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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Two J-PRISM Counterparts from Gizo and Honiara are now undergoing JICA Training at Shibushi City, Japan on "Promotion of Shibushi Model (Waste Minimization without incineration)"
- 3Rs Pilot Project for Schools Teacher's Workshop in September
- The J_PRISM Project Solomon Islands Team will receive the "Best Team 2011 Award" during the Steering Committee Meeting in 4th September 2012 in Noumea

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Solomon J_PRISM Team receives Best Team 2011 Award at the 2nd Steering Committee Meeting in Noumea, 4th September 2012

At the 23rd SPREP Meeting held from 3-7th September 2012 Noumea in New Caledonia, two representations from the J_PRISM Solomon team went over to present and share with other Pacific Neighbors and the SPREP body some of the lessons learnt from Solomon Islands. At this side event of the SPREP Meeting held on 4th September 2012, these two Solomon J_PRISM Counterparts shared with other colleagues including representative from JICA who came all the way from Japan and the SPREP Director General.

Feedbacks received were that most of the participants to the side meeting were really inspired by the presentations on activities done in Solomon Islands and of our the team work. All attendees to that side event meeting then congratulate the team Solomon and wish us the best in our activities this year.



Above captions: Representatives to the 2nd J_PRISM Steering Committee in Noumea with the Best Team 2011 Award Certificate.



Right Caption: A Solomon J_PRISM Counterpart delivering his presentation to the Steering Committee

Incoming Waste Collection Survey, 23-30 May 2012

A week long survey of data collection on all incoming waste collection was conducted 23rd -30th May 2012 at Ranadi dumpsite. The findings shows there is an increasing vehicle trips during the week at day time both HCC contracted waste collectors and private collectors. Specifically, on Saturday it recorded the highest number of incoming wastes to the dumpsite. The trucks which comprised of various types and volume of capacity come from all sectors, which are from residences, commercial areas, industries and

construction areas. The collection vehicles were mostly full with organic, household and commercial waste. Ranadi dumpsite is getting full, and everyone in HCC need to corporately work together to increase the Life span years of the Ranadi dump .

Caption 3, 4 : Sample waste collection vehicles at Ranadi dump-site in May 2012.



SWM team involvement in FOPA

During the two weeks festival of Pacific arts, the team in Honiara and Gizo have been engaged to monitor and manage the solid waste at the various festival sites. Awareness raisings on solid waste management were also done at the major festival village including posters were put up in all stalls and venues.

Caption : Festival of Pacific Arts Village



SCHOOL ASSESSMENT FOR 3Rs

A school assessment survey was conducted by the J-PRISM team in Honiara on the 9th August 2012. A total of 10 selected schools were visited with the aim of targeting students at their early learning stage to learn the 3Rs concept for waste minimization at their home, school and in the community. An analysis of the survey indicates that most of the schools face the issue of open burning of wastes and littering. Plastics and papers is seen to be the most common generated wastes found in all the schools. These type of waste can easily be avoided from being burnt if reused or recycled into useful activities in the schools for students.

Recommendations of the findings that all levels needs to be involved in the 3Rs pilot project. Schools have related subjects which are basis for utilizing waste materials into useful learning objects. All schools have a responsible person for the clean environment of the school or

classroom. As such , it is essential that waste management is first practiced at home.



Caption : Tamlan Primary Students throwing waste behind school compound. Photo was taken during school assessment survey

YEPV Awareness on SWM in three districts in Central Province

Three districts in the Central Province namely Longana, Sandfly and Ravu were fortunate to receive various environment information with the focus on Solid Waste Management, Climate Change and Water Quality. A total of 34 Youth Environment Programme (YEP) Volunteers sponsored under the Ministry of Environment undertaking their Year 2 and Year 1 studies at the School of Natural Resources, SICHE were deployed to undertake community awareness on the said issues under the supervision and training of staff from SNR/ SICHE, ROA, MECDM, UQ and RCF.

Nine communities were visited during this two weeks awareness raising and YEPV conducted a series of activities from demonstrations on waste separation, waste pit construction, kiko stove to field survey data collection on sea level rise projections and water quality.

The people in the communities have eagerly participated in the programs

organized by the students. Even children have been involved as they are the future leaders of Solomon Islands. Such programs provides vital information that needs to reach the rural communities and it has helped to build the capacity of the students for any future programs. YEPV not only shared their skills and knowledge but also learned from the people their culture and way of life in terms of food security, adaptation to climate change, land use and so forth.

Caption : Above right YEPV demonstration of waste segregation to rural communities in Central Province.

Caption : Below right YEPV plus supervisors and trainers conducting awareness talks at a Primary School at Sodikosi Village, Central Province



KITANO CONSTRUCTION EXTENDS ASSISTANCE TO SWM TEAM



Caption : Handover of drums by Kitano Construction at Doma to Solid waste management team.

In August 17th, through the assistance of the JICA Project Formulation Officer, the Kitano construction supported the Solid Waste Management Team with 50 rejected drums. These will be used for the 3Rs Pilot Project in Honiara. Some of these drums will also be sent to Gizo Project site for similar use under the J_PRISM Project. Similar assistance have been rendered by some big companies towards the activity of waste management in SI.

School Teachers Workshop for 3Rs Pilot

A 3Rs School Teacher's Workshop was held in Honiara on 12th September 2012. This workshop was aimed at getting schools to initiate waste management at school level over reaching the household waste reduction. Selected number of schools are invited to participate including some senior officials from Government line ministries and Honiara City Council. The major aim for this proposed workshop is to provide an avenue for school teachers to kick start the 3Rs pilot project in Schools. A similar workshop will be held this year in Gizo town.



GROUND WORK BEGINS AT GIZO AND PREPARATIONS UNDERGO AT RANADI

Ground work is now progressing at Gizo dumpsite under the guidance of Local Solid Waste Expert visiting from the Project office in Samoa. The Gizo J-PRISM team are now making bunkers with the proposal to construct four waste cells on the current dumpsite. According to Mr. Fred Naphtalae, Chief Environmental Health Inspector and the team leader at Gizo Project site, they managed to secure one excavator machine for the job but the work is progressing well.

Work in also expected to begin in Honiara once the preparations and procedures to acquire machines for work at the

dumpsite is done. Work at Ranadi dumpsite for rehabilitation should begin during Mr.Faafetai's next visit.

Recently, four waste cells are already been constructed at Gizo dumpsite. And more continuous work is expected to follow in the coming months.



Caption : Ground Works on at Gizo progressing and Honiara is still undergoing clearance and leveling .

Issue of Ranadi & Gizo Dumpsite Land title

The issue of Land title at Ranadi and Gizo dumpsite was one of the barriers towards the rehabilitation process in the Solomon Islands under the J_PRISM Project. Several meetings held with the Deputy Commissioner of Lands confirms some positive outcomes. The land registration for Gizo dumpsite was already been approved by the Commissioner of Lands for the rehabilitation plan. The registration documents are yet to be received and the surveyor general to formalize the design plan into a map.

In the case of Ranadi dumpsite, the situation is a bit challenging. The current parameter can be easily registered this is according to a consultation meeting with the Deputy Commissioner of Lands. Honiara City Council have made a submission for additional space ,however, the area required is under registered title by some private individual tenants. The Deputy Commissioner of Lands have verbally confirm that an affirmation will be submitted to JICA SI Office to allow work progress at Ranadi dumpsite to proceed whilst ongoing paper work for the land title

CLEAN CAMPAIGN 2012



Since the launching of the National Waste Reduction and Litter Campaign in line with the Clean Pacific Campaign held on 29th March 2012, a lot of follow-up activities have been ongoing. Some of these activities includes three billboards with the inscription **“Be a Waste Management Champion, Reduce Waste & Stop Litter”** was put up in three places within Honiara City. Posters on **“4Rs for a Clean Pacific”** and **“Don’t dump. Don’t burn”** was received from Westpac International. These posters were distributed to various Line Ministries, NGOs, Schools and other private sectors within Honiara and some will be distributed to Gizo.

As part of the strategies in line with the Clean Pacific Campaign and J_PRISM 3Rs Communication Strategy, voicemail messages on waste management will be installed in the Ministry’s landline. Other communication strategies were also highlighted in the 3Rs Communication Strategy developed for Waste Management in Honiara and Gizo Project Site.

TIME & MOTION STUDY IN-HOUSE TRAINING

A one day in-house training was spearheaded by Honiara City Council and facilitated by George Titulu on 13th September 2012. This in-house training was purposely to help counterparts understand the practical skills for conducting this baseline survey. A full-scale study to diagnose the present collection system and to obtain basic data to plan for its improvement is yet to be conducted at a later date.



Caption: Honiara Counterparts involved in a short demonstration during a In-house Training on Time-and-Motion Study

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