Executive Board Consultation

Regional Strategic Opportunities Programme (2025-2033) | Pacific Islands

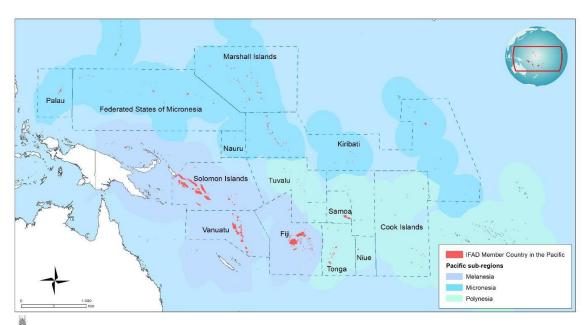
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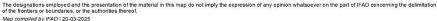






RESOP approach









- Improve the efficiency and effectiveness of country programming through coordinated financial planning: facilitate funding opportunities for smaller states.
- Synergize **regional learning** with modular project approaches.
- Enhance knowledge exchange, capacity-building and harmonization of monitoring and evaluation systems.
- Strengthen partnerships and policy engagement with organizations, donors and development partners at the regional level;
- Operationalize IFAD's SIDS strategy by promoting sustainable practices and proven climate adaptation measures to build rural resilience

IFAD Portfolio Coverage in Pacific Islands

RESOP at a glance

Coverage	13 Pacific Island Countries (PIC) Member States
Duration	9 Years - 3 Funding Cycles (2025 - 2033)
Focus Areas	Promote sustainable, nutrition-sensitive and inclusive food systems; promote rural farm and non-farm employment and the development of MSMEs; strengthen resilience of rural HHs and agricultural production systems to environmental change and climate variabilities.
Target Group	Entire disadvantaged (mainly Indigenous) rural communities (special measures to include vulnerable HHs) HHs with potential to improve their participation in the commercialization of selected commodity chains (incl. connections to women and youth owned MSMEs)
Goal	To contribute to healthier, wealthier and more resilient Pacific rural livelihoods in accordance with IFAD's Strategy for Engagement in SIDS
Financing*	Approx. USD 76 million + co-financing (USD 120 million)





^{*} IFAD14 and IFAD15 financing amounts will be subject to the outcome of the respective replenishment process, PBAS allocations, internal procedures and subsequent Executive Board approvals.

RESOP Strategic Objectives

Strategic objectives

1. Food and nutrition security

2. Rural incomes

3. Resilience

Detailed approach

To reduce reliance on food imports and trade deficits by promoting import substitution and boosting the availability of fresh produce for local and tourist markets. Strengthening food systems resilience will help address climate, disaster and economic shocks while supporting sustainable resource management.

To help subsistence farmers become semi-commercial, enabling food self-sufficiency and surplus production for sale. This involves boosting productivity, improving product quality and connecting farmers to markets, including exploring sustainable maritime livelihoods to promote the blue economy in PICs.

Build resilience for those most vulnerable to environmental and climate challenges by promoting climate-smart agriculture and supporting poor and vulnerable people to better withstand shocks and stresses.





Lessons from IFAD Operations

Importance of Partnerships to deliver greater impact

Tailor interventions to each island's or region's context improves efficiency and investment planning

Community engagement is key to sustainability

Importance of outreach and participation for youth and women

Strengthen subsistence farming in addition to commercial farming

A mix of Govt, NGO and community group model is needed for effective agricultural extension

Programmes must be adaptive and flexible to shift between development and disaster recovery as needed

Regional approaches can improve efficiency and spread high transaction costs

Country specific interventions more feasible for larger PICs than regional programmes.





Key Priorities of the RESOP





- Community engagement and inclusive targeting
- Capacity building for Farmer Organizations
- Private sector engagement through 4Ps
- Promote research to facilitate innovation in development
- Resource mobilisation (supplementary funds)



Resilience and Mainstreaming Themes

- Nutrition
- Climate adaptation
- Gender, Youth and IPs
- Disaster preparedness and recovery mechanisms



Sustainability and Scaling

- Establish/ deepen partnerships with diverse stakeholders
- Build long-term ownership and social sustainability
- Multiphase Adaptative Program (MAP) approach



South South Triangular Cooperation

- Regional knowledge sharing
- KM for cross-country learning
- ICT for Development





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