

CURRENT SITUATION OF SOLOMON ISLANDS NATIONAL CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)



No formal establishment of SI National CHM.

➤ REASONS:

- ❖ Lack of manpower (CHM focal point) to coordinate the work of establishing national CHM.
- ❖ Financial capital is seen as a barrier to creating National CHM especially to sustained it.
- ❖ Information about our national biodiversity is shared through various means e.g. different organisations have different websites.

SOME ISSUES RELATED TO CHM

- ❖ The need to recognize and prioritize the ROLE of the national CHM.
- ❖ The need to allocate national CHM officers to coordinate CHM activities.
- ❖ The need to empower CHM officers with technical know-how and skills to establish the National CHM.
- ❖ The need to mainstream the national CHM into Divisional policies in terms of data sharing.

HOW SI NATIONAL CHM COULD BE ESTABLISHED TO SUPPORT NBSAP IMPLEMENTATION

- The role of the national Clearing House Mechanism (CHM) must be clearly recognized within the Environment and Conservation Division, esp. the national CBD focal point (Director of ECD).
- SPREP or other funding agency to assist Environment and Conservation (ECD) financially.
- Identify a CHM focal point to administer or coordinate activities to establish the national CHM. Director, Deputy director, chief conservation, officer to be involved in decisions.
- CHM focal point to work closely with NBSAP staff in collating information.

HOW FUTURE OF SI NATIONAL CHM BEING CONSIDERED:

- Future of SI National CHM is crucial for implementing SI NBSAP.
- Setting up a CHM for SI will help achieve the 2011-2020 NBSAP 16 targets. E.g. target 1 on the Environmental Education and Awareness and Aichi targets.

TYPES OF SUPPORT NEEDED

- * Basic training/hands-on training on how to develop the website
- * Sharing of technical know-how
- * CBD to provide resource person and funding through recommendation
- * Technologies provided to support the NBSAP implementation process.

GUIDES TO DEVELOP NATIONAL CHM

- * CBD to assist Solomon Islands in the following areas:
- * National coordination
- * Management of web content
- * Information services
- * Technical aspects

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