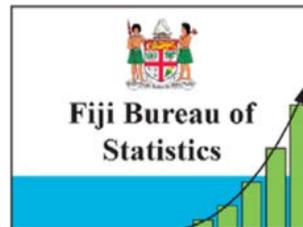


"Session 9: Country presentations on **national gender statistics programmes** and **integration into statistics**"

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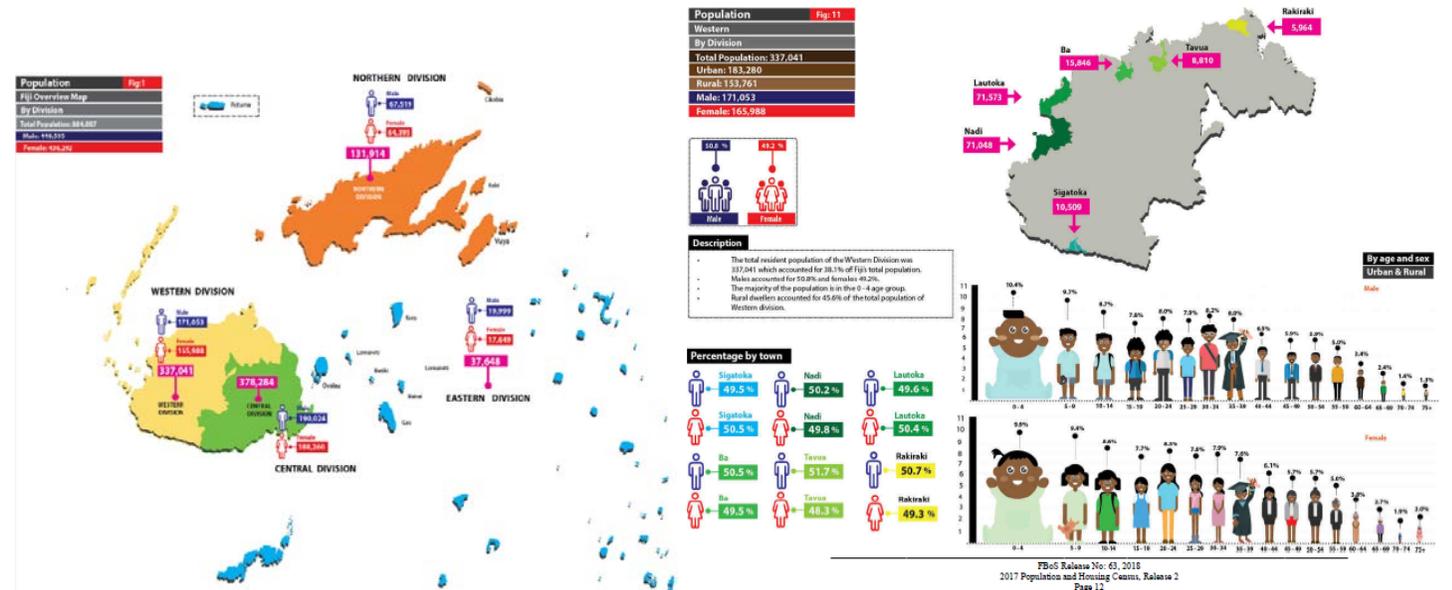
Overview

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 - i. and statistics



(1) National practices and strategies for measuring and monitoring gender concerns

DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN

(i) Role

- i. Policy advice to government through research and policy papers on matters pertaining women's development in Fiji
- ii. Alleviating poverty through empowerment programmes through the Women's Plan of Action (2010-2019)
- iii. Upholding the Principles of the National Gender Policy and other international commitments and treaties

(ii) International and Regional Obligations

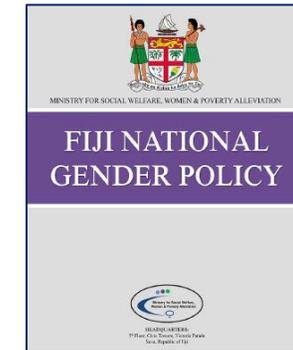
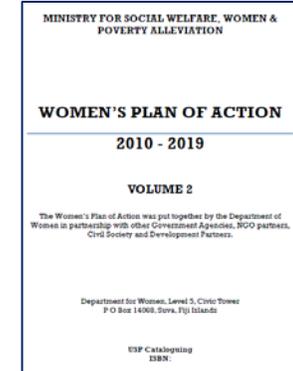
- I. CEDAW - measure and monitor gender concern
- II. Beijing Platform for Action
- III. Revised Pacific Platform for Action
- IV. Pacific Leaders Gender Equality Declaration
- V. Bilateral & Multilateral Cooperation

(iii)-1 National Plans & Policies

1 - National Development Plan – NDP is a 5 year and 20 Year plan. It puts great emphasis on women in development with the vision of “empowering women to reach their full development potential”.

2- National Gender Policy (NGP): The overall goal of this policy is to promote gender equity, equality, social justice and sustainable development in the Republic of Fiji.

3- Women’s Plan of Action (WPA) 2010- 2019: Is the vehicle for fulfillment of Fiji’s Obligation to international and regional commitment. 6 thematic areas within the WPA that the DoW aligns its work towards... Indicators - measure and monitor



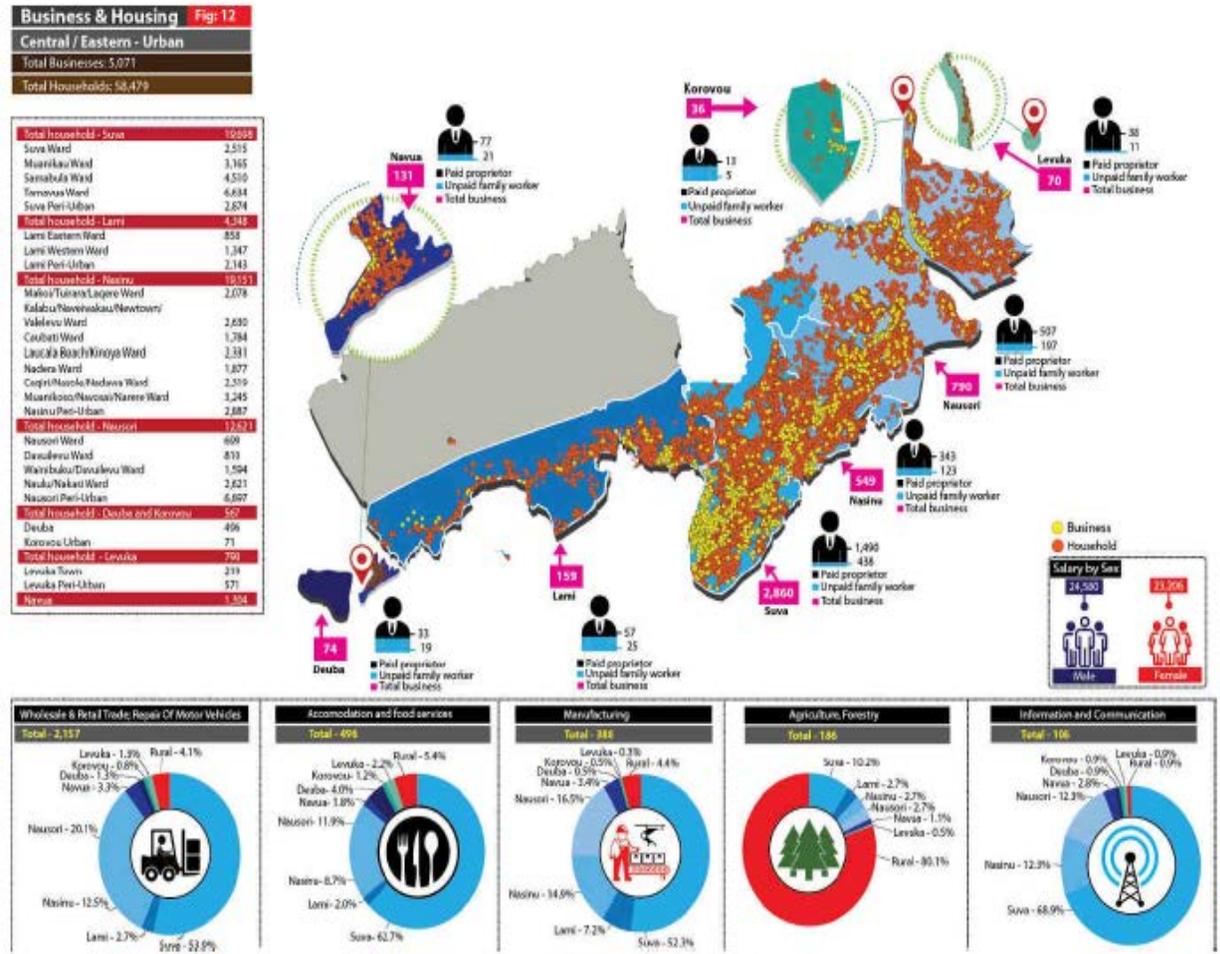
(iii)-2 Legislative & Policy environment in support of gender equality

- The Fiji Constitution - signed into law in September 2013.
 - The Constitutional Bill of Rights recognizes the government's commitments to gender
 - Rights to Equality and Freedom from Discrimination that prohibits discrimination on the grounds of sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, marital status, or pregnancy. In addition, there are several laws and decrees that support nondiscrimination and women's rights to equality. These include the Family Law Act, the HIV Decree, the Child Welfare Decree, the Domestic Violence Decree, and the Crimes Decree.
- The Roadmap for Democracy and Sustainable Socio-Economic Development 2010–2014
 - Had included gender equality objectives and indicators
 - Directs ministries to consider gender equality within the work of their ministries
 - Indicators provides guidance on policy and program interventions
 - Ministries are expected to build this strategic direction into their mandates, along with specific objectives in their annual corporate plans.
 - Monitor progress on a regular basis.

(iv) Women's Plan of Action

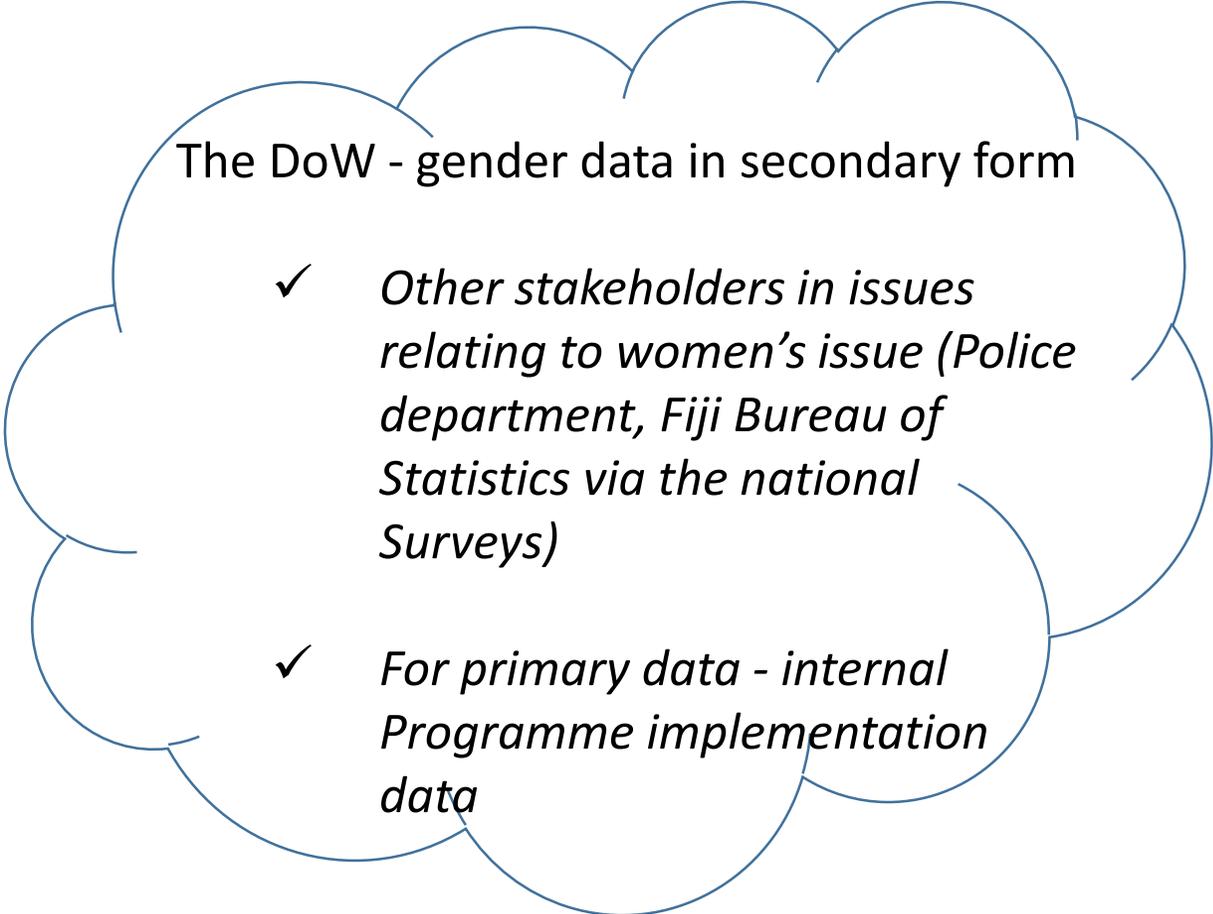
Six thematic areas include;

- i. *Formal Sector Employment and Livelihood*
- ii. *Equal Participation in Decision Making*
- iii. *Elimination of Violence Against Women and Children*
- iv. *Access to Services*
- v. *Women and the Law*
- vi. *Gender and Climate Change*



(v) Programmes

Formal Sector Employment	Awareness/Trainings on policies or legislations concerning women in work places/formal employment FSEL Taskforce
Livelihood	Provide Grants to income generating projects request; Projects – Canteen, poultry, VCO, Bee-keeping, etc. Technical Trainings Financial Literacy Trainings
Equal Participation in Decision Making	Leadership Training – Women’s Groups/Leaders; EPDM Taskforce BRIDGE (Building Resources in Democracy, Governance & Elections) Programme
Elimination of Violence Against Women & Children	National Domestic Violence Helpline - #1560 Fiji National Service Delivery Protocol Gender Based Violence Training Zero Tolerance Violence Free Community Program Male advocacy EVAW Taskforce Safe Home for Survivors of Gender Based Violence 16 Days of Activism on ending violence against women Safety and Protection Cluster in times of disaster
Access to Services	Sexual Reproductive Health; Solar Programmes ATS Taskforce
Women & the Law	Legal Literacy Training; Paralegal Training CEDAW Awareness WAL Taskforce
Gender & Climate Change	Climate Change Adaptations Awareness Programmes Clean Rocket Stove Construction GCC Taskforce
Women Economic Empowerment	National Women’s Expo Sewing Program Fiji Women’s Federation Bilateral Agreements Grants to Women’s Institution



(2) Gender and Statistics

1 - National surveys (data disaggregated)

i. Census

- i. Financial inclusion
- ii. Working age
- iii. Education (attending & attained)
- iv. Fertility and mortality (ratios)
- v. Functionally challenged, etc.
 - i. Gender Monograph

ii. Employment and Unemployment Survey (EUS)

- i. Fishing and agriculture activities
 - i. Own use production
- ii. Hrs. of work
- iii. Income level
- iv. Social welfare recipients
- v. Unemployment rate, etc.

iii. Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES)

- i. Occupation by industry
- ii. Income level & actual amount and contribution through remittances
- iii. Women expenses, etc.

Publications

(2) Gender and Statistics

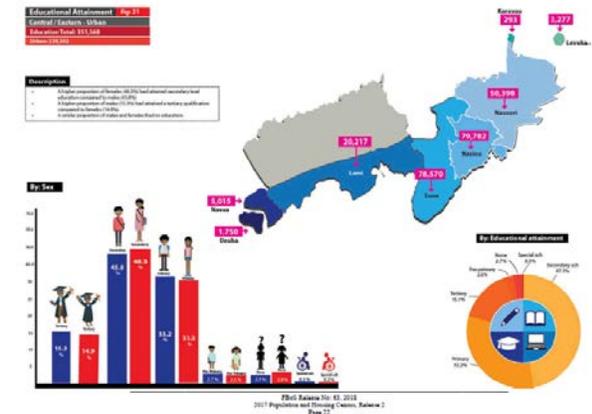
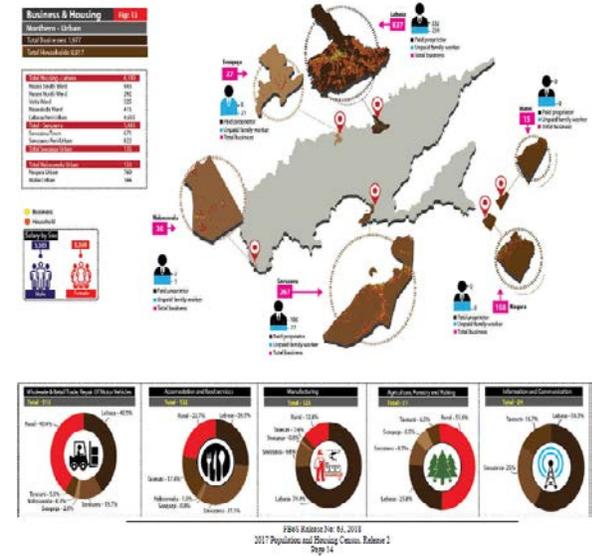
2 - Gender mainstreaming and gender statistics - Assessing the implications for women and men

Strengthening the capacity of the National Statistics office with gender mainstreaming and gender statistics method is an important aspect in formulating questionnaire in the context of the new phase of the Project “Progressing Gender Equality in the Pacific Island Countries” (PGEP 2).

Gender Statistics Session during training

The objectives of the sessions are to;

- i. Increase the Household Survey Unit staff and Project officer’s understanding of how the information from the Household surveys are used to analyse progress towards gender equality
- ii. Develop capacity and explore issues for gender sensitive enumeration in the ‘difficult’ questions and concepts of head of the household, women’s economic activities, education qualifications
- iii. In the same connection, information about sexual harassment are incorporated into the enumerator and supervisor training (including the process for complaints, personal safety etc.).



Thank you for listening

