



Tonga: Pathway to Sustainable Oceans (P164941)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry and Food, Kingdom of Tonga

Key Dates**Key Project Dates**

Bank Approval Date: 17-Apr-2019

Effectiveness Date: 18-Jul-2019

Planned Mid Term Review Date: 24-Oct-2022

Actual Mid-Term Review Date:

Original Closing Date: 30-Apr-2025

Revised Closing Date: 30-Apr-2025

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

To improve management of selected fisheries and aquaculture in the Recipient's territory.

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project Objective?

No

Components Table

Name

Strengthening Fisheries Governance:(Cost \$2.11 M)

Strengthening the Knowledge Base for Fisheries and Aquaculture:(Cost \$4.55 M)

Investing in Sustainable Fisheries Management and Development:(Cost \$1.72 M)

Supporting Effective Project Management:(Cost \$1.62 M)

Overall Ratings

Name	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Satisfactory	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Unsatisfactory	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Unsatisfactory
Overall Risk Rating	<input type="checkbox"/> Substantial	<input type="checkbox"/> Substantial

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The Project has made the following implementation progress since the previous reporting period: (i) onboarding of a Procurement Officer, (ii) development and clearance of key Terms of Reference (ToRs) namely; Sopa and Outer Islands aquaculture hatchery design, 3 x boat sheds, the Mabé pearl office, office extension and Special Management Areas (SMAs) compliance options study; (iii) award of the Fisheries Infrastructure Master Plan and Feasibility Study, Fish Aggregating Device (FAD) and Buoys contract and SMA leads for Tongatapu and Ha'apai. Progress has been observed on the SMA PDO and intermediate indicators. PDO indicator 2 has been reported to have been exceeded, with 18 SMAs (against an end target of 15) effectively implementing compliance measures. The related intermediate results indicator: Selected SMAs receiving technical support on generating alternative revenue streams has previously been exceeded and discussions are ongoing with SMAs to best determine the needs of communities. Giant clam programs were delivered to 3 SMA's ('Eueiki, 'Atat and Ha'atafu) during this reporting period. Component 3 intermediate indicator: Female participants of SMA committees has increased to 93 females from 85 from the previous reporting period.



The Project successfully underwent a Level 2 restructuring to address the overspend of Project Preparation Advance (PPA) funds identified in the previous reporting period. A supervision mission is tentatively scheduled for June 2022 [in anticipation of border reopening for official travel] to allow the Government of Tonga to address priority actions arising from the HTHH disaster and to prepare in-depth progress reporting in preparation for a planned mid-term review in October 2022.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Macroeconomic	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Sector Strategies and Policies	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Technical Design of Project or Program	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	☐ High	☐ Substantial	☐ Moderate
Fiduciary	☐ Substantial	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Environment and Social	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Stakeholders	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial
Other	--	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial
Overall	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial

Results

PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes

To improve management of selected fisheries and aquaculture in the Recipient's territory				
▶ Inshore commercial fishery compliance (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	2.00	2.00	30.00
Date	25-Mar-2019	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
▶ SMAs effectively implementing compliance measures (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target



Value	0.00	0.00	18.00	15.00
Date	25-Mar-2019	11-Oct-2021	22-Apr-2022	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	SMA compliance is measured through three key indicators; installation of marker buoys, flags and board signage; SMA is actively meeting and taking ownership and; management is actively monitoring the SMA. The SMA is considered to be effectively implementing compliance measures when all three indicators are met. Source data is from the Final Quarterly MoF Monitoring Report (Oct - Dec 2021) noting that the first quarter report for 2022 has not been completed due to HTHH eruption and tsunami. The next report is expected to be completed by June 2022. The current results noted do not account for potential damages and loss from HTHH.			
► Mabe pearl producers operational (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	12.00	0.00	0.00	30.00
Date	10-Jan-2019	11-Oct-2021	28-Apr-2022	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	Following the change in licensing system whereby no producers had licenses, 26 Mabé pearl operator licenses have now been approved under the new licensing system with 17 incomplete, to be resubmitted.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Female mabe pearl producers operational (Number, Custom Breakdown)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.00
Date	18-Jan-2019	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
► Tuna longline, deepwater snapper and inshore commercial fishery management plans implemented by MOF (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	2.00	2.00	3.00
Date	25-Mar-2019	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	Tuna Longline and Deepwater Snapper management plans implemented			
► Tonga's annual reporting to WCPFC based on data gathering during implementation of the tuna longline fishery management plan (Yes/No, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	25-Mar-2019	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025

Overall Comments



Indicators related to SMAs have been updated. Monitoring of other results framework indicators is being reviewed and updated to accurately capture Project activities, as such there is no change this reporting period. Indicators will be discussed and revised at the upcoming implementation support mission proposed for June 2022.

Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Component 1: Strengthening Fisheries Governance				
▶ Tonga National Plan of Action for IUU updated (Yes/No, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	No	No	Yes
Date	05-Dec-2018	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	The National Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing (NPOA IUU) means: The voluntary international instrument, developed within the framework of the FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries The current NPOA IUU only applies to the tuna fishery. Update: The NPOA has been approved, however awaiting review due to COVID-19 travel restrictions			
▶ Annual quality compliance inspections conducted on inshore commercial fishers (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	64.00	64.00	100.00
Date	05-Dec-2018	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	Quality inspection means: A compliance inspection conducted by MOF Compliance Division Fisheries Officers in accordance with a MOF standard operating procedure.			

Component 2: Strengthening the Knowledge Base for Fisheries and Aquaculture				
▶ Fisheries with catch and effort data collected (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	2.00	2.00	2.00	3.00
Date	18-Jan-2019	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	Catch and effort data means: Details of target fish species catch by weight, and of the fishing effort expended by gear type.			
▶ Mabe pearl producers receiving extension services (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target



Value	12.00	17.00	17.00	30.00
Date	05-Dec-2018	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
► Selected SMAs receiving technical support on generating alternative revenue streams (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	47.00	47.00	20.00
Date	25-Mar-2019	11-Oct-2021	22-Apr-2022	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	20 SMA candidates are to receive boat distribution once procurement completed. 40 signboards for SMA's have been ordered with 5 received to date. Preparation of boundary markers for two new SMA's (Kauvai, Navutoka) have been implemented. Giant clam programs delivered to 'Eueiki, 'Atata and Ha'atafu. Discussions held with SMAs on livelihood diversification through apply usage fees or exploring ecotourism options (i.e. whale watching).			
► Approved SMA management plans which align with the Regional Roadmap for Sustainable Pacific Fisheries (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	1.00	2.00	20.00
Date	25-Mar-2019	11-Oct-2021	22-Apr-2022	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	SMA management plans are updated to reflect the three goals and five strategies for improved coastal fisheries management of the Regional Roadmap for Sustainable Pacific Fisheries. Update: Fangatapu and Otea SMA plans have been approved. Three SMA in the Ha'apai region are to be submitted to the Fisheries Management Advisory Committee (FMAC): Fotua, Fangale'ounga and Lotofoa.			
► Grievances registered related to delivery of project benefits that are addressed (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
Date	25-Mar-2019	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025

Component 3: Investing in Sustainable Offshore, Coastal, and Aquaculture Fisheries Management

► Tuna longline and deepwater snapper fishery management plans updated (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00
Date	05-Dec-2018	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025

► Inshore commercial fishery management plan developed (Yes/No, Custom)



	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	No	No	Yes
Date	05-Dec-2018	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	Consultations have been completed.			
► Updated fisheries legislation drafted and submitted to Cabinet (Yes/No, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	No	No	Yes
Date	05-Dec-2018	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
► Female participants of SMA committees (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	76.00	85.00	93.00	108.00
Date	18-Jan-2019	11-Oct-2021	26-Apr-2022	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	Members of SMA committees appointed either in accordance with the regulations, or by the committee chairperson, or by the MOF CEO. SMA community committees (end of Project target 43) aim to comprise a minimum of two and an average of between 2 and 3 female members. Source data is from the Final Quarterly MoF Monitoring Report (Oct - Dec 2021) noting that the first quarter report for 2022 has not been completed due to HTHH eruption and tsunami.			
► Females licensed to operate as mabe pearl producers (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	3.00	0.00	0.00	8.00
Date	18-Jan-2019	11-Oct-2021	11-Oct-2021	30-Apr-2025
Comments:	Due to a change in the licensing system there are currently no licensed producers. 4 license applications have been submitted to date of which 2 are female applicants			

Performance-Based Conditions

Data on Financial Performance

Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
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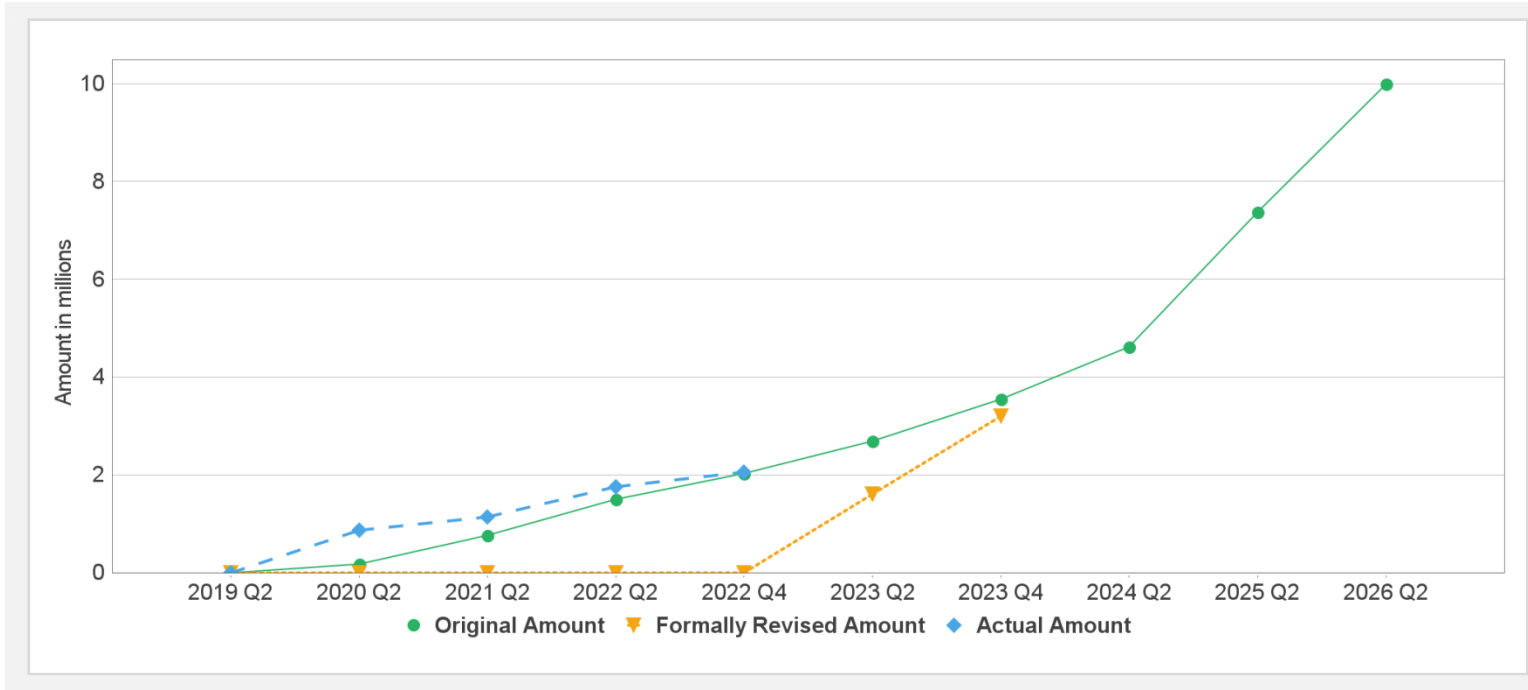


P164941	IDA-D4480	Effective	USD	10.00	10.00	0.00	1.89	8.08	<div style="width: 19%; height: 10px; background-color: #28a745;"></div>	19%
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Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P164941	IDA-D4480	Effective	17-Apr-2019	23-May-2019	18-Jul-2019	30-Apr-2025	30-Apr-2025

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

Level 2 Approved on 11-May-2022

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.