

Memorandum

To: Secretary to Cabinet

Secretary to Prime Minister,

All Permanent Secretaries,

Clerk to Parliament,

Private Secretary, Government House,

Auditor General,

Deputy Secretaries,

Directors.

Human Resource Managers

Financial Controllers

Planning Officers

Project Coordinators/ Managers

M&E Officers

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Monitoring and Evaluation Systems Analysis (MESA) Diagnostic Study Survey Consultations in the Solomon Islands.

The Ministry of National Planning and Development Coordination (MNPDC) is currently embarking on a Monitoring and Evaluation Systems Analysis (MESA) for the Country in support to strengthening the monitoring, evaluation and reporting on the performance of the National Development Strategy –NDS 2016-2035.

NDS monitoring at the higher level needs strengthening to enable effective reporting on its objectives, the SDGs and other regional and international commitments.

The MESA exercise is supported by the World Bank through the Global Evaluation Initiative-GEI and conducted on the ground by consulting groups Dignity Pasifik from Solomon Islands and Alinea International from Australia.

The MESA study commenced in May 2022 with the Inception Phase being completed and endorsed in early October 2022. It is evident from the inception phase that Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning systems within the government sector varies across the Ministries and agencies, and that M&E work is being done on an adhoc basis, and not being institutionalised for most of the ministries.

Having identified the gaps and challenges, the Ministry will now conduct a wider consultations and survey with the broader stakeholders including the line ministries, government agencies, provincial governments, private sector and NGOs.

The MESA diagnostic study base its focus on answering two overarching questions of:

- What monitoring and evaluation processes, systems and capacities Solomon Islands has in place?
- What are the opportunities to further strengthen these processes, systems and capacities?

MNPDC will be conducting a one on one consultation with the Line Ministries and Agencies commencing on Wednesday 26th October 2022. Attached is the schedule for your respective Ministries.

For confirmation and more detail, contact the MNPDC Program Quality team; Elizabeth Pepena via email EPepena@mnpdc.gov.sb or Ollie Pokana via email OPokana@mnpdc.gov.sb or on office phone 38255.

The Ministry of National Planning and Development Coordination acknowledge your collaboration and support towards this MESA diagnostic study.



Permanent Secretary (Acting),

Ministry of National Planning and Development Coordination.