



GOVERNMENT OF NIUE

Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries
Faahi Gahua Fonua, To Akau & Futi Ika



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PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL STAKEHOLDERS

**RE: 52nd Constitution Celebrations –Food Exhibition-National Show-day -
World Food Day Program 14th and 17th October 2026**

Fakalofa Lahi Atu ke he Higoa he Iki ha Tautolu ko Iesu Keriso. This letter serves to inform all stakeholders of the National Show Day and World Food Day Programme and Activities in commemoration of Niue's 52nd Constitution Celebrations, October 2026. It also extends an invitation to all growers and key stakeholders to participate in this year's activities and events. (Programme attached).

World Food Day is celebrated annually on 16th October by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and its member countries to promote global awareness and action for those affected by hunger. It also highlights the importance of food security and ensuring access to safe, nutritious, and sufficient food for all. As part of this global campaign, Niue joins the international community in promoting food security and reaffirming its commitment to the eradication of hunger.

The FAO World Food Day Theme for 2026 is: ***"Innovate Today, Nourish Tomorrow"***
"Gahua Fakailoilo he Vaha Nei ke Hagahaga Mitaki Anoiha."

The featured crop for promotion this year is **Kumara (Simala)**. This initiative aligns with the food security objectives of both the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF) and the Niue Growers Association (NGA) in promoting, protecting, and conserving local food crop varieties for the benefit of all people in Niue.

DAFF will continue to work closely with the Niue Growers Association (NGA) and all key partners and stakeholders to strengthen the National Show Day and World Food Day programmes and initiatives. These efforts contribute significantly to achieving Niue's national food security goals and ensuring a sustainable and resilient agricultural sector.

Fakaaue Lahi Mahaki for your continued support and commitment over the years. We look forward to your participation in this year's Constitution Celebrations Food Exhibition, National Show Day, and World Food Day Programme. Fakamonuina mai he Atua.

Yours sincerely

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DAY 1: World Food Day Food Exhibition Kumara-Simala(Main Ingredient) Promoting Local Food Ingredients, Kai Motu #Localisbest. Date: Wednesday 14th October 2026 Venue: DAFF Main Office Youth Centre - Alofi Time: 6am to 12pm	
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Time	Dish	Details	Rules	Responsible
6am-8am	All candidates to bring in their dishes between 6.00-8.00am.	Set up and commence with food displays from different groups and participants.	Only one entry per family per category. Closing date for registration is 4.00pm Tuesday 13th October 2026. Registration of all entries to be registered with NGA or at DAFF Office.(Open category &65+ yrs special category) All entries to be closed by 8.00am for judging to commence.	MNR Staff, NGA Committee & Stakeholders
8am-10am	1. Kumara Chips	Prizes: 1st 2nd 3rd Consolations Cat.1: :20-64 yrs Cat.2: 65+ yrs	Traditional & Local ingredients only Judges: (TBC)	MNR Staff & NGA
	2. Kai Humelie-Kumara Dessert.	Prizes: 1st 2nd 3rd consolations Prizes: 1st 2nd 3rd Consolations Cat.1: :20-64 yrs Cat.2: 65+ yrs	Traditional & Local ingredients only. Judges: (TBC)	MNR Staff & NGA
	3. Main Kumara Dish. (i)Traditional-Kai Tunupaku -Kumara Dish (ii)Contemporary Kumara Dish	Prizes: 1 st 2 nd 3 rd . Plus Consolations. Cat.1: :20-64 yrs Cat.2: 65+ yrs Prizes: 1st 2nd 3rd Plus Consolations. Cat.1: :20-64 yrs Cat.2: 65+ yrs	Traditional & Local ingredients only. Use any of the Value added ingredients. Judges: (TBC)	MNR Staff & NGA
TBC	PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY Prizes: Open Category(20-64 yrs) Special Category (65 + yrs) Consolation Prizes.			
	END			

DAY 2: Niue National Show Day –Commemorating World Food Day**Date: Saturday 17th October 2026 Venue: Niue High School Grounds Time: 5am -12pm**

Time	Details	Responsible
5.00am – 6.00am	Growers to assemble all Agricultural produce and crops to commence display, judging and weighing at main tent as per village designated section areas. - Main crop simala/kumaras to be displayed in front of the marquee/tent.	Growers, MNR Staff & NGA
6am-8am	Weighing and Judging: 1. Weighing all varieties – kumaras 2. Judging Village stall and crop displays. 3. Weighing all Agricultural produce and crops. For all Growers 4. Judging of Best Farmer of the Year for Niue National Showday 2026(Based on overall diverse and most number of crops)	DAFF& MNR Staff
8am - 9am	Formal speeches. Align to Taoga Niue Overall National Showday Program.	NGA President , MNR Minister Patron
10.00am-11.00am	Traditional Tabloid & Cultural Sports	DAFF & MNR Staff
11.00am onwards	Prize giving: • Farmer with most varieties of kumaras • Farmer with heaviest single kumaras. • Farmer of the year-most diverse and most varieties of crops all round(All crops) • Village Stall displays (Most Creative & Diverse Display) • Other Consolation Prizes	DAFF & MNR Staff, Minister
12.00pm	END	

Fakamaamaaga: Activities:	Fakaholoaga: Categories & Remarks:	Responsible Personnel
1. Fua he fonua ne fakamatapatu aki e tau tiviaga he aho ko e tau simala. Selected Crop of Focus for 2026 : Simala/kumara. Weighing and judging for most varieties and best heaviest.	Tamai oti e tau faga simala ke tivi. Tohi e tau higoa tagata fakamitaki he tau fua he fonua ke tivi. Growers to bring as many varieties of kumaras/simala. Most Variety , Best Heaviest. 1. Prizes for Most Varieties of kumaras/ simala: 1st 2nd 3rd Plus Consolations 2. Prizes for Biggest & Heaviest Single kumara/simala 1st, 2nd ,3rd Plus Consolations	MNR Staff and NGA
2. Tau Fakatata he tau Stall Maaga Village Stall Displays	Ko e tau koloa oti mo e tau fua he fonua ke fakatata aulao ma e higoa he tau Maaga takitaha i loto he fale La(marquee). Tuku fakamitaki ke he tau laulau ke fakakite e manaia mo e fuluola he tau fakatokatokaaga he tau koloa moe tau fua he fonua. All growers are to present their crops in designated village categories and spaces provided in the main tent. They will be judged on the overall presentation of crop displays per village basis. 1. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd –Overall Presentation of Stalls, best presentation of overall crop varieties and produce. Big villages: (7plus farmers) 1st, 2nd, 3rd Plus Consolations Small villages (5 x farmers & below) 1st, 2nd ,3rd Plus Consolations	MNR Staff and NGA

