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Towards a Regional Agriculture / Forestry Framework for the Pacific Islands

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 Inventory of national policies / strategies (2014)

 Proposal for Regional Framework for agriculture / forestry

"key national policies"

 National Sector Policy for Agriculture / Forestry (crops, horticulture, livestock, fisheries) [6]

• Agency plan / strategy [5]

National Sustainable Development
 Strategy – or similar [4]

Output 1

 National 'Policy Bank' on PAFPNet website (http://www.spc.int/pafpnet)

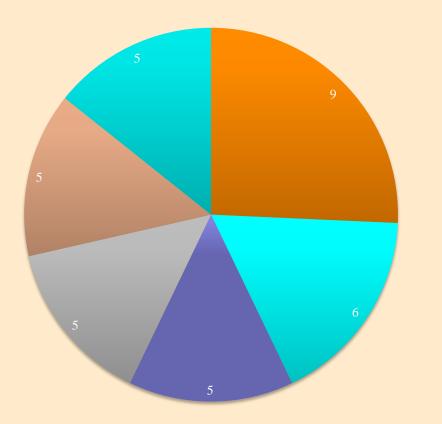
• To be updated as policies are revised and replaced.

Output 2: Inventory Matrix

- Vision Challenges Issues
- Two categories of priorities
- Commodities

Common Agriculture Priorities

Figure 2: Common Agriculture Priorities*



- **Food Security (9)**
- Economic Development (6)
 Livestock (5)
- Access to Funding (5)
- **Sustainability (5)**
- **Effective Institutions (5)**

Analysis

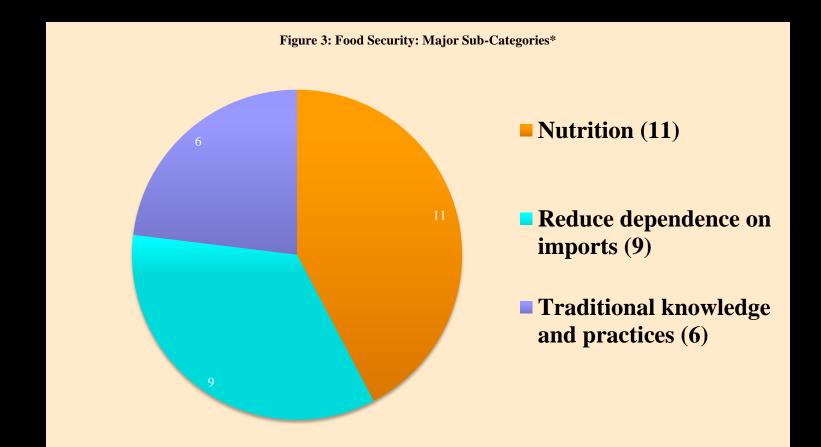
• Detailed review of Plan content

 "judgment" used on categories and clustering

• Four major themes

• 200 sub-categories

Food Security – sub categories



Economic Development – sub categories

Figure 4: Economic Development: Major Sub Categories*



Local Markets/ Marketing (12)
Access to Finance/ Credit (10)
Trade/ Market Access (11)
Animal Health (8)
Adding Value (7)
Rural Livelihoods (7)
Transport (7)

Stakeholder Capacity (7)
Private Sector Role (6)

Sustainability – sub categories

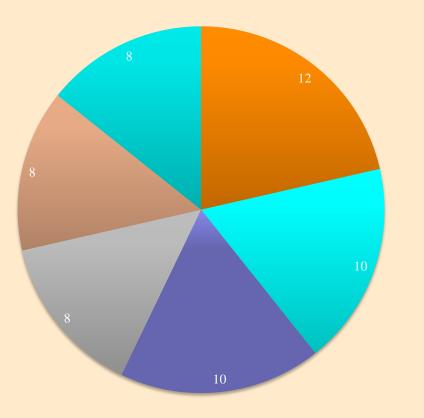
Sustainability: Major Sub-Categories



- Biosecurity/ Quarantine (12)
- **Soil** (11)
- Climate Change (9)
- **Water (7)**
- Organic Agriculture (7)

Effective Institutions – sub categories

Figure 6: Effective Institutions: Major Sub-Categories*



- **Extension Services (12)**
- Sector Policy/ Framework (10)
- Government Capacity/ Resources (10)
- **R & D (8)**
- Training (8)
- Agriculture Statistics (8)

Commodities

(13) Coconut (11) Taro (10) Fruits and vegetables (8) Casava (7) Banana; traditional food crops (6) Root crops; vanilla

Commodities 2

(9) Pigs
(8) Chickens
(7) Livestock
(4) Dairy

(7) Aquaculture

Regional Framework 1

Inputs:

 Inventory (four broad themes: food security, economic development, sustainability, institutions)

• Workshop (July): Vision, regional brands, transport, resources, youth.

Regional Framework 2

- Yesterday Risks (CC/DRR), extension, commodities, other sectors, public or private sector? Funding/resources
- PAFPNET dialogue
- Stats e.g. trade
- Ministerial decisions
- Previous/existing regional documents (e.g. FAO)

Regional Framework 3

- Building up from national needs
- Identifying regional priorities

- Delivered:
 - regionally regional public goods
 - nationally?

Regional Public Goods – examples (IDB)

- Competitiveness in fruit growing
- Methodology for agriculture statistics
- Protecting traditional knowledge
- Climate protection
- "Unleashing the potential for diaspora direct investment"

Practical Considerations

- Can't be 'everything for everybody'
- Whose strategy is it?
- What is its purpose?
- Who is the audience?

Framework / Roadmap

 Framework: High level – driven by national needs /priorities
 How to get there?

 Companion document: "Roadmap" detail on resources, targets, measures

Timing for Framework

- PAPP Project timeframe
- Developed over the next 6 months
 - Consultation
 - Validation



• What issues should be handled at regional level? / national level?

 What are the links Regional – National? – with other strategies and plans?

• Framework / Roadmap – what should be the content of each?

Vision

"Region will have a highly innovative vibrant and plentiful ... [invigorating, transformative] [vision] for agriculture by 2020"

Thank you for your attention

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