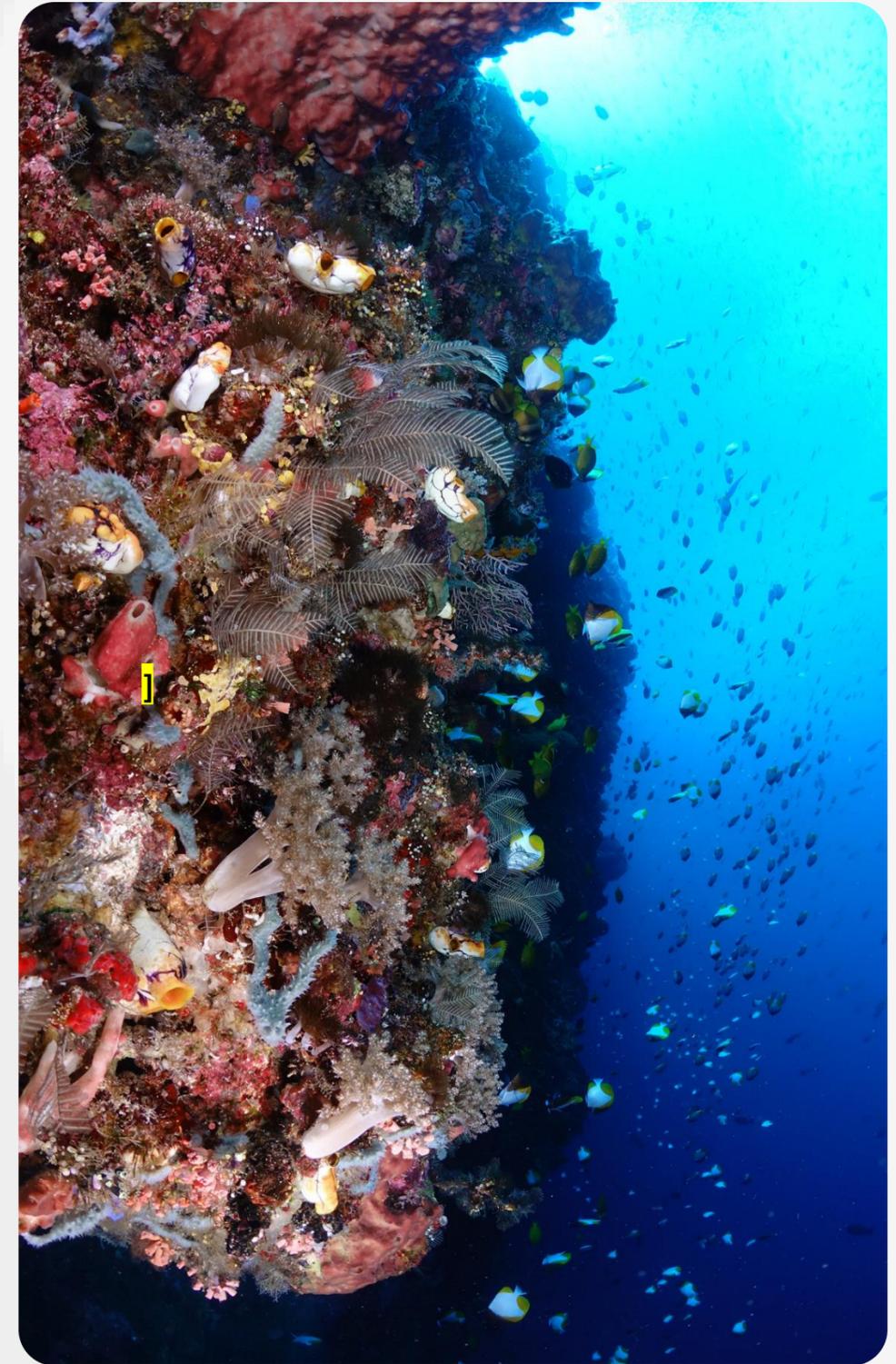




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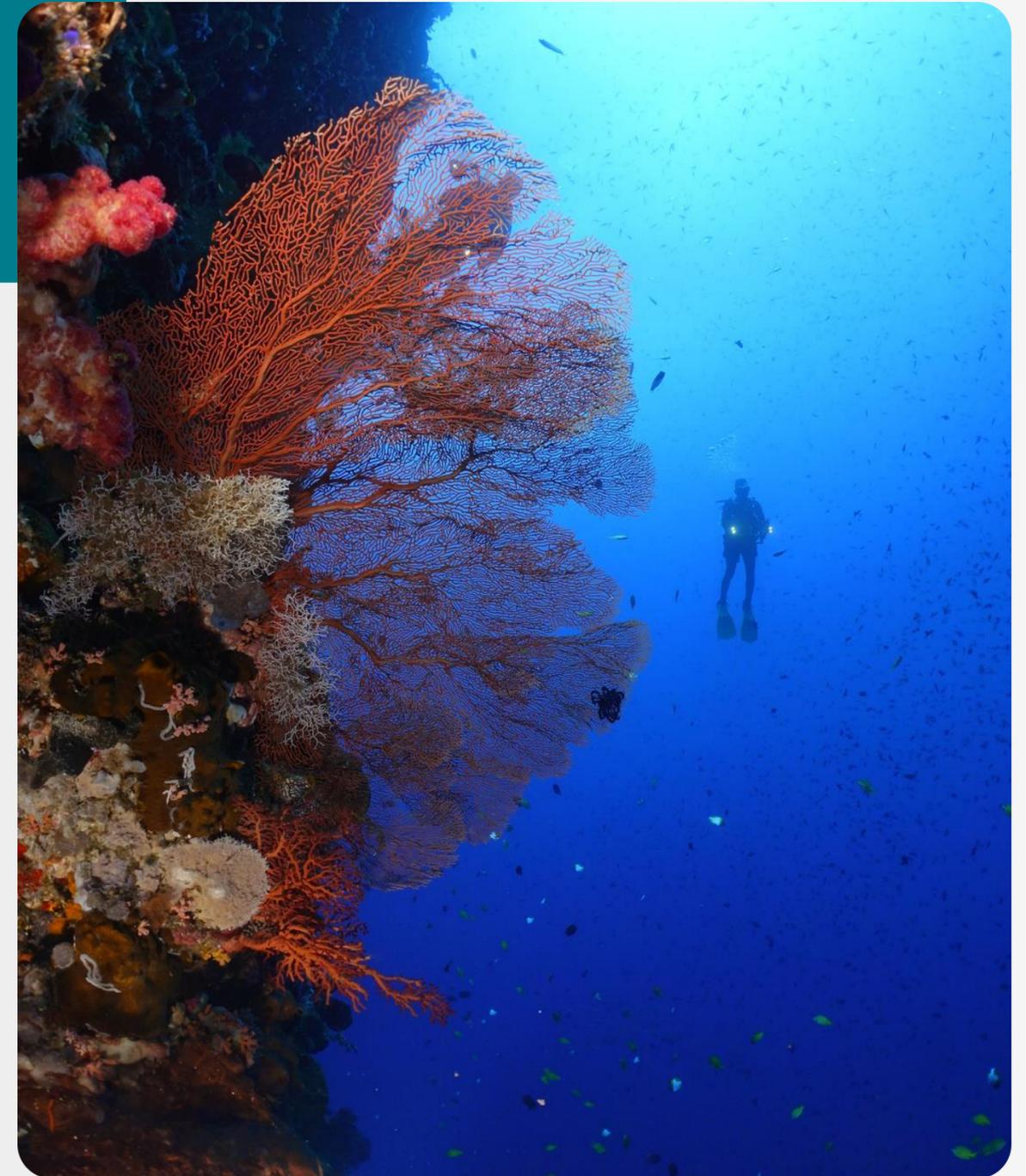
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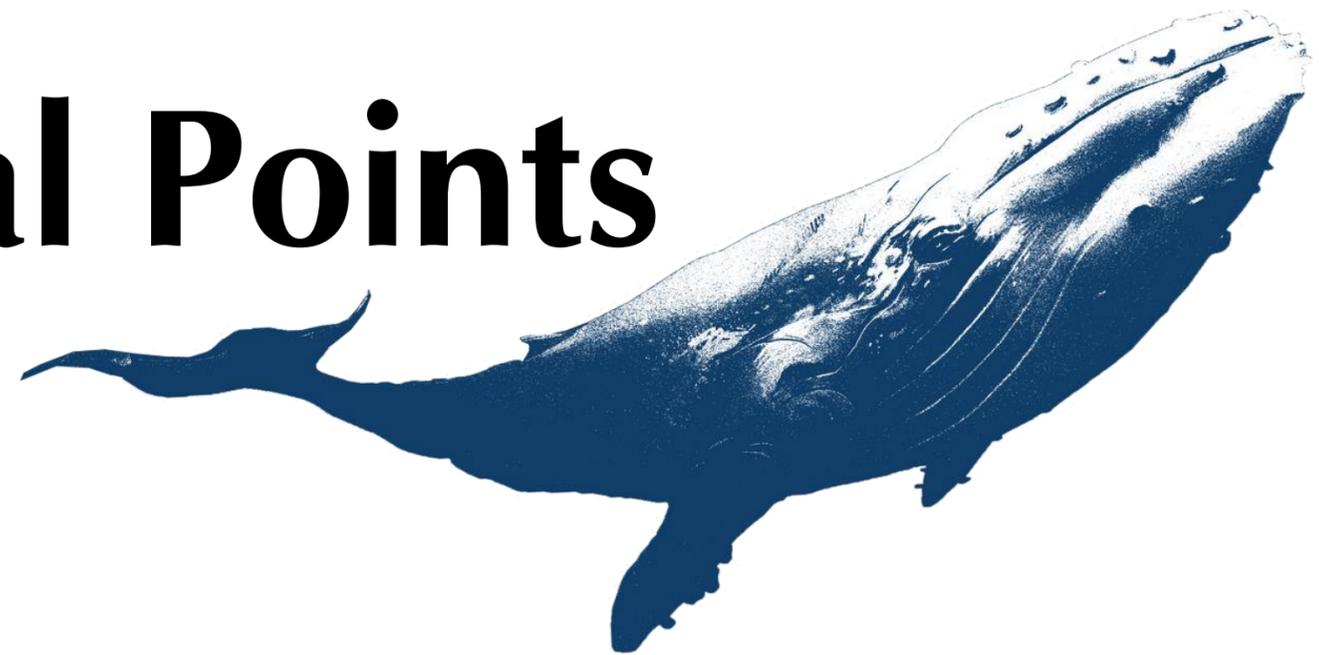
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01. Country Focal Points



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WORKING GROUP	FOCAL POINT	AGENCY
National Coordination Committee	Trevor Maeda <i>Principal Conservation Officer</i>	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology
Seascope	Trevor Maeda <i>Principal Conservation Officer</i> Alternate: Fredrick Dotho <i>Senior Conservation Officer</i>	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology
EAFM	Faye Siota <i>Deputy Director Inshore Fisheries</i> Alternate: Peter Husi'au"ana Kenilorea <i>Chief Fisheries Officer</i>	Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources
MPA	Peter Husi'au"ana Kenilorea <i>Chief Fisheries Officer</i> Alternate: Trevor Maeda <i>Principal Conservation Officer</i>	Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology
TSWG	David Aram <i>Principal Fisheries Officer</i> Alternate: Serah Devi <i>Senior Conservation Officer</i>	Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology
CCA	Chris Teva <i>Chief Nature Based Resilience Officer</i> Alternate: Pauline Ghiro <i>Senior Nature Based Resilience Officer</i>	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources



WORKING GROUP	FOCAL POINT	AGENCY
FRWG	Karl Kuper Deputy Secretary Corporate Alternate: Vincent Maesiki <i>Financial Controller</i>	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources
MEWG	Rieka Kwalai Chief Fisheries Officer Alternate: Nelly Kere <i>Chief Programme Officer</i>	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources
IRC	Karl Kuper <i>Deputy Secretary Corporate</i> Alternate: Patteson Lusi <i>Deputy Secretary Corporate</i>	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources
WLF	Nelly Kere <i>Chief Programme Officer</i> Alternate: Rieka Kwalai <i>Chief Fisheries Officer</i> <i>Supported by Ronnelle Panda (Assistant Secretary Policy and Planning)</i>	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources
CT Atlas	Reginald Rueben <i>Chief GIS Officer</i> Alternate: Ronnie Posala <i>Fisheries Officer</i>	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources

02. Country Profile



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Socio-economic profile:

- **Demographic:** 721,455
- **Male-female ratio:** 105 males per 100 females
- **GDP:** 2203.18 USD (2023)
- **Number of community living on the coastal zone:** 80% of the population lived in around 4000 coastal communities around the nine provinces.
- **Number of fisherfolk:** 90% of men engage in fishing and half of all women.
 - men and women use marine habitats differently due to cultural roles, access to resources, physical demands of fishing activities and traditional knowledge systems



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Solomon Islands Government profile:

Summary of NPOA focuses:

- NPOA in draft

Departments in charge for conservation activities:

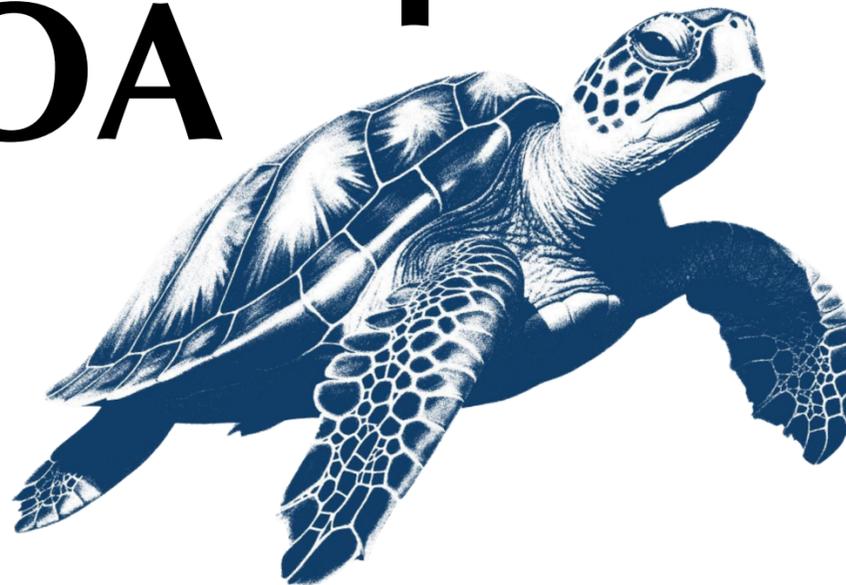
- Ministry of Environment Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology (MECDM)
- Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources (MFMR)

National trust fund related to conservation:

- Solomon Islands proposing to use CTCF



03. Technical Working Group Progress / Accomplishments Towards NPOA



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Ecosystem Approach for Fisheries Management

Relevant regulations for EAFM:

- Fisheries Management Act 2015
- Fisheries Management Regulations 2017
- Fisheries Management (Prohibited Activities) Regulations 2018
- Protected Areas Act 2010

Activities organized/attended related to EAFM:

- Review of the Provincial Fisheries Ordinances
- Support communities to develop their Community Management Plans
- CBRM Awareness Programs_
 - Roll out of SOLWATA BLO UMI Campaign
 - Radio Program
- Fisheries Regulations Toolkit in the Provinces
 - Training of Provincial Fisheries Officers on Fisheries Regulations Toolkit
 - Roll out of the Fisheries Regulations Toolkit in the Provinces
- Ongoing review of Inshore Fisheries Management Plans



Ecosystem Approach for Fisheries Management

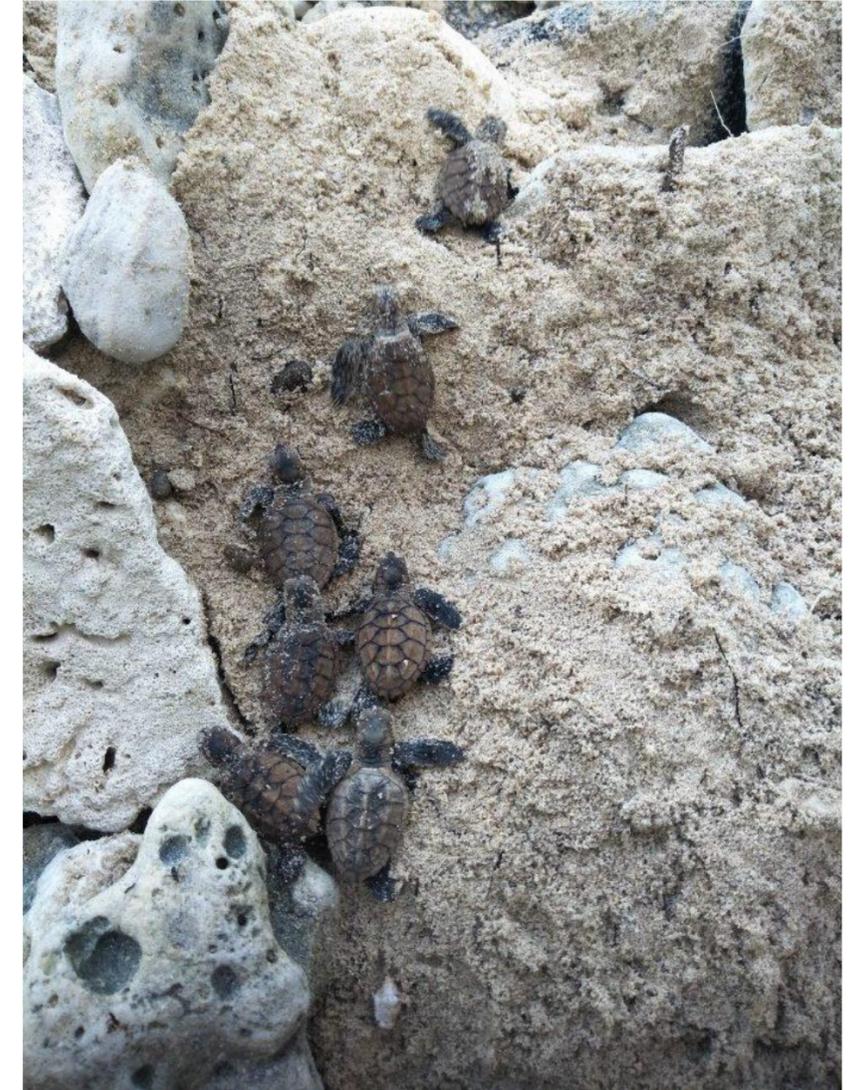
Challenges:

- Lack of coordination between Ministry and Partners on information sharing
- Impacts of Climate Change



Marine Protected Area

Number of MPAs gazetted: 1



***Sites nominated for IUCN Green List Standards:**

- Arnavon Protected Area & Munda MMA

Marine Protected Area

Activities organized/attended related to MPA:

- MPA Regional exchange and MPA Technical Working Group
- Conduct Baseline Surveys and Monitoring

Challenges:

- Enforcement, monitoring and compliance



Climate Change Adaptation

Existing vulnerability studies:

- Solomon Island Integrated Vulnerability Assessment (SIIVA)

Activities organized/attended related to CCA:

- Climate Change Policy 2023- 2023, NDC 2.0. LEDS 2021, MRV tool launched
- Finalization of NDC 3.0
- Develop – NAP, Carbon Trading Policy
- Successful delivery of climate resilience projects (e.g SWoCK, CRISP, PEBACC, PACRES, PEBACC+, MACBLUE, EREPA etc)
- All 9 Provinces engaged through SIIVA and awarenesss campaign
- Submission of TNC, FBR, BTRI (to ROE) to UNFCCC Climate.
- Coral rehabilitation training support
- Solomon Islands also participated in the COP 30 in Belem, Brazil

Climate Change Adaptation

Challenges:

- Limited capacity and resources
- Geographic Vulnerabilities
- Data gaps and access to technology



Seascapes

Any bilateral/regional agreement with other country(ies) related to marine management:

The MoU of a Tri-National Partnership between the Government of the Republic of Indonesia, the Independent State of Papua New Guinea and the Government of Solomon Islands on the Conservation and Management of Western Pacific Leatherback Turtles at Nesting Sites, Feeding Areas and Migratory Routes in Indonesia, Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands

Activities organized/attended related to Seascope:

- Seascapes BSSC event hosted in Honiara
- SOMACORE Implementation
- Melanesian Ocean Reserve Initiative (MOR) collaboration with Nia Tero, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea
- BBNJ- High seas treaty deposited at UNOC3
- Joint Submission on Extended Continental Shelf
- Implications on cross border and trans boundary activities.



Seascapes

Challenges:

- Geographical Location of our Islands
- SIG Budgetary Constraints
- Threat from unsustainable development practices e.g Logging and Mining



Threatened Species

Activities organized/attended related to Seascope:

- Turtle Training (TREDS) in Tetepare, Western Province
- Community consultations for the finalization of the Sharks and Rays National Plan of Action.
- National Awareness Programs Regulation (CBRM)
- Conducting National Invertebrate Assessments
- Inkfish Expedition in SI (MFMR Research team)
- Ongoing Marine Turtle data collection and monitoring (Tetepare & Arnavons)



Threatened Species

Challenges:

- No national database for threatened species. Currently using TRENDS database of SPREP for turtle data.
- No Policy in place for data sharing





04. Monitoring and Evaluation Working Group



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Monitoring and Evaluation Working Group

Tools of Monitoring

1. Reports from Officers/NGO partners/
2. Local Rangers and Community Representatives
4. Stock Assessments
5. Management Effectiveness Assessment Guide for MMA

Challenges:

- Insufficient funding to conduct M&E activities
- Inadequate human resource to conduct M&E
- SI islands are geographically scattered making it difficult in terms of logistics and financial support therefore it requires a lot of \$\$\$ and planning to conduct M&E





05. National Update on Financial Progress



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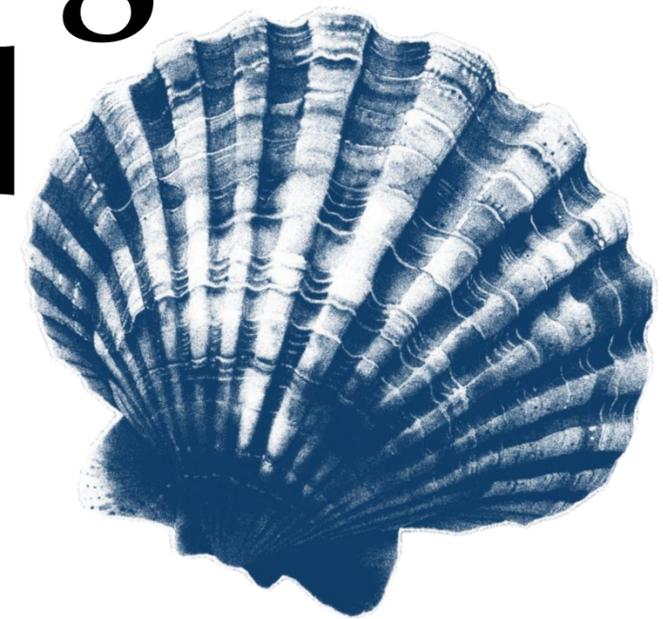
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Summary of Financial Progress :

No	Area	Country Update
1	Partnerships with donors, NGOs, or private sector	<p>Ongoing partnership with donors Bilaterals: MSSIF/CAB Smart/Pathways/Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)/Pacific Regional Oceanscape Program for Economic Resilience (PROPER) Multilateral Global Coral Trust Fund, SPREP, Bezos funding (launching program with WCS, SPC, FFA, IUCN for green listing,</p> <p>NGOs: SI NCC, WWF, WCS, WorldFish, TNC, Ecological Solutions SI, Community Based Organizations</p>
2	Development or implementation of national trust fund / sustainable finance mechanism	<p>Trust Funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SI proposal for ACMP subgrant within CTI regional Trust Fund - Protected Areas Trust Fund under PA Act 2010 MECDM (ongoing). Mandates to cover MPAs and MMAs
3	Integration of blue economy or innovative finance into national plans	<p>Part of several programs: Blue Nature Alliance, CAB Smart, Pacific Bioscapes, Bezos Earth with WCS, BIOFIN under GEF with UNDP SIMA – Ocean Accounts proposal (progressing)</p>
4	Climate finance or ecosystem-based adaptation initiatives	Access to GCF and Adaptation funds, Loss and Damage fund initiatives supported and coordinated by CC Division, MECDM
5	Financing for marine pollution / waste management programs	Waste Management scheme, proposed under SPREP for Container Deposit scheme
6	% of MPA management costs covered by sustainable / innovative financing	50-70% covered by sustainable financing endowment fund (at site level)

06. Potential Regional Program and Support Required



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- SOMACORE GIZ project
- MACBLUE GIZ Regional Project
- Pacific Ecosystem Based Adaptation to Climate Change phase 2
- Pacific Biodiversity and Sustainable Land-Scapes Programme (Pacific Bioscapes).
- Coral Reef Rescue Initiative
- Blue Nature Alliance Solomon Islands Engagement Project
- Partnerships for Coral Reef Finance and Insurance in Asia and the Pacific



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"One Triangle, Infinite Beauty"

08. Coral Triangle Day Celebration



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WEDNESDAY 4 JUNE 2025: CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN



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THURSDAY 5 JUNE , 2025: COMMERATION OF:

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY (June 5)
“Beat Plastic Pollution”

WORLD OCEANS DAY (June 8)
“Wonder: Sustaining What Sustains Us”

CORAL TRIANGLE DAY (June 9)
“One Triangle, Infinite Wonder”

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2025

World Oceans Day &
Coral Triangle Day
Combined Celebration

Multipurpose Futsal Court,
Chinatown, Honiara
Thursday, 5th June 2025

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT
FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS**

**Presentation of Winners –
Poem Competition
Presentation of Certificates
2:00 PM SHARP
MAIN STAGE AREA**

Your presence and support are highly
appreciated as we celebrate creativity
and achievements of our young
poets. Let's cheer them on!

**#BeatPlasticPollution
#OneTriangleInfiniteWonder
#Wonder:SustainingWhatSustainsUs**



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SUNDAY JUNE 8 2025: World Oceans Day Talkback Show

Theme: 'Awaken New Depths-Wonder: Sustaining What Sustains Us'



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08. Communication and Publications



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- SI Environmental Portal
- Social Media (MFMR Facebook page)
- Sol Wata Blo lumi Campaign
- SIBC (local radio station)
- SPC Fisheries Bulletin, Webinar





09. Story From The Field



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LAUNCHING OF COMMUNITY FISHERIES MANAGEMENT PLANS (CFMP) IN CENTRAL ISLAND PROVINCE (Saraikodo/Niu Uvu/Naghotano)



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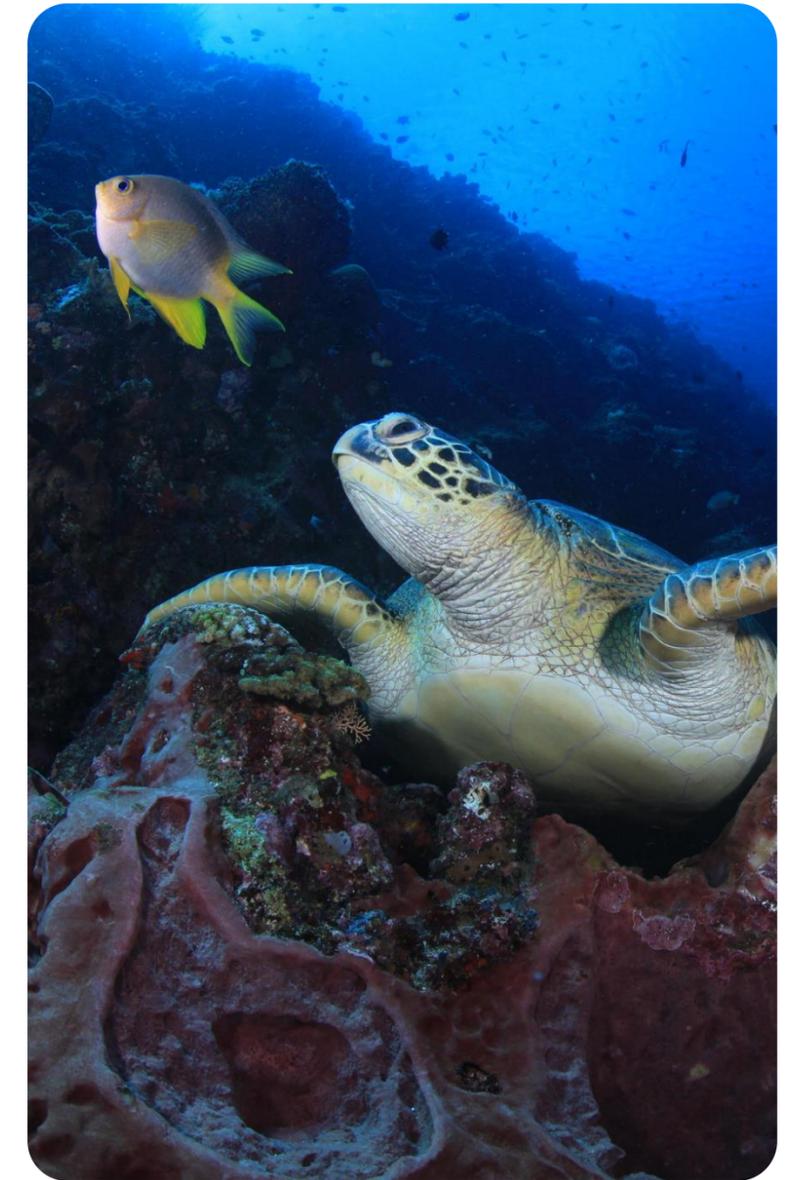
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