

Samoa – Australia Partnership for Development 2011-12 Implementation Schedule Priority Outcome: Law and Justice



Aim:	The Partnership will enable Samoa to have safer communities, better access to justice and integration between the customary and formal justice system			
Targets for 2015:	Improved Rule of Law score in the World Bank Governance Indicators (SDS: Goal 6)	Baseline:	1. 74 th percentile (2008) Crime Trend (MoPP Stats)	
	2. Reduced numbers of serious crimes (SDS: Goal 5)		2008 – 2,776 2009 – 3,178	
			2010 – 3,758	

Partnership outputs for 2011-12

- 5,000 case files scanned between June 2011 and June 2012
- 5 legislation reviewed and 3 new legislation drafted
- 3) Prosecutor's Manual drafted and finalised
- National Crime Prevention Policy drafted and finalised
- Design of a Samoa Legal Information Institute (SamLII)
- Reduction in crimes in Neighbourhood Watch Pilot Project Areas
- Develop and draft an Implementation Plan for the separation of the Prisons function from Samoa Police

Assumptions

- 1) Digitisation project fully resourced
- Referrals to SLRC by Prime Minister, Cabinet and the Attorney General
- Relevant consultant engaged and works with Prosecutions Division of AGO within timeframe
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- 5) Completed Feasibility study
- Effective crime prevention programmes and efficient coordination of crime prevention activities
- Engaged Consultant completes the plan within the timeframe and the Prisons Review Taskforce provides necessary support and oversight



Planned Outcomes for 2011-12	Source of Verification		
Increased access by the judiciary, the public and sector agencies to information and relevant legislation	Number of documents digitised Number of Final Reports/ Acts/Regulations reviewed/drafted and enacted Completed Prosecutor's manual Completed National Crime Prevention Policy SamLII Program Design document		
Improved community safety	Annual reports from the Ministry of Police and Prisons		
Strengthened systems and processes (Improved planning and human resource management)	7) Completed Implementation Plan		

- Bi-Annual Seminar attended by 5 members of the Judiciary and 60 members of the Samoan Bar.
- 10 Mentors and 30 Government Lawyers mentored
- 10) Ongoing professional development and networking for the Judiciary
- 11) Inaugural Judicial Colloquium
- Samoa Returnees Charitable Trust Integration Assistance (set up of Deportees Offices and temporary shelter)
- 13) Office of the Ombudsman' Complaints Procedures reviewed
- Public awareness workshops and seminars conducted by the Office of the Ombudsman
- 15) Community Law Centre established

- Samoa Law Society organises a successful and well attended Bi-Annual seminar
- Mentoring Programme engages sufficient number of Mentors with expertise to address needs in different Divisions (Civil/Criminal/Legislative Drafting)
- Court Schedules permit the Judiciary to attend conferences; training; study tours and network building opportunities
- Judiciary and MJCA organise a successful and well attended colloquium. Sufficient resources and relevant presentations for the colloquium
- 12) Trust fully resourced and equipped
- Successful one year institutional strengthening project
- 14) Sufficient cross-section of community and Government reached by Office of the Ombudsman and their programmes
- 15) Samoa Law Society/Law Council and all other bodies involved successfully organise the preparatory phase for setting up a Community Law Centre

Strengthened sector human resources capacity	8) Seminar report 9) Reports by individual Mentors should show progressive improvement in individual lawyer's assessments 10) Ministries Annual reports 11) Final report on the Judiciary Colloquium
Access to Offender Rehabilitation and Reducing Re-Offending	12) Facilities and offices set-up completed
Strengthened capacity of the Office of the Ombudsman Enhanced consumer understanding of services provided by the Office of the Ombudsman	 13) Independent completion report for institutional strengthening project 14) Number of clients / cases received by the Office of the Ombudsman
Increased public access to Legal Services	15) Centre established and launched

Year:		FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15
	Grant	A\$1.5 million			7 1 2017-10
Government of Australia Commitments:	In-kind	Technical oversight by AusAID in- house L&J advisers			
Communicates.	Total	A\$1.5 million	A\$1.5 million est	A\$1.5 million est	A\$1.5 million est
Government of Samoa Commitments:		Review of L&J Sector Plan Continued leadership of the Steering committee Release relevant sector officials to undertake learning and development opportunities			

Supporting information	Key Issues	Programs		
Key coordination mechanism: Ministry of Finance, Sector Steering Committee, Joint development partners: GOS, AusAID, AFP This schedule follows the Implementation Schedule signed in August 2010. Both governments acknowledge the background and analysis contained in that schedule.	 Law and Justice Sector Plan 2008-2012 is due to be reviewed and a new plan agreed. The new Law & Justice Sector Plan to be costed to enable multi-year planning by donors. KPIs for the new Sector Plan Projects Activities need to be developed. Generation of a document similar to the Goals Strategies Outcomes and Indicators Matrix (GSOIM) developed for the 2008-2012 Sector Plan. A multi-year Funding Programme for the new Sector Plan needs to be developed. The future of the Secretariat should be considered and as funding increases the capacity of the Secretariat to manage a pool of funds for proposals should be reviewed. Review of Sector Agencies (SLRC now independent, proposed 'new' Prisons and Corrections Service). The need for construction of a new prison will be investigated in 2011-12. Outcomes of these discussions will have a significant impact on the Sector. 	Assistance from the Pacific Ombudsman Alliance (POA) Assistance from the Commonwealth Ombudsman Alliance (COA) Assistance from Asia Pacific Forum (specifically for Human Rights Commission) L&J Sector Secretariat Support Samoa and Australia Federal Police Partnership Program		

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