



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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Drainage system at Vura 1 is progressing well.



Drainage system at the lower Vura 1 road next to the Vura school is progressing well. About 240 meters of the stiff road will be concreted like the Savo height road. Below it there is a concrete drainage system that is currently under construction that will receive water from the top and direct them out to the main drainage system.

Impact story - Ella Maetaá



Ella a 37-year-old mother with one child in primary school has joined ISDT training batch 37 in September 2020. Prior to attending the ISDT, Ella's daily job is staying at home and does routine domestic household activities while managing a small canteen to support her family.

In January 2021, Ella was able to get short term employment in the waste management services as a group leader. After completion of their engagement Ella earned \$1,600. As Ella studied income generation training in the ISDT she was able to put into practice what she learnt from her 7 days training. She used some of the money she earned to increase the stock in her small canteen as well as start a small income generating activity which is purposely for savings and to go towards bus fares and food money for her child at school. Every day she makes 52 packets of banana chips which she sells for \$2 a packet and earns \$104.00. Then she puts aside \$20 every day in her savings box, \$15.00 goes towards bus fares, \$5 for her child to spend at school and the rest goes back into making the next lot of banana chips.

Ella said the ISDT training is very helpful and has impacted her life. She commended the project for the short-term employment opportunity that helped her put into practice what she learnt that greatly contributed towards meeting the economic needs of her family.

Mata Valley footbridge in progress



The construction of Mata valley footbridge in central Honiara is progressing well at moment. Over the coming days the local workers will do slabbing of the basement of the bridge. The foot bridge is constructed mostly by women and has been praised by commuters on the CAUSE FB page for doing what is known as men's job.

Noro jetty progress



Noro jetty is getting closure to completion. Over the coming days local workers will work on concreting the post to be follow by installation of bearers and flooring.

Gizo jetty in progress



Gizo market is steadily progressing. Within a span of two weeks there was already a huge progress. Currently workers working on concrete piling of the post and later to the timber structures.

Kaibia road upgrade



Kaibia road in central Honiara has been upgraded. The upgrade is being carried out by Capitol Construction company. Many people living in those areas especially in the yellow bamboo praised and acknowledged the project for upgrading their road which had been in a bad state for the past last years.

News/ Announcements.

1. The public must at all time stay out from the site when Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) unearths the unexploded ordinance (UXOs. This warning came as 101 high explosive bomb were discovered at Gilbert camp of Honiara this week.
2. Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavare has announced that the AstraZeneca vaccine manufactured in Australia have been approved to be used in Solomon Islands.
3. 30 health workers comprising of doctors, nurses and data and risk communication officers of the Ministry of Health are now ready to commence the roll out of the Sinopharm vaccines next week.
4. Monday 24th May is whit Monday it is observed as public holiday in Solomon Islands.