



The Fiji Access to Justice Project will support access to justice for impoverished and vulnerable groups through empowering people to access legal rights and services through the relevant key justice institutions, in conjunction with strengthening those key justice institutions to undertake improved service delivery.



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PROJECT OVERVIEW



PROJECT DURATION:
July 2016 - December 2020



PROJECT LOCATION:
Throughout Fiji



KEY STAKEHOLDERS:
Judicial Department
Legal Aid Commission
Non-governmental organizations



IMPLEMENTED BY:
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)



TOTAL BUDGET:
US\$ 9.2 million



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European Union and UNDP



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ACTIVITY RESULTS ACHIEVE CHANGES FOR

Increased Accessibility

- Awareness
- Information Desks
- Helpline
- NGO accompaniment
- Special issues such as 'early access to justice'

Increased Professionalism

- Training plan and trainings
- Regional and international networks
- Law Reports

Increased Transparency

- Strategic Plans
- Annual Reports
- Data Reports
- Sector coordination

Increased Efficiency & Effectiveness

- Case management
- Analysis of reports and then improvements

OUTPUTS CONTRIBUTE TO OVERALL CHANGE

Enhanced institutional capacity of Legal Aid Commission

Enhanced institutional capacity of Judicial Department and other institutions

Strengthened service delivery of Legal Aid Commission and Judicial Department

Strengthened capacity of non-governmental organizations



OUTCOME

Fijians empowered for access to justice and Fijian key justice sector institutions strengthened to deliver access to justice, particularly for impoverished and vulnerable groups.

The Legal Aid Commission and the Judicial Department have been identified as the two key justice institutions entry points for access to justice, along with links to other institutions, and will be strengthened under this project. Non-governmental organisations will also be strengthened under this project to deliver accompaniment access to justice services, particularly for impoverished and vulnerable groups.



The Fiji Government has endorsed the Sustainable Development Goals which highlight the importance of access to justice as both an enabler for development and an outcome of development in its own right. At Goal 16 there is commitment to promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels. At Goal 5 there is commitment to achieving gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls. The Fiji Access to Justice Project supports the achievement of these goals.