The Vuvale Partnership between Fiji and Australia is already yielding positive outcomes, most recently with the announcement of the new limit of four kilograms of kava, twice the current limit allowed for import into Australia for personal consumption.

Australian Prime Minister Hon. Scott Morrison made the announcement following a bilateral meeting with Prime Minister Hon. Josaia Voreqe Bainimarama who welcomed this positive development. PM Morrison said that this recognises, “strong cultural and economic significance that kava has for Pacific communities, including those living in Australia, the Australian Government is stepping up its commitment to the Pacific by launching a kava pilot program.” The commencement of the pilot program for commercial importation of kava is expected to be launched at the end of 2020. PM Morrison added, “in addition to greater access to kava in Australia, particularly for ceremonial and cultural purposes, the Pacific can soon expect new export opportunities to further maximise the growth potential of their own natural resources.” Whilst recognising the cultural significance of the use of kava for the Pacific community, PM Morrison emphasised that the pilot programme will also take into consideration the states and territories’ regulatory role regarding the domestic supply and use of kava while securing strong social, cultural and health outcomes across Australia. The pilot program will incorporate consultation on robust monitoring and evaluation arrangements to be put in place and that the Australian Government is also committed to seeking input from communities, including Australia’s Pacific Islander communities, and businesses wishing to participate in the pilot. The pilot program will be evaluated at its conclusion at the end of 2022. During his recent state visit to Fiji, PM Morrison also took time out to watch the Australian Prime Minister’s XIII matches and also visited the Blackrock Training Camp in Nadi.

The Fijian Missions based in Europe converged at the Regional Strategy Meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, in July this year to deliberate on European strategic priorities. This meeting was attended by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security Honourable Inia Seruiratu in an effort to maximize Fiji’s presence in Europe with better returns in line with the Government’s visions and priorities.

Minister Seruiratu acknowledged the efforts and contributions of the three Missions and reiterated on Fiji’s global leadership for the next 5 years by further strengthening cooperation both at the bilateral and multilateral forums. The Regional Strategy incorporates short to medium term foreign policy priorities and goals based on areas of mutual interests and principles that Fiji intends to achieve through close collaboration with the European countries, the United Nations (UN), the European Union, Commonwealth and other Europe-based international organisations.

It also focuses on enhancing the cooperation between Fiji’s Missions in Europe to coordinate their priorities strategically and be well positioned to add value to the work of all the Fiji’s Missions abroad. This strategy consolidates the priorities of the 3 Missions in line with Ministry’s Operational Plan and it also streamlines the coordination and communication between all the Missions.
Fiji and the European Union (EU) as strategic partners have committed to further strengthen relations towards progressively achieving common goals and interests on democracy, human rights, multilateralism, climate change, sustainable development, defence and security, trade and economy. This was conveyed by the new European Union Ambassador for the Pacific and Head of the EU Delegation for the Pacific, His Excellency Sujiro Seam during a courtesy call paid to the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security, Hon. Inia Seruiratu at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Office in Suva.

Fiji’s dynamic leadership geared towards the advancement of climate change, human rights and peacekeeping at the global stage has been applauded by the United Nations Development Programme. The UNDP Pacific Office in Fiji Resident Representative Mr. Levan Bouadze, says that Fiji represents the power of a Pacific nation that is punching above its weight at international stage.

“Protection of human rights is crucial, and it is great to see Fiji intends to play a role at the global level. We congratulate Fiji on becoming the vice-president of the UN Human Rights Council, and for being the first Pacific island country to take a seat on the Council”, said Mr Bouadze said.

He added that Fiji has an impressive track record on making its voice heard globally on the challenges associated with climate change and UNDP is proud to have been able to play some role in supporting that. Mr Bouadze said that Fiji’s Presidency of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) CoP23 showed how powerful Pacific voices can be on the global stage.

“This year’s UN General Assembly in New York in September, which included climate themed summits and high-level events once again showed how mobilized and consistent Pacific voices have been around most pressing global challenges.”

He agreed that Fiji remains one of the leaders both within the Pacific, as well as the larger Small Island Developing States (SIDS) community behind the UN Secretary General’s ambition to implement the Paris Agreement which, proves to be rather challenging.

“There is an important regional aspect to this too, and through regional initiatives like the Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific, Fiji’s engagement can help to carve out a context-appropriate approach to development in the Pacific that recognizes the many risks in the region,” Mr Bouadze said.

The new Resident Representative is also appreciative of the strengthened partnership between the UNDP Pacific Office in Fiji and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

“Let me use this opportunity to once again thank Honourable Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security, Inia Seruiratu for the opportunity to meet me in the first days of my arrival. I appreciate very much his welcome and assurances of the government’s cooperation with UNDP and larger UN family led by the Resident Coordinator Mr Sanaka Samarasinha. There’s clearly a lot of opportunities in the face of global scale challenges that we are facing in the Pacific and I was very impressed by Minister Seruiratu’s openness to jointly explore those”, Mr Bouadze added.

Mr Bouadze has assured the Minister Seruiratu that they will be an active member of the diplomatic community based in Suva and will cooperate with the Ministry on various initiatives to advance multilateralism and international cooperation. The UNDP Pacific Office in Fiji is a part of the 170-country office UNDP network, working with countries and territories to assist in the implementation of their own solutions to global and national development challenges.
The 74th session of the United Nation as General Assembly (UNGA) marked a considerable boost to Fiji’s diplomatic outreach with the international community. The Honourable Prime Minister Voreqe Bainimarama led Fiji’s delegation to 74th session of UNGA in New York from 22nd through 30th September 2019.

Fiji delegation to UNGA 74 included the Honourable Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security Mr Inia Seruiratu. Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Civil Service and Communications Hon Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum and the Honourable Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation, Mrs Mereseini Vuniwaqa joined the delegation for few days.

The historic feature of the UNGA 74 was the participation of over 160 Heads of States and Prime Ministers who attended the UNGA High level sessions of the General Debate and five specially convened summits. These comprised of Climate Action Summit, High Level Meeting on the Universal Health Coverage (UHC), Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Summit, High-Level Dialogue on Financing for Development (FFD) and High Level Midterm Review of the SAMOA (Small Islands Developing States Accelerated Modalities of Action) Pathway. Each of these summits were uniquely important for Fiji and Small Island Developing States.

The Honourable Prime Minister Voreqe Bainimarama was the only world leader to have addressed all the summits in an integrated and in a cohesive manner. Fiji on behalf of the Pacific Island Developing States called on World Leaders to allow middle income small states to be able to access finance on concessionary terms for climate related disaster recovery and adaptation.

At UHC Fiji presented the Pacific Small Island Developing States (PSIDS) region’s progress in providing universal health care. At the FFD, Fiji provided an overview of progress and challenges faced by Fiji and PSIDS in achieving SDG’s. Financing, technical and capacity needs for meeting the SDG’s remains worrisome for most PSIDS. The UN has agreed to reposition and strengthen the UN agencies to improve the timeliness and quality of support to across the region.

The Honourable Prime Minister, Voreqe Bainimarama and President of Fiji joined RSE programme in 2015, and Fiji-New Zealand Business engagements. Fiji and NZ are keen to strengthen including trade agreements like PACER Plus and also other issues like migration and the Environment, Trade and Export Growth, as General Assembly (UNGA) marked a greater heights through the official visit of Fiji by Honourable David Parker, New Zealand’s Attorney-General, Minister for the Environment, Trade and Export Growth, and Associate Minister of Finance.

During the 3 days visit to Fiji in October 2019, the high powered NZ delegation met with the Fijian Government Ministers and Fijian Business Leaders with the aspiration to enhance New Zealand and Fiji’s partnership in trade, economic and business links.

Minister Parker paid a courtesy call to the Acting Prime Minister and Minister for Fisheries, Hon. Semi Korovulavesau. Bilateral meetings were also held with the Minister for Agriculture, Rural and Maritime Development, Waterways and Environment Mahendra Reddy along with the Minister for Local Government, Housing and Community Development, Industry, Trade & Tourism, Premila Kumar.

In an exclusive interview with Fiji Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Minister Parker highlighted key areas of collaboration that Fiji and NZ are keen to strengthen including coordination of the Recognised Seasonal Employer Scheme (RSE) Programme and Fiji-New Zealand Business engagements. Fiji joined RSE programme in 2015, and since then many Fijians have been able to take advantage of this programme through both work opportunities and skills development.

“Areas we also cooperate in include climate change, a very important issue for the Pacific. Of course Prime Minister Bainimarama and Prime Minister Ardern signed a new negotiation agreement on the margins of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) last week. We are trying to lead the world in having climate change and trade friendly policies, by reducing the tariffs on environmental goods to try and encourage the growth of renewable energy sources to replace fossil fuels around the world,” Minister Parker said.

The two nations are exploring stronger cooperation in key trade and investment areas like tourism.

“Tourism is vitally important to both the economies and I am sure we can learn more from each other. The New Zealand and Fiji relationship has been the strongest since, I have been a politician, and I have been in parliament for 17 years. There are really strong efforts made by the Fijian Government and the New Zealand Government to build the depth of that relationship that we have developed,” Minister Parker elaborated.
The 50th Pacific Islands Forum Leaders Meeting in Tuvalu was held between 7th to 8th September which coincided with the Rugby World Cup 2019 pre-camp training whilst the second event was hosted by Sapporo Station on 21st September which saw many visitors from Sapporo, Hokkaido visiting the Fiji booth. The third event was hosted in Higashi, Osaka City from 3rd to 5th October and the final event in Oita City from the 7th to 9th October.

In Tuvalu, Fiji also made a bold call to re-examine the regional architecture in order to support the implementation of the Leaders intent for a long term vision and strategy for the Pacific. Fiji maintains its role of chair with Ambassador Solo Mara (Fiji’s Former Ambassador to the United States of America) being appointed as the new Secretary-General for the Pacific Islands Development Forum (PiDF).

In line with Fiji’s strong leadership in the region, the Pacific Island Forum Leaders endorsed Fiji’s bid to host and chair the 52nd Pacific Islands Forum in 2021. The region’s confidence in Fiji’s leadership was earlier demonstrated by the Leaders of the Pacific Islands Development Forum during their meeting in Nadi in July. Fiji was delegated the role of chair with Ambassador Solo Mara (Fiji’s Former Ambassador to the United States of America) being appointed as the new Secretary-General for the Pacific Islands Development Forum (PiDF).

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DIPLOMAT ASPIRES TO ADVANCE FIJI’S INTERESTS AT UN

Fijian 2013 Constitution reflects the Government’s commitment towards achieving equality of women and girls, it is a fundamental right and social and economic imperative. For the first time in our history, the Constitution guarantees equal rights to both men and women in the full and free participation in the economic life of the nation (section 32). This provision highlights how essential it is for a paradigm shift in Fiji to seeing women as agents of change. (source: Fiji’s State report on CEDAW)

Fiji’s vibrant diplomatic service recognises the importance of gender equity and in enabling passionate and dynamic women leaders to pursue a career in Fijian diplomacy. This commitment has seen the recent appointment of a Fijian woman to represent Fiji at the United Nations. Mrs Agnes Ali Harm was appointed as the Deputy Permanent Representative (DPR) for Fiji’s Permanent Mission to the United Nations Office in New York, United States. Fiji’s Permanent Mission to the United Nations (UN) has an important global mandate in promoting Fiji’s interests at the multilateral level.

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Mrs Agnes says she is proud to represent Fiji at the UN and the role she holds is an important one in harnessing Fiji’s global leadership and to capitalise on the opportunities UN multilateral system has to offer for Small Islands Developing States. “We are living in an era where there are shifts in global world order and this changing architecture should also be reflected in the way we think about international cooperation for development, most notably in ensuring that we can achieve the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The SDG’s has been designed in a way that promotes integration at all levels and encourages us to think and work differently. It binds rather than separates us and for me, this is an excellent opportunity for Fiji to push for climate change related issues at the highest levels.”

Already 5 months into the new role, Mrs Agnes has been part of Fiji’s important engagements such as the 74th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

“I consider myself privileged and honored to serve in this position and I sincerely thank the government’s efforts in advancing gender responsive line up in terms of senior leadership within civil service be it diplomatic missions, ministries and ministerial portfolio. Fiji has come a long way compared to the Pacific Region and we are positively progressing in terms of women’s representation in senior management role, I am certain that the government continues to champion this,” said Mrs Harm. Having worked at the international and regional organisations, Mrs Agnes comes with the wealth of knowledge, experience and expertise which are of great value as a Fijian diplomat. Prior to joining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, she served at the United Nations Pacific Office in a senior role as the UN Coordination Specialist.

Among other work experiences acquired over the last 18 years, Mrs Agnes dedicated 5 years of service at the Fiji Human Rights Commission as the Manager Education and Training facilitating human rights training at all levels in Fiji. Prior to joining the United Nations, Mrs Agnes also worked at the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat in a key position in the Office of the Secretary General.

Mrs Agnes attests her journey and learning to the many encounters during her working life from the humble beginning as an educator to the various leadership roles she took on at the UN and Regional organisations.

“Whilst I was studying at the University of the South Pacific, I volunteered in different roles including women’s organisations. I recall being part of the Nuclear Free Independent Pacific Campaign, a Pacific-wide movement towards independence and de-nuclearization. I learnt from senior women in different capacities including my own mother who helped shaped some of my own understanding on social and economic issues. For me, learning is a lifelong process and I would encourage our young people to pursue their passion.”

Mrs Agnes has become an inspiration for many women who have the passion of becoming a Fijian diplomat.

“I felt that as a Fijian national my skills and experiences will add value to the work of Fiji’s Mission in New York. I am humbled to be here and I look forward to engaging with the different sectors of government that have a role to contribute globally. I have Fiji’s interests at heart and I would like to see that our country continues to progress with the unprecedented success it has achieved at the global front, I recognize the hardwork and commitment made by those dignitaries that have served before me. As a Fijian, I am committed and honored to be able to contribute to that success,” Mrs Harm elaborated.

Agnes’s upbringing has groomed her humble personality and leadership. She attributes her success to her parents, her mother hails from Lasakau, Bau in Tailevu while her dad is Fijian of Indian descent. She is also grateful to her husband and children who have been her pillar of strength and motivation throughout her personal and professional journey.
LEADERSHIP FIJI TRAINEES LEARN ABOUT FIJI’S FOREIGN SERVICES

Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Esala Nayasi presented at the Leadership Fiji 2019 Seminar on the topic, “Fiji and the World.” This was an opportunity for Fiji’s aspiring leaders to learn more about Fiji’s international relations and diplomacy.

The presentation provided an overview of Fiji’s global leadership, foreign policy strategies, regional and international cooperation. The seminar also provided an opportunity for the aspiring leaders to appreciate the breadth of Fiji’s foreign policy relations.

The 2019 Leadership Fiji Program participants are from diverse working backgrounds, government ministries, non-government organisations, private sector and media. The program is designed for Professional, Personal and Community Development.

Leadership Fiji Chief Executive Officer, Sharyne Fong said that “Fiji and the World” is an important awareness session for its trainees and that Leadership Fiji is grateful to Mr. Nayasi for providing an eloquent presentation which has enhanced the participants’ knowledge and appreciation on the importance of Fiji’s foreign services in building national prosperity through developing foreign relations.

Ms. Fong said that Leadership Fiji is proud of its 19th year of service and looks forward to expanding its reach. Since its establishment in 2002, the Leadership Fiji has trained over 400 graduates through its 9 months Leadership programme.

PARTNERSHIP PROMOTES CULTURAL DIPLOMACY

A new initiative has been created to promote cultural diplomacy to enhance knowledge and understanding of the Fijian language, culture and heritage for the Fijian diaspora living abroad.

This has been made possible through the Fijian Cultural Programme, UK, developed through a partnership between iTaukei Trust Fund Board (TTFB), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Fijian Communities in the UK and the Sainsbury Research Unit of the University of East Anglia in the UK.

This pilot programme has been initiated based on the request of the Fijian Diaspora in UK to revitalise cultural diplomacy through the Fiji’s High Commission in United Kingdom. Upon discussions, a preliminary research exercise was conducted in 2018 through the partnership of the Sainsbury Research Unit of the University of East Anglia (UEA) and the iTaukei Trust Fund Board, to determine the need for a sustainable Fijian cultural programme.

TTFB then decided to develop an Educational Resource Kit in collaboration with important stakeholders in Fiji. The Educational Resource Kit development programme will be implemented in three stages, the first being the Writing Workshop for professionals, practitioners and artisans in Fiji. The second phase of the programme will involve a trial and review process and the publication of the Educational Resource Kit. The final stage includes the Training of Trainers for key resource people in UK, who will be trained to facilitate awareness workshops for Fijian youths in the community.

In progressively developing this programme, the Educational Resource Kit Development workshop was organised this week from Monday 4th to Friday 8thNovember at GCC Complex Conference Room.

The workshop saw 20 participants who are experts in the Fijian language and culture develop an educational resource kit, which will be instrumental in the Training of Trainers programme for the Fijian communities next year in England.

Speaking at the official opening of this workshop, Fiji’s Roving Ambassador Mr Esala Teleni expressed appreciation towards this initiative to promote the Fijian language and culture, which is recognised as an important tool for migrant communities around the world to maintain links with their countries of origin. Ambassador Teleni said that the cultural values and heritage are important components of cultural diplomacy in strengthening diplomatic relations and in promoting cultural diversity and unity. He reiterated to the participants the importance and gravity of their task in developing the Educational Resource Kit.

The Senior Culture and Heritage Specialists at the iTaukei Trust Fund Board (TTFB), Dr Apolonia Tamata said that given the significance of the programme, there is potential for it to be rolled out for the Fijian Diaspora in other parts of the world. Dr Tamata said that the Fijian Cultural Programme complements the TTFB’s vision on developing and facilitating initiatives to improve the quality of life and enhance appropriate cultural traditions and values of iTaukei and Rotumans, through mandated objectives regarding the promotion and preservation of language, culture, heritage and the arts.
PARTNERSHIP YIELDS DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR FIJI

The strengthened cooperation between the People’s Republic of China and Republic of Fiji continues to yield significant capacity building and leadership training opportunities for senior government officials. Fifteen senior government officials attended trainings at the China Executive Leadership Academy Pudong (CELAP) and Guizhou Institute of Public Administration (GIPA) in Shanghai from 23rd June to 3rd July 2019. The delegation from Fiji was led by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Chief of Protocol, Mr Jonetani Tagivetaua.

The training empowered senior officials by creating innovative development strategies, and through appreciating and nurturing the cultural values and traditions. According to the CELAP facilitators, the 2019 6th CELAP Cohort scored the highest rating. The senior officials also had the opportunity to meet with Fiji’s Ambassador to the People’s Republic of China, Ambassador Manasa Tagicakibau to draw on the experiences of the work carried out by the Mission in terms of the best practices, in advancing Fiji’s interests within the Asian region.

FIJI MISSION INAUGURATES PACIFIC DIASPORA PROGRAM

Fiji Mission Geneva in collaboration with other Pacific Missions accredited to the United Nations and Other International Organisations successfully co-hosted an unprecedented Pacific Diaspora event in Geneva, Switzerland. The turnout of Fijian diaspora was overwhelming which included Fijian families and communities from different parts of Switzerland such as Zurich, Bern, Basel, Geneva including those living in France.

Key to this diaspora engagement is the opportunity to welcome and hear from our Heads of Missions as well cultural promotional and awareness. The event also promotes future initiatives to enhance the presence and recognition of the Pacific group. This includes tourism, investment and internship opportunities.

As the event unfolded, a Fijian traditional ceremony of welcome was accorded to the Ambassadors in attendance at the time, Ambassador Nazhat Shameem Khan of Fiji, Ambassador Doreen Debrum of Marshall Islands and Ambassador Chitra Jeremiah of Nauru. The traditional welcoming ceremony also introduced the two new Pacific Ambassadors from Nauru and Marshall Islands who just opened their Missions in Geneva this year. The ceremony though being a cultural promotional initiative, serves to inform of the strength that binds us at the UN and Other International Organisations irrespective of our geographical uniqueness.

Further, Heads of Missions had the opportunity to address the community on their visions and priorities including avenues to strengthen partnership and coordination as we have identical issues such as Climate Change and the wreath of climate extremes. Most families whose children have resided in Switzerland and Europe participated in traditional and cultural performances.

“The Fiji Mission in Geneva capitalises on such diaspora events to enhance awareness and advocacy on the priorities of Government as informed in our strategic plans. Key of which is to strengthen coordination and efforts on climate change,” said Ambassador Khan. Switzerland is an affluent society, tourism and business promotional initiatives is also a priority. Fiji Mission is committed to enhance its visibility and leadership in this regard.

There are now five Pacific Permanent Missions based in Geneva which are Nauru, Marshall Islands, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu and Fiji. We also have the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat which is accredited to the World Trade Organisation.
(Pictured 4th from left) Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security, Hon. Inia Seruiratu during the UNGA74 session in New York during the meeting held between the Pacific Island Leaders of Pacific Small Island Developing States (PSIDSGS) and US Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo.

(Pictured sixth from left) Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security, Hon. Inia Seruiratu and Fiji’s Ambassador to Japan, Ioseki Matalagau (pictured eighth from left), at the event for the presentation of official jersey to the Flying Fijians for the Rugby World Cup 2019, in Japan.

(Second from left) Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security, Hon. Inia Seruiratu with the Australian Prime Minister, Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison, (pictured third from left) during the recent visit to the Blackrock Training Camp in Nadi.

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(Pictured 7th from left) Fiji’s Ambassador to Korea, H.E Peniana Lualabola with the Korean officials during the Fiji Day celebrations, Fiji’s 49th Independence Day held in Seoul, Korea.

(Seated from eighth) Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security, Hon. Inia Seruiratu (seated 5th from left) and the Acting Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr Yogesh Karan (seated 12th from left) with Resident Heads of Missions and Non-resident Ambassadors and High Commissioners accredited to Fiji from Canberra and Wellington at the official opening of Fiji’s First Familiarisation visit programme to Fiji.

(Seated third from left) Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security, Hon. Inia Seruiratu with President of the Republic of Kiribati, H.E Taneti Mamau (seated second from left) with the Pacific Youth Leaders and Climate Advocates at the UN Youth Climate Summit in New York.

(Seated from eighth) Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security, Hon. Inia Seruiratu (seated 9th from left) and the Acting Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr Yogesh Karan (seated 10th from left) with Resident Heads of Missions and Non-resident Ambassadors and High Commissioners accredited to Fiji from Canberra and Wellington while lighting the diya during the Diwali celebrations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

(Ministry of Foreign Affairs staff got together as a team to celebrate the Fiji Day 2019, with the theme of this year’s celebration as “A Progressive and Sustainable Fiji for All.”

(Seated from eighth) Minister for Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security, Hon. Inia Seruiratu (seated left) and the Acting Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr Yogesh Karan, Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr Esala Teleni, Acting Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr Yogesh Karan, Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr Esala Teleni, Acting Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr Esala Nayasi, Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr Esala Nayasi, Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr Esala Nayasi while presenting to the Parliament Steering Committee on the Annual Reports of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

New Zealand’s High Commissioner to Fiji, Jonathan Curr with Dr Satendra Singh of Auckland while reading through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Newsletter first issue of “The Fijian Diplomat.”

(From left) Fiji’s Roving Ambassador, Mr Esala Teleni, Acting Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr Yogesh Karan, Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr Esala Nayasi, Fiji’s Ambassador to PNG, Mosese Tikoitoga while lighting the diya during the Diwali celebrations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr Esala Nayasi while presenting to the Parliament Steering Committee on the Annual Reports of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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