

GOVERNMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT STATE OF SAMOA



SAMOA

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COUNTRY CONTEXT



- Surface Area is 2,842km²
- Population is 184,000 (Density - 64.7 per km²)
- Average Annual Population Growth Rate 0.6%
- Urban Population 20%
- Real GDP is USD\$667m (SAT\$1.2billion)
- Real GDP per capita USD\$3600

KEY DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

The country's vulnerability to natural disasters put it at risk of:

- Economic shocks - highly dependent on Agriculture & Tourism with 75% of key economic Infrastructures along the coasts;
- Disruptions to livelihoods - 70% of population lives along the coast;
- Loss of key tourist attractions - SE coast affected by Tsunami is popular for its pristine white sand beaches;
- Flooding - capital Apia located in flood plain, susceptible to flooding during rainy season causing traffic and commercial disruptions;



BASELINE

CABINET DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mandate - approves all Government of Samoa public investment programmes amounting to SAT\$100,000 and above.

Is comprised of all Cabinet Ministers and their Associates, Ministry and Corporation CEO's and Assistant CEO's as well as Project Managers.

The Economic Planning and Policy Division of the Ministry of Finance acts as Secretariat.

PREPARED BY THE REQUESTING LINE AGENCY

The line agency identifies new initiative and submits proposal to the CDC Secretariat (Ministry of Finance) based on key sets of criteria:

- i. Is the project in-line with national and sectoral priorities?
- ii. Is the project proven to be financially sustainable?
- iii. Will the project reap social and economic benefits?
- iv. Have environmental considerations been addressed?
 - v. Are vulnerable groups included?
- vi. Have the socio-economic implications been taken into account?

Project Identification Brief (PIB)



PIB Appraisal Brief



CDC Decision

PREPARED BY THE CDC SECRETARIAT (MINISTRY OF FINANCE)

The CDC Secretariat appraises the project based on the set of criteria as mentioned above and prepares recommendations to the CDC.

CDC MAKES DECISION ON THE PROJECTS BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SECRETARIAT.

BASELINE (cont'd)

CURRENT CAPACITIES

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

The CDC Secretariat are equipped with workable knowledge of the following:

Project Cost Benefit Analysis (Economic/Financial)

Senior staff of the Secretariat have been trained as part of their ISP (under the ADP 2005 - 2008) to conduct CBA's for major capital investment projects (includes calculating and projecting Net Present Values, Internal Rates of Return and Cost Benefit Ratios);

Results Focused Project Design, Monitoring and Evaluation

Senior staff of the Secretariat have also been trained in management for development results (through the ADB and World Bank) in project design, monitoring and evaluation and can effectively compile M&E Frameworks to assist line agencies in project design, management and evaluation;

MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT

The portfolio of the Ministry covers the following core services supported with specific technical capacities:

Core Services - 1. Land management; 2. Environment & conservation; 3. Forest services; 4. Surveys, Mapping & Spatial information; 5. Meteorological services; 6. Planning & Urban management services; 7. Water resource management; 8. Renewable energy; 9. Disaster management;

Current Capacities - Project Management, Environmental safeguards & associated planning tools, EIAs, land valuation & surveys, spatial information, mapping, ecological surveys (terrestrial & marine), waste management & procurement, weather & climate info & analysis, geoscience, DRM, etc



COUNTRY NEEDS

CAPACITY GAPS

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

Despite existing capabilities, the CDC Secretariat identifies the need to address the following capacity gaps through workshops and hands on training:

Cost Benefit Analysis

Not all staff of the Secretariat have workable knowledge on conducting CBA's;

Establishing Qualitative KPI's to Effectively Monitor Social/Environmental Benefits

KPI's for key projects are primarily economically and financially valued and some gaps exist in establishing functional KPI's for social and environmental aspects.

MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT

The Ministry of Natural Resources & Environment identifies the following capacity gaps:

Monitoring & Evaluation, CBA,

EXPECTATIONS

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

MOF expects the proposed workplan to benefit its key agencies in successfully conducting CBA's particularly for projects with social and environmental costs and benefits which are not normally done by the MOF.

(Agencies include: MNRE, MWCSD, MAF-Fisheries Division, MOH and MESC)

MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT

Establish a pool of staff to conduct CBA



WAY FORWARD

FINANCE SECTOR PLAN 2013 - 2018

Donor Policy Matrix

(Government of Australia-MFAT, NZAid, ADB, IMF-PIFTAC and World Bank)

ENVIRONMENT SECTOR PLAN 2013-2017

Ministry Corporate Plan

Capability Plan

(Development funding yet to be identified)