) workshops were to be facilitated and achieved by the Department for the reporting year; however, due to challenges faced, the Department managed to conduct two (2) workshops as at 31 July 2020 as depicted in the table below.

Benchmark of the Corruption Risk Assessment (CRA) Workshops as at 31 July 2020					
Categories	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total
Government Ministries / Department and Public Bodies	1	0	1	0	1
Total	1	0	0	0	1

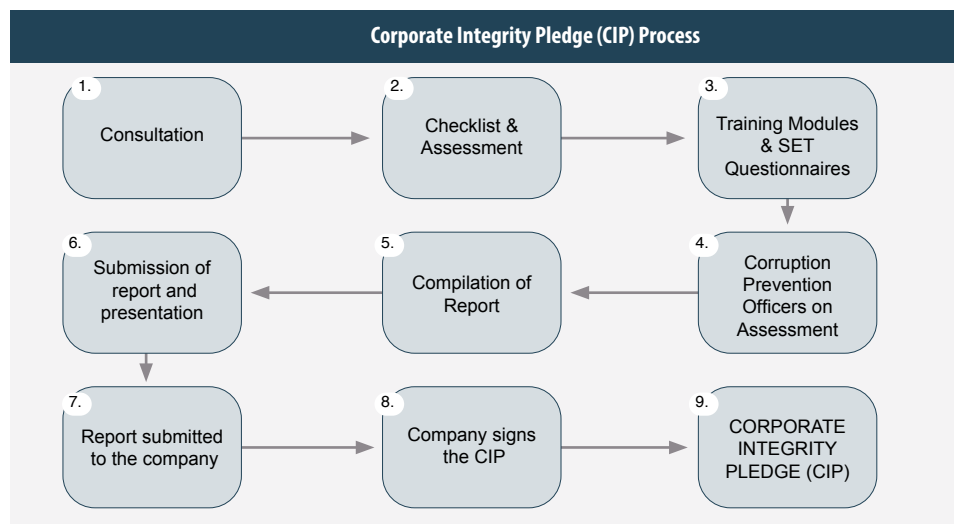
c. Corporate Integrity Pledge (CIP) Workshop

The Corporate Integrity Pledge is a voluntary document that is signed by private sector organisations for the purpose of adopting and upholding the five (5) anti-corruption principles which are as follows:

- i). Committing to promoting values of integrity, transparency and good governance;
- ii). Strengthening internal systems that support corruption prevention;
- iii). Complying with laws, policies and procedures relating to the fight against corruption;
- iv). Fighting any form of corruption;
- v). Supporting corruption prevention initiatives by the Commission.

The adoption of these anti-corruption principles demonstrates the commitment by the participating private sector organisations in creating a business environment which is fair, transparent and free of corruption. It through the initiative of the CIP program, the Commission is able to engage with the private sector organisations.

The following process outlines the duration and execution of the CIP Process:



Participating private organisations are monitored over a period of six (6) months after signing the pledge and are evaluated on the progress made in terms of implementing the five anti-corruption initiatives which focuses on the following policy documents:

- i). Anti-Bribery Policy;
- ii). Declaration of Assets and Liabilities;
- iii). Whistle Blower Policy;
- iv). Conflict of Interest Policy; and
- v). Code of Ethics.

For the fiscal period 2019 – 2020, the Corruption Prevention Department completed one (1) Corporate Integrity Pledge with the private sector.

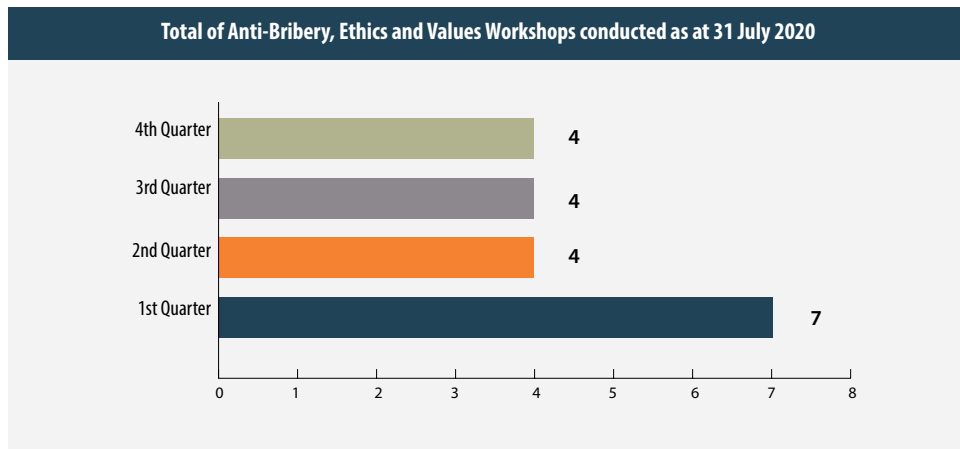
d. Anti-Bribery, Ethics and Values Workshop

The Anti-Bribery, Ethics and Values workshop is a one (1) day program which is conducted to the public and private sectors; school management; communities and civil society organisations.

The Anti-Bribery, Ethics and Values workshop stresses the importance of Good Governance as well as highlights the in-depth consequences of engaging in bribery conduct and corrupt practices. The workshop emphasizes on the following topics:

- i). The offence of bribery and its statutory penalty;
- ii). Relevant laws and important legal provisions from the legislations;
- iii). The Courts approach in concluded bribery cases; and
- iv). The implementation of preventative measures to minimise the various corruption risk areas.

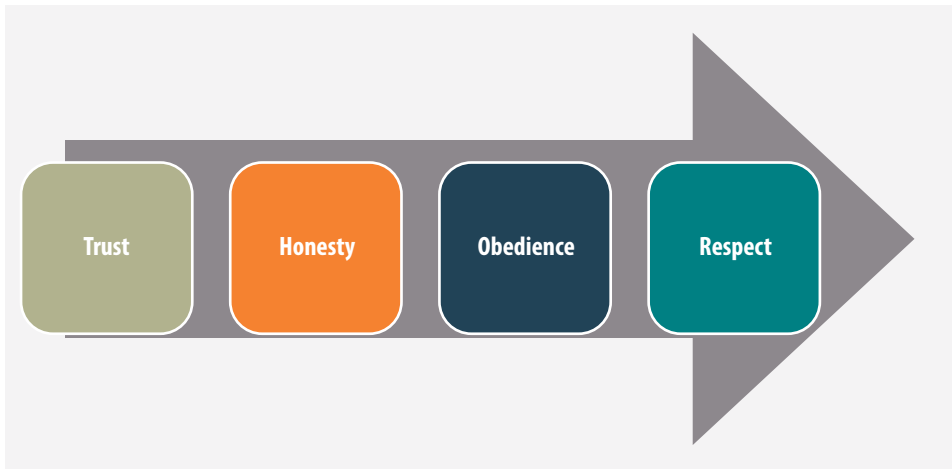
For the fiscal year 2019 – 2020, the Corruption Prevention Department conducted a total of nineteen (19) Anti-Bribery, Ethics and Values workshop to the public sector institutions as depicted in the graph below:



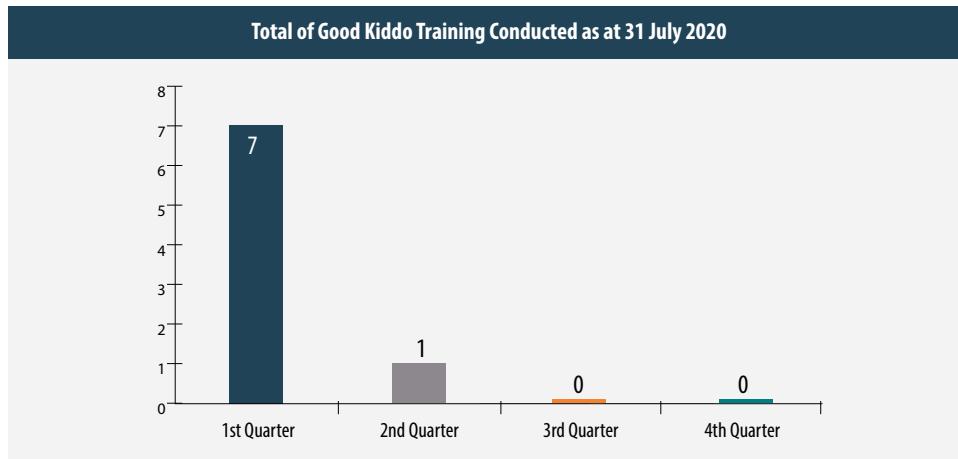
e. Good Kiddo

The Good Kiddo (GK) is an awareness program that is specifically targeted for Primary School students. The aim for the program is to promote the importance of values education in character building and moral conditioning of children that will assist in the promotion of an anti-corruption culture in Fiji.

The four values that are promoted in the Good Kiddo (GK) program are delivered in a fun-filled session with suitable teaching aids to capture the young minds towards the core subject of the program. The four values of the Good Kiddo (GK) are as follows:



For the fiscal year 2019 – 2020, a per annum estimate of thirty-six (36) Good Kiddo (GK) programs were benchmarked to be facilitated and achieved by the Department, however, due to challenges faced such as the closure of schools due to COVID-19, the Department managed to conduct a total sum of nine (9) Good Kiddo Programs as shown in the graph below:



Summary of Outcomes Accomplished

Tabled below is the Department's achievement for the reporting period 1 August 2019 to 31 August 2020.

Summary of Outcomes Accomplished	
Corruption Prevention Program	Quantity Accomplished
Awareness Sessions	158
Corruption Risk Assessment Workshop	1
Corporate Integrity Pledge Workshop	1
Anti-Bribery, Ethics and Values Workshop	19
Good Kiddo	8
TOTAL	187

In the future, FICAC plans to further advance its operations through enhanced technology, increased public outreach, and strengthened partnerships with local and international organisations. By leveraging digital tools and data analytics, FICAC aims to improve its investigative capabilities and increase efficiency in identifying and addressing corruption. Additionally, expanding educational programs and community engagement initiatives will ensure that FICAC's mission reaches every corner of Fiji, building a culture of integrity, transparency, and accountability for future generations.

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CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

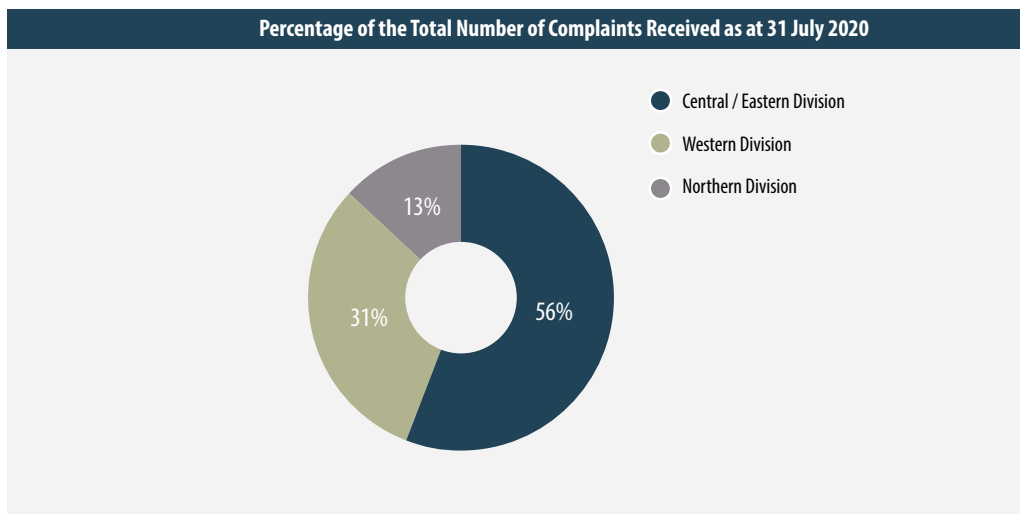
The Corporate Services Department comprises of nine sections/unit in which provides auxiliary and support services for the Commission. The Department ensures that the core functions of the Commission are effectively and efficiently executed across all Departments.

The following sub-sections will depict the achievements for the Corporate Services for the reporting financial year 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020.

Summary of the Corporate Services Activities

Complaints

For the reporting financial year 2019 – 2020, the Commission received and processed a total of one thousand, one hundred and fifty (1,150) complaints. Of the 1,150 complaints received, six hundred and forty-two (642) complaints were received in the Central/Eastern Division; three hundred and fifty-four (354) complaints were received in the Western Division and one hundred and fifty-four (154) complaints were received in the Northern Division as shown in the graph below.



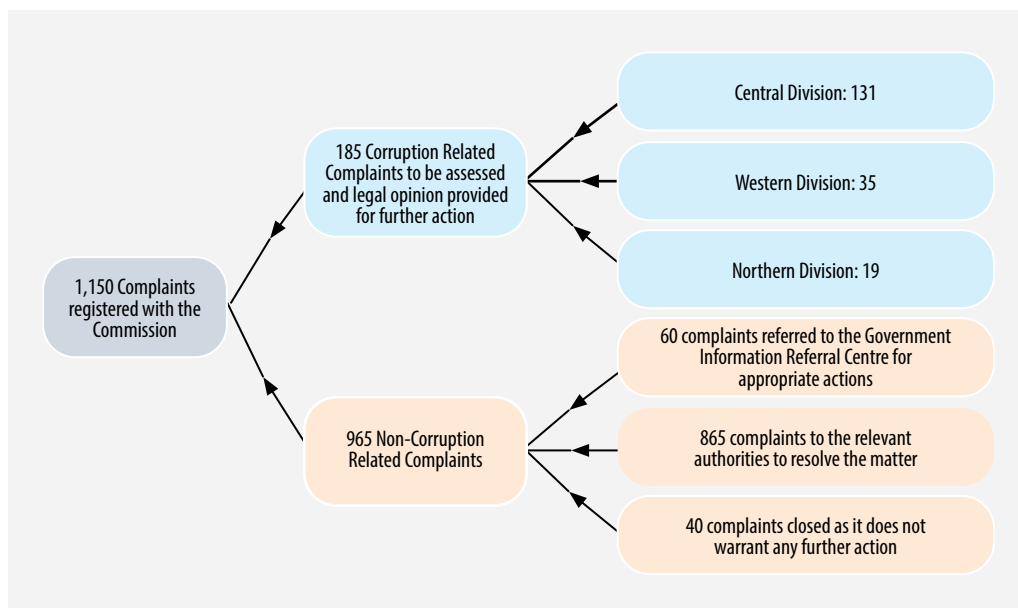
Classification of Complaints

All complaints received and processed by the Commission are categorised according to the nature of the complaints and classified as “corruption related complaints” or “non-corruption related complaints”

Corruption related complaints are complaints submitted directly to the Office of the Deputy Commissioner who will then direct for a preliminary investigation or seek legal opinion on the Commission’s jurisdiction to conduct an investigation as stipulated in the FICAC Act.

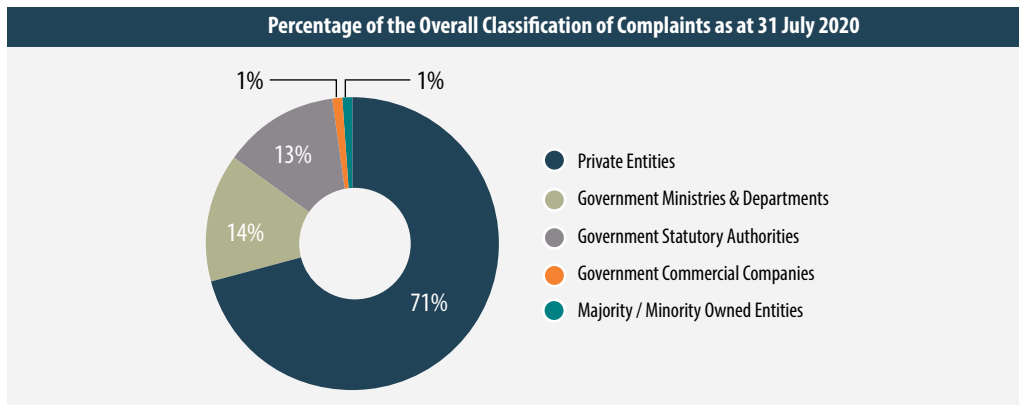
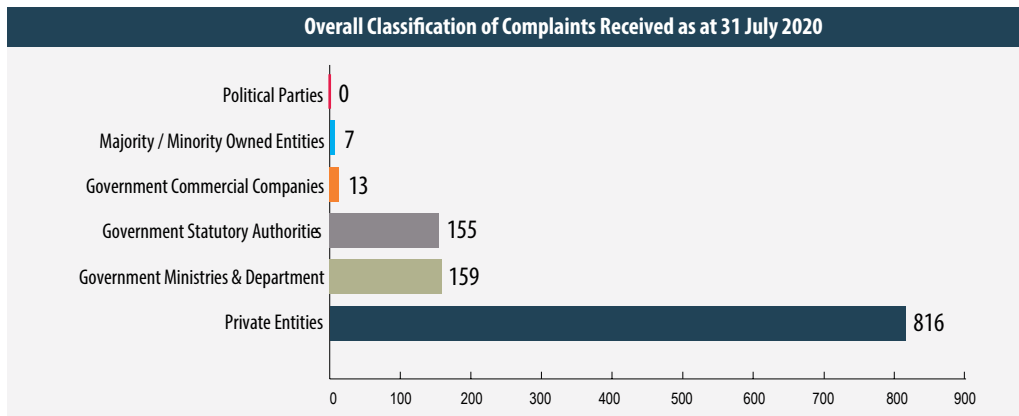
Non-corruption related complaints are assessed by the Complaints Officers who will then direct the complaints to the Government Information Referral Centre (GIRC), relevant Government Ministries and Departments or have the matter closed as it does not warrant further action from the Commission.

Outlined below are the respective actions taken to address the one thousand, one hundred and fifty (1,150) complaints received by the Commission for the reporting financial year:



Of the nine-hundred and sixty-five (965) non-corruption related complaints, eight hundred and sixty-five (865) complaints were referred to the relevant authorities to resolve the matter, sixty (60) complaints were referred to the Government Information Referral Centre (GIRC) for appropriate actions and forty (40) complaints were closed as it did not warrant any further action from the Commission.

With the 1,150 complaints received, eight hundred and sixteen (816) complaints were against Private Entities; one hundred and fifty-nine (159) complaints were against Government Ministries & Departments; one hundred and fifty-five (155) complaints were received against Government Statutory Authorities; thirteen (13) complaints were received against Government Commercial Companies; seven (7) complaints were received against Majority/Minority Owned Entities and there wasn't any complaints against Political Parties.



Mode of Reporting Complaints

There are four modes in which the Commission receives complaints from the general public which are as follows:

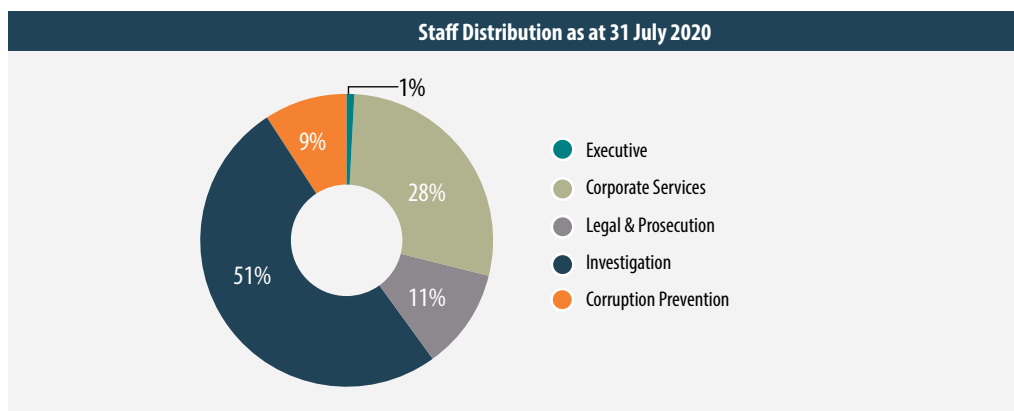
- a) Toll Free;
- b) In-person;
- c) Correspondence; and
- d) Landline.

For the reporting period 1 August 2019 to 31 August 2020, in-person mode of reporting complaints continues to be the most utilized mode by the general public when reporting complaints to the Commission as shown in the table below.

Mode of Reporting Complaints Received Per Quarter					
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total
Toll Free	50	53	31	25	159
In-person	243	178	168	161	750
Correspondence	46	36	36	76	194
Official Landline	13	19	8	7	47
TOTAL	352	286	243	269	1,150

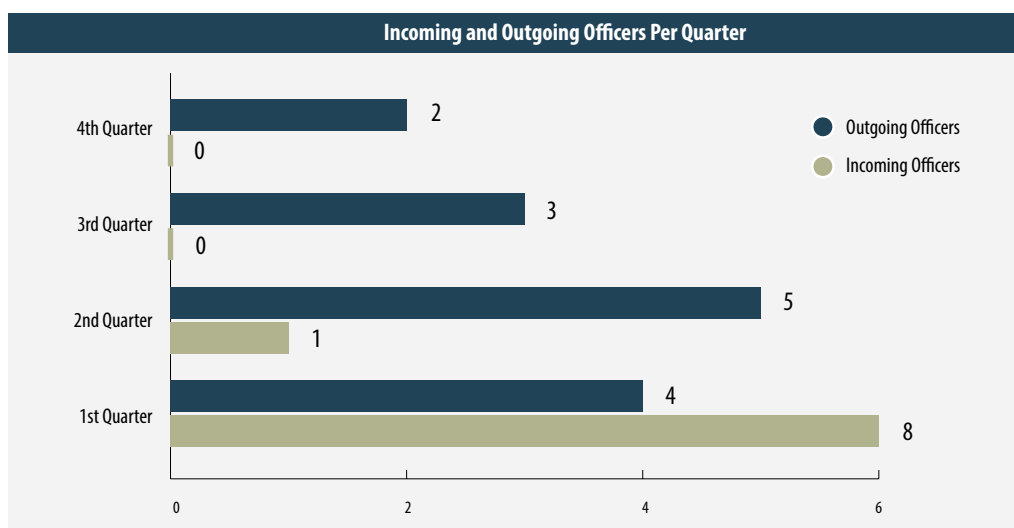
Human Resources

As of 31 July 2020, one hundred and thirty-nine (139) Officers were employed by the Commission. The breakdown is as follows:



Changes in the Staff Pool

For the reporting period 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020, seven (7) new Officers were recruited while fourteen (14) Officers departed the Commission. The changes in the staff pool over the four (4) quarters are reflected below:



Gender Equality

The Commission believes in equal opportunity and therefore continuously supports gender equality within the organisation. The Commission ensures recruitment and promotion of Officers from both gender groups are based on merit.

As of 31 July 2020, the Commission employed a total of seventy-seven (77) male Officers and sixty-two (62) female Officers. The gender distribution in the respective Departments is as follows:

Gender Distribution in the Respective Departments		
Gender Distribution - Department	Male Officers	Female Officers
Executive	1	0
Investigation	43	28
Legal & Prosecution	5	11
Corruption Prevention	7	5
Corporate Services	21	18
TOTAL	77	62

Training and Development

In a fast paced and evolving corporate environment, training and development has become an essential function for any organisation. The Commission continues to focus on specialised training and development programs in order to foster employee engagement initiatives, boost innovative ideas and increased productivity.

With this as the focus, selected Officers were given the opportunity to attend overseas training programmes as well as participate in regional and locally organised conferences and training courses. This was done to ensure Officers are capable to develop and enhance their knowledge in understanding and familiarising themselves with best practices and standards adopted internationally and locally.

The Commission was able to secure a total of thirty-four (34) courses and workshops for its Officers. Of these twenty-four (24) trainings were conducted internally and locally while ten (10) trainings were conducted overseas.

The table below captures the quarterly details of trainings and conferences attended by the Officers during the reporting financial year.

Trainings and Conferences Attended by Officers Per Quarter					
Courses	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total
Internal training	1	3	-	-	4
External training	1	5	4	10	20
Overseas training	6	3	1	-	10
Total Courses	8	11	5	10	34

Further to the above, additional details on the trainings and conferences attended by the Officers are provided below:

Trainings and conferences attended by the Officers					
Date	Vanue	Course Name	Facilitator	No. of Officers	Department
FIRST QUARTER					
12 – 17 August 2019	Los Angeles, USA	(ISC)2 Security Training	Training Centre	1	Corporate Services
16-Aug-19	Apia, Samoa	Integrating Ethics and Integrity (Anti-Corruption)	United Nations Pacific Regional Anti corruption	1	Corruption Prevention
18 – 23 August 2019	Canberra, Australia	APG Annual Meeting and Technical Assistance and Training Forum	Asia Pacific Group	2	Investigations & Legal
1 – 8 September 2019	United Kingdom	37th Cambridge International Symposium on Economic Crime	Jesus College, University of Cambridge	2	Legal & Executive
19 – 20 September 2019	Shangri La Fijian Resort & Spa	2019 CPA Congress	CPA Australia	2	Corporate Services
10 – 24 September 2019	FICAC HQ	Induction training on the competencies of an Investigator	Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption	9	Investigations
15 – 19 September 2019	Buenos Aires, Argentina	24th Annual Conference & General Meeting of the IAP	International Association of Prosecutors	1	Legal
25 – 27 September 2019	Singapore	2019 ACFE Fraud conference	Association of Certified Fraud Examiners	4	Investigation & Support staff
28 October – 1 November 2019	Attorney General's Office	Money Laundering Training	Mr Michael Blanchflower & Ms Elizabeth Yang	65	Investigation, Legal & Executive
30 October – 1 November 2019	Attorney General's Office	Workshop on drafting and application of cybercrime legislation	GLACY+ Global Action on Cybercrime	4	Investigation, Legal & Executive
30 – 31 October 2019	Fiji Human Rights & Anti-Discrimination Commission	Treatment of Persons in Custody	Fiji Human Rights & Anti-Discrimination Commission	5	Investigations
SECOND QUARTER					
4 – 29 November 2019	Hong Kong	ICAC Chief Investigators Command Course	Hong Kong Independent Commission Against Corruption	1	Investigations
11 – 14 November 2019	Dili, Timor-Leste	2019 16+ Forum Annual Showcase	World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA)	1	Corruption Prevention
12 – 15 November 2019	Sofitel hotel, Nadi	Application of International Law in Cyberspace	Australian High Commission	2	Legal
26-Nov-19	Attorney General's Office	Covert Operations and Electronic Surveillance	David Fitzpatrick	65	Investigation, Legal & Executive
27 - 29 November 2019	FICAC HQ	Specializing Prosecutions on Bribery and Fraud	David Fitzpatrick	12	Investigation, Legal & Executive

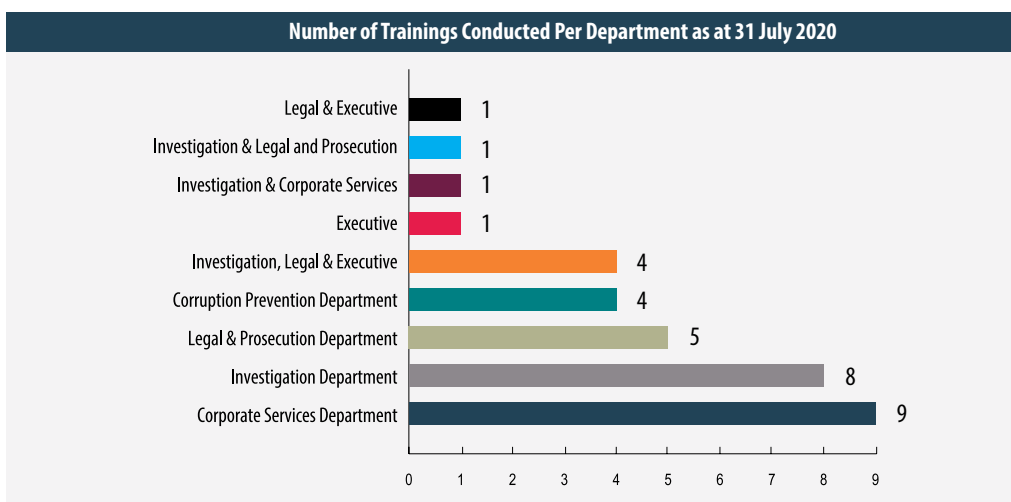
Trainings and conferences attended by the Officers

Date	Vaue	Course Name	Facilitator	No. of Officers	Department
SECOND QUARTER					
6 – 7 December 2019	Intercontinental Golf Resort & Spa	1st Attorney General's Conference	Attorney General's Office	12	Legal
9 – 12 December 2019	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	ISO 37001:2016 Anti-Bribery Management Systems-a tool to contribute to the UN SDG's	International Organisation for Standardisation	1	Investigations
18-Dec-19	Fiji Revenue & Customs Services	1st Phase TPOS Face to Face Training: FBT, VAT and PAYE	Fiji Revenue & Customs Service	3	Corporate Services
THIRD QUARTER					
3 – 6 February 2020	Kiribati	Pacific Regional Conference on Anti-Corruption	Kiribati Government	1	Executive
04-Feb-20	Attorney General's Office	United Nations Pacific Strategy Review	United Nations	2	Corruption Prevention
09-Mar-20	Pearl Resort	Closing Seminar of MoHMS/JICA NCD Project – Sharing Wellness Intervention and Activities at Workplaces	Ministry of Health & Medical Services/ Japan International Cooperation Agency	1	Corporate Services
13-Mar-20	LTA Valalevu	Defensive Driving Course (Level 2 PSV)	Land Transport Authority	1	Corporate Services
13 – 14 March 2020	Convention Center, Novotel, Lami	FIA Technical Workshop	Fiji Institute of Accountants	2	Investigations
FOURTH QUARTER					
21-May-20	LTA Lautoka	Defensive Driving Course (Level 2 PSV)	Land Transport Authority	1	Corporate Services
16 – 18 June 2020	FICAC HQ	2nd Phase TPOS online training (Provisional tax, Corporate Income Tax & Personal Income Tax)	Fiji Revenue & Customs Service	5	Corporate Services
12 June – 2 July 2020	FICAC HQ	Online Cellebrite training - Cellebrite Mobile Forensic Fundamentals (CMFF)	Cellebrite Learning Centre	2	Investigations
17-Jul-20	FICAC HQ	Legal training	Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption	11	Legal
26-Jun-20	FICAC HQ	Legal training	Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption	11	Legal
2 – 21 July 2020	FICAC HQ	Online Cellebrite training - Cellebrite Certified Operator (CCO)	Cellebrite Learning Centre	2	Investigations
6 – 10 July 2020	Fiji National University Nabua	Training of Trainers Module II	Fiji National University	1	Corporate Services
10-Jul-20	FICAC HQ	Transcribing training	Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption	5	Corporate Services
13 – 17 July 2020	Fiji National University Lautoka	Training of Trainers Module II	Fiji National University	1	Corruption Prevention
21 – 24 July 2020	FICAC HQ	Online Cellebrite training - Cellebrite Certified Physical Analyst	Cellebrite Learning Centre	2	Investigations

Of the 34 trainings conducted, nine (9) trainings were attended by Corporate Services, eight (8) trainings were attended by the Investigations Department, five (5) by the Legal & Prosecutions Department, four (4) by Corruption Prevention Officers and one (1) by the Executive. The Commission also noted that there were five (5) trainings whereby the Officers in attendance were from different Department as shown in the table below.

Officers Training Attendance from Different Department		
Department	Number of Trainings Attended	Percentage
Corporate Services Department	9	26%
Investigations Department	8	23%
Legal & Prosecutions Department	5	15%
Corruption Prevention Department	4	12%
Investigations, Legal & Executive	4	12%
Executive	1	3%
Investigations & Corporate Services	1	3%
Investigations & Legal and Prosecutions	1	3%
Legal & Executive	1	3%
TOTAL	34	100%

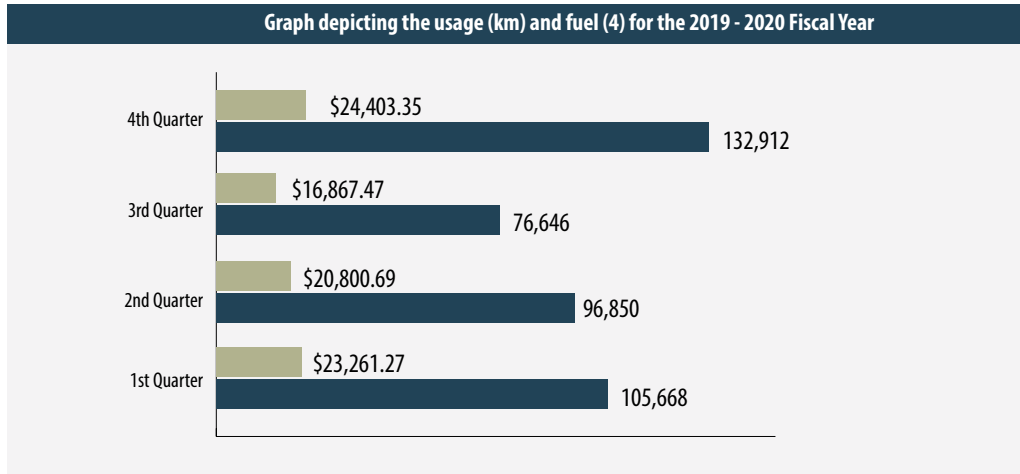
The graph below depicts the trainings conducted to each Department for the reporting period 1 August 2019 – 31 August 2020.



General Administration

Vehicle Fleet

For the reporting financial year 1 August 2019 – 31 July 2020, the Commission maintained its fleet of thirteen (13) vehicles with the vehicles usage and fuel consumption depicted in the graph provided below.



The Commission continues to facilitate and provide the drivers with the relevant and mandatory trainings in relation to road safety, defensive driving, servicing and maintenance of vehicles to ensure proficient and excellent management of the Commission vehicles.

Media & Graphics

The core responsibility of the Media & Graphics Section is to ensure creativity and innovative ideas are reflected in all the Commission advertisements and productions as well as ensuring press release statements on Cases before the Courts and sub-topics of corruption are published in an efficient and effective manner.



For the reporting financial year, the Media & Graphics Section completed the following publications:

- a. Training certificates for internal trainings conducted for the respective Department for the financial year 2019 – 2020;
- b. Newspaper supplements on selected topics such as how to lodge a complaint were designed and printed in the local newspapers;
- c. Info graphics depicting the statistics on corruption related offences for the year reporting 1 August 2018 – 31 July 2019.
- d. Designing of promotional materials for the Welfare Fund, media kit boxes for external workshops, Social Media Advert for the International Anti-Corruption Day, web banners and so forth; and

The table below depicts the press releases and the media articles published by the local and international news agencies on the Commission’s cases before the Courts.

Press & Media Releases Published		
MONTH	PRESS RELEASE	MEDIA ARTICLES
August 2019	5	5
September 2019	-	6
October 2019	3	13
November 2019	11	23
December 2019	10	29
January 2020	3	19
February 2020	5	27
March 2020	5	11
April 2020	2	5
May 2020	6	43
June 2020	6	26
July 2020	15	34
TOTAL	71	241

As at 31 July 2020, a total of four (4) supplementary articles were designed by the Media & Graphics Section and published in the local newspapers on corruption related topics such as “How to lodge a Complaint?”

Information Technology

As technology continues to evolve and expand, the Commission is committed to ensuring the IT infrastructure is on par with modern technology, industry’s best practices and international standards.

The Information Technology Section ensures this is achieved through upgrades of various systems as necessary in a manner not to disrupt the day-to-day operations of the end users/Officer.

The Information Technology section continues to provide technical user support, perform device management as well as security and network maintenance with the aim of ensuring tasks are performed by the end users in an effective and efficient manner.



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FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 JULY 2020

Audited financial statements for the Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption for the year ended 31 July 2020 together with my audit report on them are enclosed.

Particulars of the errors and omissions arising from the audit have been forwarded to the Management of the Commission for their necessary actions.

Yours sincerely

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

I have audited the financial statements of Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption (the "Commission") which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 July 2020, and the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Commission as at 31 July 2020, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standard for Small and Medium-sized Entities (IFRS for SMEs).

Basis for Opinion

I have conducted my audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of my report. I am independent of the Commission in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (IESBA Code) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in Fiji and I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

I draw attention to the Statement of Comprehensive Income which reflect a net deficit of \$1,078,434 during the year ended 31 July 2020. This is the third consecutive year the Commission is operating at a deficit.

Other Information

The Management are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Commission's Annual Report but does not include the financial statements and the auditor's report thereon.

My opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial statements, my responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or my knowledge obtained during the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based upon the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Management and Those Charged with Governance for Financial Statements

The Management of the Commission is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS for SMEs, and for such internal control as the Management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Management is responsible for assessing the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Management either intend to liquidate the Commission or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Commission's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISA will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISA, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures, are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Commission's to cease continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In my opinion, the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the the Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 2007 in all material respects, and;

- a) I have been given all information, explanations and assistance necessary for the conduct of the audit; and
- b) The Commission has kept financial records sufficient to enable the financial statements to be prepared and audited.


Sairusi Dukuno
ACTING AUDITOR-GENERAL



Suva, Fiji
04 October 2023

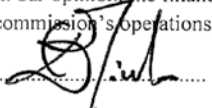
FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 JULY 2020

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	6	4,821	525,843
Receivables	7	39,344	57,036
Other current assets	8	262,084	503,458
Total Current Assets		<u>306,249</u>	<u>1,086,337</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	9	1,368,318	1,624,579
Intangible assets	10	60,761	163,286
Total Non-Current Assets		<u>1,429,079</u>	<u>1,787,865</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>1,735,328</u>	<u>2,874,202</u>
CURRENT LAIBILITIES			
Trade and other payables	11	217,941	360,412
Employee entitlements	12	227,483	207,339
Total Current Liabilities		<u>445,424</u>	<u>567,751</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Employee entitlements	12	284,181	222,294
Total Non-Current Liabilities		<u>284,181</u>	<u>222,294</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>729,605</u>	<u>790,045</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>1,005,723</u>	<u>2,084,157</u>
EQUITY			
Accumulated Funds		<u>1,005,723</u>	<u>2,084,157</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this Statement of Financial Position.

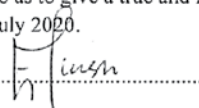
COMMISSION'S STATEMENT

In our opinion, the financial statements have been properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the commission's operations and its state of affairs for the year ended 31 July 2020.



Acting Commissioner
Ratu David Toganivalu

Date: 29/9/23



Manager Corporate Services
Volisa Lynda Elaisa

Date: 29/9/23

**FJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020**

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
REVENUES			
Government grant		7,270,071	7,638,552
Other income	3	<u>2,043</u>	<u>35,377</u>
Total Revenue		<u>7,272,114</u>	<u>7,673,929</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Administrative expenses	4	651,191	868,207
Other expenses	5	<u>7,699,357</u>	<u>7,501,248</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>8,350,548</u>	<u>8,369,455</u>
Net Deficit for the year		<u>(1,078,434)</u>	<u>(695,526)</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this Statement of Comprehensive Income.

**FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020**

Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
Balance 1 August 2019	<u>2,084,157</u>	<u>2,779,683</u>
	2,084,157	2,779,683
Net Deficit for the year	(1,078,434)	(695,526)
Accumulated funds at 31 July 2020	<u>1,005,723</u>	<u>2,084,157</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this Statement of Changes in Equity.

FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipt of Government grants		7,449,834	7,815,296
Receipt form miscellaneous income		700	745
Payment to employees and suppliers of goods and services		<u>(7,777,348)</u>	<u>(7,985,622)</u>
Net cash used for operating activities		<u>(326,814)</u>	<u>(169,581)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		1,025	74,974
Payments for property, plant and equipment		<u>(195,233)</u>	<u>(433,721)</u>
Net cash used for investing activities		<u>(194,208)</u>	<u>(358,747)</u>
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(521,022)	(528,328)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		525,843	1,054,171
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	6	<u>4,821</u>	<u>525,843</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this Statement of Cash Flows.

FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

Note 1 General information

The Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption (“FICAC”) or “the Commission” was established under the Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption Act No. 11 of 2007 (“the Act”). The address of its registered office and principal place of business is Reverend John Hunt Building, Suva, Fiji.

Principal activity

The Commission was established on 4 April 2007 to *inter alia* investigate acts of corruption by Public Officers, employees of Government and Government-related organisations. The Commission is governed by the Act and to maintain its independence, it reports directly to His Excellency, the President of the Republic of Fiji.

Note 2 Basis of preparation and accounting policies

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standard for Small and Medium-sized Entities as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except where stated.

a) **Foreign Currency Translation**

Function and Presentation Currency

The financial statements are presented in Fiji dollars, which is the Commission’s functional currency, rounded to the nearest dollar.

Transactions and Balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in profit or loss.

b) **Cash**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and cash at bank.

c) **Receivables**

Receivables are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for impairment of receivables is established when there is objective evidence that the Commission will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

d) **Income Tax**

The Commission is exempt from income tax in accordance with the provision of Section 17 of the Fiji Income Tax Act.

e) **Property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

FJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

Note 2 Basis of preparation and accounting policies- continued

e) Property, plant and equipment- continued

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method. The following annual rates are used for the depreciation of property, plant and equipment:

- Leasehold improvements- Lease term
- Motor Vehicles 20 per cent
- Office Equipment 12.5 - 20 per cent
- Furniture & Fittings 10 - 25 per cent
- Computer Hardware 20 per cent

If there is an indication that there has been a significant change in depreciation rate, useful life or residual value of an asset, the depreciation of that asset is revised prospectively to reflect the new expectation.

f) Intangible assets

Intangible assets comprise of purchased computer software that is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. It is amortised over its estimated life of 10 years using the straight-line method. If there is an indication that there has been a significant change in amortisation rate, useful life or residual value of an intangible asset, the amortisation is revised prospectively to reflect the new expectations.

- Computer Software 10 per cent

g) Impairment of assets

At each reporting date, property, plant and equipment and intangible assets are reviewed to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If there is an indication of possible impairment, the recoverable amount, the higher of an asset's (or cash generating units) fair value less costs to sell and its value in use, of any affected asset (or group of related assets) is estimated and compared with its carrying amount. If estimated recoverable amount is lower, the carrying amount is reduced to its estimated recoverable amount, and an impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

If an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but not in excess of the amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

h) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are obligations on the basis of normal credit terms and do not bear interest. They are measured at amortised cost.

i) Employee benefit obligations

Superannuation

Contributions are paid to the Fiji National Provident Fund on behalf of employees to secure retirement benefits. Costs are included in profit or loss as the services are rendered by employees.

Short term benefits

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed in profit or loss as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount to be paid under short-term benefits if the Commission has a present or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be measured reliably.

FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

Note 2 Basis of preparation and accounting policies- continued

i) Employee benefit obligations- continued

Short term benefits- continued

Liabilities for non-accumulating sick leave are recognised when the leave is taken and measured at the rates paid or payable.

Other long term employee benefits- including long service leave

The Commission's net obligation in respect of long-term employee benefits other than pension plans is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods; that benefit is discounted to determine its present value, and the fair value of any related assets is deducted. The discount rate is the yield at the reporting date on government bonds that have maturity dates approximating the terms of the Commission's obligations.

j) Revenue Recognition

Government Grants

Grants from the government are recognised at their fair value in profit or loss where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received, and the Commission has complied with all attached conditions. For the financial year ending 31/07/2020, the Commission received grant from the Government of Fiji with no attached conditions which are recognised at fair value in the Profit and Loss.

The Grants received where the Commission has yet to comply with all attached conditions are recognised as a liability (and included in deferred income within trade and other payables) and released to income when all attached conditions have been complied with.

k) Leases

Leases in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

The Commission leases certain items of property, plant and equipment. Leases of property, plant and equipment where the Commission has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised at the commencement of the lease at the lower of the fair value of the leased property and the present value of the minimum lease payments.

Each lease payment is apportioned between the liability and finance charges using the effective interest method. Rental obligations, net of finance charges, are included in borrowings in the statement of financial position. The property, plant and equipment acquired under finance leases is depreciated over the shorter of the useful life of the asset and the lease term.

l) Value Added Tax

The statement of revenue and expenditure has been prepared so that all components are stated exclusive of VAT.

m) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative balances have been adjusted to confirm with changes in the presentation in the current year.

FJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Note 3 Other Income		
Miscellaneous income	700	745
Interest income	1,343	-
Gain on sale of plant and equipment	-	34,632
	<u>2,043</u>	<u>35,377</u>
<p>In 2020, the Commission corrected an omission which resulted in slight understatement of income from the period 2014 to 2019. The correction of the error is accounted for prospectively and recorded as interest income.</p>		
Note 4 Administrative expenses		
Insurance	33,805	28,432
Operating lease rentals	39,027	41,839
Office lease rentals	467,573	568,616
Printing and photocopying	15,727	37,455
Other administrative expenses	95,059	191,865
	<u>651,191</u>	<u>868,207</u>
Note 5 Other expenses		
Advertising	97,705	87,335
Communication	144,846	143,751
Depreciation and amortisation	617,567	588,383
Electricity	208,038	218,454
Legal Consultancy fees	86,666	-
Long service leave	84,188	32,786
Repairs and maintenance	221,720	272,260
Salaries & wages	5,454,062	5,424,395
Staff training	244,490	178,613
TPAF levy	50,441	47,894
Travelling expenses	298,955	284,553
Loss on sale of Plant and Equipment	1,759	-
Other expenses	188,920	222,824
	<u>7,699,357</u>	<u>7,501,248</u>
Note 6 Cash		
Cash at bank and on hand	4,821	525,843
	<u>4,821</u>	<u>525,843</u>

FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
 NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS *(continued)*
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Note 7		
Receivables		
Staff debtors	-	747
Other Receivables	382	-
Accrued Interest	216	-
Receivables – VAT	38,746	56,289
	<u>39,344</u>	<u>57,036</u>
Note 8		
Other current assets		
Refundable deposits	75,172	84,911
Prepayments	186,912	418,547
	<u>262,084</u>	<u>503,458</u>

FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

Note 9 Property, plant and equipment	Leasehold improvements \$	Motor vehicles \$	Office equipment \$	Furniture and fittings \$	Computer hardware \$	Total \$
Cost						
Balance as at 1 August 2019	531,027	1,079,886	369,733	592,002	1,545,688	4,118,336
Work in Progress	-	-	4,586	-	2,063	6,649
Additions in the year	81,571	-	733	40,219	110,594	233,117
Disposals	(15,358)	-	-	-	-	(15,358)
Balance as at 31 July 2020	597,240	1,079,886	375,052	632,221	1,658,345	4,342,744
Accumulated depreciation and impairment						
Balance as at 1 August 2019	225,583	387,198	285,234	443,904	1,151,838	2,493,757
Depreciation	56,326	215,977	30,437	47,868	142,635	493,243
Disposals	(12,574)	-	-	-	-	(12,574)
Balance as at 31 July 2020	269,335	603,175	315,671	491,772	1,294,473	2,974,426
Carrying amount						
1 August 2019	305,444	692,688	84,499	148,098	393,850	1,624,579
31 July 2020	327,905	476,711	59,381	140,449	363,872	1,368,318

FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
 NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (continued)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Note 10 Intangible assets		
Software:		
<i>Cost</i>		
Opening balance as at 1 August	1,268,073	1,268,073
Additions	21,799	-
Disposals	-	-
Closing balance as at 31 July	<u>1,289,872</u>	<u>1,268,073</u>
<i>Accumulated amortisation and impairment</i>		
Opening balance as at 1 August	1,104,787	978,425
Amortisation (included in other expenses)	124,324	126,362
Disposals	-	-
Closing balance as at 31 July	<u>1,229,111</u>	<u>1,104,787</u>
<i>Carrying amount 31 July 2020</i>	<u>60,761</u>	<u>163,286</u>
Note 11 Trade and other payables	<u>217,941</u>	<u>360,412</u>
Creditors and accruals	<u>217,941</u>	<u>360,412</u>
Note 12 Employee entitlements		
Obligation as at 1 August	429,633	388,057
Additional accrual during the year	377,485	300,948
Benefits paid during the year	(295,454)	(259,372)
Obligation as at 31 July	<u>511,664</u>	<u>429,633</u>
The obligation is classified as:		
Current liability	227,483	207,339
Non-current liability	284,181	222,294
Total	<u>511,664</u>	<u>429,633</u>
Note 13 Commitments		
Commitments under operating leases		
The Commission rents several photocopiers, and office space rental under operating leases. The leases are for an average period of four years for the photocopiers and office rentals ranging from 3 – 20 years for office rental, with fixed rentals over the same period.		
Minimum lease payments under operating leases recognized as an expense during the year	<u>506,600</u>	<u>610,454</u>

FIJI INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Note 13 Commitments		
At year end, the Commission has outstanding commitments under non-cancellable operating leases that fall due as follows:		
Within one year	462,650	499,575
Later than one year but within five years	1,129,805	1,536,911
Later than five years	781,521	958,744
	<u>2,373,976</u>	<u>2,995,230</u>
Capital commitments	<u>8,008</u>	<u>40,083</u>

Note 14 Contingent liabilities

Contingent liabilities amounted to \$Nil as at 31 July 2020 (2019: \$Nil).

Note 15 Subsequent Events

The World Health Organisation declared a pandemic in relation to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) on 11 March 2020. The impact of this virus has disrupted travel and business in Fiji and throughout the world. The outbreak continues to cause unprecedented social disruption and economic and financial markets volatility globally and locally in Fiji.

Apart from the matters specifically referred to above, no issues, transaction or events have been identified between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, that in the opinion of the Commission may significantly affect the operations of the organisation, the result of these operations or the state of the affairs of the Commission, in subsequent financial years.

Note 16 Related Party Transactions

Identity and transactions

The Commission is guided by the Constitution of Fiji and the FICAC Act No 11 of 2007. The Parliament is responsible for the adequate funding and resources to exercise its function independently and effectively. Thus, the Commission receives its annual grant from the government of Fiji. During the financial year August 2019 to July 2020, the Commission received an operating grant of \$7,449,834 (2019: \$7,815,296) from the Government of Fiji. Amounts payable/receivable to/from the Government of Fiji was \$nil as at 31 July 2020 (2019: \$nil).

The total remuneration of key management for the period (including salaries and benefits) was:
 Acting Deputy Commissioner (01/08/2019-30/04/2020)-\$186,434 (18/04/2019-31/07/2019)-\$75,722;
 and Deputy Commissioner (01/05/2020-31/07/20220)-\$81,831 and (01/08/2018-18/04/2019) - \$132,837.

Note 17 Approval of financial statements

These financial statements were approved by the Acting Commissioner and authorized for issue on.....

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