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MALAMPA TVET CENTRE MONTHLY REPORT

MALAMPA TVET Centre is pleased to submit to your office, this report on skills development activities undertaken by the TVET Centre, during May to June, to support productive sector development in MALAMPA.

MALAMPA TVET Centre facilitated 1 accredited training and 1 business development support activity in support of MALAMPA's agriculture sector development and 4 business development support activities in support of MALAMPA's tourism sector development.

Our TVET Centre also participated in a workshop in Vila, to support the fisheries sector planning, with emphasis on aquaculture development in both SANMA and MALAMPA. This office wishes to convey its gratitude to your office, for the opportunity to present a report to the 2013, first administrative sitting of the provincial government.

Sir, once again thank you for the partnership we have developed in achieving successful delivery of TVET services for MALAMPA. Our TVET Centre wishes to maintain and enhance this partnership with MALAMPA Provincial Government and key stakeholders, to continue delivering TVET services for effective provincial economic development.

Yours sincerely,

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1. Accredited Trainings

1.1 Plant Vegetables (Horticulture) – Burbar, South Malekula



This Plant Vegetable accredited training was conducted by Godfrey Buletair, agriculture trainer who specializes in horticulture, under the registration scope of the Vanuatu Agriculture College, at Burbar, South Malekula. It is a popular training with VANWODS members, who are aiming to enhance their technical skills in vegetable planting and management in order to capitalize on markets supplying the South Malekula and the growing Ambrym demand. The participants learnt skills in building nurseries and using natural organic fertilizers and natural farming system to manage their vegetable plots. The Burbar community expressed their appreciation singing the TVET theme song. This training will increase the participants' capacity to increase their market income. There were two disabled female participants.



2. Business Development Services

The TVET Centre also facilitated business development services workshops, to complement the accredited trainings, in support of Tourism, Agriculture and Forestry productive sectors.

2.1 Tourism Mentoring and Coaching Program – Ambrym

2.1.1 Island Cooking for Tourists

Another mentoring and coaching activity under the TVET for Tourism program was conducted by Odile Guiomar and was held at Sam's Bungalows in Craig Cove, West Ambrym. Ambrym-based tourism clients identified by the provincial Tourism Officer, with the support of the TVET Centre, were selected to take part in this Island Cooking for Tourists program. They learnt skills in preparing simple organic meals in line with expectations of international tourists using resources they have available in their gardens and surroundings. The participants have committed to using their skills to improve quality of meals and enhance their hospitality services to clients.



2.1.2 Volcano Tour Guide – First Aid Coaching

As part of the coaching and mentoring program for Tourism sector clients, 10 volcano tour guides were trained in first aid and managing casualties. This first aid coaching was conducted by the Promedical (VEMSA)'s qualified paramedics, Charlotte Gillian and Roger Roy.

It is the first ever training to be given to volcano tour guides in Ambrym. A field hiking trip was conducted towards the Benbo volcano and several practical first aid scenarios were conducted to give the tour guides first-hand experience in treating casualties, communicating with casualties and practice of safe lifting techniques. The guides were each given first aid kits with additional box of first aid supplies for restocking, to be managed by the Ambrym Tourism Association.



2.1.3 Internet and Marketing Workshop

This workshop was conducted by tourism consultant, Joanne Wade, at the MALAMPA TVET Centre in Norsup, Malekula. 11 clients from Ambrym, who are bungalow owners and tour operators and 4 bungalow owners from Malekula were trained on internet marketing for their tourism businesses. The Ambrym tourism clients also visited the MALAMPA Tourism Call Centre and the Ameldoro, Nabelchel and Palm Lodge Bungalows who are also clients under the TVET's tourism mentoring and coaching program. The aims of the visits were to compare and assess their products with their Malekula counterparts and the standards required to become accredited with the MALAMPA Tourism Call Centre. The Ambrym-based bungalow owners and tour operators are developing their products to meet the Call Centre accreditation standards, in response to the clear international demand. The participants of the workshop were also coached on taking and securing overseas phone bookings.



2.2 Poultry Management, Mae, Central Malekula

This workshop was conducted by Norah Rihai of Vanuatu Agriculture College, in Mae village, Central Malekula. It was attended by a good mix of well-established poultry farmers and emerging farmers. Farmers were coached in locally-based techniques of managing poultry sites, producing and harvesting feeds to produce quality chicken products, preparing naturally-based fertilizers and natural pest control techniques. Participants visited 3 poultry farms and identified gaps and weaknesses and were able to identify and implement remedial steps with complementary on-site coaching of ways to improve the farm and enhance productivity, based on theories learnt.



2.3 Rattan Cane Furniture-making Workshop, Asse Village, S. East Ambrym

This workshop was held in Asse Village, South East Ambrym, conducted by a locally-based rattan furniture specialist, Mr. James Tias. The participants were all youths coming from Asse and the outlying villages. An Association of Rattan Cane Furniture Joiners was formed, with intention of preparing themselves to showcase their rattan products in the upcoming MALAMPA Trade show in August, to tap into the furniture markets of the tourism and other trades industries.



In summary, find below a tabulated analysis of the above activities:

A C C R E D I T E D T R A I N I N G							
Sector	Accredited Course	Target Group	RTP	Location	Participants		Date
					Total	Female	
Agriculture	Plant Vegetables	VANWODS members – South Malekula	VAC	Burbar, South Malekula	25	24	03..06.13 – 07.06.13

B U S I N E S S D E V E L O P M E N T S E R V I C E S

Sector	BDS Activity	Target Group	Consultant	Location	Participants		Date
					Total	Female	
Cross sectoral	Rattan Furniture Making Workshop	Rattan Joiners	James Tias	Asse Village, South East Ambrym	9	0	27.05.13 – 07.06.13
Tourism	Island Cooking for Tourists	Selected bungalows	Odile Guiomar	Craig Cove, Ambrym	10	5	30.05.13 – 31.05.13
	On-site – First Aid and Casualty Management for Volcano Tour Guides	Selected Tour Guides	Charlotte Gillian & Roger Roy of VEMSA Promedical	Craig Cove, Ambrym	9	0	06.06.13 – 08.06.13
	Internet Workshop	Selected Ambrym Tourism Clients	Joanne Wade	TVET Centre, Norsup - Malekula	15	3	03.06.13 – 06.06.13
Agriculture	Poultry Management	Poultry Farmers – Central Malekula	Norah Hango of Vanuatu Agriculture College	Mae, Central Malekula	9	4	20.05.13 – 24.05.13

The MALAMPA TVET Centre tea, registered training providers and consultants hired by the VTET Program, key stakeholders, host communities and their leaders and training and workshop participants have collectively produced tangible results that will contribute to the economic empowerment of the people of MALAMPA province.