



# **ENVIRONMENT SECTOR 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL REVIEW**

**Governance Subsector**



# ACHIEVEMENTS (FY2015-2016)

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Sector Strategies	Targets 2015-2016	Achievements
<b>a1. Review and update existing legislation and regulations and enact new ones as appropriate to strengthen the capacity of MNRE and key stakeholders to enforce compliance.</b>	1) Audit at 6% + Baseline of regulatory tool reviewed. 2) Information hub & procurement finalized and operational	Enforcement & Investigations Manual – (achieved) Conservation Laws in Samoa Guidebook Climate Change Policy Review In-house Investigating & Compliance Officer Divisional Refresher Trainings for Investigation & Enforcement Legal Framework conducted by TA ( Rio Conventions and relevance to other legal instruments ) EMC Bill consultations + awareness Climate change policy reviewed DKIF – Data Knowledge Information Facility/ 80% operational with Repository and uploading documents
<b>a2. Improve environmental monitoring, enforcement and compliance to support national compliance ( regional and international reporting )</b>	1) 30% national database for all policies and legislative tools 2) Sector MTEF  <b>baseline – 10% - database of all Policies etc and status of enforcement</b>	To date: 19 Acts, 9 Regulations, 4 draft Laws, 10+ Policies, 23 MEAs, 8 Regional Conventions: DKIF NBSAP - Ecological studies conducted under projects, eg, SMSCL, NAP, SNIP, etc 30 Authorized Officers - continuous learning Support for staff development on overseas training ( 121 ) # of cases reported
<b>b1. Improve medium term financial planning and management of the National Environment Sector Plan.</b>	1) Sector MTEF – 6% inc national budget  <b>Baseline – MTEF/ MNRE took up 8.5% of the 2013/14 national budget</b>	IMTEF n progress Financial trend: % of funding: > donor funding / < national budget

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<b>b2. Encourage the use of natural resource valuations and payment for ecosystem services ( PES )</b>	1) Implemented under the SMSCL Project  No target for 2015/16 – already noted and achieved in the 2014/15 Review.	Achieved under the SMSCL Project Protection of water catchment areas Eg., Malololelei, Togitogiga
<b>b3. Improve access to and management of donor funds in close collaboration with between MoF, PSC, MNRE.</b>	1. # of projects 2. Approved project staff 3. Knowledge transfer & capacity building 4. National Trust Fund  No set targets	Projects + Support staff RIO Capacity Building Project – 2 Project support staff till Sept 2017. - Achieved SMSMCL – Project manager + 3 TA + Admin Officer - Achieved EWACC – Project Manager + 3 Principal Officer + Admin staff - Achieved AF/PPCR – Project Manager + 3 TAs + Waterfront Project – Achieved PREP TA + Coordinator
<b>C1. Institutional arrangements for effective coordination</b>	1. Performance Monitoring system for the NESP 2. 15%  Baseline – inc % of monitoring tools utilized	NESP Steering Committee + alternate Chair Annual reviews conducted ( 3 <sup>rd</sup> Review ) 4 Quarterly Meetings + 2 Special meetings Stakeholders representation NESP Taskforce - <b>approved renamed to NESSC</b>
<b>C2. Strengthen participation of local communities in the NESP process</b>	1. M & E Framework developed 2. 15%	M & E Draft ( TA procured under the RIO Project ) Consultations More than 15% consulted

# ACHIEVEMENTS (FY2015-2016)

**Outcome 9: Strengthened institutional framework with improve governance and capacity at all levels to promote integrated decision making, improve monitoring and enforcement and strategic environment assessment.**

**KESO 10: Strengthen national capacity for environmental management, coordinate the NESP implementation, environmental monitoring and assessment.**

Sector Strategies	Targets 2015-2016	Achievements
<b>1. Institutional set-up</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) SOE information hub</li> <li>2) Data update</li> </ol>	<p>DKIF operational. 80% repository data uploaded.</p>
<b>2. Improved sector coordination of environmental initiatives through a robust and effective management framework</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) NESP Secretariat established and functioning</li> <li>2) NESPAC established and functioning</li> <li>3) NESP monitoring and reporting system established and functioning</li> <li>4) Total of 6 sector plans with disaster and climate resilience strategies</li> </ol>	<p>Improved and visible sector coordination – quarterly meetings SBS MOU – partnership Linkages to the SDS – DKIF Sector plans: Agriculture, Tourism, Health &amp; Community</p>
<b>3. SOE Assessment &amp; Reporting</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) SOE data update</li> </ol>	<p>Partially achieved In progress, BioRAP, Ecological surveys, KBAs Environmental indicators Data collection – DKIF Data operators currently being trained – 30 National Reports under MEAs CDC Reports</p>
<b>4. Capacity building &amp; awareness</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Invest as a matter of high priority in the collection of scientifically sound, accurate and up to date environmental statistics to measure environmental change and ecological health</li> <li>2) Clearing house mechanism training</li> <li>3) Information hub upgraded system/database</li> </ol>	<p>DKIF CLEWS National meteorological services Early warning systems CC Portal SBS network Met data LIDAR Disaster network Published reports on Forums</p>

# ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

<p><b>KESO 9: To strengthen the policy, regulatory, financial and strategic planning and management framework for environmental sustainability and disaster resilience.</b></p>	<p><b>Issues &amp; Challenges</b></p>	<p><b>Opportunities</b></p>
<p><b>1. Review and update existing legislation and regulations and enact new ones as appropriate to strengthen the capacity of MNRE and key stakeholders to enforce compliance.</b></p>	<p>AOs Cases to demonstrate non compliance</p>	<p>Fine tune legal instruments to support regulatory role of MNRE Legal Review team independent to provide objective review and recommendations Funding support Technical expertise within MNRE</p>
<p><b>2. Improve environmental monitoring, enforcement and compliance to support national compliance, regional and international reporting.</b></p>	<p>Familiarity of stakeholders to national reporting Environmental responsibility to monitor own standards Compliance level Reviewing of Policies/ Plans</p>	<p>Improved understanding and awareness on Environmental trends, indicators etc, SDG Compliance with environmental issues ? – POPs, littering, etc, rubbish contracts etc</p>
<p><b>3. Improve medium term financial planning and management of the National Environment Sector Plan</b></p>	<p>Availability of funding</p>	<p>Project support</p>
<p><b>4. Improve access to and management of donor funds in close collaboration with between MoF, PSC, MNRE.</b></p>	<p>Coordination of information across sectors Eg GCF</p>	<p>Implementing agencies able to implement projects</p>

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<b>1. Institutional set-up</b>	1) Commitment and information sharing from representatives in the Steering Committee to ensure their involvement and contributions	1) Sector consultations 2) Promoting partnerships 3) % of stakeholders involved in Sector Planning 4) RIO Project 5) SMSCL 6) AF 7) Waterfront 8) All housed under MNRE to ensure knowledge transfer
<b>2. Improved sector coordination of environmental initiatives through a robust and effective management framework</b>	1) Timely reporting	Multi sectoral approach Economy wide approach
<b>3. SOE Assessment &amp; Reporting</b>	1) Data available and analysed 2) Project profiles - SOE	Knowledge Information Management Established indicators state and condition of the environment well documented BioRAP, Surveys, Maps Environmental trends documented - from 1 <sup>st</sup> SOE 1993, 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2008, 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2013 NEMS 1993, NBSAP, NAP, etc NESP 2013
<b>4. Capacity building &amp; awareness</b>	1) Application of technical knowledge	Training opportunities TA – knowledge transfer

# LESSONS LEARNED

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**1. Review and update existing legislation and regulations and enact new ones as appropriate to strengthen the capacity of MNRE and key stakeholders to enforce compliance.**

Adaptive collaborative approach to complement projects  
Enhanced planning – aligned to Govt procurement processes  
Information sharing  
SDS – Govt priorities

**2. Improve environmental monitoring, enforcement and compliance to support national compliance, regional and international reporting.**

SOE Reporting  
Recommendations noted from the report

**3. Improve medium term financial planning and management of the National Environment Sector Plan**

**4. Improve access to and management of donor funds in close collaboration with between MoF, PSC, MNRE.**

Part of 3 above

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## Sector Strategies

### 1. Institutional set-up

### 2. Improved sector coordination of environmental initiatives through a robust and effective management framework

1) Mainstreaming

### 3. SOE Assessment & Reporting

1) Data analysis  
2) Trends  
3) Forecasting  
4) Environmental and social safeguards in place, improved compared to the last 5 years etc  
Ie., EIA, CC & DR, Gender, CBA etc, Early Warning systems  
CIM Plans

### 4. Capacity building & awareness

1) Application of knowledge



# UNFINISHED BUSINESS – GOING FORWARD – NESP 2017-2021

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Replaced with:

<p><b>Outcome:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Strong Sectoral and Cross Sectoral Governance and Orientation</b></li> <li><b>Governance mechanisms established and enhanced in the Environment Sector.</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>1) Policy and Regulatory Framework</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Review Review &amp; Update</b></li> <li><b>Training &amp; Consultations</b></li> <li><b>Legal Guidance manuals</b></li> <li><b>Environmental monitoring &amp; Compliance</b></li> <li><b>Training IAS on Tools</b></li> </ol>
	<p><b>2. Enabling Financial Management</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MTEF</li> <li>GCF</li> <li>Operational budget on</li> <li>IPES Natural Resource valuation</li> <li>CBA</li> <li>Project matrix</li> </ol>
<p><b>Improve environmental monitoring, enforcement and compliance to support national reporting.</b></p>	<p><b>1) Data and Knowledge management</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DKIF operational</li> <li>manuals - SOPs</li> <li>Training and consultations</li> <li>Procurement and Maintenance</li> <li>DKIF Live and website upgrade</li> <li>Learning Platform</li> <li>Awareness survey</li> <li>National Roadshow</li> </ol>
	<p><b>1) Capacity Enhancement and HR</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MNRE Workforce Plan</li> <li>Capability Plans</li> <li>Technical training</li> </ol>
	<p><b>Coordination, Monitoring &amp; Mainstreaming</b> Project profiles</p>	<p>SOE Assessment NESP National MEA Reports ie., CBD UNCCD, UNFCCC Disaster &amp; Early warning CDC Projects - Adaptation and Mitigation</p>

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Sector Strategies	Targets 2017-2021
<b>1. Institutional set-up</b>	1) Review of NESP to incorporate other sector's plans relevant requirements 2) At least 50% of stakeholders have mainstreamed the NESP into their sector plans and programs 3) Implement NCSA 2 <sup>nd</sup> phase project
<b>2. Improved sector coordination of environmental initiatives through a robust and effective management framework</b>	1) NESP Secretariat established and functioning 2) NESPAC established and functioning 3) NESP monitoring and reporting system established and functioning 4) Total of 3 sector plans with disaster and climate resilience strategies
<b>3. SOE Assessment &amp; Reporting</b>	1) SOE data update 2) Capacity building training
<b>4. Capacity building &amp; awareness</b>	1) Invest as a matter of high priority in the collection of scientifically sound, accurate and up to date environmental statistics to measure environmental change and ecological health 2) Clearing house mechanism training 3) Information hub upgraded system/database