



Summary of the Pacific Community's 2015 work programme in Samoa



(November 2015 update)

The following table lists key work areas that SPC is undertaking in 2015 in cooperation with Samoa. The country-specific work listed here complements other SPC work undertaken at a regional level to benefit the people of Samoa and achieve its national development priorities. SPC's key regional work will be presented in its next Programme Results Report (to be published in May 2016).

SPC’s expected contribution to national development goals			
Expected long-term result (impact)	Expected medium-term result (outcome)	Key outputs for the year	Status
<i>Pacific communities are empowered and resilient</i>			
Fisheries, Aquaculture and Marine Ecosystems			
Improved management of coastal fisheries	Enhanced capacity of coastal communities to respond effectively to climate change, and improved assessment of climate change impacts on marine environments	Radio-frequency identification (RFID) database upgraded and maintained	Completed
	Enhanced coastal fisheries management policies and systems based, where possible, on scientific assessments of the status of national coastal marine resources	In-water invertebrate resources field assessment, capacity development (including attachments), data entry, analysis and reporting undertaken	On Track
		Samoa baseline assessments and monitoring report completed for the aquarium trade; Capacity development and training attachment provided at SPC headquarters	Completed
	Enhanced community-based approaches and national management arrangements; Incorporation of ecosystem-based principles and coastal fisheries legislation into community-based fisheries management	Assistance provided to establishing and strengthening community-based ecosystem approach to fisheries management (CEAFM)/ridge-to-reef/whole of island approaches	On Track
		Adaptation activities, including capacity development, identified and implemented	Completed
Increased contribution of fisheries to food security and livelihoods	Increased skills and knowledge base to maximise the return on investments in aquaculture	Profitable aquaculture systems developed to improve nutrition and livelihoods for communities; Training provided on advanced methods for tilapia production	On Track

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Land Resources				
Strengthened food and nutritional security, resilient to impacts of disasters and climate change	Increased availability of, and better access to, traditional and improved crop and animal diversity	Polymotu conservation of niu afa coconut variety as a regional and global prioritised crop completed	On Track	
	Increased capacity of sustainable land and forest management	Adaptive capacity analysis completed - work plan developed with communities and adaptation strategies implemented	Completed	
	Increased production and consumption of local nutritious foods	Support provided for the development of a sector strategy on crop production and extension		On Track
		A clean seed system developed for market-ready cultivars through the following: new varieties recommended for export and processing; multiplication methods improved; and publication of knowledge products		On Track
		Farmer field school established, and research results on good agricultural practices for integrated pest management disseminated		On Track
		Technical assistance provided on soil management practices to countries; Soil field school set up; Farmer field school research results of good agricultural practices of incorporating mucuna legume in taro disseminated		On Track
		Adaptive capacity strengthened at pilot communities through training on nursery management, plant propagation, management of climate-ready collection of crop plants, integrated pest and disease management, agro-forestry, livestock husbandry, and waste management		On Track

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<i>Pacific Island people reach their potential and lead long and healthy lives</i>			
Education and Quality Assessment Programme			
Improved quality of education	Improved teacher and principal performance	Capacity of education officers, teacher educators, teachers and school leaders enhanced - classroom-based assessment	Completed
	Provision of high-quality programmatic technical services and policy advice	Pacific Register of Qualifications database updated with: (i) accredited qualifications, (ii) registered institutions, (iii) professional associations and members, (iv) accrediting agencies, and (v) regional standards in education; Dialogue on quality assurance strategies facilitated	On Track
	Raising student’s literacy and numeracy	Improved capacity in the development of intervention framework resources, and in clarifying learning outcomes, and the identification of a skills band in the curriculum	On Track
	Strengthening national accreditation and assessment systems	Capacity of education officers, teachers and school leaders enhanced in improving the quality of regional qualifications and in supporting the process of national examinations	Completed
		Pacific Register of Qualifications referencing reports and quality reports on agencies compiled	On Track
Gender, Human Rights and Culture			
Enhanced development for all Pacific people, through increasing the observance of all human rights and good governance standards	Increased capacity of civil society to monitor and advocate for human rights and good governance standards	Legislative lobbying and advocacy training provided to government and civil society organisations (CSOs) to build skills in leadership and lobbying	Completed
	Integrated approach to human development fostered at regional and national levels	Gender stocktake report published	On Track
		Launching the Pacific Beijing +20 report	Ongoing
Public Health			
Improved health and well-being of Pacific communities	Pacific Island countries and territories (PICTS) have access to high-quality information and evidence to inform policy and the delivery of core public health functions	Enhanced syndromic surveillance initiative held with Samoa for the Commonwealth Youth Games, and for future events	On Track

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<i>The Pacific region and its people benefit from inclusive and sustainable economic growth</i>			
Energy Services			
Sustainable economic development through accessible, affordable, efficient, secure and safe energy services	Strengthened institutions and expertise in the transport and energy sector	Regional training conducted on product registration and understanding the new legal framework on labelling and standards	On Track
		Technical vocational education and training (TVET) need and gap analysis conducted - workshop report produced	Completed
Fisheries, Aquaculture and Marine Ecosystems			
Improved management of oceanic fisheries	Enhanced national capacity in oceanic fishery data management and data use	Training attachments at SPC in data management principles and database systems provided for fisheries officers	On Track
	National tuna oceanic fisheries policy-and decision-making are informed by the best, science-based, stock assessments and advice	Reports of longline fishing performance in the southern longline fishery produced	On Track
	The oceanic fisheries management initiatives of the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) and other sub-regional fisheries organisations are supported by efficient and cost-effective data management services	Tuna fisheries database management for monitoring, control and surveillance system enhanced as a result of in-country technical assistance visit	Completed
Increased contribution of fisheries to food security and livelihoods	Improved capacity for subsistence, artisanal, sport and industrial fishing activities within the sustainable production level	National training courses in financial management, economics, project management and governance	On Track
		Strengthened fish aggregating device (FAD) programme in small-scale tuna fisheries and climate change adaptation measures	Completed
	Improved seafood quality standards and value-adding for exports	Training for small-scale commercial fishers in fish handling and safety for export markets completed - 52 persons trained in Apia and Savaii (three two-day workshops)	Completed

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Land Resources			
Increased contribution from agriculture and forestry sectors to inclusive, broad-based economic growth	Increased capacity of PICTs to meet standards, guidelines and conditions for exports and domestic trade	Training on vegetable pest management completed; Training of trainers and farmer field schools in brassica completed	Completed
		Screening of diamondback moth resistance to insecticide in brassica vegetables completed; Resistance management strategy introduced; Mass production of large cabbage moth egg parasitoid and trichogramma chilonis facilitated, and resistance identified; Pesticide forum completed	On Track
		Rhino beetle containment and management programmes established	On Track
	Increased production and consumption of local, nutritious foods	Integrated pest and disease workshop completed to increase awareness of biosecurity issues	On Track
Statistics for Development			
Pacific national and regional statistics are accessible and are being utilised	PICTs are producing the agreed core set of statistics across key sectors, including, but not limited to, economics, population, civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS), education and health, as required by their national plans and agreed regional and international reporting frameworks	National websites completed and upgraded with latest technologies	Completed
		Increased capacity to analyse educational management information system (EMIS) data to enable effective use and dissemination, by developing software solutions and providing contextualised training for EMIS users	On Track
	PICTs have the technical capacity to manage and implement all core statistical collections, including key administrative databases, as required by national development plans, including national strategies for the development of statistics	Re-based consumer price indices; Compilation manual produced	Completed
		Provided follow-up support to countries to complete national plans in line with the regional action framework (RAF) and established baselines and targets, through site visits and meeting with the national committee	On Track
		Attachment on re-based consumer price indices held; Compilation manual produced	Completed

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Transport Services			
Sustainable economic development through accessible, affordable, efficient, secure and safe transport services	Development and implementation of effective policies, plans and regulatory frameworks supported	Follow-up audit on Samoa Designated Authority conducted	Completed
		Collected updated data from Samoa maritime sector	Completed
		Conducted follow-up International Ship and Port Facility (ISPS) Code audit on Apia ports facility	Completed
	Strengthened institutions and expertise in the transport sector	Mentoring assistance provided to four internal auditors to build auditing experience	Completed