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MANGA KAMAUIAN TE KARIKIRAKE IAON TE ROA IKARI IAON TE ABAMWAKORO AE NONOUTI – TE REIREI NAKOIA TAAN KAIRIIA TAAN TAKAKARO N TE ROA IKARI

EA TIA N ROKO N TOKINA TE REIREI ARE E KARAOAKI IAON NONOUTI NAKOIA NAAKE ANA RIKI BWA TAAN KAIRIIA TAAN ROKO N TAKAKARO IAON TE ROA IKARI MAI TINANIKU KE NI KINAAKI N ARAIA AE FISHING GUIDES. TE REIREI AEI ARE E MOANAKI KARAOANA MAN 13 N BEBERUARE AO N TOKI NABA N 21 N BEBERUARE. TE REIREI AEI ARE EA KAIRAKI IROUIA CAPTAIN GAVIN PLATZ AO DEBORAH BURROWS MAN TE KAMBWANA AE E ARANAKI BWA TE TIE ‘N’ FLY MAI AOTITERIA.

E MANENAKI TE KARIKIRAKE AEI MAN TE AOBITI IBUKIN RONGORONGO, ITOMAN, MWAMWANANGA AO KARIKIRAKEAN KANEWEABA AO TE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY (GEF) RINANON TE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (UNDP) MA E BARONGAKI N TE BOTAKI NI MAKURI IBUKIN ENWAEROMANTA, AABA AO KARIKIRAKEAN TE UNUNIKI N ANA KARIKIRAKE AE TANIAN TE MAIU NI KAITARA BIBITAKIN KANOAN BONG.

KANOAN TE REIREI ARE E A TIA NI WAKINAKI E BON IREKEREKE MA TUOAN AIA KONABWAI MA RABAKAUIIA TAAN KAIRIA TAAN TAKAKARO NTE ROA IKARI AO AIA ATATAI N ARON KAIRAKIIA TAAN ROA NAKON TAABO AKE ANA KAI REKE IAI TE IKARI.
PRESS RELEASE – ENGLISH VERSION

REVIVAL OF BONEFISHING GAME ON NONOUTI ISLAND - REFRESHED FISHING GUIDES TRAINING
The refreshed training to fishing guides on Nonouti Island, which was started from 13th to 21st February 2018, has come to an end already. This training was conducted by Capt. Gavin Platz and Deborah Burrows from Tie’N’Fly Fishing Company and all the training was supported by the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and administered by United Nations Development Program (UNDP) through the Food Security (LDCF) project and co-financed by the Ministry of Information, Communications, Transport and Tourism Development (MICTTD). The training was designed to reassess the knowledge and skills of fishing guides for a matter of testing their abilities when guiding the anglers and for reviving this bonefishing game project for Nonouti Island.

Apart from the above, fishing guides were also trained on how to use camera during the fly fishing game in order for them to be able to take shots of anglers during the fishing game. They were trained on planning for the fishing day tour and also got time to map out the fishing flats, named them and kept any single record of the important information as part of their training.

Additionally, there was also a full council meeting that was organized with two main agenda; revision of the MOU and the Nonouti Island Fishing Package. The meeting was called in order to exchange views and ideas with them on the revision of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and the Nonouti Island Fishing Package. The MOU is not yet signed awaiting the Nonouti Island and Tie’N’Fly Fishing Company to fulfil their obligations as stipulated under this MOU included in the MOU, is a fishing timetable where anglers will start coming to Nonouti Island and the first group to come will be in June this year. The Nonouti Island Fishing Package was also revised during this meeting.

Boatmen also received training where they were trained on the health and safety of anglers while fishing on the flats. The revival of the this bonefishing game would benefit many communities on the island like handicraft makers, dancers, truck and boat owners, hospitality staff, accommodation providers and the people of Nonouti Island in general.

This eco-tourism initiative is one of the activities of the LDCF project that will conserve marine resources through a non-consumptive approach to reduce the vulnerability of the people and enhance their resilience and hence livelihood as climate change worsens. Similar initiatives will be rolled out at the other two pilot islands, Abemama and Maiana.

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