

Fiji

NATIONAL PLANNING OFFICE Ministry of Finance & National Planning Managing for Development Results: Highlights of Best Practice

Overview of Institutional Focus on Results

National Economic Summit in progress 28 – 29th September 2006

- Partnership and consultation promotes ownership of policies and strategies
- Streamlines synergy between planning, Budgeting, and programmes and activities



Highlights

Strategic Development Plan 2003 – 2005

- National vision, mission, objectives and strategic priorities
- Framework for achieving national objective- a peaceful and prosperous Fiji
- Alignment of national objectives with programmes and activities executing agencies
- Sustainable economic growth – 5% of GDP
- Enhancing investment, exports and productivity
- 97% of KPIs in SDP achieved or ongoing



Suva Port

- Expand berthing space,
- Greater storage facilities,
- More efficient cargo handling,
- Strengthened port capacity to withstand seismic waves



Rewa Bridge Govt-EU Funded Project

- 10 million Euro EU funded 4-lane bridge
- Gateway for enhanced local and national trade
- Expansion of local industries- forestry, commerce, tourism
- Reduced traveling time.



Rural Electrification Projects

- 70 % of rural population have access to electricity
- 1033 settlements and villages with improved facilities
- Diesel generators, grid extension, renewable energy



Eco Tourism Project

- Participation of resource owners in sustainable development
- One third Community-two third Govt. cost sharing arrangement
- Increased income for rural dwellers



Education

- Near universal access to primary education
- Net primary enrollment of 102%
- Highest spending priority of Government (20%)



Health

- Increase resource allocation but deteriorating life expectancy child and infant mortality rates
- Better infrastructure facilities, equipment and supplies
- Improved management and use of resources



Lesson Learnt

Conducive environment for investment

- Creating an environment for private sector participation
- Streamlining approval process
- Recognizing and rewarding productive and Outstanding businesses



Small Micro Enterprise

- Community involvement is critical for success of SME projects
- Significant potential for employment and income generation



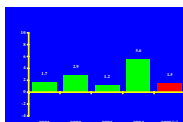
Infrastructure

- Damaged Roads
- Insufficient funds for road maintenance
- Infrastructure is critical for economic development



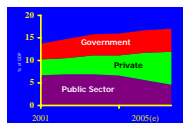
GDP Growth 2001-2005

- Consecutive economic growth 2002-2005, averaging 2.6%
- Preferential quota access to EU sugar and garments
- Balancing development through infrastructure, redistribution and incentives



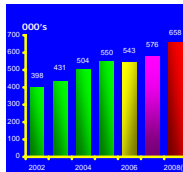
Investment

- Investment increased from 13% in 90s to 17% in 2005
- Strong performances in construction and tourism sectors
- Facilitating private sector investment to mitigate loss of preferential access



Tourism

- Highest foreign exchange earner
- Visitor arrivals doubled from 2001 to 2005
- Provides employment to 40,000 people



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