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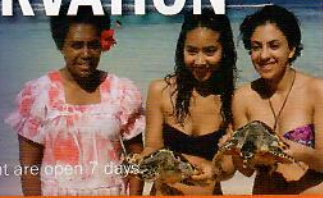
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Weaknesses of Western Science

- MOST OFTEN
- CAN BE WRONG ABOUT REALLY IMPORTANT THINGS;
 AGE AT FIRST MATURITY; ABILITY/TIME TO REBOUND;
 ACCLIMATION; NO. SPECIES(!);

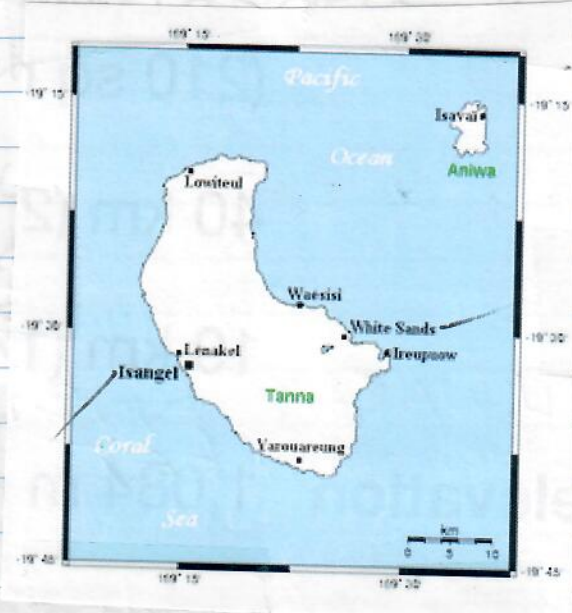
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"White Grass"

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SON. (10y.o.)
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TMOBIL

Need SPOTER
LAVREN HWNP Nesting
K. HWNP 7/11 - night
7/12/18
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VATU WAPA River - Suva
FISH MARKET

Fig Nat. Univ.

LMMA

High Quality Healthy Protein low in FAT =
FOOD Security

Is God always on the side of Government?

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AKIKO HAMADA-AWO
"The SPREP MARINE Turtle Action
Plan: Challenges and Opportunities"

MS ASELA NOVUCU - ^{Fiji} Fisheries
Made Hotel Reservations Ministry

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VILA FIJI 13-27 JULY
22-26 JULY 13:00 AM THURSDAY 2018
VANUATU

MOVEMENTS / ACTIVITIES

7/13/2018 13:00 AM FIJI AIRWAYS VIA APIA
~~Thursday~~ w/WORK AND RICE DIGICEL SIM TAXI

7/14 ~~Friday~~ 8:30 AM NADI TO NADI BULA FESTIVAL
Fish & Chips Lunch

3:00 PM AIR VANUATU TO VILA FLIGHT

RIGHT CANCELLED (7/15 AM) called EPI TO CANCEL MY TICKET
NEW

7/14 RM 611 NALAGI Hotel next to
McDonalds

7/15 ~~Sunday~~ ~ 12:30 PM Bus 15 FJ 3.5 hr
to SUVA - checked into Rice
Townhouse SUVA RM 105 work
night 1 TO VILA
9 AM - 7:30 AM slept

7/16 ~~Monday~~ ② Coffee Bagel in Room
night 2 + Walked & Photoed

7/17 ~~Tuesday~~ National Workshop "STUDIO 6" took
night 3 TAXI, ~ 8:30 AM - 3 PM

7/18 ~~Wednesday~~

7/19 ~~Thursday~~ ⑤ Workshop Day 1 USP Auditorium
PM Lower USP

7/20 ~~Friday~~ ⑥ Workshop Day 2 Lower USP
night Townhouse SUVA

7/21 ~~Saturday~~ Sat tag Attacked MR & Health
10 AM - 3 PM RAIN exam BURE Lower USP MARINE
SCIENCES

7/22/2018 10AM "INSANE" RAN RIDE
Sunday SUVA TO NADI
330 PM AIR FIJI ATR prop to VILA
2 HR 20 MIN
Night AT MELANESIA HOTEL PM 304

7/23 Monday Flight TO TANNA ~ 1030AM - DELAYED
ATR TWIN PROP.
Picked up by Werry
and wife MONIQUE
2+ hour drive to PORT Resolution
STOPS TO STOP ON THE WAY

7/24 Tuesday NIGHT ONE - TANNA BUNGALOW power is 6-9pm
nightly
CHILDRENS' DAY PARADE / VANUATU
INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION.

Village WOMAN DIED ~ 830PM
3PM Departed for VOLCANO
Returned ~ 630PM

7/25/18 Wednesday Relaxed A.M. to white beach
Ate lunch at Village
SAW procession people coming from
nearby village. NIGHT TWO TANNA
NIGHT THREE

7/26/2018
Thursday

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70 PICTURES sent 8/2/2018

WERRY NARUA

PORT RESOLUTION Yacht CLUB

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LENAIKEL TAWNA
Vanuatu.

Control on turtle harvesting

7-18-18 The Fiji Times WWW.FIJITIMES.COM.FJ
By SERAFINA SILAITOGA

GOVERNMENT will enforce management measures by January next year to control the harvesting of turtles.

This will happen after the turtle moratorium expires in December.

Ministry of Fisheries director Aisake Batibasaga said the ministry was working with the World Wildlife Fund in holding consultations with stakeholders over this issue.

The consultation, he added started this week in Suva and aimed at strengthening the lessons learnt from the last moratorium and to hear from stakeholders about their experiences of the last few years.

"Government has always been proactive in trying to manage and conserve our marine species by placing conservation measures in place," he said.

"Sea turtles have been one such species that Fiji has focused a lot of conservation efforts on.

"We have had three moratoriums and various management measures in place both at the community level and at the national level. The collaboration and partnership has seen a vast improvement in the shift from turtle harvesting to turtle protection in our communities in Fiji."

Mr Batibasaga said although continu-



We have important roles to play and I urge you all to make informed decisions so that we are able to protect our sea turtles well into the future.



Aisake Batibasaga

ous work was needed to continue to sustain the turtle population, he was positive that through everyone's support, they could achieve their goals.

"Sea turtles are a cultural icon as we all know, however they have been affected by the commercialisation of this cultural tradition, which has adversely affected our sea turtle population," he said.

"We have important roles to play and I urge you all to make informed decisions so that we are able to protect our sea turtles well into the future."

The workshop was attended by participants from Government and non-government organisations.

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"WAWA Selin"

Needs CHECK LIST FOR FIJI / VANUATU / TANN.

Cyclone
2015

- Fuji "POLAROID" + MORE FILM TANNA

- Shell NECKLACES

The INTERVIEW - PENINSOLA Hotel

- TANNA DVDS; FLASHY ALOTTA SHIRTS / T-shirts w/ HAWAIIAN FLAG

- MACADAMIA CANDY

- Mosquito Repell

- Video Compact Camera

- MOSQUITO NET

- HONORED NAMES - LUI BELL; GEORGE PETRO
INOUYE; AKAKA.

RE-

- Need FIJI BOOK MAY 2016

"Starting A PROCESS - Something of a lone voice
from the past?"

"Come from GOING TO" quote
welcome LEIS TO HAWAII CV web link looking

STATEMENT by GB TW

Suggested Questions & honesty
Consideration
Be your everything w/ kindness, consideration

"Food Security" for discussion

my quote - Liuchiu presentation
AISAKESONS NAME
GRADE Age 10

PRIME MINISTER BAINIMARAMA

6/4/2018
SARAS, LAITIA, MARICA, (48)
ILI, Sophie, ANA, SHRIKA, NAMRATA,
Mere walesi, JUNEY WARD, CATHY SIOTA,
Rosie Cloong

5/2018 Tuesday 12:45 PM TW office
call to Fiji AT Woffin
2:45 TALK w/ SUSANNA & SARAS

Needs - Funds for Tea breaks Argos Ty HPA;
Fijian language? Arisake's SON School partner;
Health EXAM Turtle
TW - health EXAM Turtle - Saturday
+ TRAIN ATTACH.

What would you propose to Replace total protection?

* FAILURE of ESA of the USA TO
Island peoples (people of Oceania)
Models / Modelling - Chaloupka & BALAZS 2007
40kg
- FAITH IN, TRUST of
~ 85. MONTH for sat tag Argos

LANGUAGED
VANUATU - BISLAMA
SOLOMONS - PJIN.
PNG - TOK. PISIN

ROSIE | ARANE NADI 18 JULY Wed.
GRAMAME | QANTAS QF0353 17:15
Depart SUNDAY 22 JULY 0820 NADI

FIJI Workshop

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FRIENDS & Colleagues can respectfully disagree
reasonable & respectful debate
TRUTH & FACTS - list all we can agree upon
generally
TRUE ISMS

PIALUG
NAV SATAWAL NAVIGATOR

AGAIN Falling for Turtles - "Driving" Force

The "CRIMES" in my life would be to not
facilitate conversation - open the door to the
world let people know it's OK. And if others
disagree, even with great force & passion from
position of Government power (and finance)
influenced, it's OK, it's the "price"
of self-respect for the ^{community} people & cultures
of Oceania.

~~STAND MAN~~

QUESTIONS or Statements for Conversation

DINNER TOGETHER for Everyone

AWARD CERTIFICATE

LESSON FROM AUSTRALIA'S ABORIGINES

Sea Turtles = Food Security

BALAZS OPENING & WELCOME REMARKS

PROMISES UNFULFILLED

ESA FAILURE: BARRIER

NEXT STEPS

sustainable
USE BECAUSE Human
consumptive NOT
permitted BUT
TAKE IS

WERRY, WIFE
MORUQUE
youngest child
of FOUR.

TANDA
ISLAND
JULY 2018



FIS

Free
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INTRODUCER
ANACRYA

SMS = School of
Marine Sciences

MR. PO-YU WU

JULY T

~~Need~~ (4) Conclusion Statement
in Demography

(3) Migration Routes
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"Fiji First Party"

FIJI

330 Islands

ocean = 110 inhabited

Will scientific Western Research give us ^{ANSWERS} IMPORTANT Guidance ^{TO PACIFIC ISLANDERS} IN CONSERVING AND UTILIZING sea turtles BEYOND WHAT IT ALREADY HAS?

OR JUST DRAG THINGS OUT MORE - SEEMINGLY ENDLESSLY - "MORE RESEARCH NEEDED"

Compare 1970s TO 2018 40+ YEAR

Sufficient information for local communities now? OR, have they been doing that already?

- First step following Kobe "Beyond Protection" (of sea turtles)

- Rosie Cooney "Sustainable Use and Livelihoods Specialist Group"

The First Workshop on the Conservation of Sea Turtles within the ^{CULTURAL} Context of Oceania (CSTCCO)

- Possibilities Beyond Protection (PBP)

DISCUSSION / QUESTIONS & TOPICS & STATEMENTS
ABSTRACTS? RAPATOUR NOTE TAKER

- Co-convened & convened by GB & TW ^{PROVINCIAL} ^{THOUGHT} ^{PROCESSES} ^{COCHAIR} ^{MTSSOR} in (Cooperation) with Republic of Fiji Ministry of Fisheries and the University of the South Pacific

- NON-GOVERNMENT FUNDED - SELF-FUNDED

- NO ONE EVER ASKED US D

CHALLENGE Questions

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≠ BOUNCE OFF MILAXI *

- 40kg 2007 MODEL? VALID
- EVIDENCE of decline before need assuming it has/is declining / is not

- Retrospective sustainable TELLS of it sustainable

- 1970s "More research needed" NOW 45 YEARS LATER -

- Fill Better NOW than 1970s
VISION ICONIC WORDS

THE ARE LEGAL TO TAKE
THE ARE JURISDICTIONS

- Susanna - Michelle Boyle samples

"BEYOND PROTECTION"

MEANS =

Read Yoshi Eloquent words

- STAY TRUE TO FOCUS. because

your journey other topics deserves AT future great taste. workshops

CSTCCO FBP

PROTECTION TAKES many
FOR CONSERVATION

Grims

UNITED



We dedicate this workshop in Living Memo
 to our departed but never forgotten Friends
 and Colleagues, Lui BELL 2012 and George Petro
 There will come a time when ^{of living} no one
 [Living] will have known Lui or George. With
 this workshop Perhaps we start an
 annual tradition wherein their names &

• WHAT RESEARCH IS THOUGHT
 MOST IMPORTANT NOW, Why,
 and what have past research
 Results given us of benefit
 TO Conservation?

• IS WESTERN SCIENCE / SCIENTIFIC METHODS BEST FOR OCEANIC
 OR IS IT USEFUL TO ONLY CONTINUE
 & SPECIES NAME CHANGE

Hana Hou - DIVE TOURS
 - Denise
 - STACY ~~AKA~~ - Hawai'i kai First
 VISION STATEMENT

PAUL ALBUM [2.8759] INTEREST

FISL CONTINUED

• Beyond Protecting

ESA influenced us so profoundly. How is the theme applicable to our Oceania Region?

• BALANCE City vs poor people of rural areas and Islands

Vanuatu $N = 300$
Fiji $N = 300$
PTF = 118
Solomon =
Kiribati =

• Education - What should be taught to children? (reside of the story/western perception) or both sides?

"ISLAND TIME"

Define Conservation/Protection

"Book ends - SHARE CROP"

Although Academic topics and Terms will undoubtedly

who is "us"?

NO ONE EVER ASKED
"US" RJ

"TALKING POINTS"

TRUTHS HELD FUNDAMENTAL
ie

It's OK TO DISAGREE
FOR EXAMPLE TO
SOME SEA TURTLE CONSERVATION
THIS WORKSHOP IS A
DISAGREEMENT TO THEIR
PHILOSOPHY NOT EAT
NO HARVEST ONLY
PROTECT

Illegal poachers threaten marine life on Moala

Poachers were recently sighted in the marine-protected area of Keteira Village in Moala, Lau, threatening the marine life and the livelihoods of the people who depend on it.

Village headman Maika Bolatolu said they had seen foreign boat crews fishing and diving in the protected area, located between Nasoki and Cakova villages, during their monitoring trips of marine-protected area.

"These are 75 horsepower boats and our 40 horsepower boats are no match for them when we give chase," he said.

Mr Bolatolu claimed that the boats were not internal, but were from outsiders because there were no boats of such horsepower on Moala Island.

He made this revelation to a seven-member team from, non-governmental organ-



Keteira Village headman Maika Bolatolu (right) voices his concern about illegal poaching of their Marine Protected Area.

isation, Conservation International (CI) that visited his village on Friday, June 29.

Despite this, recent monitoring trips have observed that the marine-protected area is working.

By setting aside this area from human activities the protected area has notably improved the health of local marine life.

This includes increased fish sizes and the overall population of other marine delicacies, which are overflowing to the nearby fishing grounds as a result.

Declared in 2010, the Keteira marine-protected area is one of the longest observed in Moala and remains in place to date.

Conservation International is working on Moala Island as a part of its Lau Seascape project, focused on conserving the interlinked nature both on land and at sea. **Source: CONSERVATION INTERNATIONAL**



Maloku Village elders give their traditional blessings to the Marine Protected Area.

Maloku Village Declares Fishing Ban To Support Marine Health



Maloku Village clergy Waisea Tinai (far right) blesses the Marine Protected Area.

Maloku Village on Moala Island in the Lau Group has declared part of its fishing grounds as a marine-protected area (MPA) for the next five years.

The move came following a presentation by non-governmental organisation, Conservation International, highlighting how marine-protected areas increase local marine health and in-turn, due to spill-over from these areas, improve food security and support long-term wellbeing locally.

Elders of Maloku Village made the decision immediately after the presentation on Tuesday, June 26 2018.

Conservation International Fiji marine manager Semisi Meo said this was a major accomplishment in advancing efforts to mitigate threats to marine resources and to improve community-based resource management projects in remote maritime areas.

He said marine-protected areas were a best practice solution and that Conservation International was working with all stakeholders, from the village level through to the Government, to implement a network of these in the province under the Lau Seascape Initiative.

"The marine-protected area designation was successfully placed on the collaborative agreement of the vanua o Maloku, the church denominations, the government delegations serving in the village and the Lau Seascape partner-

ship present on this day," he said.

The protected area spans about one square kilometre from shore to the adjacent reef edge.

A traditional ceremony was conducted in the village on Thursday, June 28 followed by a church service led by the Methodist Church clergy Waisea Tinai.

Mr Tinai said the ban was for five years and had the blessings of the *vanua* and church, if they breached it, they should expect to face consequences.

The marine-protected area is easily-monitored by villagers because it is close to shore.

Maloku does not have a traditionally-declared Tui Maloku, therefore, the decision by the village elders was a significant achievement.

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Maloku and Vadra villages received a clam nursery each and the cages can store as many as 20 clams.

The team managed to plant 43 sandalwood saplings in the church compound and 40 trees in the Maloku Village School compound, with 100 new trees transplanted from the Conservation International-constructed nursery for the village.

Source: CONSERVATION INTERNATIONAL



A turtle swimming over a healthy coral reef.

photo

Peter

~~PIYA~~ PIYA-YADWA

SARAS
SON JUST. turned 6

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"FIJI NATIONAL SEA TURTLE
CONSERVATION WORKSHOP"

17 JULY 2018

Reverend Methodist
KIU MINISTER
GODWIN

Studio 6 Conference Room

"Prayer" "IT'S ALL IN THE BIBLE"
Accountable Be a good Custodian

from LAW IT'S IN MY HANDS

DOMINION = multiply
Taking CONTROL
"We have a responsibility"

→ CUSTODIAN

MUST MAKE THEM MULTIPLY
BE Fruitful and Multiply

"Creeping
Things"

Genesis 1:28-31 = food NKJV

"not just from Gov. but from God"

"fellowship & sharing"

KAVKAV =
4 MONTHS GROUPERS BAN
* 8 MONTHS CAKE

spirit is gifted

"Preserve God's Creation" AISAKE

AISAKE welcoming

"GOV ANNOINTED By God"

"Now on the right road to conservation"

Be Better Stewards of what God has given us"

"GOD HAD ANOTHER PLAN for me"

Can Western Science?

"The Bible in the Bible"

Protestantism

It's in my hands

Personal Responsibility

Greening things

Must make them multiple

General 1:58-21 = food

not from God but from God

RAVAD

following & sharing

Thinking of morning

spirit is lifted

ALIKE program

Gov appointed by God

God has another plan for us

17 JULY 2018

NEXT ONE EARLY SEPTEMBER !!

NO ONE EVER ASKED US

(29)

Round Table NAMES

Newman
MAINE Ecology CONSULTANTS - Sykes some TOURISM

* Turtle Island Resort (NO)
3rd from left Brown shirt
table ACROSS from me.

NOW HAS A
TAMATA - Beard

few
Indian
Ancestry

→ Indian
Wildlife Conservation Society

WORKSHOP
SARAS - objectives

- ① Comfileshare sea turtle projects - Reflection
- ② Review Nat. Sea Turtle Rec. PLAN
- ③ DISCUSSION OF WAY FORWARD - FORMULATE
JAN. 2019
challenges you have had.

First TALK - IUCN GLOBAL STATUS of Sea Turtles
MARINE Turtles
Red List -

Doom STATUS
"Hawaii" Wildlife Fund
"Greens" declines" 35-49 years old

Need
Photo of sign-in list ^{Didn't} Get For National Meeting
Announce: MAILING GROUP / MY CARDS

18

COLIN

Agmt 8/3/18

Talked to
Head starting
2/17/18
AM

"Complaint of
Turtle"
RACES

marine ecology consulting

Marine Environmental Impact Assessments
Marine Environmental Planning
Marine Protected Area Management
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Suva

Tuesday
17 July 2018

Fiji National sea turtle
(MES) CONSERVATION Workshop

(5th)
Presentation

MAMANUCA
11:15am

ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIETY (33)

"Gospel of Turtle Conservation"

18 nesting sites ID'd
22 feeding grounds

"Two week" (?)

(Some coastal
ERODED - CLIMATE
CHANGE)

"Question -
"Tight with Music" (?)
Sound

slap water,
Takaia 3 times
fish come

(6th)

Sophie "Hawksbill Turtle Program"
headstarting Treasure Island
Since 1972

8-16 months of age released

"KULA Wild Adventure Park" in Fiji (?)

[vet consultants to turn to
- internet]

need
paper

Russell Burke - Headstarting
keep 7-15 hatchlings per nest

(7th)

SUSANNA GIOVANA

MTSG

Hawksbill samples in Fiji never published
nobody has access. ^{need} to start all over again
N=4 nesting females NO TAG RECORDS -
complain X2

TUESDAY
7/17/2018

Continued
SUSANNA Presentation

Hawksbills
YADUA/YADUA TABA
KATAWAQA

Peak nesting = January

2016/STRONG Cyclone
MANANUCA - special HA ^{HAS} ^{no where else in the world} ^{plotype}

Hawksbill seen in Fiji Boon in Fiji

ISSUE of "nesting green turtles"
"Records are missing"
Dutton

(8th)

Fisheries Bycatch & exemption permits
Limits permits to 40 A year
offshore - some shipmasters (korean) believe
bad luck to have a turtle onboard

(9th)

Laita Tamata - key outcomes of
northern and
The Term "Traditional obligation" to be clarified
^{work with}
iTAUKEI communities
"Fiji is not ready for Moratorium to
come to end"

Western Division

"Moratorium need to be islands
so we can experience the full benefits
in regards to tourism and ^{local} use"

Moratoriums since 1995 year of the Sea Turtle

1995 - 7. shifting TARGET level playing field.
2006 :: not level playing field.

- 1) Can you keep your Promise / Commitment to ever end Moratorium?
- 2) Will traditions of Turtle / Fijians be lost as time passes?
- 3) Return Authority to Village Chiefs (as per DR. VEITAYAKI) to grant Turtle-Take Request Gov. Gil Authority
- 4) Kamezaki - people in cities causes Turtle Decline, But then people in cities take people in the country / villages the ~~can't~~ take turtles.

7/17/13 Before leaving at groups juncture,
My Verbal Comments =

From LHM when child were large they small now.

"GO ..."

(37)

10th USP DR. VEITAYAKI "Turtle Fishing @ O.M.A IS. TRADITIONAL use/conservation of sea turtles"

Request via KAVA Ceremony for turtle only one objecting per trip

Seek forgiveness when out fishing only for men Tues. - Friday

Apologize for forgiveness. If turtle goes through net, must announce something wrong

Go with Ancestral Spirit w/going Turtle Fishing. ~~no catch~~ Wrong or Sin that needs to BE corrected

6 varieties - MOKULOA Net is protected for example fire on Island

Go first to VANU LEVU

needed # go to pay a debt Reason to request for turtle

powerful no enforcement officers needed Gov give back to chiefs let them decide.

Next Workshop - FIRST week of SEPTEMBER - TO extend or REASON 245 pm broke into 4 working 7 GROUPS - I. departed Decide if



MINISTRY OF FISHERIES



FIJI NATIONAL SEA TURTLE CONSERVATION WORKSHOP

17th June 2018

Studio 6

Tuesday

Handwritten notes:
- need ...
- announce
- mailing group
- my card

Workshop Objectives

- Gathering data and sharing information on sea turtle projects that have been undertaken by the respective organizations and over the years;
- Review the National Sea Turtle Recovery Plan;
- Discussion on the Way Forward.

Workshop Program

	Session	Lead
	Registration ✓	Volunteer
m	Welcome ✓ Prayer ✓	Director of Fisheries Methodist Church ✓
m	Opening Speech ✓	Minister of Fisheries
m	Introduction of Participants ✓	Fisheries
	Introduction of workshop Objectives ✓	Fisheries
m	Global overview of Sea Turtle Status ✓	

Handwritten notes at the bottom of the page:
- first week of September - 10 days
- 1st week of September - 10 days
- 1st week of September - 10 days
- 1st week of September - 10 days

Time	Session	Lead
05pm	Genetic Research	USP (Dr. Piovanno)
20pm	Fisheries Bycatch and Exemption permits	Offshore Fisheries
40pm	EPS Act	Ministry of Environment
30pm	Key Outcomes of Divisional Consultations	WWF
15pm	Group Work 1. Identification of Turtle Projects/ harvesting in different divisions 2. Challenges and Solutions 3. Recommendations for Way Forward	Fisheries
35pm	Report back	
1m	Lunch	
15pm	Review of National Sea Turtle Occurrence and Abundance Map	WWF
1m	Traditional use/ conservation of sea turtles	USP (Dr. Veitayaki)
10pm	Group Work 1. Activities needed Recovery Plan themes	WWF/ Fisheries
1m	Afternoon Tea	
5pm	Report back from Groups	WWF
5pm	Wrap-up	Fisheries
1m	Close of Meeting	WWF-Pacific Representative

Videoed

FUJISUN 7-18-2018
Workshop aims to help grow sea turtles



Participants at the Fiji National Sea Turtle Conservation Workshop on July 17, 2018. Photo: DEPTFO News

An official from the Ministry of Fisheries says that we need to all work together in order to monitor and grow the sea turtle population in Fiji.

Ministry director Aisake Batibasaga said this as he addressed the 37 participants who attended the Fiji National Sea Turtle Conservation Workshop.

The workshop which was attended by known conservative organisations such as WWF (World Wide Fund for Nature), IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature) and SPREP (Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme) addressed difficulties faced in the protection of the endangered species and called for more dialogue between government bodies and organisations to improve and strengthen efforts.

Each conservation organisation that presented at the workshop agreed that the data collected from the monitoring of sea turtles needed to be saved and shared amongst their respective organisations for research purposes.

The Department of Fisheries said that the greatest threat to sea turtles in Fiji is not traditional and subsistence harvesting but the commercial harvesting of sea turtles for their meat which claims 400-500 Green and Hawksbill turtles each year in Fiji.

The department also highlighted that they have working groups in place that currently create awareness and advocacy, conduct research and monitoring and most importantly provide enforcement.

The Fiji National Sea Turtle Conservation Workshop aims to share



Director Aisake Batibasaga

information and resources amongst the respective organisations and government bodies to improve the conservation of sea turtles.

Source: DEPTFO NEWS

Feedback: jyotip@fijisun.com.fj

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Control on turtle harvesting

By SERAFINA SILAITOGA

The Fiji Times
7-18-2018

GOVERNMENT will enforce management measures by January next year to control the harvesting of turtles.

This will happen after the turtle moratorium expires in December.

Ministry of Fisheries director Aisake Batibasaga said the ministry was working with the World Wildlife Fund in holding consultations with stakeholders over this issue.

The consultation, he added started this week in Suva and aimed at strengthening the lessons learnt from the last moratorium and to hear from stakeholders about their experiences of the last few years.

"Government has always been proactive in trying to manage and conserve our marine species by placing conservation measures in place," he said.

"Sea turtles have been one such species that Fiji has focused a lot of conservation efforts on.

"We have had three moratoriums and various management measures in place both at the community level and at the national level. The collaboration and partnership has seen a vast improvement in the shift from turtle harvesting to turtle protection in our communities in Fiji."

Mr Batibasaga said although continu-

We have important roles to play and I urge you all to make informed decisions so that we are able to protect our sea turtles well into the future.

Aisake Batibasaga

ous work was needed to continue to sustain the turtle population, he was positive that through everyone's support, they could achieve their goals.

"Sea turtles are a cultural icon as we all know, however they have been affected by the commercialisation of this cultural tradition, which has adversely affected our sea turtle population," he said.

"We have important roles to play and I urge you all to make informed decisions so that we are able to protect our sea turtles well into the future."

The workshop was attended by participants from Government and non-government organisations.

Nabua Staff Plant 10,000 Mangrove Seedlings

With the commitment to give back to community and work towards programmes and initiatives that help protect our land, 18 volunteers from Asco Motors Nabua spent Friday afternoon June 1, 2018 planting mangroves at Bulei Road, Laucala Beach Estate in Suva.

The cold weather did not dampen their spirit as the team was all geared up to contribute towards the company's Corporate Social Responsibility Programme (CSR) – Driving towards a Common Purpose.

As part of the CSR Plan, a

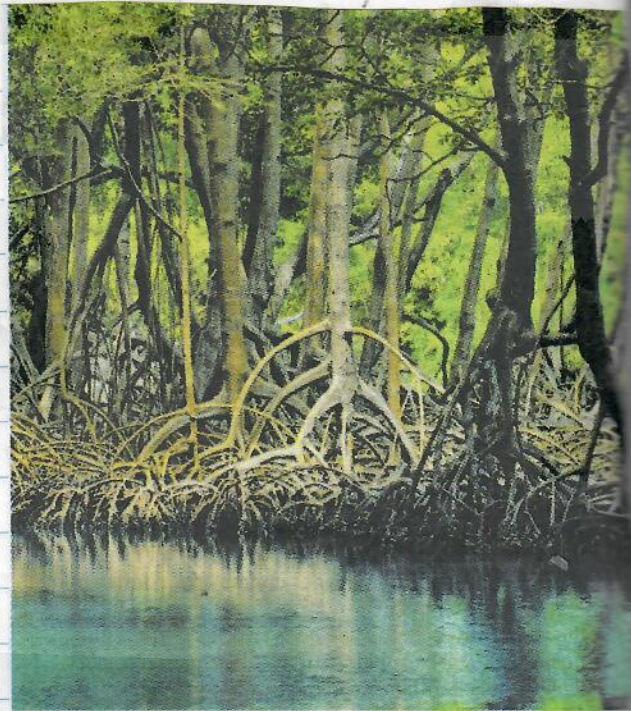
number of projects have been identified and planting mangroves was the first for this financial year.

The committee decided to join hands with the Department of Forests to help protect our marine life and our shores from the effects of climate change.

Mangroves is said to be nature's answer to global warming hence the team did not hesitate in volunteering to plant 10,000 seedlings.

The team was assisted by four officials from the Department of Forests.

- Asco Motors



Mangrove swamp

must read

Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem

Today is International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem.

Mangroves are rare, spectacular and prolific ecosystems on the boundary between land and sea.

They ensure food security for local communities.

They provide biomass, forest products and sustain fisheries.

They contribute to the protection of coastlines. Mangroves help mitigate the effects of climate change and extreme weather events.

This is why the protection of mangrove ecosystems is essential today. Their survival faces serious challenges —from the alarming rise of the sea

level and biodiversity that is increasingly endangered.

The earth and humanity simply cannot afford to lose these vital ecosystems. Management and restoration of mangrove ecosystems is an achievable and cost effective way to help ensure food security for many coastal communities.

Forested wetlands are rich in biodiversity. They provide a valuable nursery habitat for fish and crustaceans; a food source for animal and human beings; and a source of nectar for honeybees.

Mangroves can play an important role in reducing vulnerability to natural hazards and increasing resilience to climate change impacts.

-UNESCO

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B2 | **Asco Motors**  **TOYOTA** NEW SHOWROOM 2018



Mangrove swamp.

~ 9:30 AM 7/19/2018 Thursday Prayer
Rosie COONEY KEYNOTE
"SULI" Specialist Group
George "JIOJI"
Principal VUAKAC
Fisheries
Northern
Region

typical Response

= ↑ Protection Division

- But • can be high local cost
- Relies on enforcement capacity
 - often highly unrealistic
- Alienate communities and cut off conservation

see photos of slides (part of)
Sustainable use (part of)
15 Conservation

CONSERVATION WHEEL
FAIRNESS & JUSTICE

Benefits - the basic Equation
"Sources of Authority"
Increase community voice at all levels.

10:05 AM Graham Webb KEYNOTE

UNJUST - FAIR
IMBALANCE - OUT OF BALANCE
BLIND HOODED JUSTICE IMPARTIAL

MAKE
my own
LIST

7/19/2018
Thursday

6ograms

(47)

Biology / least important of 3
SOCIAL / Cultural / Economic

Award -

SESSIONS!

11:25 AM

MARC

11:40 AM

Jhritika

Masters

12:05 pm Susanna
Survey 1996 by Boyle
"Nesting is Sporadic"
Mixed

150 2015-2016
More than half from A. Samoa M. Unit
No credit
P.D. by pmc

12:25 pm NAMRATA Chand
Presentation

Lunch

1:16 PM Resolution

2:00 pm
2:20 pm

PO-YU WU

400 X 150 km
7600 KM TAIWAN
TO
FIJI

220pm - 250pm
MARICA VAKACOLO

MES
250pm Sophie STAY / DAGONIYASI
Release AT
8-16 months

315pm JULES TAMAAIKI

415pm JOELI M.S. / VEITAYAKI / QOMA Video MADE

5pm Sea turtle conservation
STC in the Pacific
Bridgette Kennedy / CIW International

Timor-Leste PNG Solomons
"DUAL Citizens"
LAV = Villages
10,000 people

Document Social Stories

645pm Cafe
N/GW RC MR TW
400

9:28 AM
MARIA VAKAOKA
PITA

From: John R. Pita <jpita@TNC.ORG>
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 4:26 AM
To: honu world
Subject: RE: Seeking MTSG John's View

Hi George,

Thanks for your email. The topic itself is a challenging one, when we talk about conservation; reviving turtle population. I have some thorough thinking about this as well and looking back at years of working with communities or resource owners to protect nesting and feeding habitats of marine turtles. There is one thing that we cannot separate from conservation of turtle and that is the cultural context; no matter how hard we tried and how much resources we used or spend; people still harvest turtle for their source of protein and part of their cultural value. Institutional frame work such as legislations and policies are only tools that can be used to minimise harvesting of turtles. So my thinking is that maybe we need to re-define the philosophy of turtle conservation and accommodate the cultural norms of harvesting turtles; only then maybe people will have a greater respect for the turtles and we can still maintain a manageable turtle population in our region. This is not my scientific views but only observations.

On that same note; to you know that we (TNC) are collecting turtle harvesting data around the country for two years and the project end last week. So now we putting together the data to analyse and hopefully will provide some valuable information on the illegal trade (commercial) and cultural context of harvesting turtles.

Solomon
10,000 people
Villages
Dearest Social Stories

20 July 2018 Regional Meet
BRINGS LOCAL NATIONAL Housekeeping TW-
SIDE-CONVERSATIONS
Lui & George
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✓ 930 AM opening Remarks BELL LINE UP

✓ 940 AM METHODIST MINISTER

✓ 1000 AM ① AKIKO HAMADA-AND
The SPREP Marine Turtle

✓ ② Conservation PLAN
SARAS & AISAKE

TEA → 1040 AM ③ LAITIA TAMATA

✓ 1100 AM ④ MIRI TATARATA

1130 AM ⑤ FRANCIS HICKEY

1145 AM ⑥ Jeff Knicht 1210 PM

1245 pm Free Flow Discussion

Check
MINISTERS

9:30 AM

July 2018 Friday

(53)

Church Minister
Methodist

AIR TRAFFIC
CONTROLLER
Thailand

Comes from Southern LAU

Be a good CUSTODIAN
IT'S IN MY HANDS

4 Months - Time of Reproduction
BAN

✓ MANAGING Resources God provided

Genesis 1:24-31 NKJV "Be fruitful

and Multiply
PSALMS 148: 1-13 / NKJV

DOMINION over Genesis 1:24-31

1:28-31 Multiple

"If you can not manage yourself how
can you manage others"

AKIKO HAMADA - ANO

10:10 AM Coastal Marine Environment Heritage

Foundation =
Pacific Island Cultures & VALUES

Friday 20 July 2018

Summary Conclusions

Fill in the gaps
with information
from the slides

4 Months - time of reproduction

MANAGING resources God gave

1:24-31 NKJV "Be fruitful"

1:28-31 NKJV "and multiply"

1:28-31 Multiple

"If you can not manage yourself how can you manage others?"

AKIKO HAMADA - WHO
"How could you manage Environment Health?"

Genetic Inheritance & Culture & Values = contribution

20 July 2018 Friday

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Bekko VAN Harten

Akiko

2018-2022

Components of MSAP PLAN ^{diverse species}

Comments to Juweid by next week

Wibell Scholarship?

SARAS SHARMA
10:20 AM

- 1) Traditional & Community Hunting
- 2) Destruction nesting habitats ^{Bekko}
- 3) Pollution
- 4) Fisheries By catch

JAN. 1, 2019

EXEMPTIONS GIVEN

"Reserved for" ?
Chiefs

Rinkold Islands Green Turtle Nesting

Different PROVINCES

Different Approaches & Tradition

10:55 AM

LALIA TAMATA WWF

Funding unfortunately

DAUNI-VONUS network

"For future generations"

TO 2014
poverty food

no. permits
125

TO 4

2 sites

Susanna -

Effort =

150 year in one 2 sites

no. hours, people,

Techniques

no. DAYS

no. BOATS -

Traditional Community Hunting
Best location nesting habitats
Pollution
Fishes by catch

EXM
Reserved for "A"
Chiefs

Different provinces
Approaches & Diff events
Traditional

Daniel-Von
network
to 2014
"for General"

Pete.

PETA from YADUA

"from Hunter to Saver"

8 years ^{now} saving ^{spent} 21 years killing

Problems have
 but Com
 2000
 1950
 to reach of year 2000-4000
 Adults / Semi-adults
 More than 100 billion population in
 last 7 years
 of the fisheries management
 the to enter into the
 Justin T. Smith, Director of FWS

NAMRADA
CHAUDS

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photo TW GB + her

AFRICA
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Namibian student at USP.

New photo
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11:50 AM
AISAKE

"Sea Turtle Conservation & Management Framework for FIJI"

GT Nesting Sept 2017
near Levuka

More threats today compared to the 1970s and 1980s - escalated coastal development - More cyclones and other from climate change
We have to listen to chiefs over government

→ "Problem has not been traditional take but Commercial Greed"

By 2030 Fiji would have restored its natural population of sea turtles

E.i. C.m. to reach at least 3,000-4,000 adults / Semi-adults. when young 10 vs 60-70

More than doubled population in last 7 years

"off shore Fisheries Management Act" use to extend moratorium

Jotton - ^{may have} specific haplotype for FIJI
C.m.

Need Indian PERSPECTIVE



More threats today compared to the 1970s
and 1980s. Increased forest - more
development - and other from climate change
we have to listen to chiefs over government

Indian has been traditional of
but government is good!!

Indian will be treated in a
population of the world

to reach at least 5000-10000
semi-urban?

More than doubled population in
last 10 years

"of their experience management Act
to extend water supply

Water - specific laws for FDI
MATHIAS

AISAKE

Genesis 1:36
Rulership

ONO - I - LAU

Many turtles - Propellers
cultured seaweed farming

Strengthen partnership with
local communities

churah / Faith based

Findings & way forward

12:55 PM

MIRI TATARATA

END
"SHARING OF VALUES" EEZ 5M km²

'TE PUNA HONU' "

no permit
issue

"customary"

"legal illegality"

Need

FANNIE
DOCUMENTARY
MOVIE
TO

Reach
150 people

FRANCIS HICKEY 1250 pm

similar to FISI

120 Languages

TRADITIONS Strong even in CITIES

NO Landless people double every 20 years

Chiefs MAN job TO LOOK AFTER people

From TAIWAN

Turtle traditions rooted SINCE LAPITA TIMES!

Eggs MAY NOT BE EATEN

MELOLANIA DANGLIPI

STRONG YAM culture

April - Petaloes hits Western Hougou

Communal Food - Bring turtle together Controlled by Chief

Revered for animal & protocol to follow

ANIWA - Poly outles

pedro petros
George's film

MASKELYNES IS,

29 Nov
Want their children to experience Turtle Culture, enjoy

international Treaties PUTS ON pressure
eg IUCN Red List
"Communities thus have rights to managing resources as was done traditionally for 1000's years"

"If Communities can't manage their resources, nobody can"

Because "We are here, they are there"

HUON Coast Conservation ends,
When Money ends

Jeff Kinch

2014 Murder

Few People Lots of LAND: Resources
Never push Boundries of environment

"MISSIONISATION"

only leatherh^{ACKS} protected"

"Words of Lagoom on Line free"

"EVERY ONE WANTS A Better Life
People of PNG too"

Jeff. KINCH
220M PNG

8.5 M people
3.2% - 5.0% (67)
85% subsistence

158th Least development of 185 countries

2008 Assessment of Bekko Trade

TIME of
Yam planting Time to take turtles

HUWALU
"The Conflict Group"

"Conservation Refugee" - book

Re CI
CHRISTINE HOF - hawkbill Phd

Nobody Quantifying TAKE

Few Social Scientist

Many Biologists

INDIGENOUS Community Consumption

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Conservation of Sea Turtles within the Cultural Context of Oceania -
Possibilities Beyond Protection

George Balazs

19-21 July, 2018. The University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji

Need
N. America
Animals - Time
Mag. to Rosie
+ Grahame ←

ROUND TABLE

How Much from outside pressures?
- Turner now ^{so} closer to shore - more visible.

Scheme =

MORATORIUM negotiated to gas.

ashiyana

"authentic Indian cuisine"

Old Town Hall Bldg,
Victoria Parade, Suva
Phone: 331 3000

TAX INVOICE
Prop. CURRY HOUSE LTD
TIN No.: 50 - 53278 - 0 - 0

0015402

DATE

20-7

TABLE NO.

112

1 goat mesala		23	00
1 mung tikka masala		21	00
1 mung korma		18	00
1 kasando lamb		21	00
2 saade bhata		7	00
2 Garlic wala		7	00
1 Fry Gold		6	00
1+1 Fry bitter		13	60
2 coffee		8	00
1 Red wine		9	50

THANK YOU, PLEASE CALL AGAIN

\$ 136.90

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PU-TW
136.90
ASHIYANA
MASTER CARD

TOURISM VS CULTURAL TRADITIONS

There was surprise to learn that CNMI, AM, SAMOA & Guam CHOMOROS are not recognized as indigenous people. Cultures under USA ESA Law hence ^{lead} no standing possibility to take turtles.

Views represent Co-Chairs for Oceania Region

outdated information being disseminated used on biology of sea turtles.

From: Thierry Work <thierry_work@usgs.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 2, 2018 3:41 AM
To: Tatarata Miri
Cc: honu world
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Introduction

Super Miri et merci! Par ce email, j'envoie la traduction at Georges George, Miri's bio below in English and French below that.

Name: Miri TATARATA
Function: Director of the Environment
Formation: Marine Biologist

A few words on my work: At the Direction of the Environment for 28 years, I have set up a program for the conservation and management of emblematic marine species that include, among others, marine mammals, turtles and sharks. The marine turtle conservation program in Polynesia is based on the collaboration and involvement of local people. The challenge for all these years has been twofold: to fight against poaching for commercial purposes and to put culture in context AND encourage and train local people to place the conservation and management of marine turtles in their hands, as part of their natural and cultural heritage.

Jeff Kinch

Jeff completed his anthropology PhD fieldwork on marine resource use, management and access in the Milne Bay Province of Papua New Guinea (PNG) in 1999 and finally submitted his PhD last year to the Australian National University. Over the last 20 years, Jeff has worked on a number of marine conservation and turtle management programmes and has wide experience across the Pacific Islands Region and more specifically in the Melanesian countries. Jeff has conducted assessments on green and hawksbill turtles across Papua New Guinea (PNG) and also worked for the Western Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Council's Huon Coast Leatherback Turtle Conservation Program on the Morobe Coast of PNG as a mitigation program for the Hawaiian long-line tuna fishery. From 2008-2010, Jeff was the Coastal Management Advisor with the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Program (SPREP) based in Samoa and oversaw SPREP's turtle conservation program as well as the Turtle Research and Monitoring Database System before returning home to PNG to take up his current position as the Principal of the National Fisheries Authority's National Fisheries College, and overseeing the Nago Island Mariculture and Research Facility in the New Ireland Province. Jeff has been a member of the Marine Turtle Specialist Scientific Group since 2010 and currently co-supervises a PhD student investigating hawksbill turtle migratory paths and foraging grounds across northern Australia and PNG.

Subject: please print this email - **SOPHIE DAGONIYASI**

INTRODUCTION--- Your Introduction

Date: Jul 11, 2018 at 1:28:42 PM

To: Linda hiuslrb@gmail.com

Introduction:

- MSc Environmental Management and Natural Resource Management - University of Queensland, Australia
- Reef Check Trainer - Reef Check is one of the UNs official methodologies for monitoring of community managed marine areas
- Dive instructor
- Worked on coral reef monitoring programs in Cambodia, Thailand, Australia and Fiji
- Worked with GEOMAR and the Turtle Foundation in Cape Verde - loggerhead
- Worked with WWF and TNC as a researcher
- Most recently with Treasure Island Resort leading the environment program (Hawksbill Head-starting, coral reef rehabilitation, Critically Endangered Fiji Crested Iguanas etc)

From: Marc Rice <mrice@hpa.edu>

Sent: Friday, June 29, 2018 8:31 PM

To: honu world

Subject: Re: Your Introductions - Please send us a few sentence you would like said about yourself.

Information about me:

Current positions:

Director, Information Technology Services

Director, HPA Sea Turtle Research Program

Been in the education business for 47 years and director of turtle program for 31 years.

From: honu world <itsahonuworlدينhawaii@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 3, 2018 5:04 AM

To: honu world

Subject: ROSIE COONEY INTRODUCTION

Rosie is the Chair of the IUCN Sustainable Use and Livelihoods Specialist Group (SULi), and a Visiting Fellow in the Fenner School of Environment and Society at the Australian National University. SULi is a joint specialist group of both the SSC and CEESP - the Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy. Her background is in ecology and law and she has worked at a research and policy level for many years on sustainable use and trade of wildlife globally, and in recent years particularly on communities and sustainable use in relation to reducing poaching and illegal wildlife trade.

From: 吳柏諭 <blacklleh@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2018 7:30 AM
To: honu world
Cc: 生物馴養組-李宗賢
Subject: Re: Hello Po-Yu-- from George

Po-Yu
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Dear George,

Thank you for your advice. I found some interesting connections between Taiwan and Oceania, for both the indigenous people and sea turtle alike. I will be adding these to my presentation. Thank you!

Here is a short paragraph about myself:

"Po-Yu, Wu, the research assistant of the National Museum of Marine Biology and Aquarium (Taiwan), under the supervision of the museum researcher, Dr. Li Tsung-Hsien. Mainly executes the sea turtle rescue project of South Taiwan."

Thank you again and see you soon at the workshop!

Sincerely,
Po-Yu

From: John R. Pita <jpita@TNC.ORG>
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 4:26 AM
To: honu world
Subject: RE: Seeking MTSG John's View

Hi George,

Thanks for your email. The topic itself is a challenging one, when we conservation; reviving turtle population. I have some thorough thinking about this as well and looking back at years of working with communities or resource owners, to protect nesting and feeding habitats of marine turtles. There is one thing that we cannot separate from conservation of turtle and that is the cultural context; no matter how hard we tried and how much resources we used or spend; people still harvest turtle for their source of protein and part of their cultural value. Institutional frame work such as legislations and policies are only tools that can be used to minimise harvesting of turtles. So my thinking is that maybe we need to re-define the philosophy of turtle conservation and accommodate the cultural norms of harvesting turtles; only then maybe people will have a greater respect for the turtles and we can still maintain a manageable turtle population in our region. This is not my scientific views but only observations.

On that same note; to you know that we (TNC) are collecting turtle harvesting data around the country for two years and the project end last week. So now we putting together the data to analyse and hopefully will provide some valuable information on the illegal trade (commercial) and cultural context of harvesting turtles.

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