



Briefing Note: Pacific Education Work Programme

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Cc:	Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister of Education		
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Purpose of Report

The purpose of this paper is to provide you with an outline of the Pacific Education Work Programme for 2021.

Summary

- The Pacific Education Work Programme for 2021 is attached at Annex 1. It includes information on key pieces of work within the Education portfolio, the alignment of these workstreams with the Action Plan for Pacific Education and the current timeline for these pieces of work to be progressed.
- Pacific education interests in the wider Education Work Programme are outlined in Annex
 2.

Proactive release

We recommend you:

Agree that this Briefing will not be proactively released until approval of the work programme

Agree / Disagree

Dr Andrea Schöllmann **Deputy Secretary**

Education System Policy

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Hon Aupito William Sio

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Background

- 1. In your letter of delegation for your Associate Minister of Education role, Minister Hipkins outlined the delegated functions and responsibilities of your work programme and requested an outline of your planned delegation work programme.
- 2. Annex 1 outlines the Pacific Education Work Programme for 2021. It includes information on key pieces of work within the Education portfolio and the current timeline for these pieces of work to be progressed for Ministerial decisions. The programme includes areas of work you are leading in your Associate Minister of Education role.
- Annex 2 outlines workstreams across the wider Education portfolio that can contribute
 to your Pacific Education priorities for 2021-2023 [METIS 1244788 refers] and to the
 implementation of the Action Plan for Pacific Education (Action Plan) 2020-2030.

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Action Plan for Pacific Education Implementation in 2021

- 4. The Action Plan for Pacific Education 2020-2030 vision is to ensure "Diverse Pacific learners and their families are safe, valued and equipped to achieve their education aspirations". This aligns with the overarching objectives of the 30 year Education vision of learners at the centre, barrier-free access, world class inclusive education, quality teaching and leadership, and future of learning and work.
- 5. The Action Plan outlines key actions that will be implemented in 2021. These are based off key initiatives you are leading and key actions across the wider Education Work Programme and cover the breadth of the key shifts in the Action Plan.
- 6. The Action Plan provides you a key outline of the wider Pacific Education priorities at an action level.

Work Programme A3

- 7. We have developed a work programme for 2021, outlined in Annex 1. These priorities are based off the key actions in the Action Plan for Pacific Education 2020-2030 that you are leading and key actions that respond to your specific priorities for Pacific Education [METIS 1244788 refers] and provides more detail on the components and timings of key actions.
- 8. Content has been differentiated accordingly to the drivers that have led to their commissioning. This includes Pacific Education Budget investments from 2019 and 2020 and tentatively 2021. The work of other education agencies that is linked to the Action Plan has been included for your information.



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10. Important operational processes, particularly around funding applications, contracts and tenders and monitoring and evaluation, have also been included for your reference. Actions relating to the broader implementation of the Action Plan, such as the development of a Measurement Framework to measure the Action Plan, are also included.

Alignment with the Lalanga Fou vision

11. As per your expectations, the Pacific Education Work Programme aligns to the Lalanga Fou vision and goals, in particular Goal 4 Confident, thriving and resilient Pacific young people.

Pacific education interests in the wider Education Work Programme 2021

- 12. We have identified key Pacific education priorities for the significant education work programme items. These are intended to be used to assess and understand alignment between work programme items and the Action Plan, and ensure all Ministry activities are actively working to achieve the vision in the Action Plan (see Annex 2).
- 13. In Annex 2 the identified key work programmes have points of interest, that you can use to prompt and provoke discussions on how these wider work programmes are effective, relevant and promote success for Pacific children, young people and their families.

Next Steps

- 14. We recommend you use the attached work programme A3s to support a discussion with Minister Hipkins on your work programme.
- 15. We will continue to update the components of your work programme including progress on your Pacific Education Budget 2021 priorities.

Annexes

Annex 1: A3 - Pacific Education Work Programme 2021

Annex 2: A3 - Pacific education interests in the wider Education Work Programme 2021 (as of 5 February 2021)





