

PACC Snapshot 13

Building Resilience to Climate Change

April 9th, 2010

Talofa lava everyone!

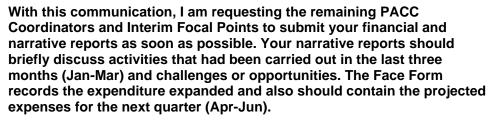
I hope this PACC Snapshot reaches you in the best of health and that the implementation of the PACC project is progressing well.

This communication will briefly touch on the issue of quarterly reporting and direct payments.



PACC Quarterly Reporting

As at close of business today, Friday 9th April, please see below a table showing the status of the first quarter reporting. My sincere thanks to FSM and Tonga for complying with reporting times discussed and agreed during the Inception Meeting.





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Countries	2010 AWP	2010 Face Form	2010 Face Form	Narrative Report
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Cook Islands	٧			
FSM	٧	٧	٧	٧
Fiji	٧			
Marshall Islands	٧			
Nauru	٧			
Niue	٧			
PNG	٧	N/A		
Palau	٧			
Solomon Islands	٧			
Tonga	٧	٧		٧
Tuvalu	٧			
Vanuatu	٧			
Samoa	V			



PACC Regional Project Manager

According to reporting procedures between SPREP and UNDP on the PACC, the Project Manager's report will need to be with UNDP next week (15th of April). So, I urge you to submit your reports no later then Wednesday next week.

Procurement on behalf of countries

Late last year, I had some queries from you on whether SPREP can carry out direct payments of goods and services to suppliers you have nominated. Referred too here are large payments that need to be paid to consultants (carrying out work for you) and companies that you have chosen after carrying out your normal tendering processes at the national level for purchase of hardware equipments such as water tanks or other supplies needed.

I have taken this issue up with our Finance Section and am happy to say that SPREP can carry out this role on your behalf. This is largely to ensure that you are able to get the services you require and when you require it on time with minimal delay. However, for us to do that, we also would like if possible to be part of the process of evaluating suppliers or tenders. Being in the loop from the start would enable us to have a good background on what the funds will be used for thus can carry out payments without delay.

Hope the above information would be considered by you and we are happy to provide further information if needed.

General Information

For more information on the PACC project, please visit the website (link below):

http://www.sprep.org/climate_change/pacc

Ends.....!