Introduction

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1. The title of the project

Localizing the 2030 Agenda through a sustainable urban resource management (SURM) approach.

2. Aim

Strengthen the capacities of Nasinu Town Council to implement the 2030 Agenda within the sustainable urban resource management.

3. Fund

UNESCAP and UN-Habitat and CLGF is contracted to implement the project in Fiji.

4. Partnership

Between CLGF and UNESCAP, an LoA was signed.

5. Duration

Started July 2019 and should end in April 2021. However, there were delays in implementing the activities because of COVID 19, and the project extended to August 2021

What is the project about?



- Developed to integrate the sustainable development goals into local actions in support of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in Asia and the Pacific.
- Help localize most of the SDGs but the focus was more on SDG 11,
- Aim to strengthen 'local processes' for implementing the SDGs by focusing on three mutually reinforcing capacity-development streams, which are:
 - a. **PARTICIPATION** strengthening inclusive multi-stakeholder governance for the local level,
 - b. **EVIDENCE** strengthening urban stakeholders' capacities to collect, analyse and disseminate data aligned to SDG indicators and use it for more evidence-based decision making, and
 - c. INTEGRATION systemic analysis for integrated planning and implementation.
- Assisted Nasinu Town Council to put into operation the "what and 'how' of localizing SDGs

Key Features



- Project Core Group established to support CLGF to implement the project
- Multi-Stakeholder Coalitions also known as the MSC was established
- MSC' members were provided with tools and resources to enhance their capacity in planning and implementing SDGs in an inclusive and participatory fashion
 - adopt an integrated approach to localizing the SDG subset.
 - multi-stakeholder platforme stablished and used throughout
 - Decisions made through the multi-stakeholder process
 - Surveys conducted to provide evidence to make decisions
 - July 2020 the visioning workshop was conducted where all stakeholders and the MSC came together to discuss the Sustainable Urban Resource Management issues and how to address it;
 - Participants at the visioning workshop provided sets of integrated solutions and potential pilot projects linked to SDG and the Ministry of Local Government and Nasinu Town Council plans and priorities.

Two Phases

- Phase1
 - Training and capacity building
 - Surveys
 - Sustainable Plan
- Phase 2
 - Capacity Building to manage resource Recovery Facility
 - Awareness raising and advocacy
 - How develop policies and process to invest and stimulate local economies for growth and waste reduction in Nasinu.



Lessons Learnt



- Important to recognise that the journey is just as important as the destination for this project.
- Project's opportunities to build Nasinu Town Council and community members' skills in acceptable local governances. practices and procedures are equally as critical as the improvements
- Expectation of the project is more bottom-up and participatory approach that involves all stakeholders to work together with the Municipality to deliver the SDG.
- Achieving expectation dependant on the cooperation and commitment of all stakeholders.
- To be successful, all stakeholders should be given equal opportunities to have the knowledge and the capacity to take part in the process.