

NZ Performance Based Budget Support 2015/2016

Output 2 - Technical Assistance for Economic Governance Reform

Programme/Project	Ministry/Agency	Purpose	Outcomes/Benefits	NSDC Decision	Tender Price	Actual Spend	Outcome/Recommendations from TA Support
Underwrite of Los Angeles and Sydney flights	MFEM	Review the Underwrite of Los Angeles and Sydney flights. Review to be carried out based on Economic, Environmental and Social Impacts.	Findings that will determine the viability and sustainability of both underwrites	Approved	\$ 69,090	\$ 69,125	Report Recommendations 1. Work the underwrite. 2. Develop aviation expertise. 3. Manage the B772 transition. 4. Develop and implement long-term plan. 5. Improve the underwrite agreement. 6. Develop an initiative to grow freight volumes. 7. Initiate a financial risk-management plan.
Cook Islands Financial Revenue Management System Upgrade Phase 3	MFEM	The programme is for phase 3 of the Revenue Management System Upgrade which has been scoped including 3 functions. a. To improve the income tax package regarding income tax inputs. b. To synchronise the RMS with the customs database i.e. in the event an importer has credit with customs and debt in RMS, it can easily be offset against each other. c. Notification to the public i.e. when taxes are due to be paid, RMS automatically is able to send notification to tax payers via email/sms.	Benefits are increased tax compliance, ensuring arrears do not grow larger than the current levels (approximately \$15M-\$16M arrears) and a synchronised system between RMD and Customs.	Approved	\$ 120,255	\$ 120,255	Completed Activities II Planning for system testing was completed. II Development and system testing has been completed on the income tax enhancements. II System testing commenced on the income tax enhancements. II Configuration of the notification manager commenced including development of the email templates. Activities to be completed by June 30th II Complete configuration and development of the notification manager and email templates. II System testing of the notification manager. II Planning for the release to UAT on 7th June. II UAT support and issue management. Note: Proposal has been submitted to fund phase 4 - RMS Phase Four Phase Four CUSMOD automatic portal, debt and audit case management workflows, automated refund processing, exception reporting and credit transfer enhancements
Cook Islands Financial Management Information Systems (FMIS)	MFEM	Programme is aimed at finding a centralised system suitable for CIG financial recording and reporting needs. Currently Microsoft Dynamics is in use but needs to be expanded to include additional functions required for Financial Management. If Microsoft Dynamics can be expanded, CIG can purchase more licenses instead of purchasing an entirely new software. If existing system cannot be used, CIG will need explore the option of investing in a new software that can provide all the functions required for Financial Management.	CIG will have a systems pathway to know what option to go with, either expanding on the current system Dynamics or purchasing a new system.	Approved	\$ 92,800	\$ 92,800	
Cook Islands Tourism strategy	CITC	To be funded from CITC budget		Approved			Waiting on report from Malatza
Development of Models and Recommendations on a Medium Term Infrastructure Plan for the education sector in the Cook Islands	MOE	Development of a 10 school building/infrastructure plan. TA is to support Ministry through the first phase of the process providing options and recommendations on models/frameworks and criteria for decision making.	An Infrastructure plan	Approved	\$ 36,440	\$ 30,041	A plan and way forward to develop these 4 key areas has been provided in the report: - A framework for education infrastructure - A guide to aid decision making about education infrastructure - Overview of the current situation - 10 year building plan (Draft)
Implementation of Corrective Action Plan to address ICAO USQAP CMA audit findings.	MOT	Technical Advisor who will implement corrective action plan to address the ICAO audit findings and mentor the Aviation Coordinator (AC). The AC position is a new role and not yet filled.	ICAO Audit findings addressed. Aviation Coordinator up skilled	Approved	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	
Finalisation and implementation of immigration draft policy and standard operating procedures	MFAI	Two parts to the programme 1. review draft immigration policy and finalise for presentation to cabinet 2. review the draft standard operating procedures and finalise for implementation which should include development of procedures, forms, brochures and training.	finalised and updated immigration policy	Approved	\$ 59,020	\$ 59,020	Progress to date from Kairangis Email: - MFAI have sent out draft Policy for comment to all Government users and also community wide - MFAI have also held 3 community presentations (by Vaka) on the issues we were addressing in the Policy - MFAI have made a presentation to the Chamber of Commerce whose members also included executives from the Restaurant Association and the Tourism Council. - MFAI have reviewed the date to the 17th of June to ensure that stakeholders are provided time to engage in the process. - Draft policy framework will be under these headings: Draft policy issues, proposed draft policy changes rationale, SOP's proposed Regulations, Legislation implications
HEALTH Programme	MOH	The PER will be used by the Cook Islands and New Zealand governments to forecast health spending in the Cook Islands to meet the goals of the Health Strategic Plans and the National Sustainable Development Plan (NSDP) particularly in the areas of health professional remuneration, disease burden particularly on Non Communicable Diseases, professional development and health infrastructure.		Approved	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	Recommendations - Monitor health spend against GDP and plan for a steady and carefully managed increase over a number of years to reach the WHO benchmark of 5%. - Implement a system of data collection and monitoring used to measure health system performance, with a particular focus on expenditure on non-communicable diseases and progress against non-communicable disease indicators - Continue to invest in the development of the health workforce in terms of both capability and capacity. - Ensuring access to services is equitable - Cost driver analysis and management - Longer term planning & forecasting - Tools and frameworks
TMV						\$ 13,589	
TOTAL COST					\$ 592,605	\$ 599,830	
BALANCE OF FUNDS REMAINING					\$ 107,395	\$ 100,170	