

FIJI CLIMATE CHANGE DIRECTIONS



COALITION GOVERNMENT'S PRIORITIES

- **Cut emissions, provide clean energy, and phase out fossil fuels**
- **Adapt and protect Fijians from weather-related events**
- **Build resilient and prosperous communities**

OVERVIEW

Changes to long term climate patterns have increased the intensity and frequency of weather-related events. Fiji is highly exposed. The impacts of climate change are being felt by the citizens of Fiji. Without action at all levels, there will be increasing social, economic, and environmental costs.

Prime Minister Rabuka and the Coalition Government of Fiji is committed to fight climate change. Fiji will continue to lead at the regional and international level on climate change action, promote an ocean of peace and sustainability for the blue continent.

Fiji will continue to pursue a bipartisan approach, meet the provisions of the Climate Change Act, and agreed global outcomes, fast track implementation and increase ambition in its National Determined Contributions. The Fiji National Development Plan will strongly reflect climate change action.

The Coalition Government will deliver measures that will cut more emissions, deploy clean energy and new technologies, implement adaptation projects to protect Fijians, and build resilient and prosperous communities.

Cut emissions, provide clean energy, and phase out fossil fuels

- **NET ZERO EMISSIONS:** Further cut emissions to meet and achieve net zero in Fiji by 2050.
- **CLEAN ENERGY:** Cut 30% of Business as Usual (BAU) CO2 emissions from the energy sector by 2030. Provide 100% renewable energy power generation (grid-connected) by 2030. Reduce energy sector CO2 emissions by 10% through energy efficiency improvements economy wide. Bolster the Fiji Rural Electrification Fund. Develop more clean energy technologies for Fiji including solar, wind and hydro and work towards phasing out fossil fuels.
- **GREEN TRANSPORT:** Reduce domestic maritime shipping emissions by 40%. Develop incentives to transition to cleaner public transportation and promote electric vehicles.
- **IMPROVE WASTE MANAGEMENT:** Better recycling and waste disposal to reduce landfill to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Adapt and protect Fijians from weather-related events

- **EARLY WARNING AND DISASTER PREVENTION:** Develop multi hazard early warning and monitoring systems and strengthen disaster risk management.
- **NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS:** Plant 30 million trees by 2035. Establish 30% of our Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZ) as Marine Protected Areas and work towards 100% management of our EEZ by 2030. Promote investment (including blue bonds) for ecosystem restoration that can buffer climate impacts and store carbon.
- **INFRASTRUCTURE:** Promote integration of climate proof measures in critical public infrastructure and the establishment of new infrastructure which is climate resilient.

Build resilient and prosperous communities

- **AWARENESS AND KNOWLEDGE:** Engage all stakeholders and the community to create awareness and further action on climate change.
- **HELP OUR FARMERS:** Promote climate smart agricultural practices and improve soil health and sustainability.
- **ENGAGE PRIVATE SECTOR:** Encourage private sector to invest in climate mitigation and adaptation measures. Provide training for workers to attain skills in implementing emission reduction and climate friendly measures.
- **HEALTH:** Build strong healthcare system by implementing the 'Guidelines for climate-resilient and environmentally sustainable health care facilities in Fiji'.
- **RELOCATION:** Complete the relocation of the identified most exposed and vulnerable communities and mobilize resources for Climate Relocation of Communities Trust Fund.
- **CLIMATE FINANCE and INVESTMENT:** Co-finance the development of climate change projects to access climate finance.