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THE NEWSLETTER FOR SUGAR CANE GROWERS OF FIJI

MESSAGE - HON MINISTER FOR MULTI-ETHNIC AFFAIRS & SUGAR INDUSTRY



Hon. Charan Jeath Singh
Minister for Multi-Ethnic
Affairs and Sugar Industry

Our Cane Growers,

It gives me great pleasure to reach out to you through the Sugar Cane Growers Council's newsletter, "**CANE GROWER**"—a platform dedicated to keeping you informed, connected, and empowered. Our sugar industry stands on the foundation of your hard work, resilience, and dedication. This newsletter is designed to serve as a bridge between growers, industry stakeholders, and government, ensuring that timely information, opportunities, and support reach every grower in every sector across our cane belt. Through this platform, you will receive important updates on programs, initiatives, and government support measures tailored for you. We will also showcase success stories from the field—stories of innovation, perseverance, and growth. Our vision is to make "**CANE GROWER**" more than just a source of news; we want it to become a tool for dialogue, knowledge-sharing, and inspiration. The SCGC remains committed to strengthening communication with you, amplifying your voices, and bringing services closer to your households. Together, we will focus on improving productivity, modernising farming practices, and safeguarding the long-term sustainability of our sugar industry. I warmly congratulate SCGC for this valuable initiative and encourage all growers to make full use of the information and opportunities shared through this platform. The future of our industry depends on our unity, innovation, and shared commitment.

CONFERENCE ON WORLD ASSOCIATION OF BEET AND CANE GROWERS (WABCG)

The Sugar Cane Growers Council (SCGC) proudly participated in the Annual Conference of the World Association of Beet and Cane Growers (WABCG), held on 23rd to 27th June at Cairns, Australia, representatives from 16 countries. WABCG, an organization representing grower bodies from sugar countries. It was an honor for our Chief Executive Officer to share on the welfare programs and initiatives implemented to support cane growers in Fiji. In comparison to many other cane-producing nations, Fijian growers are relatively well-supported, particularly through government-backed welfare and assistance programs. This recognition reflects a dedicated commitment to grower well-being. SCGC's involvement with WABCG over the past two decades has provided a valuable platform for collaboration, knowledge sharing, and strategic dialogue. The conference facilitates mutual learning, allowing countries to draw from each other's experiences to better support their growers and enhance the resilience of the sugar industry globally. This year's conference highlight was, sugar production around the world, Australian innovations, sugar prices, geopolitical and trade, diversifying projects, view of neighboring countries and people at the heart of agriculture concluded with farm visits and firsthand observations of harvesting and milling operations with practical insights into current practices and innovations in the field.



SUGAR INDUSTRY AMENDMENT ACT (SCGC ELECTION)

The Standing Committee for Justice, Law and Human Rights conducted consultation on the review of the Sugar Industry (Amendment) Bill 2024. The Sugar Industry Act 1984 ('Act') generally provides for the administration of the sugar industry. The Act also establishes the Sugar Cane Growers Council ('Council'). The function of the Council is to ensure the protection and development of the sugar cane industry. The Council was established with specific functions to represent the interests of all registered cane growers in Fiji. Prior to 2015, the members of the Council were elected through an election process stipulated in the Act. In March 2025, the parliament has passed the amendment therefore, SCGC Election will be conducted in due course.



Therefore, the Sugar Industry (Amendment) Bill 2024 ('Bill') seeks to amend the Act to allow for the election of members to the Council. The Bill will also amend the composition of the Council and outline the electoral process for election to the Council.

MESSAGE FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Vimal Dutt
Chief Executive Officer

Dear Growers,

The cane harvesting season is now well underway, and I am pleased to share that we are moving into the peak period with encouraging results. The Hon. Minister's official release of this newsletter has been well received and provides much-needed confidence as we continue to build momentum. This season's cane yield has shown improvement compared to last year, a reflection of your dedication and hard work. While challenges such as labour shortages remain, your resilience and commitment to the industry continue to inspire us all. Through this newsletter, the Council is delighted to share knowledge, industry updates, and matters of importance to growers. We strongly encourage farmers to make the best and most effective use of the government grant support to maximize productivity and strengthen their livelihoods. As always, the Council remains present and active on the ground, ready to support growers and attend to your needs at every step. Together, we will ensure that the industry remains strong and that growers' interests are always protected. Lately, we've seen an increase in the harvesting of burnt cane, and this is becoming a real concern for our industry. When cane is burnt, growers end up paying heavy penalties, money that could be saved and put to better use for your family and farm. Council encourages every growers and service providers to take care in preventing cane fires so that you get the best return from your cane crop. Together, we can protect the value of our crop and make the most of this season. At the same time, we also remind growers to manage cash flow wisely. Plan your borrowings carefully, and enjoy the full benefit of your harvest. Wishing you all a safe and successful harvesting season.

MICRO PARAMETRIC INSURANCE BENEFIT

The parametric insurance product offers swift payouts based on predetermined parameters, ensuring peace of mind and financial security in the face of natural hazards or climate events. The parametric insurance is underwritten by Sun Insurance with the policy term running from 1st October 2025 to 30th September 2026, covering Fiji's cyclonic season. The risks/perils covered is a combined wind and rainfall cover based on a predefined index. The payout is applicable on the occurrence of either wind or rainfall and also if both wind and rainfall triggers happen together. The key benefit of parametric insurance is faster payouts since no loss assessment is carried out. Payments are triggered based on predefined events like reaching a certain level of wind speed or rainfall in a set of agreed geographical locations. The Parametric Micro Insurance product of Combined Wind Speed and Rainfall Cover is now available to our growers for the coming 2025/2026 cyclone season. 207 growers bought the product for the 2024–2025 cyclone season. Additionally, under the InsuResilience Solutions Fund, 478 female growers in western division were subsidized for this product. Northern growers were exempted from the parametric due to the challenges in rainfall data recordings. This year (2025/2026 Season) new product would be introduced for the northern growers from Tower Insurance.

Season	Premium Paid Count	Female Growers Subsidized Count	Total Registration	Total Count for Payout	Amount Payout
2024/2025	207	478	685	555	\$66,550



Mr. Christophe Bahuet, UNDP Deputy Regional Director for the Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific, during his beneficiary field visit to Lomolomo Public School in Lautoka on 15th May. He engaged directly with sugarcane farmers and beneficiaries of the parametric insurance scheme, gaining firsthand insights into how the initiative is enhancing climate resilience and financial protection for our growers against cyclones and extreme weather events.



The Parametric Insurance payout event took place on Friday, 25 April 2025, at the Grand Pacific Hotel in Suva, in collaboration with the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), Tower Insurance, and Sun Insurance. This event marks a key milestone under the InsuResilience Solutions Fund (ISF) project and celebrates the first payout under Fiji's Parametric Insurance initiative.

PERMANENT SECRETARY APPOINTMENT



Sugar Cane Growers Council welcomes the appointment of Dr. Vinesh Kumar as the new Permanent Secretary for Ministry of Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar. Your leadership, experience, and vision are truly valued, and we are excited to embark on this journey with you. We look forward to working collaboratively to achieve our shared goals and drive meaningful progress. Dr Vinesh was employed with SIRF as a Chief Executive Officer, prior to taking up the PS role.

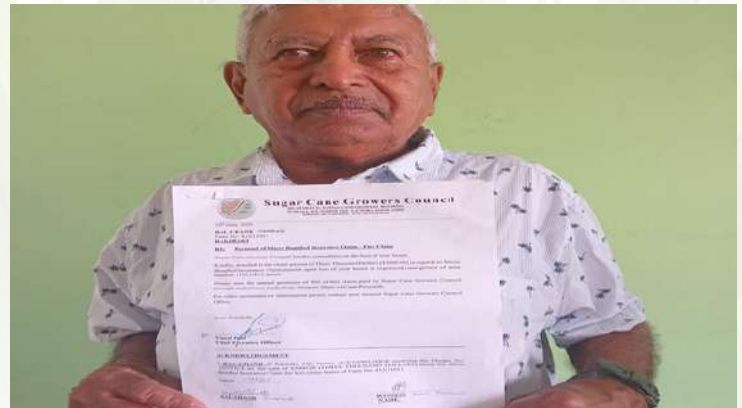
MICRO-BUNDLED INSURANCE FOR GROWERS

The Bundled Insurance Product is the sole welfare initiative currently available to all active cane growers at an annual premium of \$60. Provided by FijiCare Insurance Limited, the package includes coverage of \$3,000 for Term Life, \$1,000 for Funeral Expenses, \$3,000 for House Fire, and \$3,000 for Personal Accident, bringing the total coverage to \$10,000. Between January and July 2025, 107 claims were lodged across various districts, resulting in total payouts of \$237,000. The accompanying table outlines the trends in bundled insurance from 2017 through to July 2025.

Claims	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Jan - July 2025
Funeral	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$62,000	\$13,000	\$145,000	\$135,000	\$125,000	\$61,000
Term Life / Funeral	\$116,000	\$360,000	\$304,000	\$180,324	\$268,000	\$432,000	\$424,000	\$400,000	\$152,000
Fire	\$18,000	\$21,000	\$15,000	\$20,870	\$12,000	\$22,500	\$24,000	\$22,500	\$24,000
Permanent Disability	\$0	\$6,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$0
Claims Paid	\$136,000	\$389,000	\$324,000	\$270,194	\$294,500	\$602,500	\$586,000	\$547,500	\$237,000



Ms. Lalini of Garampani, Tavua has received the Term Life/Funeral payout under the Micro-Bundled Insurance Scheme for the loss of her husband.



Mr. Bal Chand Sharma of Naria has received the House Fire payout under the Micro-Bundled Insurance Scheme.

SCGC & MIOT PACIFIC MEDICAL PARTNERSHIP

Sugar Cane Growers Council Signs Landmark MOU with MIOT Pacific Medical and MIOT Hospitals Private Limited to Enhance Healthcare Access for Fijian Cane Growers. In a milestone initiative aimed at improving healthcare access for sugarcane growers in Fiji, the Sugar Cane Growers Council (SCGC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Omnicare Pte Limited t/a MIOT Pacific Medical (MPM) and MIOT Hospitals Private Limited (India). The signing ceremony, held at the Sugarcane Cane Growers Council Building in Drasa Lautoka, on 8th May 2025, marks a strategic collaboration that seeks to deliver quality medical care and facilitate international specialist treatment for Fijian sugarcane farmers, ensuring timely and coordinated healthcare support.

Under this partnership:

- MPM will serve as the liaison between SCGC and MIOT Hospitals in India, coordinating initial health checks, specialist referrals, and travel arrangements for farmers needing overseas care.
- SCGC will engage directly with farmers, guiding them through available healthcare services, scheduling consultations, and supporting them throughout their treatment journey.
- MIOT Hospitals (India) will offer world-class medical services, with provisions for special pricing, timely screening, and seamless patient intake for those requiring treatment abroad.





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COMMUNITY REPORT - ADAPTION WORKS IN THE FIJIAN SUGAR INDUSTRY

The research report was officially presented to the Honourable Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry during an event held at the Sugar Cane Growers Council Head Office on 13th June 2025. The research work conducted and complied by Dr Vanessa Burns. Dr. Burns is a Lecturer in the School of Politics and International Relations at the University of Sheffield, United Kingdom. She has a DPhil in environmental geography from Oxford and is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. Climate change is no longer a distant or future concern. It is a lived reality one that is reshaping industries, livelihoods, and communities across Fiji. Nowhere is this transformation more visible than in the sugar cane sector. Climate change is no longer a distant or future concern. It is a lived reality one that is reshaping industries, livelihoods, and communities across Fiji.



Nowhere is this transformation more visible than in the sugar cane sector. Unpredictable rainfall, rising temperatures, and more severe cyclones are not just weather patterns. They are catastrophes that strike at the heart of our agricultural foundation. They are catastrophes that strike at the heart of our agricultural foundation. They impact crop yields, disrupt lives, and fundamentally change the nature of work for our cane farmers and the many hands that support them. This report offers a vital and timely intervention. It documents how cane farmers are engaging in new, often invisible, forms of labour work that would not exist without environmental disruption. It is work that is increasingly hazardous and exhausting. The concept of adaptation work, as explored in this research, gives structure and recognition to what many farmers already know: surviving and thriving under climate stress demands more than just resilience. It requires extraordinary physical, mental, and emotional effort.

CANE GROWER BRANDING

The Sugar Cane Growers Council actively promotes the 'Cane Grower' branded Cane Harvesting Knife Set. Our core objective is cane growers therefore, recognizing them the producers of cane on new platform by way of ownership and hope. The idea to recognize cane growers at all classifications is well natured and demonstrates new dimensions. Hopefully, cane growers will appreciate the prevailing sense of ownership, in the instance of first such brand available in the industry. The knife set, which includes a knife, gloves, and a file, is available for just \$25 at all SCGC district offices.



146TH GIRMIT COMMEMORATION DAY

The Ministry of Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry hosted the National Girmit Commemoration event from 10th to 12th May 2025 at Subrail Park in Labasa, marking the 146th anniversary of the arrival of the first Indian indentured laborers in Fiji. The Theme for this year's commemoration was **Preserving the Past, Envisioning the Future**, carries profound significance Preserving the Past acknowledges the struggles, sacrifices and enduring contributions of the Girmityas. Envisioning the Future highlights the need for unity, reconciliation and progress. The three-day event featured cultural performances, historical exhibitions, panel discussions, and tributes to the legacy of the Girmityas. It served as a powerful reminder of Fiji's rich heritage while inspiring hope and collective responsibility for a harmonious future. Sugar has huge economic contribution in building the nation.

CANE PAYMENT

The Sugar Cane Growers Council recognizes and appreciates the Government's gesture to allocate a special cane payment of \$5.00 per tonne to all cane growers who produced cane in the 2024 season. As preparations for the new harvesting season gain momentum, special payment is timely and much-awaited. In addition, the 4th cane payment of \$17.03 brings the total payments received by growers to \$91.66 per tonne to date. The final payment for the 2024 season is scheduled for October this year. The SCGC remains committed to working alongside stakeholders to ensure the continued welfare and sustainability of all cane growers.

Season	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Forecast Price	\$66.08	\$63.17	\$64.17	\$54.36	\$66.92	\$70.23	\$71.77
Delivery Payment	\$39.65	\$37.90	\$38.50	\$38.50	\$40.15	\$42.14	\$43.06
Second Payment	\$13.22	\$12.63	\$12.83	\$12.83	\$13.38	\$14.05	\$14.35
Third Payment	\$8.15	\$11.00	\$8.37	\$11.00	\$24.62	\$23.14	\$12.22
Fourth Payment	\$12.50	\$13.73	\$1031	\$15.15	\$7.11	\$21.75	\$17.03
Special Payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$5.00
Final Payment	\$11.48	\$7.62	\$12.05	\$4.45	\$6.12	\$4.00	October
Total Net	\$85.00	\$82.88	\$82.06	\$81.93	\$91.38	\$105.08	\$91.66

2025 HARVESTING SEASON COMMENCES



Ramiza Khanam Ali, a Sardar representing farmers from the Lovu sector, shared her views on the commencement of the 2025 crushing season at the FSC Lautoka Sugar Mill.



The cane crushing season for the Northern Division officially commenced on 17th June.



FSC Rarawai Sugar Mill Begins 2025 Crushing Season on 26th June.



FSC Lautoka Mill Opening 2025 Crushing Season on 11th June.

2024/2025 GOVERNMENT SUPPORT MEASURES FOR SUGAR INDUSTRY

Council appreciates the government's commitment and the unwavering support for the Sugar Industry. Government has provided financial support directly and indirectly to cane growers in form of grant and subsidies from past years. In the 2025-2026 financial year, government has allocated \$67.8m to fund implementation of 12 capital grant programs.

The objective of these programs are to entice growers, reduce farm production cost and increase crop production to above two million tonnes by 2028. In addition, Government has also provided \$225,000 allocation for SCGC elections and operating grant support to:

- Sugar Research Institute of Fiji - \$1,115,100
- Sugar Cane Growers Council - \$782,600
- Sugar Industry Tribunal - \$391,300

	Program	Allocation (\$)
1	Sugarcane Development and Farmer Assistance (\$2000 per Ha)	\$3,913,000
2	Cane Cartage (Penang to Rarawai)	\$4,852,500
3	Weedicide Subsidy (20% Subsidy on Diuron and Amine)	\$987,200
4	Cage Bins (new rail cage bins for billet cane)	\$684,700
5	Cane Access Roads	\$3,913,000
6	Farm Incentive (approximately \$5/ton for increase in production)	\$987,200
7	Manual Harvesting Support (\$3 per ton for manual harvesting)	\$3,375,000
8	Sugarcane Farm Mechanization	\$978,200
9	New Farmer and Lease Premium Assistance (30% or max of \$7,500 for lease renewal premium or farm purchase cost for new farmers)	\$978,200
10	Fertilizer Subsidy (\$38.65 per bag subsidy for blended fertilizer)	\$19,565,200
11	Sugar Stabilization Fund (Govt support to maintain cane price above \$100)	\$9,782,600
12	FSC Working Capital Support (Debt repayment to EXIM Bank)	\$17,853,200
	Total	\$67,870,000

CANE ACCESS ROAD REPAIR

The Sugar Cane Growers Council recognizes the critical role that cane access roads play in supporting the timely and efficient delivery of sugarcane to the mills. These roads are vital lifelines for growers, especially during the crushing season, enabling transportation of harvested cane while also serving as key infrastructure for rural farming communities. To date, several access roads across cane growing sectors have been successfully rehabilitated through government funded programs. These upgrades have led to improved accessibility, reduced transportation delays, and lower costs for growers.



NEW FARMERS/LEASE PREMIUM GRANT PROGRAM

The Ministry of Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry continues strengthening its support for Fiji's sugarcane farmers receiving assistance under the New Farmers/Lease Premium Grant Program.

- 59 Seaqqa Farmers Receive Sugarcane Grant;
- 32 Sugarcane Farmers Boosted with in North;
- 21 Sugarcane Farmers Receive Assistance Under New Farmers/Lease Premium Grant Program in West.

A total of 112 Sugarcane farmers received the grant under the New Farmers/Lease Premium Grant Program. While handing over the grants to the farmers, Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry Hon. Charan Jeath Singh reiterated the government's unwavering commitment to the sugar industry, especially to securing land for sugarcane farming and helping the sugar Industry thrive by assisting farmers with land acquisition and lease renewal programs.



GROWER OUTREACH

The Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Vimal Dutt met with officials of the Veisaru Central Cane Cooperative alongside the field team. Cooperatives play an instrumental role in harvesting of sugarcane in other industry development. Council is adamant to meet all the cooperative officials/members annually in effort to leverage governance and moral support. Enormous opportunities depending on the cooperatives to venture into other enterprise such as Farm Management Agreement as allied income stream. Access to Welfare initiatives, micro Bundled insurance cover for members, likewise parametric cover. The said cooperatives had 37 members mandate, financially sound, versatile officials, decent display of community attachment and prosperity.



FIRST EVER REHABILITATION PACKAGE FOR FARMERS AFFECTED BY OFF-SEASON CANE FIRES

The Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry, Hon. Charan Jeath Singh, announced a one-off rehabilitation package for farmers affected by off-season sugarcane fires. SCGC made submission to the Ministry seeking assistance for growers who lost cane in fires. He noted that while there are currently no allocated funds to compensate for the losses, the Government has approved a one-off rehabilitation package of \$650 per acre for all affected farmers. The Minister reaffirmed the Government’s commitment to supporting growers in times of hardship and emphasized the need for accountability and responsible practices within the sugar industry. Growers appreciated the package received on timely and of value. A total of 57 growers were affected and lost 156.5 acres of harvestable crop.



FARM MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

A Farm Management Agreement is a legal contract that outlines the terms and conditions between a Cane Growers and Farm Manager. It defines responsibilities and rights to crop planning, financial management and resources allocation. Through the FMA, SCGC aims to support absentee or struggling growers by providing guidance and facilitating partnerships with reliable farm managers. The grower retains full ownership of the land and the crop, while the manager is compensated through a mutually agreed fee or revenue-sharing arrangement. The Council encourages interested growers to reach out for more information on how an Farm Management Agreement can protect their farming investment, sustain their livelihoods, and keep their farms thriving for future generations. The table below illustrates the progressive cases for the Farm Management Agreement showing the number of cases handled and their current status.

District	Rakiraki	Tavua	Ba	Lautoka	Nadi	Sigatoka	Labasa	Total
Instructions Received	4	1	4	6	6	2	25	48
Farm Management Agreement Signed	4	1	4	4	6	2	25	46

REDUCTION IN INTEREST RATES BY SUGAR CANE GROWERS FUND

Sugar Cane Growers Council acknowledges the reduction in lending rates from 6.0% to 4.5%, effective January 1, 2025, by the Sugar Cane Growers Fund. This decrease in interest rates directly alleviates the borrowing costs for growers. SCGC highly commends the review of interest rates on borrowing, recognizing it as a significant benefit to the growers who are the beneficiaries of the Fund. By virtue of its role, the Sugar Cane Growers Fund serves as the custodian of cane growers’ monies and is obligated to provide affordable loan terms to these growers. Sincerely, the council reiterates that growers who are granted enhanced access to agricultural loans and efficient delivery services are encouraged to increase productivity and strengthen their contribution in the industry. Approaching farming from an enterprise perspective, growers must be acutely aware of their cash flow, objectives, borrowing requirements, and accomplishments. As a representative of growers, the SCGC remains committed to its stance that growers are supported with friendly policies designed to meet the financial needs of growers. There are various agricultural loan products offered by SCGF that are accessible to growers for investment purposes and the enhancement of their farm operations. We have observed the widespread advancements made possible through smart borrowing, which offers a sustainable pathway for growers who intend to progress in good faith. Our advice to growers is, loan is a commitment that should not be approached carelessly, rather, it requires great discipline to avoid situations that could lead to unfavorable circumstances.

SCGC SERVICES OFFERED

The Sugar Cane Growers Council offers a comprehensive range of services designed to support and empower sugar cane farmers. The SCGC remains the sole legal representative body of the cane growers in Fiji. All growers are automatically members of the SCGC. Besides effective representation, the SCGC provides various services to the grower which includes:

- General Administrative Services
 - Information & Education
 - Research & Awareness
 - Referrals
 - Grievances & Disputes
 - Income Tax & VAT Returns
- Growers Welfare
 - Weedicide Supply
 - Cane Knife Sales
 - Monitoring & Evaluation of Government Grant to growers

LEGAL SERVICES OFFERED BY SCGC

The Sugar Cane Growers Council provides legal services to support and protect the rights of cane growers across Fiji.

- Power of Attorney
- Estate and Succession Matters (Wills/Probates/Letters of Administration)
- Farm Transfer
- Sale and Purchase Agreement
- Farm Management Agreement
- Transmission by Death
- Provisional Title
- Request for New Certificate of Title
- Cane Contract Registration/Amendment

चीनी उद्योग संशोधन अधिनियम

न्याय, विधि एवं मानवाधिकार से संबंधित स्थायी समिति ने चीनी उद्योग (संशोधन) विधेयक 2024 की समीक्षा का कार्य प्रारंभ कर दिया है। चीनी उद्योग अधिनियम 1984 ('अधिनियम') सामान्यतः चीनी उद्योग के प्रशासन का प्रावधान उपलब्ध कराता है। यह अधिनियम गन्ना उत्पादक परिषद ('परिषद') की भी स्थापना करता है। इस परिषद का कार्य गन्ना उद्योग के संरक्षण एवं विकास को सुनिश्चित करना है। इस परिषद की स्थापना फिजी के सभी पंजीकृत गन्ना उत्पादकों के विशिष्ट कार्यों के साथ उनके हितों का प्रतिनिधित्व करने हेतु की गई थी। सन् 2015 से पूर्व परिषद के सदस्यों का चुनाव अधिनियम में निर्धारित चुनाव प्रक्रिया के माध्यम से होता था। सन् 2015 में चीनी उद्योग (संशोधन) अधिनियम 2015 के माध्यम से इस अधिनियम में ऐसा संशोधन किया गया जिसके अंतर्गत परिषद के सदस्यों की नियुक्ति माननीय मंत्री द्वारा की जानी थी। अतः चीनी उद्योग (संशोधन) विधेयक 2024 ('विधेयक') इस अधिनियम में संशोधन करके परिषद के सदस्यों के चुनाव की अनुमति प्रदान करता है। इस विधेयक से परिषद की संरचना में भी संशोधन होगा और परिषद के चुनाव हेतु चुनावी प्रक्रिया की रूपरेखा तैयार होगी।



LAWA NI VEISAU NI CAKACAKA NI SUKA

Sa tekivutaka na Komiti Tudei ni Veilewai, Lawa kei na Dodonu ni Tamata na nona railesuva na Lawa ni Suka (Veisau) 2024. Na Lawa ni Suka 1984 ('Lawa') e vakarautaka raraba na kena cicivaki na bisinisi ni suka. Na lawa oqo e tauyavutaka talega na Matabose ni Dau Tei Dovu ni Suka oya na Sugar Cane Growers Council. Na i tavi ni Matabose oya se na Council me raica na kena taqomaki ka vakatoroicaketaki na tabana ni suka. E tauyavutaki na Matabose oqo ka tiko na kena i tavi vakatabakidua me matataka na nodra gagadre na Dau Tei Dovu kece era sa rejisitataki e Viti. Ni bera na yabaki 2015, era dau digitaki na lewe ni Matabose ena dua na iwalewale ni veidigidigi e virikotori ena Lawa. Ena yabaki 2015, ena lawa ni Suka (Veisau) 2015, e a veisautaki kina na lawa oqo ka dodonu me ra lesi kina na lewe ni Matabose mai vua na Minisita. O koya gona, na Lawa ni Suka (Veisau) 2024 ('Lawa') e saga me veisautaki na Lawa me rawa kina na nodra digitaki na lewe ni Matabose. Na Lawa oqo ena veisautaka talega na i tuvatuva ni Matabose ka vakamacalataka na i walewale ni veidigidigi me baleta na veidigidigi ki na Matabose.

एससीजीसी और एमआईओटी पैसिफिक मेडिकल की सहभागिता

गन्ना उत्पादक परिषद ने फिजी के गन्ना उत्पादकों के लिए स्वास्थ्य सेवा सुगम्य करने हेतु एमआईओटी पैसिफिक मेडिकल और एमआईओटी हॉस्पिटल्स प्राइवेट लिमिटेड के साथ एक महत्वपूर्ण समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं। फिजी में गन्ना उत्पादकों के लिए स्वास्थ्य सेवा की सुगम्यता में सुधार लाने के उद्देश्य से महत्वपूर्ण पहल के अंतर्गत, गन्ना उत्पादक परिषद (एससीजीसी) ने ओमनीकेयर प्राइवेट लिमिटेड (एमआईओटी पैसिफिक मेडिकल (एमपीएम) और एमआईओटी हॉस्पिटल्स प्राइवेट लिमिटेड (भारत) के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन (एमओयू) पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं। द्रासा लौटोका स्थित गन्ना उत्पादक परिषद भवन में दिनांक 08 मई 2025 को आयोजित इस हस्ताक्षर समारोह एक कार्यनीतिक सहयोग का प्रतीक है जिसका उद्देश्य फिजी के गन्ना किसानों को गुणवत्तापूर्ण चिकित्सा सेवा प्रदान करना और ऐसे अंतर्राष्ट्रीय विशेषज्ञ उपचार की सुविधा प्रदान करना है, जिससे समय पर और समन्वित स्वास्थ्य सेवा सहायता सुनिश्चित हो सके।

इस सहभागिता के अंतर्गत:

- एमपीएम एससीजीसी और भारत में एमआईओटी अस्पतालों के बीच ऐसे संपर्क सूत्र का काम करेगा, जो विदेश में देखभाल की ज़रूरत वाले किसानों के लिए प्रारंभिक स्वास्थ्य जाँच, विशेषज्ञ रेफरल और यात्रा व्यवस्था का समन्वय करेगा।
- एससीजीसी किसानों से सीधी जुड़ेगी, उन्हें उपलब्ध स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं के बारे में मार्गदर्शन देगी, परामर्श का समय निर्धारित करेगी और उनके उपचार के दौरान उनकी सहायता करेगी।
- एमआईओटी अस्पताल (भारत) विदेश में उपचार की ज़रूरत वाले लोगों के लिए विशेष मूल्य निर्धारण, समय पर जाँच और निर्बाध रोगी दाखिले के प्रावधानों के साथ विश्व स्तरीय चिकित्सा सेवाएँ प्रदान करेगी।

VEITOKANI VAKAVUNIWAI NI SCGC & MIOT

Sainitaka na Matabose ni Dau Tei Dovu (Sugar Cane Growers Council) e dua na veidinadinati kei na MIOT Pacific Medical kei na MIOT Hospitals Private Limited me Vakatorocaketaka na kena Rawa na Veiqaravi ni Bula vei ira na Dau Tei Dovu e Viti. Ena dua na sasaga bibi ka kena inaki me vakavinakataka na veiqaravi vakavuniwai vei ira na dautei dovua e Viti, e sainitaka kina na Matabose ni Dau Tei Dovu ni Dau Tei Dovu (SCGC) e dua na veidinadinati (MOU) kei na Omnicare Pte Limited me baleta na MIOT Pacific Medical (MPM) kei na MIOT Hospitals Private Limited (MIOT Hospitals Private Limited). Na soqo ni saina oqo, ea vakayacori ena vale ni volavola ni dau tei dovua e Drasa Avenue, Lautoka, ena ika 8 ni Me 2025, e vakatakilakilataka e dua na cakacaka vata vakailavo ka sasagataka me vakayacori na veiqaravi vakavuniwai vinaka ka vakarawarawataka na veiqaravi vakavuniwai vakamatanitu vei ira na dau tei dovua e Viti, ka vakadeitaka na veitokoni ni bula ena kena gauna dodonu ka veiganiti.

Ena ruku ni veiwekani oqo:

- Ena veiqaravi na MPM me veitaratara ena maliwa ni Valenibula kei SCGC kei na MIOT e Idia, ka vakarautaka na veisele taumada ni bula, veivakau vei ira na kenadau, kei na veivakarautaki ni veilakoyaki vei ira na dautei dovua era gadreva na veiqaravi mai vanua tani.
- Ena veitaratara vakadodonu na SCGC kei ira na dautei dovua, ka dusimaki ira ena veiqaravi ni veiqaravi ni bula e tu, tuvanaka na veitalanoa, ka tokoni ira ena nodra ilakolako taucoke ni veiqaravi.
- Na Valenibula ni MIOT (Idia) ena solia na veiqaravi vakavuniwai e vuravura raraba, kei na veivakarautaki me baleta na isau vakatabakidua, veisele ena kena gauna dodonu, kei na nodra laki laurai na tauvimate vei ira era gadreva na veiqaravi ena vanua tani.

नए किसान/लीज़ प्रीमियम अनुदान कार्यक्रम

मल्टी-इथेनिक अफेयर्स एवं चीनी उद्योग मंत्रालय, नए किसान/लीज़ प्रीमियम अनुदान कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत सहायता प्राप्त करने वाले फ़िजी के गन्ना किसानों हेतु अपने सामर्थ्य को सशक्त कर रहा है।

- सिंगांगा के 59 किसानों को गन्ना अनुदान प्राप्त हुआ;
- उत्तरी क्षेत्र में ही 32 गन्ना किसानों को प्रोत्साहित किया गया;
- पश्चिम क्षेत्र में 21 गन्ना किसानों को नए किसान/लीज़ प्रीमियम अनुदान कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत सहायता प्राप्त हुई।

नए किसान/लीज़ प्रीमियम अनुदान कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत कुल 112 गन्ना किसानों को अनुदान प्राप्त हुआ। किसानों को अनुदान सौंपते हुए, माननीय मल्टी-इथेनिक एवं चीनी उद्योग मंत्री श्री चरण जीत सिंह ने चीनी उद्योग के प्रति, विशेष रूप से गन्ना खेती के लिए भूमि सुरक्षित रखने और भूमि अधिग्रहण एवं लीज़ नवीनीकरण कार्यक्रमों में किसानों की सहायता करके चीनी उद्योग को फलने-फूलने में मदद करने हेतु सरकार की समर्पित प्रतिबद्धता दोहराई है।



POROKARAMU NI VEIQARAVI VOU NI DAU TEI DOVU/LISI

E tomana tikoga na Tabacakacaka ni Veika Vakaitaukei kei na Suka na kena vakaukauwataki na nona veitokoni vei ira na Dau Tei Dovu e Viti era ciqoma tiko na veivuke ena ruku ni Porokaramu ni Veivuke ni Dau Tei Dovu Vou/Lease Premium Grant.

- 59 na Dau Tei Dovu e Seaqaga e era ciqoma na veivuke ni matanitu se na Sugarcane Grant;
- 32 na Dau Tei Dovu era sa vukei ka vakabulabulataki ena Vualiku;
- 21 na Dau Tei Dovu era ciqoma na Veivuke ena Ruku ni Porokaramu ni Veivuke vei ira na tei dovuvou ka vaka kina na vakavoutaki ni lisi se Premium ena Yasayasa Vaka Ra.

E rauta ni 112 na Dau Tei Dovu era ciqoma na veivuke ena ruku ni Porokaramu ni Veivuke vei ira na tei dovuvou ka vaka kina na vakavoutaki ni lisi se Premium. Ena nona solia tiko na veivuke vei ira na Dau Tei Dovu, e vakaraitaka na Minisita ni Veika Vakaitaukei kei na Suka o Hon. Charan Jeeth Singh ka vakadeitaki tale e na nona yalayala tudei na matanitu ki na tabana ni suka, vakabibi ena kena vakadeitaki na qele me teivaki kina na suka ka vukea na kena tubu na tabana ni suka ena nona vukei ira na Dau Tei Dovu ena kena rawati na qele kei na parokaramu ni vakavou ni lisi.

ऑफ़-सीज़न गन्ना आग से प्रभावित किसानों के लिए पहली बार पुनर्वास पैकेज



बहु-जातीय मामलों और चीनी उद्योग मंत्री, माननीय चरण जीत सिंह ने ऑफ़-सीज़न में लगी आग से गन्ना खोने वाले किसानों के लिए एकमुश्त पुनर्वास पैकेज की घोषणा की है।

यह निर्णय शुगर केन ग्रोवर्स काउंसिल (SCGC) द्वारा मंत्रालय को की गई मांग के बाद लिया गया। अभी तक ऐसे नुकसान की भरपाई के लिए कोई अलग फंड नहीं था, लेकिन सरकार ने विशेष मदद के रूप में प्रभावित किसानों को प्रति एकड़ 650 डॉलर देने की स्वीकृति दी है।

मंत्री ने कहा कि कठिन समय में सरकार किसानों के साथ खड़ी है और उद्योग में जिम्मेदार और अनुशासित तरीकों की ज़रूरत पर ज़ोर दिया।

कुल 57 किसान प्रभावित हुए हैं और लगभग 156.5 एकड़ की फसल जल गई। किसानों ने इस मदद को समय पर और उपयोगी बताया और सरकार का आभार व्यक्त किया।

NODRA VUKEI NA DAU TEI DOVU KA VAKAMAI NODRA DOVU ENA GAUNA E SE BERA NI DOLA KINA NAI QAQI NI SUKA

E a kacivaka na Minisita ni Veika Vakaitaukei kei na Suka, Hon. Charan Jeeth Singh, e dua na i tuvatuva ni veivuke vei ira na Dau Tei Dovu era vakaleqai ena kama ni dovuvou ena gauna e se sogo tu kina nai qaqi ni suka. E vakaraitaka o Minisita Singh ni a vakamacalataki na tikina oqo ena bese ni Komiti ni Veiliutaki ni Cakacaka ka a vakayacori ena Lotulevu 12 ni Jiune, 2025 ka a veivosakitaki kina vakamatailalai na kena revurevu ni kama kei na kama vakacalaka ni dovuvou. E vakaraitaka ni dina ni sega ni dua na ilavo e vakarautaki ena gauna oqo me saumi kina na kena vakacacani se vakalusi na dovuvou, ia e sa vakadonuya na Matanitu e dua na i tuvatuva ni veivakabulabulataki vakadua ka me saumi e \$650 ena dua na eka vei ira kece na Dau Tei Dovu era a vakaleqai. E vakadeitaka tale na Minisita na nona yalayala na Matanitu me tokoni ira na Dau Tei Dovu ena gauna ni dredre ka vakabibitaka na kena gadrevi na veivakadeitaki kei na ivalavala ni veiqaravi ena loma ni tabana ni suka.



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SRIF work closely with Ministry of Sugar, FSC, SCGC, SCGF, SIT and even Ministry of Agriculture to build farmer and staff capacity in best management practice adoption. The training topics covers land preparation, soil sampling, sugarcane varieties and selection, quality seed cane, planting methods, integrated weed control, integrated pest and disease control and ratoon crop management. So far, a total of 5 Women Farmer Trainings has been completed where 115 women trained. We have also begun the New Farmer Training for those farmers who are new to the sugar industry and requires assistance and guidance.

Stats so far: 5 Women farmer training completed with 115 women farmers trained. New farmer training is the next target where 1 has been completed for Nadi district (12 farmers participated) and more has been planned for the upcoming months.



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