



Building Resilience

The Labasa BR Initiative partnership is a climate-smart driven adaptation plan of action aimed to build the 'resilience of the town' against extreme weather variability. To restore, protect and increase awareness amongst communities who build resilience in their environment and be able to recover from severe changes in weather.



Did you know?

Labasa town: formerly known as Nasea was declared a township in 1939 and fully developed into a town on 5th May, 1972.

2007 census: town population was 7706 i.e. 51.2% of population involved in cane farming.



Sustainable land use at catchment

Labasa catchment area: is approximately 214 sq. km with 38.9% of the area covered with natural forest, the rest of landscape are used for agriculture (sugar, rice) and forestry (pine, mahogany).



River Care WASH

Labasa river: is estimated 50km in length and riven 50km from the ridges down the plains, pass the town and flows to the delta and with tidal effects reaching up to 20km inland from the river mouth.



Mangroves for Coastal resilience

Macuata coastline: is fringed by mangroves. 3 rivers discharge ~ 1065 million m³.y-1 into the delta (460 km²)

Fiji's Great Sea Reef Cakau Levu is about 150km long and known as the 3rd longest barrier reef in the world!.

Building Resilience in Labasa Initiative 2012

Labasa BR Initiative Plan of Action 2012-2013

- Set up of awareness billboard near Labasa town bridge
- Assign more green spaces for planting
- Labasa Botanical Garden facelift
- Pilot a rooftop garden
- Riverbank rehabilitation at heavily eroded sites
- Awareness on environmental public health in neighborhoods and schools
- River-Care monitoring

