

# **“ENSURING CONTINUITY THROUGH DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION”**

**‘PRACTICAL AND ENGAGING – PARLIAMENTARY EDUCATION FOR 2023 AND BEYOND’**

**AUSTRALASIAN PARLIAMENTARY EDUCATORS CONFERENCE  
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**Parliament of the Republic of Fiji  
Civic Education & Media Uni**

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# Civic Education & Media Unit -

- Established in 2014

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- Responsible for educating the public on the role of Parliament, democratic process, how people can engage with Parliament

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- Develop educational materials for the ultimate goal of increasing public awareness on multi-dimensional platforms including the website and social media

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# Community engagement strategy 2019-2022

## FOCUS AREAS



1. Parliament for Schools

2. Committees in the community

3. Experiencing Parliament

4. Youth for Youth

5. Parliament Bus

6. Digital Parliament

7. Community Partnerships

## OUR ACHIEVEMENT

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| <input type="checkbox"/>                                         | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parliament Education Resource (Revised) | <input type="checkbox"/> Speakers Debate                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fact Sheets – new/updated               | <input type="checkbox"/> Press Release, Media Alert                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teachers Professional Development       | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media – FB, Twitter, Instagram, Youtube |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Website                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Parliament TV Channel                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education Tour                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Day Program                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meet the Speaker Program                | <input type="checkbox"/> Publication – Parliament Newsletter            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parliament Bus Program                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Parliament Discovery Centre (Gallery)          |

# OUR CHALLENGES

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- **COVID-19 – 2020-2022**
  - **Staff reduction**
  - **Outreach Program suspended**
  - **Budget reduction**
  - **Election campaign period**
  - **Geographical challenge**
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# OUTREACH PROGRAM SUSPENDED

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- **Parliament Tours**

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- **Parliament Open Day**

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- **Parliament Bus Program**

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- **Meet the Speaker Program**

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- **Speakers Debate**

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- **Youth Parliament**

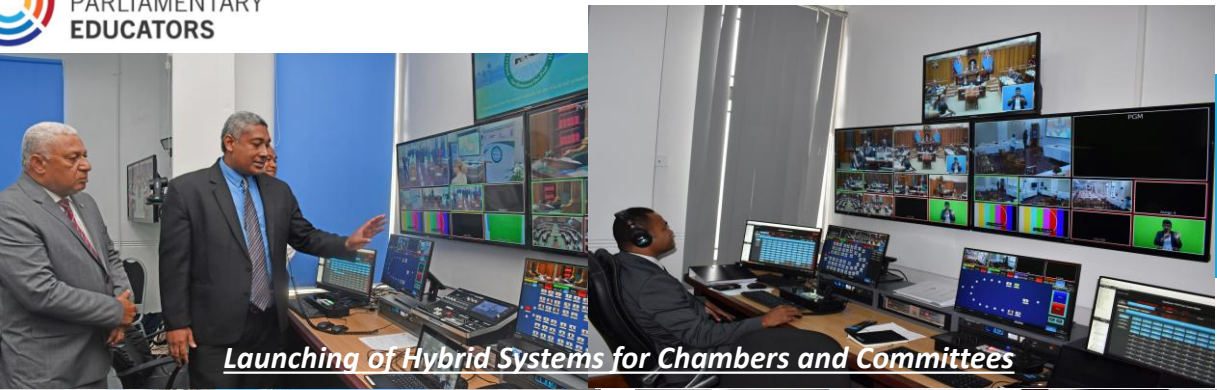
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# COVID19 CHALLENGE – How we managed?

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- **Social Media Platforms**
  - **Media Alerts**
  - **Parliament Update**
  - **Educational Information**
  - **Special Day Program**
  - **Hybrid Parliament & Committee Sitings**
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**Launching of Hybrid Systems for Chambers and Committees**

**OVERTIME REQUEST FORM**

(This form is provided for office planning to ensure working hours are within the limits of the Queensland Public Service Act 2008. It is not intended to be used for overtime work. Overtime work should be requested in advance of the start of the shift. Overtime work should be requested in advance of the start of the shift. Overtime work should be requested in advance of the start of the shift.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Section/Division: \_\_\_\_\_ Total hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Overnight work (start at \_\_\_\_\_ Yes  No  Section/Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Transport Required: Yes  No  Section/Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Officer: This field is required to be completed. Please provide the name of the officer who is requesting overtime work. The signature of the officer is required to be provided. The signature of the officer is required to be provided. The signature of the officer is required to be provided.

Comments by Supervisor (or Delegated): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Supervisor (or Delegated): \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Immediate Supervisor is required to assess the work conditions for the overtime period on the next working day. Comments by Head of Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved for SOP FOR OVERTIME AND TRANSPORT of members:  
 Approved:  Not Approved:

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_ SCP: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: This form will only be provided at the discretion of the Head of Division. It is not intended to be used for overtime work. Overtime work should be requested in advance of the start of the shift. Overtime work should be requested in advance of the start of the shift. Overtime work should be requested in advance of the start of the shift.

**E-Forms & Signatures**



**Committee Meetings and Hearings (Local and Overseas)**



**ICT Gadgets Issue**





# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY 2022 - 2026

Parliament's 4-year Strategic Plan

Strategic Priority Area 2 – Representation and Public Engagement

Implementation has begun

# OUR COMMITMENT

- **The Fiji Parliament will engage with and respond to the needs of all Fijians to enable them to participate in and contribute to our democracy.**

# OUR ENGAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

- Connect with a broader cross-section of the Fijian community including Fijians at home and abroad.
- Provide Fijians with more opportunities to access Parliament.
- Remove barriers to participation to be more inclusive of all Fijians.
- Modernise our engagement approaches through a focus on technology.

# FOCUS AREAS

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1. Learning about Parliament
2. Committees in the Community
3. Experiencing Parliament
4. Accessibility and Inclusion
5. Outreach to Communities
6. Fiji Now and Next
7. Community Partnership

# PROGRAM/ACTIVITIES

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**- Fact Sheets – new/updated**

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**- Teachers Professional Development**

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**- Website – revamp/update**

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**- Parliament Education Tour**

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**- Media – Press Release, Media Alert, Newsletter etc**

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**- Social Media – FB, Twitter, Instagram, Youtube**

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**- Parliament TV Channel – Parliament programs**

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**- Parliament Education Resource to be revised to align with changing curriculum proposed by MoE**

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- **Special Day Program – IDD, IDP, CWD**

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  - **Parliament Open Day**

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  - **Parliament Bus Program – Poor Internet Connectivity**

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  - **Meet the Speaker Program – New Speaker’s Discretion**

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  - **Speaker’s Debate – New Speaker’s Discretion**

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  - **Youth Parliament**

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  - **Publication – Parliament Newsletter**

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# Our initiatives

- Civil Service Training
- Animated Videos
- Short Videos (1 min)
- Revised Videos
- Virtual Tour of Parliament



# CHALLENGES/STRATEGIES/SUPPORT

## Annual Plan

- Community engagement action plan 2022-23

## Under Staff

- Networking with other Units, Twinning Partner, Other Parliaments

## Limited Budget

- UNDP Support Project

## New Speaker/ Parliament

- Expect amendments to our planned programs and activities

## Geographically challenged

- E-Platform

Thank you!!!