



SEVENTH MEETING OF THE PACIFIC METEOROLOGICAL COUNCIL (PMC-7)

## AGENDA ITEM: 8.3

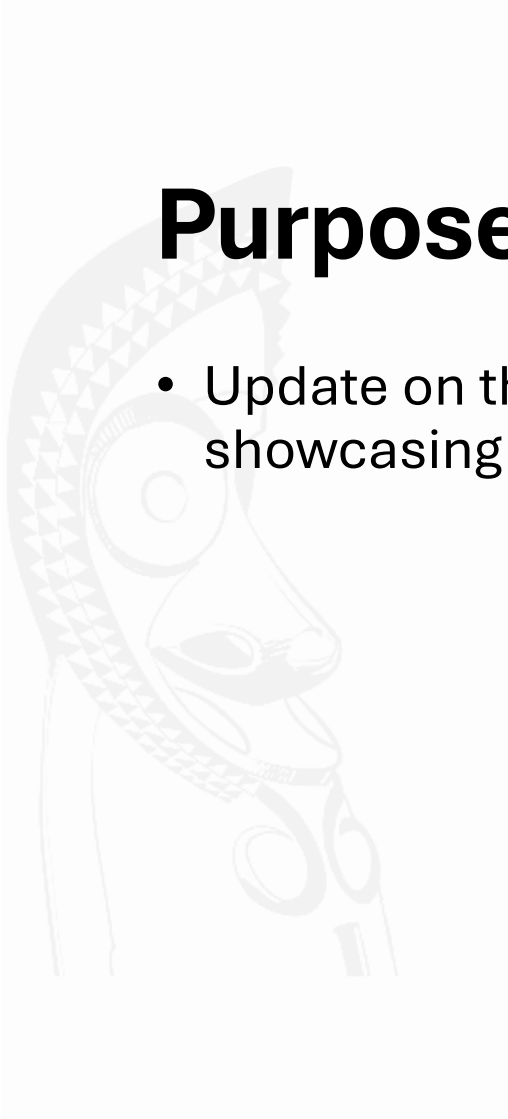
# Title: Anticipatory Action

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# Purpose of the Paper

- Update on the progress in advancing anticipatory action (AA) in the region and showcasing it as a critical component of early warning systems in Pacific.





# Background

- AA refers to actions triggered before a crisis to lessen negative impacts of a forecasted hazard on lives and livelihoods.
- An approach that translate warnings into actions to protect people and assets before a hazard develops into a disaster.
- The key to achieving the outcomes of the Weather Ready Pacific as part of Early Warning for All (EW4All).
- Pacific Governments and their national and regional partners have been exploring opportunities to test these anticipatory approaches at regional, national and local levels for some years.
- AA in the region has been reprioritized since 2023 with hosting of the [first Pacific Week of Anticipatory Action](#) (Nadi, Fiji March 2023) and with a follow up [regional meeting held in Sigatoka, Fiji in April 2024](#)



- These regional events have subsequently resulted in various of the regionally and nationally led initiatives including the following:
  - Development of National Anticipatory Action Framework for Fiji
  - Review of relevant strategies and governance mechanisms to provide the enabling framework for AA and early action.
  - Development of anticipatory parametric insurance product for Fiji and product design in development for Solomon Islands and Samoa
  - Advancement of Red Cross Early Action Protocols in the region and progress with NGO led AA pilots across the region
  - A strengthened evidence base and knowledge products on AA , including the report on [Envisioning a Model for AA in the Pacific.](#)



- Development of the AA training and awareness product contextualised for Pacific and to date rolled out in Solomon Islands and Tonga, with plans for similar support in Kiribati and Samoa in Q4 of 2024
- Inclusion of AA into national MHEWS roadmap and action plans including in Solomon Islands, Tonga and Fiji
- The establishment of the Pacific AA Community of Practice, under the leadership of the Pacific Island Forum Secretariat (PIFS) and UNDRR which has proved to be a useful mechanism to exchange learnings and strengthen coordination on AA in the region.



# Objectives

1. To update on progress on advancing Anticipatory Action in the Pacific
2. To underscore the importance of integrating AA approaches into existing EWS/ DRM systems in the Pacific at regional, national and local level
3. Demonstrate benefits of AA approach in EW4ALL/WRP initiatives in the Pacific



# Recommendations

The Meeting is invited to:

- **Note** the progress there has been in advancing anticipatory approaches to enable more effective early warning, early action across the Pacific.
- **Confirm** the importance of continuing to scale up awareness, capabilities and investment in Anticipatory Action in the Pacific
- **Recommend** that Weather Ready Pacific and other related early warning system initiatives in the region includes anticipatory action as a key component in programme design and delivery.