

**NZPPOA - TOKELAU** 

## QUARTERLY REPORT

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## ACTIVITIES IN THE LAST 3 MONTHS

In the past months, several challenges were faced by Ministry of Climate Oceans and Resilience (MiCORE) to obtain official confirmations of Nukunonu's adaptation actions.

The endorsement from Nukunonu was received on the 11th June 2019 during consultation between the Taupulega and MiCORE (Rosa Toloa & Jewel Tuitama). The meeting agenda consisted of the overview of the history of the project including a thorough discussion on each priority identified by the village. The priorities were:

- Community Awareness & Education for Ocean Acidification (OA)
- Deployment of Isami device
- Coral replanting and restocking of the affected areas and:
- a.Confirm the identified areas
- b.Conduct assessment for the identified areas
- c. Implement coral replanting process

Nukunonu priorities are similar to the needs identified by Fakaofo and Atafu which is a step forward for the project.

In mid-May, a meeting between MiCORE (Paula Faiva & Jewel Tuitama) and SPREP (Duncan McIntosh & Maria Sapatu) was held at the Tokelau Apia Liaison Office. The meeting discussed issues that were important for the onward progress of the Project which were;

- planning the nearest OA mission to Tokelau to assess the sites identified by the villages.
- framing the criterias for the Terms of Reference of tender for consultant and ensure all priorities are covered. In particular the concern raised by Fakaofo on possible options to remove ship wreck on reef.
- time frames for the activities considering both local and national schedules and main events to ensure minimal clashes and availability of key personnel.

In June, MiCORE helped the SPREP NZPPOA team to translate the english regional ocean acidification poster into Tokelauan. Once these printed materials arrive MiCORE will distribute to the three villages including the Health and Education sectors.

The posters will also be distributed to the Youth meeting venues and local Taupulega Offices to raise the awareness of the project. Most importantly raise the awareness of the community about Ocean Acidification in Tokelau.

## CHALLENGES FACED ——

Several changes to major National events such as the General Fono slightly impacted the dates discussed by the team for certain activities and the Tokelau mission. Another major event in which the communities are currently engaged in are the preparations to host the Prime Minister of New Zealand. Her trip to Tokelau is in late July. Other than this, the team are working around these events to ensure that by the end of August the deployment of all necessary OA equipment conducted has been including the preliminary assessment for the sites identified for the Project.

## ACTIVITIES

- Deployment of iSAMI postponed to August
- Purchase of necessary safety equipment for deployment and collecting of iSAMI data – July
- Site scoping and Baseline Marine survey August/September