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NATIONAL PARLIAMENT OF TUVALU



2015 INDUCTION SEMINAR

24 – 28 August 2015



Day 1

Time	Topic	Resource Persons
9.00am	Welcome Remarks	Hon. Otinielu Tausi, Speaker
9.10am	Blessing of the Seminar	President of the Tuvalu Church
9.15am	Overview of workshop and expectations	Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP Mohammed Mozeem, UNDP
9.20am	Discussion	
9.30am	Role of Speaker and MPs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sharing experiences from New Zealand and other countries 	Hon. Otinielu Tausi, Speaker Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP
10.00am	Open Discussion	

10.30 - 11.00am - Morning tea

11.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constitution as a guiding document <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Bill of Rights International human rights agreements Separation of powers Responsible Government / Principle of Collective Responsibility Interaction of Executive Government with the legislature <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experience from New Zealand 	Ms. Nele Semu, Ag. Attorney General Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP
12.00noon	Discussion and clarifications	Ms. Nele Semu, Ag. Attorney General

12.30 - 1.30pm - Lunch

1.30pm	Key documents guiding MPs work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Standing Orders / rules of procedures – Brief overview on Standing Orders – Speakers Rulings – Specific rules regarding debates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Point of Order vs. Assistance • Rules re submission of motions & petitions • Observation of time limits etc. – Experiences from NZ 	Mr Levi Telii, Clerk Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP Ms. Nele Semu, Ag. Attorney
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		General
2.30pm	Discussion and clarifications	

2.45 - 3.15pm - Afternoon Tea

3.15pm	<p>Overview: The law making process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Government/Private Bills – Importance of Public submissions and consultation during debate of the Bill – Role of Attorney General & Minister responsible for the Bill – Experiences from NZ and other countries 	<p>Ms. Nele Semu, Ag. Attorney General</p> <p>Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP</p> <p>Mr Levi Telii, Clerk</p>
3.45pm	Discussions and clarifications	

Day 2

9.00am	<p>Duties on accountability, transparency and integrity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role of Auditor General • Accountability, transparency and integrity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Duty of disclosure - conflict of interests + asset disclosure • Tuvalu <i>Leadership Code Act 2006</i> - opportunities and challenges • Overview of UN Convention Against Corruption 	<p>Mr Eli Tagata, Auditor General</p> <p>Mr Saaga Talu, Ombudsman</p> <p>Ms. Luisa Senibulu, UNDP</p>
10.15am	Discussion and clarifications	

10.30 - 11.00am - Morning tea

11.00am	<p>Parliament Oversight (Brief)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role of Public Accounts Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Involving the public – Follow up of recommendations • Experience from NZ 	<p>Hon. Kausea Natano, Chair of PAC</p> <p>Mr Tony Prcevich, Audit Advisor</p> <p>Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP</p>
11.30am	<p>Introduction to the draft Public Accounts and Audits Committee (PAAC) Act</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of the draft PAAC Act • Comments from MPs for amendments 	<p>Hon. Kausea Natano, Chair of PAC / Mr Tony Prcevich / Mr Levi Telii, Clerk</p>

		Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP
12.15pm	Discussion and way forward for passing of the Act (voting)	Hon. Kausea Natano, Chair of PAC / Tony Prcevich / Levi Telii, Clerk Mr. Mohammed Mozeem, UNDP

12.30 - 1.30pm - Lunch

1.30pm	Parliament Oversight (detailed discussion) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role and functions of Parliamentary Committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Committee of the Whole House – Experience from Australia and NZ – Procedural Parliamentary committees – Privileges Committee – Business Committee – membership • Role of Secretariat in supporting committees 	Hon. Donato (Don) Nardella, Deputy Speaker, Victoria Parliament (VLA) Mr. Ray Purdey, Clerk of Legislative Assembly and Clerk of Parliaments, Victoria Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP
2.00pm	Discussion and clarifications	

2.30 - 3.00pm - Afternoon Tea

3.00pm	Role of MP (Australia and NZ experience) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As members of Parliament - As leaders of national development - As representatives of the community 	Hon. Don Nardella, Victoria Parliament Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP
4.00pm	Discussion and clarifications	

Day 3

9.00am	Parliamentary business - setting the agendas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Sharing examples from Victoria Parliament and</i> 	Mr. Ray Purdey, Victoria
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	<i>NZ Parliament</i>	Parliament Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP
9.20am	Using Question Time to raise issues of national importance - Experiences from Australia and NZ	Hon. Don Nardella, Victoria Parliament Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP
9.40am	National Budget enactment and key processes • Government Financial Framework • Budget cycle	Mr. Letasi Iulai, Secretary for Finance
10.10am	Key Parliamentary processes/procedures relating to the Budget - Experiences from NZ	Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP
10.20am	Discussion	

10.30 - 11.00am - Morning tea

11.00am	MPs constituency relationships - key principles & issues - Reaching out to the public Interacting with the community at Falekaupule level - opportunities & challenges	Hon. Don Nardella, Victoria Parliament Hon. Tracey Martin, NZ First MP
11.30am	Discussion and clarifications	Mr. Ray Purdey, Victoria Parliament
12.00am	MPs & Development - Te Kaakenga II (priorities for 2011-2015)	Mr. Letasi Iulai, Secretary for Finance
12.20am	Parliament Solutions Exchange - AGORA Portal	Mr. Mohammed Mozeem, UNDP

12.30 - 1.30pm - Lunch

	National Issues Discussion	
1.30pm	Issue 1: Climate Change • Climate Change Causes and Impacts - technical outlook • Tuvalu's plans and actions for adaptation and mitigation	Mr. Mataio Tekinene, Director of Environment Ms. Pepetua Latasi, Director

		of NACCC
2.00pm	Issue 2: MDGs and SDGs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tuvalu's achievement of MDGs - Global Sustainable Development Goals and which ones are important for Tuvalu 	Mr. Letasi Iulai, Secretary for Finance Mr. Mohammed Mozeem, UNDP
2.20pm	Discussions and clarifications	

2.30 - 3.00pm - Afternoon Tea

3.00pm	Issue 3: Political Representation of Women in Tuvalu <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Including briefly on national and development Issues in Law Making - CEDAW and Violence Against Women legislation Conventions 	Ms. Asita Molotii, Director of Gender Affairs
3.30pm	Issue 4: Population Policy, HIV, NCDs, Disability Inclusive Development and Reproductive Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evaluation of current policy which expires 2015 - Disability Inclusive Development (DID) 	Mr. Eisaia Taape, Secretary for Health Mr. Shane Antonio, Pacific Disability Forum

Day 4

9.00am	Parliament Secretariat roles and functions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role of the Clerk • Role of the Secretariat & the services available to Members (Research, Library, Legal Advice) 	Mr. Ray Purdey, Victoria Parliament Mr. Levi Telii, Clerk
10.00am	Discussion and clarifications	

10.30am - 11.00am - Afternoon Tea

11.00am	Wrap up and Closing Remarks for Parliamentary Induction (UNDP session)	Hon. Otinielu Tausi, Speaker
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12.00am - 1.00pm - Lunch

SPC-RRRT Sessions

1.00pm	Brief Introductions - SPC-RRRT Team	
1.15pm	Session 1: State Obligations to Respect, Protect and Fulfil Human Rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sources of Human Rights Law 	SPC-RRRT

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State human rights obligations • Domestic Application of Human Rights • The link between Human Rights, Good Governance and Development 	
1.45pm	Session 2: Human Rights Mechanisms (International / Regional / National) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Human Rights Mechanisms (Treaty bodies / UN Special Procedures / Universal Periodic Review) • Regional Human Rights Mechanisms • National Human Rights Institutions 	SPC-RRRT
2.15pm	Open Discussion	

2.30 - 3.00pm - Afternoon Tea

3.00pm	Session 3: Implementation of HR Conventions in Tuvalu <i>Session 3.1: Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CRPD Reporting 	SPC-RRRT
3.30pm	<i>Session 3.2: Convention on the Rights of the Child</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CRC Optional Protocols • Child Protection 	SPC-RRRT
4.00pm	Open Discussion	

Day 5

9.00am	Session 3: Implementation of HR Conventions in Tuvalu (contd.) <i>Session 3.3: Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Discrimination Against Women</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Human Rights and Development Context of Sexual and Gender Based Violence. • Parliament and the implementation of the Family Protection and Domestic Violence Act 	SPC-RRRT
10.00am	Open Discussion	

10.30am - 11.00am - Morning Tea

11.00am	Session 4: Climate Change and Human Rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate change resilience through a human rights based approach to development. • The Human Rights context of climate change. 	SPC-RRRT
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11.30am	Session 5: Human Rights and Parliamentary Mechanisms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law Making Process / Private Members Bill • Motions / Petitions • Budget Approval 	SPC-RRRT
12.00pm	Wrap up and closing	SPC-RRRT
12.30am - 1.30pm - Lunch		