



# Weekly Wrap-Up Newsletter

The weekly wrap-up newsletter is a platform to link and update staff and project stakeholders on the happenings in all Project Implementation Units (PIUs) and Project Management Unit (PMU) on the progress of projects CAUSE implemented in various communities of Honiara, Guadalcanal (areas outside of town boundary), Auki, Gizo, Noro and Munda.

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### Auki - Sinasu school footpath in progress



Footpath for Sinasu school at Ambu village of Auki is progressing well. Currently workers are assembling the form work ahead of concrete slabbing. At present 40 percent of the job is done. Over the coming days workers will continue connecting the footpath to the primary division of the school.

### Gizo footbridge completed



The footbridge in front of Gizo hotel along the MSG building has completed. Currently pedestrians are enjoying walking on a comfortable safe bridge. In the past they have to walk on the same road running vehicles is using which is not safe for children and women.

### Gizo - Banana valley ablation



Banana valley satellite market ablation in Gizo is almost in the completion stage. In the coming weeks works will install roofing to be followed by internal works and plastering.

### New jetty for Noro Market



The construction of Noro market jetty has started this week. Currently workers are working on piling structures. In the coming weeks they will be working on aligning the posts and other structures of the jetty.

### Third market stall for Munda



Work has also started for the construction of the third market stall in Munda. Team are working hard to complete the stall over the coming weeks. So far Munda residents are happy to see new market stalls are built which will boost vendors to proactively engage in supplying local food for Munda residents.

### GRM awareness for media in Auki



This morning an awareness was conducted for media houses representatives and Auki staff. The awareness is to aware the media personals on the project grievance redress mechanisms to help them better understand project process but also help staff to communicate with frustrated clients and how solve issues. The media reps of Island sun and solstar based in Auki appreciated the session as it provides them with clear understanding of how the project operates and how to tailor stories. Similar awareness will be conducted in Western PIUs next week.

### Meeting with pacific tenders



A meeting was held yesterday between Project Manager Samuel Belamide and Pacific tenders company. Pacific tenders is a platform that advertised tenders across the region both online and printed magazine. The meeting was to explained to the project their services and how project can benefit from in terms of scouting best contractors.

### News/ Announcements.

1. Despite Slow Start Vaccination Rollout Program Continues. "It is our hope that COVID-19 vaccination will start rolling out in Western Province as early as next Monday, 12th April 2021 to be followed closely by the roll out in Choiseul province and then Malaita outer Islands", Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavare says in his most recent statement on Tuesday 6th April.
2. There is an increased number of influenza-like illnesses in Sikaiana. Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavare reported this in his weekly address. Sogavare says that the government has received reports of influenza like illness and increased cases of diarrhoea at Sikaiana. Sikaiana, an atoll in the Malaita Outer Islands (MOI) continues to experience food shortages as the impact of saltwater intrusion and storm surges continue to affect their garden patches.
3. Government Approves New Tax Measures to Boost Revenue. The government also agreed to review the current tax regime on mineral exports in 2021 with the intention to impose export duty on the exports of mineral products.
4. The UN Development Programme in Solomon Islands, in cooperation with the Government of Solomon Islands and the International Labor Organization (ILO), is delivering a one-month training leadership in peacebuilding programme for youths in the Weather Coast of South Guadalcanal.