



GIZ- DW in Vanuatu

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Working under CCCPIR program in rural Vanuatu

- Enhance food security through aquaculture sector support
- PO is Fisheries Department of Vanuatu in Luganville, Santo (all local staff)
- Background in Coastal Zone Management, Alternative Livelihoods and Aquaculture



Vanuatu background



- One of the least developed nations in the world
- Ranks highest in natural disaster risk index (cyclone, earthquake, volcano,)
- Highly vulnerable to impacts of climate change
- In the top four of Happiest people in the world (1st in 2006 and 2009)



VU background continued

- 270.000 Population on 80 islands, >150 languages
- Education is poor (25% do not complete primary education)
- Subsistence economy, very few money crops
- Strong customs and social ties but with rapid westernisation in some parts, other parts purely traditional lifestyle with associated absence of services, tech and infrastructure



DW Role - Support growth of sustainable aquaculture sector

- Advance Government Tilapia hatchery
- Support communities and small scale farmers
- Education and awareness raising on CC and food security issues



Abundant Challenges

- Infrastructural
- Watersystems in state of disrepair
- Lack of motivation and dedication towards new opportunity (kava mindset/island time) in PO and communities



Small steps forward



Raising awareness



Training Agriculture students

Farmer guidance and support



Pond construction trainings



Goals for upscaling production

- Further improve operational procedures at VFD for more consistent high quality freshwater shrimp and tilapia breeding
- More active farmers through community engagement
- Facilitate stakeholder connection



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