

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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Minister of Health and Medical Services Dr Culwick Togamana said there are 190 new COVID cases with Honiara recording 167 cases. Solomon Islands now has 2,357 recorded against its name. Malaita has 21 new cases whilst Makira for the first time recorded two new cases. A total of 6 deaths were reported with Guadalcanal (recorded since January 26) accounting for five and Honiara 1. Total deaths now stand at 21.

Important Announcement



The Project is reminding those who interested to join trainings and short term jobs that all must bring their vaccine cards. The project only accepting those who completed their full vaccination. No cards means no trainings and no jobs. Let us work together to prevent the spread of covid 19 in our country.

Mbokana clinic car park and waiting area



The Mbokana clinic car park and waiting area is near completion. In the coming weeks workers will work on the slabbing and other outstanding jobs depending on the covid situation.

Cleaning in Gizo



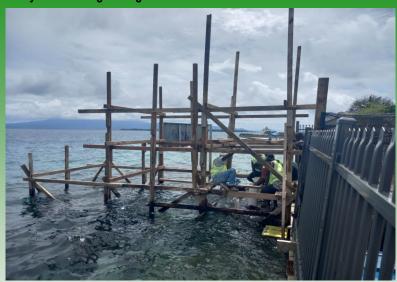
Despite the current situation the country is facing the project is still providing short term employment through cleaning services. The project is ensuring that those who engaged are oblige and follow the strict covid protocols.

Vura Clinic Gate



Soon the Vura clinic will be fully secured, the project is working on a sealed secured gate that will be erected at front entrance of the clinic. The actual putting up of the gate will be done soon once the covid situation is improves.

Jetty in Gizo Progressing



Gizo jetty 2 and 3 are progressing despite the situation encountered. Meanwhile work in Gizo is suspended temporarily as of today while observing the covid situation.

Lower Titinge footbridge near completion



The lower Titinge footbridge is almost complete. Because of the Covid situation work has been halted but will recommence soon to complete the final work.

News/ Announcements.

- There are a total of 190 positive COVID-19 cases recorded over a 24-hour reporting timeframe. The Minister of Health and Medical services Dr Culwick Togamana gave the updated figure during his daily situation report on the COVID-19 outbreak in the country.
- 2. Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavare welcomed Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Head of the Office of the Pacific, Ewen McDonald and Australian Federal Police Commissioner, Reece Kershaw APM to Honiara to discuss COVID-19 response and the ongoing strong partnership between Solomon Islands and Australia.
- 3. The Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) officers who are currently in Brisbane begin their training conducted by the Australian Federal Police (AFP) on 31 January 2022.
- 4. The Pacific Business Monitor 2021 Report released by the Pacific Trade Invest (PTI) Network today revealed that while COVID-19 adversely impacted the Pacific business community throughout much of 2021, positive sentiments among Pacific business owners and leaders increased towards the end of the year.