



THIRD PACIFIC MINISTERIAL MEETING ON METEOROLOGY

Hosted by the Government of Fiji

Friday, 18th of August 2023

Sofitel Fiji Resort and Spa, Denarau, Nadi, Fiji Islands

Theme: "Sustainable Weather, Climate, Ocean and Water Services for a Resilient Blue Pacific"

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM 1. OFFICIAL OPENING.

At kind invitation of the Government of Fiji, the Third Pacific Ministers Meeting on Meteorology will be held at the Sofitel Hotel, Denarau, Fiji, on the 18th of August 2023. The official opening of the session will start with a prayer to officially dedicate the meeting. This will be followed by a traditional welcoming ceremony from the People of Fiji for the Ministers meeting and keynote addresses to be delivered by the Director-General of the Secretariat of the Pacific Environment Programme (SPREP) and the Secretary-General of the World Meteorological Organization. The Government of Fiji will deliver the official opening statement and to declare the meeting officially open.

AGENDA ITEM 2. ORGANIZATION OF THE THIRD PACIFIC MINISTERS MEETING ON METEOROLOGY.

This agenda item will focus on the designation of the Chair of the Third Pacific Ministers Meeting on Meteorology, handing over the chairmanship from the current Chair of the Second Pacific Ministers Meeting on Meteorology to the new designated Chair of the Third Pacific Ministers Meeting on Meteorology. This draft provisional agenda for the meeting will be introduced to provide opportunity for review and comments and to be followed by its adoption.

AGENDA ITEM 3. OVERVIEW OF THE PACIFIC METEOROLOGICAL COUNCIL, NUKU'ALOFA AND HONIRA MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS.

This agenda item will focus on an overview and objectives of Pacific Ministers Meeting on Meteorology; the setup of the Pacific Meteorological Council, the Pacific Ministers Meeting on Meteorology and the secretariat support from the Pacific Meteorological Desk Partnership within the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme; key achievements of the Nuku'alofa and Honiara ministerial statements. Furthermore, it will provide summaries of outcomes from the Joint Meeting between the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services and National Disaster Management Offices, the Sixth Pacific Meteorological Council and the Development Partners and Donors Meeting, including linkages and

coordination with other regional initiatives and frameworks. This will be followed by interactive process through discussions, interventions and statements from the Ministers.

AGENDA ITEM 4. SUSTAINABILITY OF WEATHER, CLIMATE, WATER AND OCEAN SERVICES FOR A SAFE, SECURE AND PROSPEROUS PACIFIC.

This agenda item will discuss costs associated with natural hazards and the social and economic benefits of investments in the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services. The discussion will include the roles of National Meteorological and Hydrological Services in the aviation and marine operation and safety, agriculture and water sector, multi-hazard early warning system. This will be followed by interactive process through discussions, interventions and statements from the Ministers.

The official launching of State of Climate in the South-West Pacific Report 2022 by the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) will take place under this agenda item.

AGENDA ITEM 5. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES SUPPORTING THE BLUE PACIFIC AGENDA.

This agenda item will focus on the background, progress and updates on the Weather Ready Pacific Programme. The update will also include initiatives such as the Early Warning System for All (EW4ALL) and linkages to the Weather Ready Pacific Programme; and presentation of the proposed Governance Framework for the Weather Ready Pacific Programme, including reporting to the Pacific Leaders Meeting in November 2023. This will be followed by interactive process through discussions, interventions and statements from Ministers.

AGENDA ITEM 6. STATEMENTS FROM THE MINISTERS.

This agenda item will focus and provide opportunity for the Ministers to make statements, reflections, interventions to support and / or raise additional matters not covered in the discussions for hydro-meteorology and disaster risk reduction.

AGENDA ITEM 7. REVIEW OF THE MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.

This agenda item will focus on the draft Ministerial Statement which will be the main outcome of this meeting. The Ministers will review the draft Ministerial Statement and provide feedback and comments before the Statement is finalized and adopted.

AGENDA ITEM 8. CLOSING OF MEETING

This agenda item will focus on the formalities of the closing of the meeting.

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