

**TEN YEAR PACIFIC STATISTICS STRATEGY (TYPSS) Phase II**  
**11<sup>TH</sup> PACIFIC STATISTICS STEERING COMMITTEE (PSSC) MEETING**

Tanoa Plaza Hotel, Suva, Fiji Islands  
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**PSSC-11 Agenda Item 2**

**Meeting Paper Title: TYPSS Phase II Monitoring and Evaluation Framework**

**1. Purpose of Paper**

- To update on the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework:
  - o Workplan; Results Matrix; and Assessment of Progress Report; and
- To obtain PSSC decision on Recommendation.

**2. Background**

2.1. The monitoring and evaluation (M&E) mechanism which is located within the coordination unit is tasked with making assessments and reporting annually to PSSC, on progress towards Phase II Objectives. The performance assessment and reporting by the coordination unit is focused in particular on outcomes and impact, change and learning, although it draws from amongst others, regular activity reporting which is the purview of TYPSS Partners.

**3. Key Issues**

3.1. Advice based on performance assessments will support PSSC in particular, to effect its role to monitor and direct regional statistics activities and developments. Given its significance, and in the absence of an M&E Advisor proposed in the Phase II Design, the Coordinator has begun addressing the 'gaps' in the M&E framework, to ready it to undertake performance assessment of Phase II results:

**3.2. Enhance the Interim Activity Plan proposed in Phase II Design (Annex I)**

3.3. The enhancements were intended to enable assessment of progress as well as demonstrate contributions by various stakeholders to that progress. Extensive consultation with PICTs and Partners started in July to enhance current planning and reporting templates to capture inputs of PICTs and Partners per Objective and Output.

3.4. A timeline of 2 years (2-year spacing until the end of Phase II) was inserted to focus the scheduling of PICTs and Partners' activities along immediate, time-bound deliverables. PICTs and Partners contributions (\$) were encouraged to enable a more predictable long-term financing by Partners to assist with PICTs' staff retention and

planned activities, and to enable PICTs to demonstrate capacity to partially or fully resource/fund its planned activities.

3.5. Two (2) Partners shared their contributions – Statistics New Zealand and UN ESCAP. Eight (8) PICTs: Fiji Islands, Kiribati, Nauru, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tokelau, and Tonga shared their contributions and detailed activities - the latter are art of the WP Action Plan which is too voluminous to include here.

### 3.6. **Establish a Results Matrix (Annex II)**

3.7. In order to assess progress towards achievement of outcomes and impact which is the emphasis of M&E in Phase II, an assessment must be undertaken of how Outputs results contribute to the achievement of the Objectives results, as measured by Indicators of Progress for Outputs and Objectives. The current M&E framework only included Indicators of Progress towards Objectives. Missing also were Baselines and Targets. Hence, the Coordinator has developed a set of Indicators of Progress towards Outputs to be considered and endorsed by PSSC.

### 3.8. **Develop an Assessment of Progress Report (Annex III)**

3.9. The Indicators of Progress are the basis for making annual performance assessment of Phase II Objectives and Outputs and reporting them on the Assessment of Progress report. This report is intended to accompany the year-end Partners' WP Activity and Status Reports demonstrating how the activities reported by Partners contributed to achieving the Indicators of Progress towards Objectives and Outputs, and Targets as set out in the Results Matrix.

## **4. Key Recommendation**

### **4.1. PSSC to endorse the revised format for WP 2015-2016**

### **4.2. PSSC to task a subcommittee of TYPSS Stakeholders to finalize Results Matrix:**

- Membership proposed: 2 technical providers, 2 PICT statisticians, and 1 Planner
- Tasks: assist the Coordinator to (i) finalize the proposed set of Indicators of Progress towards Outputs based on relevance, measurability and feasibility, (ii) finalize Baselines and Targets; (iii) and articulate how completed activities contribute to achievement of Indicators of Progress. Tasks will be undertaken out-of-session, recommendations to be formally endorsed in PSSC-12, for coordination unit to adopt from PSSC-13 onward.

## **5. Annexes**

Annex I: Workplan 2015 - 2016

Annex II: Results Matrix

Annex III: Assessment of Progress Report