

**Format for Information Note of IR-EMOP Project Document-Delegation of Authority to Country Directors**

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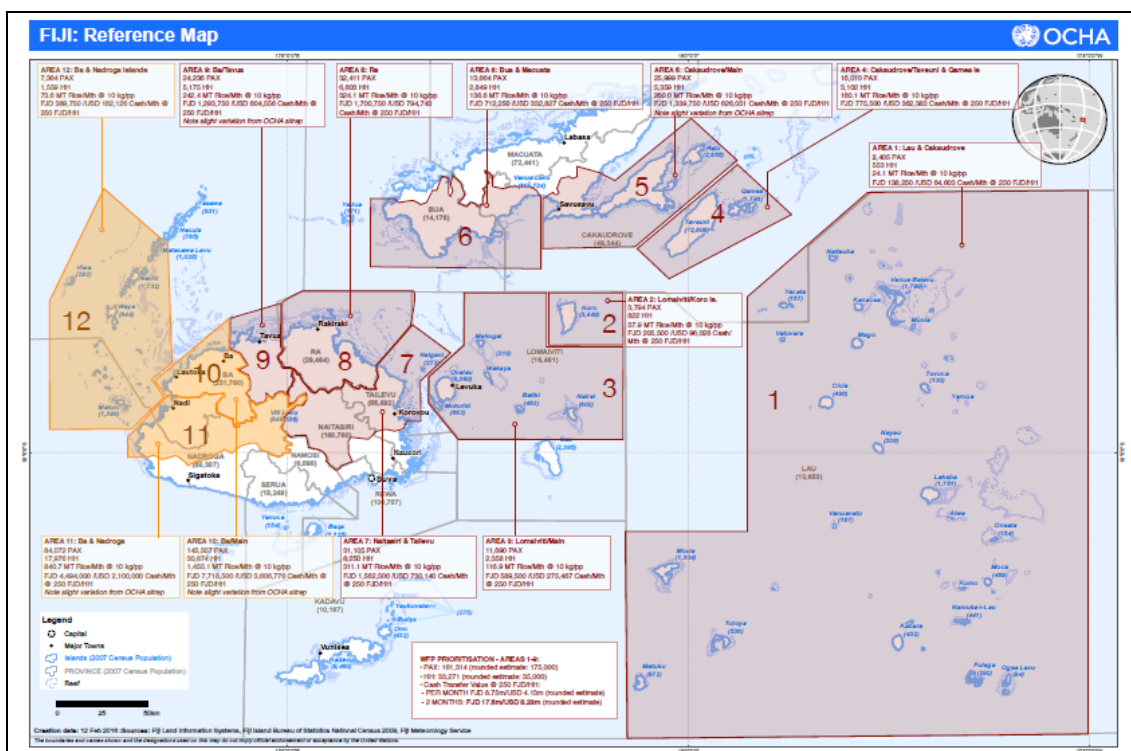
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**IMMEDIATE RESPONSE EMERGENCY OPERATION  
Fiji Emergency Response to Tropical Cyclone Winston  
PROJECT DOCUMENT**

**PART 1: INFORMATION NOTE**

**NATURE OF EMERGENCY:**

- 1. Location:** on 20 and 21 February 2016, Category 5 severe Tropical Cyclone (TC) Winston cut a path of destruction across Fiji's main islands. It was one of the most severe cyclones to ever hit the South Pacific.
- 2. Cause:** While tropical cyclones are an inherent part of the weather structure in the Pacific, cyclone risks this year were elevated due to the presence of El Niño (which had over the past year already impacted parts of Fiji through a major drought).
- 3. Effects:** The Fijian Government reported that some 42 lives were lost and estimates that up to 350,000 people (around 40% of the population) are affected by the cyclone. Total damage is currently estimated to be around US\$500 million, mainly in destruction of infrastructure and livelihoods. Some smaller islands reported 100% damage of their houses. Around 53,000 people are estimated to be still residing in evacuation shelters.
- 4. Total numbers affected and in need of emergency food aid:** Of the estimated overall affected population of around 350,000 people, an estimated 35,000 families (some 175,000 persons) are in need of immediate food assistance (either in kind or through cash). Beyond immediate needs, massive damage to agriculture from the cyclone on top of damage from the earlier drought will necessitate provision of agricultural inputs and support to re-establishing livelihoods.



**WFP IR EMOP:**

**5. Justification for an immediate response, expected impact:** Prior to the Typhoon, WFP had established a presence in Fiji to support the capacity development activities as part of the regional Emergency Preparedness and Response programme. The impact of the Typhoon was such that the Government have asked for international assistance. Informal requests have indicated a need for WFP to engage in operations and a formal, written request is currently being prepared. While the Government has taken the full responsibility for distributing food rations utilizing their own and key donors’ military assets, they are overwhelmed by the urgency and scale of the needs. WFP therefore needs initially to increase its staff capacity in the country in order to engage in the operational response. WFP will engage in three activities:

- i. Coordination of three clusters (FS, Logs and ETC);
- ii. Undertaking rapid assessments; and
- iii. Preparing for a first round of cash distribution following assessments to support the transition from government led food distributions.

**6. Duration of assistance (maximum three months):** From 01 March to 31 May 2016. In March, WFP will deploy the full team and undertake the necessary assessments and will launch two rounds of cash transfers.

**7. Number of beneficiaries and location:** Under this IR-EMOP, WFP will assist through cash transfers 1,400 most affected households, with transfer value covering food needs for two months.

**8. Food basket composition and ration levels:** F\$50 (USD 23) per person per month. This is the value used for the existing Fiji social safety nets. Each household will receive a total of F\$500 for two months.

**Total food aid requirements (mt):**

N.A.

**Mode of implementation:**

Cash distribution in close coordination with Government. Commodities are reported to be available locally and markets and supply routes are expected to largely be functioning again soon. WFP will provide a two-month cash ration to the most affected, and it intends to use an existing Government social safety net. Food distributions by WFP are not foreseen at this stage.

**PART 2: EMOP BUDGET**

<i>Cost Components</i>			<i>USD</i>
<b><i>Food Tool</i></b>	<b>MT</b>	<b>Rate/mt</b>	
	0		0
<b>Total Food Transfers</b>	0		0
<b>External Transport</b>			0
<b>LTSH</b>			0
<b>ODOC Food</b>			0
<i>Describe ODOC costs here.</i>			
<b>Total Food DOC</b>			<b>\$ 0</b>
<b><i>Cash and Voucher Tool</i></b>		<b>% of Trfs</b>	
<b>Total Cash and Vouchers Transfers</b>			<b>\$ 330,400</b>
<b>C&amp;V Related costs</b>		18%	<b>\$ 59,472</b>
<i>Describe C&amp;V Related costs here.</i>			
<b>Total C&amp;V DOC</b>			<b>\$ 389,872</b>
<b><i>Capacity Development &amp; Augmentation Tool</i></b>			<b>\$ 47,500</b>
<i>Describe CD&amp;A costs here.</i>			
<b>Total CD&amp;A DOC</b>			<b>\$ 47,500</b>
Total Direct Operating Costs (DOC)			\$ 437,372
<b>Direct Support Cost (DSC)</b>			<b>\$ 230,208</b>
<i>Describe DSC costs here.</i>			
Total WFP direct project costs			\$ 667,580
<b>Indirect Support Costs (ISC)</b>		7%	<b>\$ 46,731</b>
<b>TOTAL WFP COSTS</b>			<b>\$ 714,311</b>

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**PART 3: EMOP APPROVAL**

1) IRA funding is available to cover EMOP budget

Chief, RMBB: [Name & Signature], Date: --/--/----

2) EMOP is approved

Country Director, [Country]: [Name & Signature], Date: --/--/----

or

Regional Director, RB@: [Name & Signature], Date: --/--/----

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Director of Emergencies: [Name & Signature], Date: --/--/----

Annex 1 – Budget Summary