

**SUMMARY OF THE
SOLOMON ISLANDS AGRICULTURE AND
LIVESTOCK POLICY
2015-2019**

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INTRODUCTION

- The National Agriculture and Livestock Sector Policy 2011-2014 expired
- MAL calls to review
- Review consultations were carried out
- Now, draft copy of the Solomon Islands Agriculture and livestock Sector policy 2015-2019 available for final discussions
- Stakeholders input important

- Final draft edited and printed
- Policy document to be approved and gazetted by cabinet

WHY SINALSP 2015-2019?

- TO ACHIEVE THE NATIONAL VISION, SECTOR MISSION AND GOALS, more aligned to DCC Government POLICY, NDS, AND INTERNATIONAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES-
- Vision Statement; **A sustainable agriculture and rural development for food sovereignty, economic stability, and improved rural livelihood for Solomon Islanders.**

WHY SIALSP 2015-2019?

- **Mission Statement; To lead, collaborate, promote, enhance and improve agriculture development in Solomon Islands to a profitable and environmentally sustainable future by being the premier provider of information, research, extension, education, regulatory and other services to have a robust agriculture sector.**

WHY SINALSP 2015-2019?

- **FOUR CLEAR GOALS**
- **1) To achieve Food Sovereignty**
- **2) To improve livelihoods**
- **3) To promote Agriculture for Import Substitution**
- **4) To increase Trade**

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- e) Trade Facilitation
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- e) Livestock Development; Livestock Development Authority (Cap.41) 1977
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- b) National Development Strategy
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- d) Solomon Islands Coconut Strategy 2011-2014

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