

## WWF SPPO NEWSLETTER

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The Minister for Lands, Mineral Resources and Environment, Colonel Samuela Saumaturua delivers his speech

### GREENING MELANESIA'S ECONOMY

Melanesian leaders were challenged to take the lead in changing the way the world does business. Embarking on a sustainable development approach that will prevent the loss of biodiversity is vital in achieving economic growth. This "Green Concept" was a challenge issued to the Melanesian Spearhead Group leaders at a side event in March.

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A sugarcane plantation in Fiji

### SWEETENING OUR ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT

WWF South Pacific is developing its Sugar Programme for Fiji which aims to assist the sugar industry in reducing its ecological footprint and minimising its effects on biodiversity. The project is looking to grow internationally and Fiji is one of the first countries that is part of that expansion.

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### TURTLES KNOW NO BOUNDARIES

"Regional Collaboration" are two words that tip the balance in an effort to conserve and protect sea turtles.

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### GUILT-FREE HOLIDAY IN THE CORAL TRIANGLE?

With its pristine beaches and breathtaking underwater beauty, the Coral Triangle is undoubtedly one of the most sought-after holiday and diving destinations in the world. Sadly, this has also placed tremendous pressure on the environment.

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### TURTLE RECORDS TO BE MANAGED BY WWF SOUTH PACIFIC

A database system that tracks the protection and management of regional sea turtles is now being managed at the WWF South Pacific

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L-R-Conservator of Forests Inoke Wainiqolo and Tomasi-Kubuabola

Fiji launched the United Nations International Year of the Forests with an assembly and a march through the city centre in mid April as part of the Fiji Government's contribution to the UN's global efforts in celebrating people's action to sustainably manage the world's forests.

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### 1 MILLION TREES IN SUPPORT OF INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF FOREST

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## FROM THE FIELD

### SAWAIEKE DISTRICT COMMUNITIES MONITOR THE CONDITION OF THEIR CREEKS

The Freshwater Ecosystem Health Monitoring Survey, carried out in the 7 creeks of Sawaieke District, was done to establish the current health status of creeks and will allow conclusions to be drawn from the results on whether unsustainable land use practices are happening upstream

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### BETTER LAND USE INFORMATION FOR SAWAIEKE DISTRICT COMMUNITIES



Children of Sawaieke, Gau

All the eight communities in the Sawaieke district, in Gau, will now be better informed on what their land can be best used for.

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### INDIGENOUS TREES MAKE A RETURN



Children of Sawaieke, Gau

Residents of Sawaieke realize that indigenous tree species which were once part of their surroundings are fewer than earlier days and in some extreme cases, no longer there.

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## OTHER NEWS

### WWF PROJECT SITE FEATURE'S IN WIN

A documentary of a WWF South Pacific's project site for its work on climate change adaptation got a nod in the Television category.

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### THE GREENY ACCOUNTANT

What does Accounting and Climate Change have in common? A lot in fact. If you ask Sanjay Kumar what the link is, the most likely answer he would give is everything.

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