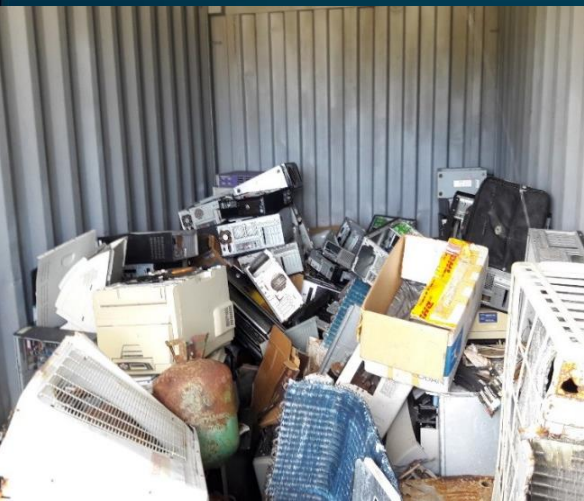




TUVALU COUNTRY PRESENTATION

8TH REGIONAL 3R FORUM IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Department of Waste Management



Tuvalu Current Status on 3R

- Integration of waste management into the National Strategy for Sustainable Development 2016 – 2020 (Te Kakeega III)
- Endorsement of the Tuvalu Integrated Waste Policy and Action Plan 2017 - 2026
- Endorsement of the Cost and Benefit Analysis on Green Waste Management in Funafuti report
- Endorsement of Waste Management Act 2017
- Enforcement of Waste Management (Litter & Waste Control) Regulation

Progress on 3R Activities

- Diversion of Green Wastes for Composting
- Waste Oil programme (Pacific Energy)
- Awareness programmes (communities, schools and businesses) on waste management and 3R.
- Work closely with households on waste segregation.
- Development of the Waste Levy for imports.
- R2R International Waters Project – Pilot project for pig waste management and composts.
- SPREP projects (PacWaste & GEFPAS project)
- Construction of Transfer & Recycling Station

Challenges faced

- Enforcement of legislations and regulations.
- Lack of financial, human resources and capacity to successfully implement activities.
- Lack of proper equipment to assist with waste management and recycling programme due to high costs in procuring of equipment as well as maintenance.
- Behavioural change of communities and adapting to new practices.
- No recycling system in place.

Challenges faced

- ⦿ Transportation problems to Outer Islands
- ⦿ Lack of capacity for Outer Islands to deal with waste management issues
- ⦿ Limited land available for proper waste disposal
- ⦿ Lack of Import Levy

Challenges faced

- ⦿ Increase in volume of wastes (imported products)
- ⦿ Environmental impacts from poor waste management (hazardous waste, medical wastes, etc.)
- ⦿ High cost for exporting of recyclable waste overseas for recycling.

Way forward for Tuvalu

- Implement the Tuvalu Integrated Waste Policy and Action Plan
 - **VISION:** A cleaner and healthier Tuvalu for today and the future generation
 - **MISSION:** To develop, implement and strengthen appropriate waste strategies through concerted efforts of the Government, stakeholders and communities in order to improve the environment and the health of the people of Tuvalu.

Way forward for Tuvalu

- Enforcement and implementation of legislations, regulations and policy.
- Develop a 3R system and programme for Tuvalu
- Feasibility studies/Cost Benefit analysis for waste management techniques applicable for Tuvalu e.g. Waste import levy, CDL, Waste-to-Energy initiatives
- Procure proper equipment for waste recycling activities

Way forward for Tuvalu

- Develop and implement a waste levy for imports.
- Develop a database for recyclable waste
- Complete construction of the Transfer and Recycling Station
- Capacity building for Outer Islands as well as Funafuti on waste management
- Implementation of the best option from the Cost and Benefit Analysis for green waste report



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Thank you