

Final Impact Statement

Basic Information	
Title of Response Plan	The establishment of an Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) Plan to protect the mangroves through Ecosystem based adaptation solutions
Technical assistance reference number	CTCN 22-018
Country/ countries	Solomon Islands
NDE focal point and organization	Mr. Thaddeus Siota Director Climate Change Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology
Sector(s) addressed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Forestry - Early Warning and Environmental Assessment
Technologies supported (from CTCN Technology Taxonomy, https://www.ctc-n.org/sites/www.ctc-n.org/files/resources/ctcn_taxonomy_0.pdf)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Forest governance, Forest protection & conservation, Assisted natural regeneration - GIS, Vulnerability assessment & mapping tools, Downscaling of climate model projections
Implementation period and total duration	Start date: 1 October 2022 End date: 30 September
Total budget for implementation	USD248,400.
Designer of the Response Plan	CTCN
Implementer of Response Plan	Korea Environment Institute

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Challenge	<p>The main objective of the TA was to provide Solomon Islands with a clear strategy and direction to establish an Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) Policy Framework, Implementation Guideline, Technology Factsheets. This Policy and Technology solutions serve as a map for actionable plan for the government to develop the regulatory framework, infrastructures, and policy necessary to support and enable the establishment of an ICZM plan. The main challenge is to this was a very short project term (15 months) to ensure the framework policy endorsed as official policy document in time. This was solved with the 9 month extension of project term till 30. 09.2024.</p>
CTCN assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over the years, mangroves was managed through uncoordinated sectoral policies. TA could review all existing policies directly linked to ICZM and mangroves in Solomon Islands, and formulate framework policy statements. • TA identified relevant stakeholders among governmental institutions at the national and sub-national levels including private sector, civil society, academic institutions and provided a technical overview and high-level guidance at every stage of the formulation of the ICZM policy framework starting from vision, mission, sectoral policy statements and implementation guide.
Impact	<p>At long term perspective, the ICZM could bring following impacts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting integrated planning and coordination practices in coastal developments across the various sectors in Solomon Islands. • Promoting sustainable economic development to secure livelihoods of coastal communities. • promoting nature based conservation of the coastal and marine resources and environment for sustainable development. • improved management of environmental risks associated with changes in shoreline and climate.
Co-benefits from the TA	<p>Linked with the National Development Strategy (2016-2035), the current TA will contribute to the mitigation of and adaptation to the climate change and enhanced resilience of the local communities vulnerable to loss and damage from the negative impacts of climate change.</p> <p>Many Pacific Island countries are adopting sector-specific legislation to guide their sustainable management of natural resources, the current TA could bring a synergy for an effective governance of coastal and marine resources, and ecosystems.</p>
Gender aspects of the TA	<p>The Women are the main actors in the livelihoods on the beaches in coastal communities of Salomon Island. By providing series of consultations on gender inclusion, this TA raised policy attention on necessary measures that may have direct positive impact or result on vulnerable women, children, youth and disable groups. It included women and youth groups at local level, CBOs, and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) dealing with coastal zone protection issues for Lalana Community in LangaLanga, Malaita Province.</p>
Contribution to NDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on the ICZMP and its implementation guide, SI could complement and update their NDC adaptation under the Paris Agreement. • The outputs delivered through TA could be used to develop a scaled-up

	<p>climate resilience project for Solomon Islands to be proposed to Financial Mechanism of UNFCCC including AF, GCF and GEF in coming years.</p>
<p>The narrative story</p>	<p>Over the years, mangroves in the Solomon Islands was not managed with integrated coastal Zone management policy framework..</p> <p>CTCN decided to provide a TA project, which will review all existing policies directly linked to ICZM and mangroves in Solomon Islands, and formulate framework policy for nature based sustainable management of the local resources.</p> <p>The main objective of the TA is to provide Solomon Islands with a clear strategy and direction to establish an Integrated Coastal Zone Management Policy statements and Implementation guide through Ecosystem-based adaptation solutions.</p> <p>The TA made involved local communities and stakeholders in the decision of sustainable environmental management for the mangroves. It included consideration on women and youth groups at local level, CBOs, and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) dealing with coastal zone protection issues.</p> <p>Considering women as main actors in the livelihoods of coastal communities, TA brought in front the vulnerable women, children, youth and disable groups, in particular.</p> <p>This TA contributed to balance environmental, socio-economic, cultural, and recreational objectives; reduce mangroves degradation; and also conserve and maintain existing mangroves from potential climate change impacts, so as to assure the livelihoods of the local communities.</p>
<p>Contribution to SDGs</p>	<p>Goal 2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture: 2.4 Ensure sustainable food production systems and implement resilient agricultural practices that increase productivity and production, that help maintain ecosystems, that strengthen capacity for adaptation to climate change, extreme weather, drought, flooding and other disasters and that progressively improve land and soil quality, in special.</p> <p>Goal 5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls: 5.5 Ensure women’s full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making in political, economic and public life</p> <p>Goal 13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts: 13.1 Strengthen resilience and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards and natural disasters in all countries (This TA will formulate an ICZM policy framework that will support the adaptation to CC of Salmon Island, most specifically of its coastal zone); 13.2 - Integrate climate change measures into national policies, strategies and planning (This TA will develop a framework of policy for ICZM); 13.3 - Improve education, awareness-raising and human and institutional capacity on climate (Capacity building to governmental bodies will</p>

	<p>be ensured as well as awareness campaign and workshops with communities living in coastal zones, private sector, university and academic sector, public sector NGOs etc.); 13.b - Promote mechanisms for raising capacity for effective climate change-related planning and management in least developed countries and small island developing States, including focusing on women, youth and local and marginalized communities (Salmon Island is a SIDS and this TA will define a framework policy including a section on coordination, capacity building, education, etc.)</p> <p>Goal 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development: 14.2 Sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems to avoid significant adverse impacts, including by strengthening their resilience, and take action for their restoration in order to achieve healthy and productive oceans</p> <p>Goal 15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss (Yes, the TA will protect and restore the coastal zones of Salmon Island)</p>
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