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Niue Cabinet Endorse the New Public Private Partnership Policy

Alofi, Niue - 7 July 2022 - The Niue Cabinet on Tuesday, 21 June endorsed for adoption and implementation from 1 July 2022, the Public Private Partnership (PPP or 3P) policy following consultations with the Chamber of Commerce and government departments.

The PPP formalizes an arrangement between the public sector and private sector, and potentially village councils, Non-Government Organizations and self-employed technical experts (consultants). The policy sets out guidelines for government projects, initiatives and activities where the private sector construct, renovate, maintain, operate and manages essential tasks effectively and efficiently.

Niue's Minister of Infrastructure and Finance Hon. Crossley Tatui says a number of PPP arrangements are already in place but needs proper monitoring and management for better accountability of the limited resources.

"The matter of developing the PPP model will also allow employment opportunities for skilled and vibrant labour for those who opt to take early retirement which can help drive the national economy," says the Minister of Finance and Infrastructure Hon Crossley Tatui.

Minister Tatui explained that Niue relatively has big land mass and capital infrastructure with a small population base, which are challenging and costly to be managed by the government alone.

"The major goal is to outsource some government services by establishing formal contract agreements to ensure performance efficiency and cost saving measures, like waste management, gardening and beautification, and printing services", Minister Tatui said.

'Ultimately, the government can sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Chamber of Commerce and NGOs to clearly define the cooperation framework and funding arrangements. Also, a PPP unit under the Ministry of Finance will be formed to coordinate the policy.'

Departments already have informal PPP arrangements that needs registration and evaluation to gauge their feasibility. However, the concept needs concerted efforts of all sectors to develop the PPP policy to this final form.

Chamber of Commerce Chief Executive Officer Catherine Papani and the Board welcome the new PPP policy to maximize opportunities for private sector development and strengthening its profile in Niue.

The Private Sector forms the 7th pillar in the revised national plan 2021-2026 that is supplemented by a comprehensive private sector strategy 2021-2026.

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