



COUNTRY REPORT OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA



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BRIEF BACKGROUND/HISTORY

- The PNG Marine Program accommodates the PNG National Plan of Action.
- Extends beyond the CTI boundary to include the southern region of the country where the Torres Strait Treaty covers. All maritime provinces.
- National Coordination Committee with representations from relevant government agencies, NGO partners and Institutions that deliberates on CTI matters.
- CTI NCC Secretariat is provided for within CEPA with support from the NCC.
- Alignment of relevant Government policies and initiatives for the marine and coastal sector.

- Each of the 5 goals of the RPOA are coordinated and implemented by respective Government agencies Focal Points in the country. Partnerships with NGO partners and institutions.

COUNTRY TWG FOCAL POINTS

TWG	Focal Point
Seascapes	Conservation and Environment Protection Authority (CEPA), Ms Yvonne Tio, Executive Manager
EAFM	National Fisheries Authority (NFA), Managing Director, Mr. John Kasu
MPA	Conservation and Environment Protection Authority (CEPA), Mr Bernard Suruman, Manager
CCA	Office of Climate Change and Development (OCCD), Ms Luanne Losi, Project Manager
Threatened Species	Conservation and Environment Protection Authority (CEPA), Mr Vagi Rei, Manager

PARTNERS AND STATUS OF PARTNERSHIP

Partners	Status/Instruments
CEPA and 15 Maritime Governors	<i>MOU signed</i>
PNG Govt - CEPA and ADB (TNC/ CI/ WWF/PNGCLMA)	<i>Aid Memoire signed to implement the Pacific RETA Marine & Coastal Marine Resources Mngt Project in respective provinces and Australian Govt Support to CTI PNG.</i>
CEPA/ JICA & NCDC	<i>5 yrs Project to rehabilitate the Varirata NP and Bootless/ Tuna Bay in Central Province.</i>
PNG Govt- CEPA and GEF/UNDP	<i>Comprehensive land use planning Project in the New Britain Island (R2R)</i>
PNG Govt - CEPA and Australian Govt	<i>Comprehensive land use planning Project in the New Britain Island</i>



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Partners	Status/Instruments
PNG & ASEAN	<i>RPOA combating IUU</i>
PNG, Australia, Indonesia and Timor Leste	<i>Arafura Timor Seas sub-regional MCS working group</i>
PNG with the PIC	<i>Regional MCS Working Group</i>
NFA and RPNGC	<i>MOU on investigations and prosecution</i>
NFA and PNG Customs	<i>MOU data sharing on import & export</i>



NPOA GOALS AND TARGETS

GOALS	TARGETS
Goal 1: Seascapes	(i) Priority Seascapes identified and designated with development plans completed.
Goal 2: EAFM	(i) Strong legislative policy & regulatory framework in place for achieving an EAFM (ii) Improved & sustain income of an increased in number of coastal & island communities. (iii) Effective measures in place to ensure exploitation o of shared tuna stocks is sustainable. (iv) Increased number of commnuities implementing community fisheries based management (commercial & subsistence).

NPOA GOALS AND TARGETS

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Goal 3: MPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) National Marine Protected Areas System developed.(ii) Marine Protected Areas Monitoring and evaluation framework in place.
Goal 4: CCA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Coastal and island communities economic and livelihood adaptation strategies is developed and implemented.
Goal 5: Threatened Species	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Habitats and Ecosystems for threatened species are designated and protected.(ii) Populations of threatened species are increased.

PROGRESS TOWARDS NPOA

GOALS	ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS CONDUCTED
Goal 1: Seascapes	<i>Priority Seascapes identified and consultation planning meetings/ workshops convened with all relevant stakeholders.</i>
Goal 2: EAFM	<i>PNG is enhancing EAFM through collaborative working with its partners in country and sub-regional fisheries arrangements to promote sustainable fisheries management as covered in the earlier slides</i>
Goal 3: MPA	<i>(i) National Protected Areas Policy developed and launched. (ii) State of Coral Triangle Report for PNG (iii) National Marine Conservation Assessment Report completed and launched. (iv) National Marine Protected Areas (MPA) Establishment Guidelines and monitoring and evaluation framework planning work is in progress. (v) Documentation of status of Marine Protected Areas</i>

PROGRESS TOWARDS NPOA

GOALS	ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS CONDUCTED
Goal 4: CCA	<p><i>UNDP Adaptation Fund – Five Pilot Coastal Provinces: Morobe, Madang, East Sepik, Northern and New Ireland Provinces</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>- Climate Risks, Vulnerability and Needs Assessment</i><i>- Early Warning Systems,</i><i>- Capacity Assessment</i><i>- Communication Strategy</i><i>- Mangrove training – planting and nursery design</i><i>- Strengthening Data collection</i><i>- Development of Community- Based Mangrove Planting hand book</i><i>- Improve Food Security</i>
Goal 5: Threaten Species	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>(i) Protection of important habitats and ecosystems.</i><i>(ii) Management plans for some threatened species developed.</i>

LESSONS LEARNED

- **A Monitoring and Evaluation system is vital for any review.**
- **Data and information management/ sharing is very important to ensure informed decisions.**
- **Its more effective to work with a bottom-up approach than a top-down approach so the communities take ownership of these initiatives.**
- **Local communities are better educated through educational awareness programs and their appreciation on the importance of sustaining livelihoods and food security.**
- **Regular and constant communications and reporting from stakeholders and partners is important to inform NCC so they are kept informed to make better informed decisions.**
- **Effective implementation with support from stakeholders and partners.**



CHALLENGES

- **Institutional and human capacity**
- **Budget limitations.**
- **Insufficient Information Flow.**
- **Lack of timely communications and reporting by stakeholders and partners.**
- **Coordination and facilitation among stakeholders.**
- **Sharing of data and information. Scattered data and data security.**
- **Replication of projects in other areas. Requests by local communities to see those activities also implemented in their communities.**
- **Lack of legal and policy enforcement.**



RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Increased resources for effective implementation.**
- **Build capacity of provincial and local government Administrations for effective implementations.**
- **Increased linkages/ involvement of NCC in projects formulation.**
- **Timely and constant communications, reporting and submission of updates by stakeholders and partners.**
- **Commitments and support from existing partners and stakeholders.**
- **Commitment and support from additional partners and stakeholders.**
- **Cross learning between different programs and countries is encouraged.**



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**CORAL TRIANGLE
INITIATIVE**

ON CORAL REEFS, FISHERIES AND FOOD SECURITY

