

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Health Sector Preparedness & Response

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Joint External Situation Report #15 – 16 May 2020

1. Pacific Highlights

- As of 16 May 2020, there are 269 laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported across the Pacific including 7 deaths.
- The JIMT has created an [external repository](#) for adapted COVID-19 guidance documents and technical materials developed for the Pacific and a [Pacific COVID-19 Case Dashboard](#) summarising the epidemiological situation in the Pacific.
- The second, third and fourth batches of testing cartridges for the GeneXpert platform are being delivered throughout the Pacific.
- The interim progress report for the Phase One Pacific Action Plan for COVID-19 Preparedness and Response has been finalized for distribution.
- Inter-agency procurement plans under the Phase 2 COVID-19 Health Sector Support Plan have been consolidated into a joint procurement list.

Joint Incident Management Team

Humanitarian and development partners have established a Joint Incident Management Team (JIMT) to support the COVID-19 preparedness and response efforts in the Pacific. This coordination mechanism leverages partners' capacities and resources, to ensure effective actions in support of national authorities and affected populations across 21 Pacific Island Countries and Territories.

Active members of the JIMT include: ADB, DFAT, IFRC, IOM, MFAT, OCHA, PIFS, PIHOA, SPC, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNRCO, UNDP, UNWOMEN, USAID, US CDC, US Embassv Suva, WFP, WB

Pacific Priority Needs for COVID-19

The epidemiological stage of transmission will determine the needs of each PIC. Priority needs of PICs at all stages of transmission include:

- Expansion of testing capability
- Planning for the relaxation or lifting of lockdown, social distancing and other non-pharmaceutical interventions
- Monitoring consumption rates of personal protective equipment (PPE), and procurement pipelines
- Case management protocols for mild, moderate, severe, critical, and convalescent cases
- Risk Communication and Community Engagement
- Continuity of health care service delivery

Challenges and Gaps

Key challenges include dispersed and isolated communities, limited transportation options, challenges in procuring essential supplies and overstretched health systems. Specific challenges identified by the JIMT include:

- Ongoing travel restrictions limit the provision of in-country technical support
- Continuing supply chain constraints due to reduction in flights
- Constraints in procuring quality-assured PPE in country for immediate response
- Internet bandwidth limitations in the region which impacts access to remote support.

Pacific Island Countries & Areas – Situation in Numbers

Reporting Country / Territory / Area	Total confirmed cases	Total Deaths	State of Emergency Declared	Days Since Last Reported Case
American Samoa	0	0	Yes	-
Cook Islands	0	0	Yes	-
Guam	154	5	Yes	0
Fiji	18	0	Yes	28
French Polynesia	60	0	No	11
Kiribati	0	0	Yes	-
Nauru	0	0	Yes	-
New Caledonia	18	0	No	43
Niue	0	0	No	-
Marshall Islands, Republic of	0	0	Yes	-
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	Yes	-
Northern Mariana Islands (Commonwealth of the)	19	2	Yes	4
Palau	0	0	Yes	-
Samoa	0	0	Yes	-
Solomon Islands	0	0	Yes	-
Tokelau	0	0	No	-
Tonga	0	0	Yes	-
Tuvalu	0	0	Yes	-
Vanuatu	0	0	Yes	-
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	No	-
Total	269	7		-

Table 1: Countries, territories & areas with reported laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases & deaths (data as of 15 May 2020).

For latest WHO global updates on COVID-19, please refer to:

- [WHO Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Pandemic](#)
- [Novel coronavirus \(COVID-19\) situation dashboard](#)

JIMT Pacific Response Activities for COVID-19

The focus of the JIMT in the Pacific is in supporting the containment and mitigation efforts of all Pacific Island Nations. Containment of the outbreak through the slowing and stopping of COVID-19 transmission, prevent outbreaks and spread. Mitigation of the effects of an outbreak through reducing preventable morbidity and mortality, minimising negative health, social and economic impacts and facilitating early recovery.

1. Country readiness and response operations for COVID-19 scaled up for containment and mitigation
2. All PICs have access to the latest science, technical guidance, clinical care, equipment & supplies to reduce preventable morbidity, mortality and the adverse social and economic impacts of COVID-19
3. Health care workers are kept safe through access to the knowledge, skills and resources need for safe practice, including access to personal protective equipment and optimal infection prevention and control practices
4. COVID-19 transmission reduced through non-pharmaceutical interventions, risk communication and community engagement

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2. Response activities under the JIMT

Finance and Administration Pillar

Technical Area	Support Provided
<i>General</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Overall, of the funding received for Phase 1 for the Pacific COVID-19 Health Sector Plan, total implemented (disbursed) amount is at US\$642,883 broken down to expenditure type below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — 46% was for human resources (technical assistance) related costs — 42% was for equipment and supplies (including shipping costs) and — 9% for risk communications-related costs
<i>Finance & Budget</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ WHO is working together with UNICEF on the amendment of the UN-to-UN Contribution Agreement on the access and procurement of supplies under the Pacific Action Plan for 2019 Novel Coronavirus Preparedness and Response

Health Operations and Technical Expertise Pillar

Technical Area	Support Provided
<i>Case Management</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Recurring webinar on clinical management for paediatricians, surgeons, and anaesthetists to be completed this week ▶ 72 Nurses enrolled in critical nursing care training across the Pacific
<i>Infection prevention & control</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Supporting training of ancillary staff as per country requests. Focus on cleaning staff in Vanuatu this week
<i>Laboratory</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Completed training of laboratory scientists on GeneXpert testing ▶ Further batches of GeneXpert Cartridges delivered ▶ Quality assurance & quality control preparation work for GeneXpert testing nearing completion with control kits expected to be delivered end of this week
<i>Mental Health and Psychosocial Support</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Completed COVID-19 tip sheets for circulation on self-care for parents, adolescents, parenting, and tips for parents and caregivers
<i>Risk Communication and Community Engagement</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ As part of the RCCE activities for vulnerable groups, WHO will provide USD\$186,000 to support localized community outreach and support to persons with disabilities via Pacific National Disabled Persons Organization. This activity will be undertaken in coordination with Pacific Disability Forum. ▶ Provision of updated Frequently Asked Questions for Pacific Ministries of Health
<i>Surveillance and Epidemiology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Interim Guidance note to support policy makers on managing transition from lockdown and stay at home period issued to PICs ▶ Technical checklist to support public health teams and incident management teams regarding transition from lockdown and stay at home period issued to PICs
<i>Priority Actions for the Coming Week</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Guidance note on using telehealth and telemedicine to maintain essential services delivery during COVID-19 pandemic ▶ Identification and prioritisation of additional technical expertise to be recruited and working remotely based on country requests ▶ Defining tactical approach to COVID-19 epidemiological trend monitoring, intervention models, and scenario planning for the Pacific ▶ Remotely conducted simulation exercise(s) for COVID-19 readiness and response in countries with no laboratory confirmed cases

Information and Planning Pillar

Technical Area	Support Provided
<i>Information Management</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Developed a Pacific COVID-19 Case Dashboard summarising the epidemiological situation in the Pacific. ▶ Validating deployment needs with PICs to ensure technical support previously requested is still required and prioritised against emerging needs. ▶ Updating a key event monitoring tool detailing response measures implemented by countries. ▶ Adapting a tracking tool to monitor points of entry measures implemented by PICs and to document the easing of lockdowns. ▶ Finalising the interim progress report for the Phase One Pacific Action Plan for COVID-19 Preparedness and Response for distribution. ▶ Developing the monitoring & evaluation framework for the Phase Two COVID-19 Pacific Health Sector Support Plan. ▶ Continuously monitoring the Pacific, regional and global epidemiological situation and providing epidemiological and JIMT response situational updates to internal and external partners. ▶ Providing ongoing support to PICs for epidemiological information management including collation and analysis of outbreak information. ▶ Developed and distributed Google Form for sitrep data collection and collation.

Operations Support and Logistics Pillar

Operational Area	Support Provided / Update			
<i>GeneXpert Distribution</i>	Batch	Kits delivered	% Complete	Destinations
	1	194 out of 200	97% complete	19 out of 23 Except Vanuatu, Tokelau, Tuvalu and Wallis & Futuna
	2	175 out of 200	87% complete	19 out of 23 Except Vanuatu, Tokelau, Tuvalu and Wallis & Futuna
	3	158 out of 200	79% complete	16 out of 23 Except Cook Island, Nauru, Tonga, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Tuvalu and Wallis & Futuna
	Total	527 out of 600	87% complete	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Batch 4 for the Northern Pacific countries was received in Honolulu on 13 May and is being distributed this week. ▶ Batch 4 for the South Pacific countries was also received in Brisbane today, Kiribati was sent yesterday, Fiji and PNG will be sent tomorrow. ▶ Vanuatu shipment will be sent tomorrow with batches 1,2,3 & 4 together with the control shipment via an ADF flight. 			

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Tuvalu and Wallis & Futuna will be held in Fiji and then sent via sea freight, departing on 21st May (TBC) ▶ Tokelau shipment is on hold in NZ until the mobile lab is complete and will be shipped together ▶ A batch of reagents for Tuvalu & Fiji was also received in Suva ▶ For additional information regarding the delivery of GeneXpert, please consult the following dashboard.
<i>Transportation of Supplies</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ WHO and UNICEF will utilise an Air Tahiti Nui charter flight to transport PPE to Fiji, Samoa, and Tonga ▶ Most PICs are now connected with commercial flights (Cargo flight in most cases). For regular update & more details, see the "Pacific Air Service Updates" from Logistics Cluster.
<i>Supplies in the pipeline</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ WHO will receive 2200 Biohazard Bags & 1250 Bio Bottles in WHO office in Fiji, as part of the 3rd batch distribution to all PICs.

Partner Coordination Pillar

General Partner Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The pillar members continue to meet weekly to discuss opportunities for improved coordination ▶ The pillar members discussed existing coordination mechanisms at country and sub-regional level and opportunities to build on these to improve coordination

3. Bilateral regional and country-level response activities by agency

Regional	
Activities	Agency
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The IFRC Pacific Office in Suva has been providing technical support to 11 national societies COVID-19 emergency preparedness and response plan - The Health and WASH technical staff facilitated COVID-19 awareness and psychological first aid training - A package of PPE as its guidance consisting of hand sanitizer, surgical masks and gloves was distributed to 11 National Societies 	IFRC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supporting public health authorities with the implementation of COVID-19 communication strategies and activities to help prepare and protect individuals, vulnerable groups, families and the public's health during the response to COVID-19 - Assisting migrants to access services and advocating for the inclusion of migrants in on-going preparedness and response plans to avoid stigmatization 	IOM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ongoing communication with countries in the South Pacific regarding arrival of Controls for COVID-19 testing, with VIDRL for support of RT-PCR testing set up in countries planning to establish RT-PCR testing, cartridge quantification for future orders for countries - Organised Clinician and Lab Scientist webinar training and updates on COVID-19 testing - Conducted a COVID-19 Online Paediatric Support Forum 1 - hosted by Royal Australasian College of Physicians - Provided a COVID-19 online forum for the Royal Australian College of Surgeons and Pacific Islands Surgeons Association - Emergency Medicine: Pacific EM and ACEM COVID-19 Online GEC Support Forum 4 - COVID-19 Where are we now? Priorities and plans for surgery and anaesthesia for COVID +ve and COVID -ve Countries of the Pacific 	SPC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Developed Information material & campaigns for health staff and general population - Procuring PPE supplies for healthcare workers - Procuring PPE for health care facilities, civil service organizations, and people living with disabilities - Procuring case management equipment and related disposables - Procuring PCR laboratory reagents and Infection prevention and control in hospital and other health facilities - Facilitating the establishment, training, and procurement of equipment for national rapid response teams - Procuring IT Equipment 	UNDP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drafted FAQs for COVID-19 and pregnancy and family planning - Procurement of PPEs to support continuity of essential services - Developed tip Sheets for Health Workers on gender-based violence (GBV), deployed a dedicated MHPSS technical expert to support the MHPSS Cell, technical support to Tonga, RMI, FSM in including sexual and reproductive health, and GBV in their national response strategy. 	UNFPA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WHO launched the WHO Academy and WHO Info mobile applications enabling health workers to access COVID-19 knowledge resources including technical guidance, tools, training and virtual workshops 	WHO

- WHO has recruited additional short-term consultant to work remotely to complement laboratory expertise already available within JIMT and a second consultant logistician	
Requests	Agency
- Support in psychological first aid training for Red Cross staff and volunteers in the Pacific as well as provision of PPE	IFRC
- Request from Fiji and FSM for repatriation guidance	SPC
- Control Kits for GeneXpert COVID Cartridges	UNDP
- Contextualized messages on Pregnancy and FP on COVID-19, PPEs for SRH providers	UNFPA
Challenges	Agency
- The restriction of movement has disrupted the delivery of PPE to PICs	IFRC
- Online training/assistance is encouraged yet poor connection might affect the effectiveness of the support	
- Distribution of controls to countries due to flight restrictions and Customs clearance	SPC
- Willingness of countries to share datasets which may require regional agreement on data sharing and addressing privacy of information and IP rights	
- Limited funding and prioritisation is a concern due to certain areas of support approved by donors	UNDP
- Duplication of requests as the country response plans are not clear on which donor supports what	
- Supply chain issues resulting from flight cancellations	
- Limited funding, and travel restrictions due to COVID-19	UNFPA

Cook Islands	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Priority Needs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthen MHPSS and Psychological First Aid for the staff and volunteers of the Red Cross Society - Community awareness on COVID-19 pandemic - Hygiene promotion - Community based Surveillance 	IFRC
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conducted psychological first aid training 	
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Delivered two 72sqm tents for use as isolation wards or triage facilities in hospitals 	UNICEF

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Fiji	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fiji request for training of ICU surge nurses in Lautoka Hospital and use of ventilators - Procurement of reagents, consumables and PPE for RT-PCR testing at Fiji CDC 	SPC
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completed the development of a training module and guidance note for healthcare workers on identifying women and children at risk of domestic abuse 	UNICEF

Kiribati	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Priority Needs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthen MHPSS and Psychological First Aid for the staff and volunteers of the Red Cross Society - Community awareness on COVID-19 pandemic - Hygiene promotion <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conducted psychological first aid training and technical support in PSS guidance 	IFRC
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conducting training on the maintaining of essential health service delivery to 28 medical assistants, 5 district principal nursing officers, and 8 principal nursing officers - 74 community health workers from Caritas and Child Fund were trained in COVID-19 communication and prevention in communities - Continuing radio messaging and mobile phone text blasts of COVID-19 awareness and promotion of hand hygiene, cough etiquette, and social distancing - Procurement of 16,250 bars of soap for distribution to outer islands 	UNICEF
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - USD 2.5 million for COVID-19 emergency response operations are under preparation 	WBG

Marshall Islands, Republic of	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Priority Needs</u>	IFRC

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthen MHPSS for the staff and volunteers of the Red Cross Society - First Aid service and Psychological First Aid - Community awareness and hygiene promotion - Blood drive (Voluntary Non-Remunerated Blood Donor) <p><u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Marshall Islands Red Cross (MIRCS) conducted Epidemic Control for Volunteer and Psychological First Aid (PFA) training for a total of 69 volunteers in Majuro as well as outer islands - Volunteers delivered community awareness and hygiene promotion and distribute soap to communities and schools 	
<p><u>Priority Needs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communication & Planning Support - PPE Health Care Facilities – Cleaning <p><u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support to enable fluid communications between the command centre for COVID-19 and doctors, nurse, community outreach workers, logistics team, and MoHHS Partners - Procured disinfectants for the isolation wards, quarantine sites, hospitals, and health dispensaries 	UNDP
<p><u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - USD 2.5 million for COVID-19 emergency response operations 	WBG
<p><u>Priority Needs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Budget for clinical training for Ebeye Island being released - Procuring the telecommunications equipment for outer islands - Budget for outer island and remote community outreach service being released <p><u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reviewing the COVID-19 Strategy for the outer islands in RMI 	WHO

Micronesia, Federated States of	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<p><u>Priority Needs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community awareness on COVID-19 - Hygiene promotion - Psychosocial Support and Psychological First Aid <p><u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u></p>	IFRC

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- Conducted psychological first aid training to staff and volunteers and provide necessary technical support in PSS guidance	
<u>Priority Needs</u> - Information campaigns - Infection control in health facilities <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Development, printing and communication of awareness/prevention materials in English & local languages for all States - Procurement of PPE Supplies for Health Care workers	UNDP
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Maritime Investment Project CERC USD 2.5 million to respond to critical needs for COVID-19 response triggered on 5 May	WBG
<u>Priority Needs</u> - Developing disinfection protocol for air and sea cargo - Developing the protocol to assess and inspect in-coming passengers - Developing technical indicators for FSM to ease lockdown measures - Procuring essential service delivery equipment for Pohnpei and Chuuk State <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Drafted essential service delivery strategy template - Joined the micro-planning meeting as part of community engagement in Pohnpei State and helping finalization of the plan - Assisted with the development of SOPs and two training sessions for the Go.Data surveillance and contact tracing application	WHO

Nauru	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - PPE dispatched from DFAT's Humanitarian Warehouse - CHS provided advice on regional training options for doctors and nurses, including attending online tutorials via video conferencing, and attending the MEDCAST course to upskill in management of critically unwell patients with COVID-19	DFAT

Palau	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u>	DFAT

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Embassy post working with Ministry of Health to finalise transport of 10 Australian-funded cardiac monitors to complement ventilators already provided by Australia, Taiwan and America 	
<p><u>Priority Needs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthen MHPSS for the staff and volunteers of the Red Cross Society - Blood drive - Community awareness and hygiene promotion - Provide support to people in quarantine <p><u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided technical support for PSS guidance and online support for psychological first aid training - 54 volunteers have been mobilized to conduct community awareness and hygiene promotion through household visit with total coverage of 3,222 people - PRCS also providing a personal needs and meals delivery to 10 people in quarantine - Blood drive to maintain national blood stock 	IFRC
<p><u>Priority Needs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - COVID-19 information campaigns <p><u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Procurement of Communication & Planning Supplies - Laptops, Television Sets, Projectors 	UNDP
<p><u>Priority Needs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Budget for community engagement activity in Palau being released 	WHO

Samoa	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<p><u>Priority Needs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community awareness on COVID-19 Pandemic - Hygiene promotion - Blood drive - Psychosocial support and Psychological First Aid <p><u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided technical support for PSS guidance and implementation - SRCS mobilized a total of 30 volunteers to conduct community awareness and hygiene promotion to a total of 8,075 people from 830 households 	IFRC

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- SRCS also continue its blood drive initiative to support national blood stock	
<u>Priority Needs</u> - Information campaigns <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Procurement of public awareness campaigns - Radio Spots, Television advertisements	UNDP
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - USD 2.9 million COVID-19 emergency response operation – Effective	WBG
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Supported the assessment of health care facilities in Savaii - Provided technical support for hospital planning - Provided guidance and support for the development of information, education and communication materials - Finalized and supported the implementation of the RCCE survey and compliance checklists for the business and transportations sectors - Conducted ongoing sensitizations sessions on RCCE - Procured Health EOC teleconferencing and IT equipment	WHO

Solomon Islands	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - qPCR machine installed in National Referral Hospital - Fittings for laboratory improvements arrived - First Secretary of Health providing coordination support for the development of the operational plan - Construction complete for two quarantine facilities - PPE dispatched from DFAT's Warehouse	DFAT
<u>Priority Needs</u> - Community awareness on COVID-19 pandemic - Hygiene promotion - Blood drive - Community based surveillance and contact tracing - Psychological support and Psychological First Aid <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u>	IFRC

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conducted psychological first aid training and provide technical support for community assessment - Solomon Islands Red Cross trained and mobilized a total of 66 volunteers to raise community awareness and hygiene promotion toward the current COVID-19 pandemic - volunteer activities covered a total of 6,469 people in 80 communities in Honiara, Western Province and West Guadalcanal 	
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - USD 5.0 million COVID-19 emergency response operation – In preparation - USD 15 million DPO approved to strengthen public financial management while enabling government to meet costs of COVID-19 preparedness 	WBG

Tokelau	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PPE dispatched from DFAT's Humanitarian Warehouse 	DFAT
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continued to provide technical assistance to support coordination and planning of preparedness and response activities - Support for COVID-19 awareness program using Samoan radio station 2AP that reaches all Tokelau atolls, to air the Tokelau Ligoligo Program - Continued to provide technical support for health promotion and risk communication 	WHO

Tonga	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supplying information on remote training being provided by SPC 	DFAT
<u>Priority Needs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community awareness on COVID-19 pandemic - Hygiene promotion - Surveillance including contact tracing as requested by MoH - Psychosocial support and Psychological First Aid 	IFRC
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided technical support for PSS guidance and community awareness 	
<u>Priority Needs</u>	UNDP

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- Infection control protocols and supplies in health facilities <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Procurement of prevention and control supplies for COVID-19 case management	
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Transport Project Contingency Emergency Response Component (CERC) USD 2.89m to respond to critical needs for COVID-19 response triggered on 5 May - Tonga to get US\$4.5 million insurance payout after Cyclone Harold	WBG

Tuvalu	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - PPE dispatched from DFAT's Humanitarian Warehouse	DFAT
<u>Priority Needs</u> - Community awareness on COVID-19 pandemic - Hygiene promotion - Psychosocial support and Psychological First Aid <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Conducted psychological first aid training and provide technical support for community PSS assessment by Tuvalu Red Cross - Tuvalu RC trained a total of 32 volunteers who then mobilized to conduct COVID-19 community awareness and hygiene promotion through household visit - Handwashing stations mobile demonstration drive around the islands - TURCS also reaching out wider community through radio session	IFRC
<u>Priority Needs</u> - Infection control in health facilities <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Procurement of PPE and waste management supplies for Health Care Facilities - Procurement of PPE for Health Care Workers	UNDP
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> - Maritime Investment in Climate Resilient Operations CERC USD 2.5m to respond to critical needs for COVID-19 response triggered on 6 May	WBG

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Vanuatu	
Country specific needs and activities	Agency
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supporting building accommodation for potential isolation use and Ministry of Education and Training’s COVID Contingency Plan - Supporting recruitment of nurses for Surveillance team and logistics officer for Health Emergency Operations Centre - Supporting Vanuatu Police Force to procure PPE, supplies 	DFAT
<u>Priority Needs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community awareness on COVID-19 pandemic - Hygiene promotion - Surveillance including contact tracing as requested by MoH - Psychosocial support and psychological first aid <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided technical support for PSS guidance and conduct psychological first aid training 	IFRC
<u>Priority Needs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Laboratory testing capabilities <u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Procurement of PCR laboratory reagents to enable COVID-19 testing 	UNDP
<u>Preparedness and Response Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Government formally requested Cat -DDO drawn down (USD 10m) - Cat-DDO funds paid out 	WBG

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