

FIJI'S DRAFT Implementation Plan for the MSG Roadmap on Sustainable Inshore Fisheries 2014-2023

Related Actions	Outcomes	Outputs	Activities/Actions :	Responsible Agencies/Funding	Timeline - Years:													
					2014	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	2023				
					Short Term		Mid Term			Long Term								
Objective 1: Development of an effective policy, legislation and management framework, empowering coastal communities to manage their marine resources																		
Delegation of power to sub-national authorities and communities	Sub-national authorities having a more effective role in fisheries management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed and defined legislative and institutional framework Communities empowered to manage their resources 	1. Review Inshore Legislation to address current inshore fisheries resource pressure to improve conservation & management	FD/SG/Stakeholders														
			2. Translation and distribution of above documents in vernaculars for ease of understanding for compliance	FD/NGOs/Prov. Officers/Stakeholders Community Leaders														
National inshore strategy	Inshore fisheries management roles and responsibilities clearly documented and agreed by all stakeholders and service delivered	Strategy agreed and implemented	1. Legislation including Management documents are made available for awareness, understanding and respect for the policies and regulations.	FD/NGO/Community Leaders/stakeholders														
			2. New Inshore Fisheries Policy in place	Stakeholders/FD														
			3. Strengthen Inshore Fisheries Management on Provincial and District Level	Govt.Depts/NGO/ Stakeholders														

Objective 2: Education, awareness raising and the provision of information on the importance and Responsible management of inshore fisheries					2014	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	2023
Lift political profile of inshore fisheries	Increased support and resources for the inshore fisheries management	Regular updates through regional (e.g. MSG, PIF) and other forums, targeted at leaders/ senior decision makers. Ensure inshore fisheries have regular place on regional agendas.	Make interventions on Inshore Fisheries Management Issues in consultation with Regional Organizations at all Forum Meetings	Member collaborations through MSG Sec.										
			1. Prepare cabinet information paper on the status of the Inshore Fisheries Resources 2. Emphasis the need to understand the need for sustainable management of these resources	National Level; Cabinet FD										
Increase awareness of vulnerability options for managing inshore fisheries	Fishers and other stakeholders use knowledge and tools to improve inshore fisheries management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rationalise and focus information on inshore fisheries management Design and implement a fisheries strategy for delivering information to all coastal fishers and other stakeholders Awareness of the roles of, and potential support from, national, sub-national 	1. Needs assessment and strategy to improve communications internally and externally on conservation and management of Inshore resources to all stakeholders including decision makers .use of mass media, TV clips , extension Officers full representations in Community, District, provincial meetings.	FD/NGOs/Stakeholders/Community										
			2. Strengthen the											

		Government and communities	dissemination of information to all stakeholders through the integrated approach of the Divisional Commissioners & Provincial Administrators.	Govt. Dept/Stakeholders/Community														
Use school curricula to achieve attitudinal change	Generational change and new, more responsible attitudes to exploiting coastal marine resources	New curriculum elements developed that teach basic resource management techniques and options, with special reference to inshore fisheries	1. Develop Inshore Fisheries Curriculum for Schools beginning at Year 6 on Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (EAFM) in addition to education on Climate Change.	Education Dept/NGOs/Regional Org. FD														
Increase transparency	Increasing compliance, less exploitation of political pressure	Public dissemination of information on state of stocks, licensing and effectiveness of management	SOPs and Simple Training Manuals existing or new on basic Resource Management. This will be run concurrently with the activities outlined in the Awareness & Education actions.	FD/Stakeholders/Community /NGOs														

Objective 3: Capacity building to sustainably develop and manage coastal resources				2014	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	2023		
Develop capacity at sub-national government level	Provincial and other sub-national officers take increasing responsibility for implementing and monitoring improved inshore fisheries management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On the job and other extension-based training based on inshore fisheries management strategy (use existing arrangements if strategy not agreed) On going mentoring and support 	1. Ongoing Capacity Building at all levels on Fisheries Management including awareness through current conservation programs REI , R2R including Fish Warden training and certifications to address IUU												
			FD/Prov. Admin. NGOs/Community												
			FD/Other Govt. Depts/NGOs/Community												
National	Improved service	Explore a new	Conduct training needs	MSG Members/MSG Sec											

	<p>delivery by national fisheries administrations to provinces, local government etc.</p>	<p>regional training framework appropriate to the Melanesian context , based on exchange of information and staff, lessons learned, and national strategies Improved capacity to plan and deliver fisheries management services</p>	<p>assessment against existing training programmes conducted with government and stakeholders</p> <p>Facilitate with available infrastructure , mechanisms and other resources for training in coordination and collaborative assistances for MSG Programmes</p>											
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Objective 4: Adequate Resources to Support inshore Fisheries Management and Best Available Science & Research					2014	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	2023		
Increase efficiency of fisheries management service with the best available Science and Research	Better fisheries management outcomes from improved service delivery, using existing staff and resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Balance field work/operations with employment Schedule services to achieve appropriate geographic coverage Identify priority/high impact services, which may or may not include stock assessments Align FD staff TORs and duties with priority inshore management activities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure adequate funding resources for administration and management of activities for the sustainable management of Inshore Fisheries are provided – awareness, data collection & enforcements. Undertake integrated approach with NGO's, Provincial administration & Community for effective Inshore Management Services. Improve TORs with IWP, BPs and increase coverage for data collection, enforcement and technical advisory support services 	FD/NGO/Provin. Admin/Community												
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				FD/Provin admin /Village Leaders/Community												

<p>Increase revenue to support management</p>	<p>Management activities funded to a level where they are effective</p>	<p>Place levies/licence fees on appropriate commercial species/fisheries</p>	<p>Review of fees and charges for Fisheries support services on the User pay concept in view of value of resources. Part of the Revenue generated to be used as revolving fund to inject further into effective management support services</p>	<p>FD/MOF/Stakeholders</p>										
<p>Provision of Adequate scientific information to inform fisheries management</p>	<p>Decisions based on cost-effective scientific information</p>	<p>Information needs analysis and research strategy for key inshore fisheries Prioritise and conduct cost-effective research on key species</p>	<p>Information needs assessment for Management for Inshore Fisheries For Food Security, Livelihoods and Economic Development Develop a information and data gathering strategies for the above Gather information on key resources (such as; Humphead Wrasse, Bumphead Parrot Fish, Inshore Sharks, Triton Shells & Spawning Aggregation Sites) Develop an inshore database Streamline the Research Surveys as a user-pay concept. Analyse information/findings for appropriate action</p>	<p>FD/Government Agencies/FLAMMA/NGOs/Community/Provin. admin</p>										

Objective 5: Secure long term economic and social benefits to Coastal Communities from the Sustainable use of Inshore resources				2014	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	2023
Development of complementary sustainable livelihoods initiatives	Reduction of pressure on inshore wild fisheries resources	Evaluate, using cost/benefit analysis, appropriate alternative sustainable livelihood activities	Alternative livelihoods to be complemented by Fisheries Tourism, FAD programme, DWS, Seaweed Farming, Pearl & Spat Farming and fish farming programmes	FD/NGOs/Community/Provin. admin									
				SPC/FAO/ACP Fish2									
		Ensure alternative activities are strategically integrated with management	Develop more value-adding projects on inshore species										
		Improve process and product quality for key commercial species	Establishing of more inshore fisheries related SME's										
			Develop a recommended annual Fish consumption baseline. (35kg/per capita)										

Objective 6: Establish effective collaboration with stakeholders and partners				2014	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	2023	
Develop partnership strategies with key agencies (NGOs, Regional, networks and industry	Inshore fisheries management activities and associated support from NGOs and other stakeholders are coordinated and in accordance with national strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify existing networks and partnerships at national and regional level and target those with common interests and appropriate capacity Establish formal and informal undertakings from partners to work together to support implementation of national strategies 	1. Effective management service deliveries in coordination and collaboration with NGOs, FLMMA, Provincial administration, Communities and other stakeholders through integrated approaches.	FD/SGs/NGOs/FLMMA/Govt. Depts.										
			2. Ensure active participation on Biodiversity management Change Initiatives with Provincial Governance under MOA to ensure truly collaborative programs.	Govt Depts./NGOs/FLMMA/ Stakeholders										
Improve coordination and lesson sharing between MSG members	Duplication and repeat errors and problems avoided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish MSG inshore fisheries network. Link MSG trade and industry group with Inshore fisheries working group Compliance solutions, including for BDM 	1. Network with members on management of resources and the lessons learnt .	Agencies ,MSG Sec, Members										
			2. MSG Register on All Exporters /also Facilitate background information prior to approval of E/Licence.	Agencies ,MSG Sec, Members										
			3. Improve capacity building on BDM processing and storage											

Objective :7 Restore and maintain BDM stocks to maximise and stabilise economic value to coastal communities				2014	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	2023		
Develop improved management systems for BDM	BDM stocks rebuilt, catches stabilised, and value increased	Review BDM management systems, including consideration of species and area based total allowable catches. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the size distribution of BDM to increase economic value and biological productivity • improved coordination of harvesting/exchange of market information between MSG members to increase prices • Investigate establishment of producers' cooperatives and • Look at harmonisation of prices, licence conditions 	1. Work in conformity with Fiji's New BDM Management Plan for the management of BDM Fishery	FD/Community/NGOs/Prov. Admin											
			2. Organise fishers ,Capacity building on Value adding to optimize returns to fishers	FD/NGOs/Prov. Admin/Community											
			3. MSG members work close collaborations on Licence conditions value chain and market acces	Agencies ,MSG Sec, Members											