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Agenda Item 10.2: Climate Change Division - 2015 Overview

Purpose

1. To provide an overview of the Climate Change Division's work programme activities for 2015 consistent with the SPREP Strategic Plan

Summary of Key Activities for the Year

2. **Implementing Adaptation Measures - Key Activities for the year**
 - Close the Pacific Adaptation to Climate Change (PACC) and PACC Plus projects and related activities
 - Provide region-wide support on climate change policy, mainstreaming and joint national action strategies for climate change and disaster risk management
 - Provide support for USAID adaption projects in Abaiang, Kiribati and Choiseul, Solomon Islands
 - Continue the Pilot Programme for Climate Resilience Regional track implementation in Kosrae and Tuvalu
 - Ensure the Regional Technical Support Mechanism (RTSM)-Rapid Response Fund (RRF) is made operational
 - Complete remaining tasks for the: Draft Strategy on Climate and Disaster Resilient for the Pacific (SRDP); Pacific Climate Change Roundtable (PCCR); and Disaster Risk Management (DRM) Platform Meeting
 - Provide support for the Joint National Action Plan (JNAP) process
 - Provide support for the EU/SPC Global Climate Change Alliance Pacific Small Island States (GCCA-PSIS) programme
3. **Improving Capacity, Knowledge and Understanding of Climate Change Risks and Reduction**
 - Monitor implementation of the Pacific Islands Meteorological Strategy (PIMS)
 - Support climate information coordination and co-operation (PMC, Climate Services)
 - Organize and coordinate the Pacific Meteorological Council (PMC) and Ministerial Meeting
 - Implement the Finnish Funded project to support Meteorological Services in the Pacific (FINPAC)
 - Commence the Climate Prediction Services Project in collaboration with PIFS and Government of South Korea
 - Continue to develop and strengthen the Pacific Climate Change Portal and regional coordination to support increased access to climate information (Pacific iCLIM)
 - Strengthen the RTSM Experts Directory available via the Pacific Climate Change Portal
 - Provide input to regional coordination mechanisms (CROP Executive CC and DRM sub-committee, Working Arm)
 - Implement Climate change and disaster risk management plans for national broadcasters in collaboration with PACMAS and SPC.

- Support PICs in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) processes, including through the High Level Support Mechanism
 - Support development of the PCCC
 - Support the GIZ - CCCPIR project
 - Strengthen collaboration with the UK Met Office, including through implementation of the UK Met Project
 - Strengthen collaboration with the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO)
 - Ensure ongoing collaboration and support relevant to implementation of MoUs with the IOC, 5Cs and Commonwealth Secretariat
 - Implement on-going capacity building activities as a sub-regional node of the Asia Pacific Adaptation Network (APAN)
4. **Contributing to Greenhouse Gas Reduction**
- Close the Pacific Island Greenhouse Gas Abatement through Renewable Energy Project (PIGGAREP and PIGGAREP plus)
 - Support national capacity for the implementation of national energy roadmaps
 - Support PICs in National Communications to the UNFCCC Conference of the Parties (COP)
 - Support the development of the Pacific Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
 - Support the development of the Pacific SIDS DOCK Center
5. **Pipeline Initiatives**
- Support implementation of the EU-GIZ Adapting to Climate Change as Sustainable Energy (ACSE)
 - Develop regional project concept(s) on Climate Change, with relevant partners, targeting opportunities from the EU, USAID, UNDP and other relevant donors
 - Discussions new climate change information and services initiatives with relevant partners, including CSIRO
 - Strengthen collaboration with National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHS) and partners on regional climate services initiatives
 - Support members project development for the Kyoto Protocol Adaptation Fund (AF)
 - Strengthening collaboration with SPC and ISDR and partners on implementation arrangements for SRDP
6. **2015 Challenges/Opportunities**
- New requests during the year will exceed available budgetary resources
 - Time and resources spent on strengthening regional collaboration and partnerships
 - Funding for key positions in CCD, including for the Pacific Met Desk
 - CCD staff are project based thus limiting time for general back-stopping services