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< Federated States of Micronesia >

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Country 3R Progress Report

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<u>Progress and achievements towards implementation of the Ha Noi 3R Declaration</u> <u>-Sustainable 3R Goals for Asia and the Pacific (2013-2023)-</u>

With the objective of demonstrating renewed interests and commitments of Asia-Pacific countries towards realizing a resource efficient society, the Fourth Regional 3R Forum in Asia-Pacific in 2013 adopted the good-will and legally non-binding "*Ha Noi 3R Declaration – Sustainable 3R Goals for Asia and the Pacific 2013-23.*" The objective of the Country Reporting is to share among international community with various initiatives launched and efforts made (such as new policy instruments, legislations, regulations, institutional arrangements, investments or financing, technological innovation or intervention, partnership mechanisms, such as PPPs, etc.) by the member countries of the Forum in addressing each of the underlined goals of the Ha Noi 3R Declaration. This would help the member countries to share various best practices in 3R and resource efficiency areas across the region. In addition, it would also help bi-lateral and multi-lateral development agencies, donors, development banks in assessing the sustainable needs and challenges of those countries to better plan their existing as well as future capacity building programmes and technical assistance in the areas of 3Rs and sustainable waste management.

With the cooperation of other related ministries, organization and agencies, we request you to kindly fill in the below table as much as possible with relevant data/information. If additional spaces are required, separate sheets could be attached.

Thank you very much for your kind cooperation.

Secretariat of the Regional 3R Forum in Asia and the Pacific United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD) Email: 3R@uncrd.or.jp I. 3R Goals in Urban/Industrial Areas (3Rs in municipal solid waste)

Goal 1 Significant reduction in the quantity of municipal solid waste generated, by instituting policies, programmes, and projects at national and local levels, encouraging both producers and consumers to reduce the waste through greening production, greening lifestyle, and sustainable consumption.

Q-1 What specific 3R policies, programmes and projects, are implemented to reduce the quantity of municipal solid waste?

First, FSM is guided by its Strategic Development Plan (SDP) which is equivalent to a Sustainable Development Policy. Strategic Goal 2 of the SDP addresses the need to improve and enhance human environment through the application of waste management and pollution 3R system of reduce, reuse, and recycle.

Additionally, the country has in place an <u>Environment Act</u> (Title 25), and implemented National and State Solid Waste Management Strategies that address the problems on waste, and propose solutions through an integrated Solid Waste Management Approach of Waste Prevention, Recycling and Composting, and Disposal. Moreover, some of the states have developed Recycling Acts that address recycling issues; recycling regulations are in place and the focus is on recovery of recyclables and shipping overseas for processing and recycling. Through partnership with the private sector, a materials recovery system with facility is in place.

More importantly, three out of the four states have implemented Container Deposit Legislations (CDL) systems.

Q-2 What is the level of participation of households in "source" segregation of municipal waste streams? (Please check the appropriate box)

 \Box Very High (> 90%)

 \Box High (>70%)

□ Average (50-~70%) X

 \Box Low or not satisfactory (< 50%)

 \Box Does not exist

Q-3 Total annual government expenditure per capita (US\$ per capita) in municipal solid waste management in 2014-2015 : Varied by states' needs and requests ranging from \$20,000 to \$100,000

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: Specifically, some of the challenges faced include: the selling of PET and glass bottles to overseas recycling companies, as they are currently being bought at low dollar rates due to demand; not being able to include other recyclables only aluminum cans; e-waste and waste oil disposal due to high costs of shipping and outsourcing of vendors.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Container Deposit Legislations have been developed; waste management strategies have been developed and up for revision; on-going projects through SPREP and JICA to support the recycling system are in place.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Within the next five years, it is imperative to strengthen the recycling programs and update the Waste Management Strategies.

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly Partially Not at all

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I. 3R Goals in Urban/Industrial Areas (3Rs in municipal solid waste)

Goal 2 Full-scale utilization of the organic component of municipal waste, including food waste, as a valuable resource, thereby achieving multiple benefits such as the reduction of waste flows to final disposal sites, reduction of GHG emission, improvement in resource efficiency, energy recovery, and employment creation.

Q-1 Does the central government have policies or support to utilize or reduce the organic waste such as composting, energy recovery and improving efficiency in food processing?

Currently, there are no specific policies on managing organic waste, but based on our National and State Solid Waste Management Strategies, we are mandated to adopt an integrated approach with strategies for reducing waste generation, reusing waste, recycling, composting, disposal, and waste collection. A number of best practices workshops have been conducted through outreach programs and communities are adopting composting techniques to support food processing and minimization of waste generation.

Q-2 What is happening to country's organic waste? (Please check the appropriate box)

 \Box mostly landfilled X

 \square mostly incinerated

 \Box both landfilled and incinerated

mostly open dumped or open burned X

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – *include websites where relevant* - Over the years, the FSM has provided support for compost field work through SPC-LRD, and GEF-Funded and UNDP implemented SLM project. Additional composting sites have been established through the College of Micronesia -Cooperative Research Extension. Currently, a national project is being undertaken to promote the use of dry litter piggery systems from the conventional use of water resources as means for cleaning pens. The dry litter systems abandon the use of water for cleaning, however, promotes the use of chipped materials which in turn are used for composting. This method is becoming popular among communities due to its significance to reduce water contamination and the promotion of sustainable organic waste utilization.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Our National Solid Waste Management Strategy is up for revision in 2020, however, we have begun to scrutinize the document to an updated version. The updated version should include a plan to reuse organic waste.

I. 3R Goals in Urban/Industrial Areas (3Rs in municipal solid waste)

Goal 3 Achieve significant **increase in recycling rate** of recyclables (e.g., plastic, paper, metal, etc.), by introducing policies and measures, and by setting up financial mechanisms and institutional frameworks involving relevant stakeholders (e.g., producers, consumers, recycling industry, users of recycled materials, etc.) and development of modern recycling industry.

Q-1 What is the recycling rate of various recyclables? (Please check the appropriate cell & add more waste streams as relevant for the country) In certain states, the recycling rate for Aluminum cans, PET bottles, and Glass bottles, have high rating since these are the types of recyclables that are part of their recycling programs.

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Ra	ite	Very High	High	Average	Poor	Recycling	Definition
		(>90%)	(>70%)	(50-~60%)	(<50%)	does not	of recycling
Туре						exist	rate*
Paper							
Plastic							
Metal							
Construction							
waste							
e-waste							
Aluminum		90%					

*Note: Please specify in the cell which of the following definitions(i.e., 1 or 2 or 3) is followed for recycling rate Definition 1: (collected recyclable waste)/(estimated generation of waste)

Definition 2: (volume of utilized recyclable waste)/(volume of raw material)

Definition 3: (volume of utilized recyclable waste)/(volume of collected waste for recycling)

Q-2 What specific policies are introduced at local and national level for prevention or reduction of waste streams – paper, plastic, metal, construction waste, e-waste?

State Solid Waste Regulations, Littering Laws, and Recycling Laws. Additionally, a recycling regulation was adopted to reduce certain recyclable items (aluminum cans, PET and Glass bottles and car batteries) in the waste streams. Paper, plastics, metal and construction waste are required by law to be disposed of at the landfill.

Q-3 What is the rate of resource recovery from various waste streams?

Rate		High	Average	Poor	Recycling	
Туре	(>90%)	(>70%)	(50-~60%)	(<50%)	does not exist	
Paper				\checkmark		
Plastic				✓		
Metal		✓				
Construction			✓			
waste						
e-waste					\checkmark	
Aluminum	✓					

(Please check the appropriate cell & add more waste streams as relevant for the country)

Q-4 What is the level of existence of resource recovery facilities/infrastructures in cities?

Level	Every Major	Few Major	Does not	Supportive	No supportive
	City	Cities only	exist	policy or	policy or
Туре				programmes	programmes
				exists	
Paper			\checkmark		
Plastic			\checkmark		
Metal		\checkmark			
Construction					

waste							
e-waste							
Aluminu	n						
I 3R Goals	in Urba	n/Industrial Area	s (3Rs	in munici	nal solid waste)		
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Goal 3	Achiev	e significant i	increase	e in recy	ycling rate o	f recyclables (e.g	g., plastic, paper,
	metal,	etc.), by intr	oducing	g policie	s and measu	res, and by sett	ing up financial
	mechai	nisms and in	stitution	al fram	eworks invol	ving relevant sta	akeholders (e.g.,
	produc	ers, consumer	s, recy	cling ind	dustry, users	of recycled mat	terials, etc.) and
	develo	pment of mode	rn recy	cling ind	ustry.	-	
Challeng	es (poli	cy/ institutiona	l/ techn	ological	/ financial) fa	ced in implement	tation:
A challen	ge that	the states face	is financ	cial assis	tance.	-	
						eveloped or unde	r development –
_		where relevan	_		•	•	-
The curre	ent proj	ject that addr	esses th	ne 3R in	the FSM is	J-PRISM under	JICA. There are
recycling	program	n legislations a	and dry	litter pro	grams that p	romote the 3R as	well.
Importan	t polici	es/programme	es/proje	cts/maste	er plans the	government plan	ns to undertake
within ne.	xt five y	vears (2016~20	(21)		-		
States are	e in the	process of stre	engthen	ing their	recycling sys	tems and effectiv	e legislations are
being prop	posed a	t the moment.					
Is this Go	al relev	ant for your c	ountry?	🛛 🗆 Hig	ghly 🗆 P	Partially	□ Not at all
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 \Box Not at all

I. 3R Goals in Urban/Industrial Areas (3Rs in municipal solid waste)

Goal 4 Build sustainable cities /green cities by encouraging "zero waste" through sound policies, strategies, institutional mechanisms, and multi - stakeholder partnerships (giving specific importance to private sector involvement) with a primary goal of waste minimization

Q-1 What specific waste management policies and programmes are introduced to encourage private sector participation in municipal waste management?

The idea of partnership between the public and private sector is not new; in fact, the government includes the private sector in its consultations and recognizes their relationship as inherent. For example, the private sector has partnered with the government in waste collection, recycling, waste to energy, landfill development and management, and composting activities.

Q-2 What are the major waste management areas that have strong involvement of private and business sector? (Please check appropriate boxes and add other areas if not listed below)

- \Box waste collection
- \Box resource recovery
- □ waste recycling
- \Box waste to energy, composting, etc.
- \Box PPP projects in waste sector

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: Some of the challenges include a lack of clear policies on roles between the private and public sectors, effective institutional arrangements, as well as lack of technological instruments to carry out necessary functions, and a viable funding mechanism to support on-going work to minimize waste. Specifically, Collection systems are inadequately operational due to financing schemes for collections and collection equipments. Rates for cost of collection are insufficient to sustain operations, and collection fees are not fully enforced. Users of collection system pays to municipal treasury directly. Collection is only provided to communities that pay for waste collection. Collection equipment and vehicles often break down rapidly and due to maintenance costs, repair is often delayed, causing collection schedules to be halted.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

A zero-waste policy integrated into our National Environment Act

Goal 5 Encourage the **private sector**, including small-and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to implement measures to increase **resource efficiency and productivity**, creation of decent work and to improve environmentally-friendly practices through applying environmental standards, clean technologies, and cleaner production.

Q-1 What are the major clean technology related policies aiming to increase energy and resource efficiency of SMEs?

The national government has in place an Energy Policy that addresses energy efficiency, bio-gas and compost efforts.

Q-2 What are the capacity building programmes currently in place to build the technical capacity of SMEs in 3R areas?

There are no programs in place, however, on-going collaboration with regional partners allow us to participate in trainings and workshops.

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

Technological and financial means to build technical capacity

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Pilot Bio-gas projects, community compost projects throughout the communities

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Increase participation of private sector in pilot projects and other ventures to implement measures to increase resource efficiency and productivity.

I. 3R Goals in Urban/Industrial Areas (3Rs in Industrial waste)
Goal 6 Promote the greening of the value chain by encouraging industries and associated suppliers and vendors in socially responsible and inclusive ways.
Q-1 What percent of companies and industries have introduced green accounting and
voluntary environmental performance evaluation (Ref: ISO 14000)?
$\Box \text{ Very High } (>90\%)$
$\Box \operatorname{High}(>70\%)$
$\Box \text{ Average } (50$
□ Low or not satisfactory (< 50%)
□ None
Q-2 What percent of companies and industries have introduced social accounting (Ref: SA 8000) in consultation with their workers?
\Box Very High (> 90%)
\square High (>70%)
$\square \text{ Average } (5070\%)$
\Box Low or not satisfactory (< 50%)
□ None
Q 3 Does government have a programme for promoting greening of the value chain? What specific policies, programmes and incentives are introduced to promote greening of value chain? This concept has not been introduced to our country yet.
Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation:
Not applicable
Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development –
include websites where relevant
Not applicable
Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)
Not applicable
<i>Is this Goal relevant for your country</i> ? Highly Partially Not at all

Goal 7 Promote **industrial symbiosis** (i.e., recycling of waste from one industry as a resource for another), by providing relevant incentives and support.

Q-1 Does your government have policies and programmes promoting industrial symbiosis in industrial parks or zones? What specific policies, programmes and incentives are introduced to promote industrial symbiosis?

There are no specific policies and programs on promoting industrial symbiosis in industrial parks or zones as there are no industries. However, among the small businesses on island, the recycling of waste from one business to another is not a new concept to islanders as it can be seen practiced when a business wants to reuse an item from the other.

Q-2 How many eco-industrial parks or zones or the like, which is supported by the government, are there in the country?

Most of our parks are open spaced, natural environments.

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

This idea has not been formally introduced to FSM just yet.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Not applicable

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

□ Partially

Not applicable

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly

□ Not at all

Goal 8 Build **local capacity** of both current and future practitioners, to enable the private sector (including SMEs) to obtain the necessary knowledge and technical skills to foster green industry and create decent, productive work.

Q-1 How many dedicated training facilities or centers are there to cater the needs of SMEs and practitioners in the areas of cleaner production, resource efficiency and environment-friendly technologies, etc.?

Currently, there are no training facilities or centers that cater to the needs of SMEs, however through collaboration with our international and regional partners, we have built our local capacity through trainings overseas and on island.

Q-2 Please provide an indicative figure on annual government (US \$) expenditure on building technical capacity of SMEs and practitioners in the areas of cleaner production, resource efficiency and environment-friendly technologies, etc.? An indicative figure on annual government expenditure on building capacity of SMEs and so forth is an estimated \$50,000, but we also engage in training programs with our regional partners in environment from JICA and SPREP where they bear the costs for traveling and lodging.

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

A challenge for FSM has been funding to support costs of training travel expenses, and sometimes equipment for utilization.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

There is still a need to develop programs to build capacity in relevant areas.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly

□ Partially

Goal 9 Develop proper **classification and inventory of hazardous waste** as a prerequisite towards sound management of such waste.

Q-1 Is there a systematic classification of hazardous waste? If so, please attach. □ Yes □ No

Q-2 What specific rules and regulations are introduced to separate, store, treat, transportation and disposal of hazardous waste?

Currently, the national government is guided by its Strategic Development Plan, Regulations on transboundary movement of hazardous waste, and State POPs (Persistent Organic Pollutants) Regulations that address some aspects of treating and storing hazardous waste. Additionally,

the State EPAs/KIRMA operate laboratories that are guided by standard operating procedures.

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: Challenges include the necessary funding to dispose hazardous waste.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Through the GEFPAS UPOPs Project under SPREP, we were able to implement a chemical management training (2016) and strengthen our objectives through the development of a National Guidance and Action Plan for Chemical management in the FSM.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

It is hoped that FSM will be given the opportunity to develop a chemical management strategy, and train the necessary personnel.

II. 3R Goals in Rural Areas

Goal 10 Reduce losses in the overall food supply chain (production, post harvesting and storage, processing and packaging, distribution), leading to reduction of waste while increasing the quantity and improving the quality of products reaching consumers.

Q-1 What specific policies, rules and regulations, including awareness programmes, are introduced to minimize food or crop waste? There are no specific policies, rules, and regulations on food or crop waste as we have not had any major problems with food waste as they are normally fed to the animals. However, some states have developed Food Standard regulations and conducted consumer education on food quality, and trained food industry employees.

Q-2 Is there any continuing education services or awareness programmes for the farmers or agricultural marketing associations on reduction of crop wastes for increased food security? Much of the food waste are reused or given to animals, however, in some states there is an agriculture extension program that aims to provide awareness on increased food security.

Q-3 What is the average wastage of crops or agricultural produce between farms to consumers, if there is a study in your country?

 \Box Very High (> 20~ 30%)

□ High (10~20%)

 \Box Medium (5~10%)

Low (< 5%)

 \Box Negligible (<1%)

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

Not applicable

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Not applicable

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

 \Box Partially

Not applicable

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly

II. 3R Goals in Rural Areas

Goal 11 Promote full scale **use of agricultural biomass waste and livestock waste** through reuse and/or recycle measures as appropriate, to achieve a number of co - benefits including GHG emission reduction, energy security, sustainable livelihoods in rural areas and poverty reduction, among others.

Q-1 How much amount of -(a) agricultural biomass waste and (b) livestock waste are grossly generated per annum? In the FSM, there is currently no industry that produces biomass waste. The coconut industry on the islands operate on a small scale hence there is not enough biomass waste that can be generated to justify biomass combustion.

Q-2 How are most of the agricultural biomass wastes utilized or treated? (Please check all appropriate boxes)

- □ as secondary raw material input (for paper, bioplastic, furniture, etc.)
- □ biogas/electricity generation
- □ composts/fertilizers
- □ mostly left unutilized or open dumped
- \square mostly open burned
- Not applicable

Q-3 What specific policies, guidelines, and technologies are introduced for efficient utilization of agricultural biomass waste and livestock waste as a secondary material inputs towards full scale economic benefits? Relevant websites could be shared for additional information.

In our nation's sustainable development policy document under the Agriculture Sector, Strategic Goal # 4 addresses the need to promote environmentally sound and sustainable production. This is to manage invasive species and discourage slash and burn farming and deforestation.

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

The challenge remains to address environment sustainability, build capacity, and the establishment of a financial mechanism.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

We are guided by our nation's policy document on sustainable development and supported by a National Agriculture policy and state agriculture plans and strategies that have yet to address agriculture biomass waste. A past agriculture project facilitated by the national government was PASAP (The Pacific Adaptation Strategy Assistance Program). The project analyzed the impacts of Climate Change and identified measures to enhance the resilience of food systems.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

There is a need to update the Agriculture Policy with an emphasis on including an analysis of agriculture biomass waste in today's society.

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly

y \Box Partially

III.	3R	Goals	for	New	and	Emerging	Wastes
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Goal 12	Strengthen regional, national, and local efforts to address the issue of waste , in particular plastics in the marine and coastal environment.
Q-1 What	specific policies and regulations are in place to address the issue of plastic wastes
	and marine environment?
FSM is m	andated by our nation's Environmental Act to " to protect the environment, human health,
welfare, and	I safety and to abate, control, and prohibit pollution or contamination of air, land, and water, in
accordance	with this title and with the regulations adopted and promulgated pursuant to this title, including
measures un	dertaken to prohibit or regulate the testing, storage, use, disposal, import and export of radioactive,
toxic chemic	cal, or other harmful substances." This is supported through the states' littering laws and campaigns
against litter	ing plastics on the shore and in the ocean. Currently, regulations in one of the states are being adopted
to ban impo	ortation of plastic shopping bags. Future consideration is in development for banning of styro-foam
items. In oth	her states, there are Biodegradable plastic bag laws, and littering laws in place. Additionally, the states
have regulat	ions that address Marine and Fresh Water Quality and "No Plastic" Laws.
~	<i>extent issue of plastic waste is considered in integrated coastal zone management</i> (Please check the appropriate box)
□ Very m	uch \Box Somehow \Box Not at all
~	se provide a list of centre of excellences or dedicated scientific and research
	nes established to address the impacts of micro-plastic participles (<5 mm) on coastal
	te species? If yes, please provide relevant websites. partner to the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Program and from time
-	agages in its Pollution Control activities centered on addressing plastics on coastal
	marine species.
	s (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:
-	of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development –
	ebsites where relevant
	campaigns throughout the states, community shoreline clean-ups, etc
-	policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake ct five years (2016~2021)
Not applic	
	al relevant for your country? Highly Partially Not at all

30%

30%

20%

III. 3R Goals for New and Emerging Wastes

Washing machines

Air conditioners

Others...

Goal 13 Ensure environmentally-sound management of e-waste at all stages, including collection, storage, transportation, recovery, recycling, treatment, and disposal with appropriate consideration for working conditions, including health and safety aspects of those involved.

Q-1 How do people usually recycle their e-waste (waste electrical and electronic equipment)? (Please check the appropriate box in order of priority by filling in numbers like 1, 2, 3, 4,....etc., for example 1 => Highest priority)

Check if applicable	Number in priority order	
✓	3	Take to recycling center / resource recovery facilities
✓	1	Take to landfill
		Take to the retailer
		Take to local charity for re-use
		Take to second-hand shop for re-use
		Ship back to the manufacturer
		Ship back to the manufacturer
		Recycle in another country
		Do not know how people dispose
\checkmark	2	Store

Q-2 What specific policies and regulations are in place to ensure health and safety aspects of those involved in e-waste management (handling/sorting/resource recovery/recycling)?

This is an area that needs further work. It is hoped that in the future, FSM can be provided another opportunity to assess its e-waste issues.

Q-3 How much amount of e-waste is generated and recycled per year?						
Type of e-waste	Estimated total volume generated (ton/year)	% of collected by permitted recycler	% of volume recycled in collected			
Television		0	30%			
Computer		0	50%			
Mobile phone		0	30%			
Refrigerators		0	30%			

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

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0

The challenge is that in our modern society, we are importing so much technology, yet we do not have the proper means and places to dismantle, recycle and store e-waste. Our current landfills have also become the sanctuaries for e-waste, and the personnel have also become e-waste handlers, not just waste management workers. Hence, there is a need to build capacity in this area, as well as a funding mechanism to support the activities of a proposed e-waste handling company.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Through a SPREP Project, an e-waste survey is being conducted to determine the generation and composition of e-waste.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021) An E-waste policy is necessary.

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III. 3R Goa	als for New and Emerging Wastes							
Goal 13	Goal 13 Ensure environmentally-sound management of e-waste at all stages, including collection, storage, transportation, recovery, recycling, treatment, and disposal with appropriate consideration for working conditions, including health and safety aspects of those involved.							
Is this Go	<i>Pal relevant for your country</i> ? Highly Partially Not at all							
III. 3R Goa	als for New and Emerging Wastes							
Goal 14	Effective enforcement of established mechanisms for preventing illegal and inappropriate export and import of waste, including transit trade, especially of hazardous waste and e-waste.							
Q-1 What specific policies and regulations are introduced to prevent illegal import and export								
prevent il Regulatio	Q-1 What specific policies and regulations are introduced to prevent illegal import and export of <i>e-waste</i> ? We are mandated by our Environmental Act to develop policies and regulations to prevent illegal import and export of hazardous waste which includes e-waste, and through our Regulation on Transboundary movement of hazardous waste, we are obligated to comply with all the sections of the regulations on illegal importation and export of hazardous waste.							

Q-2 Do you have required number of well-trained custom or other officials (for airport. sea-port, land border control, etc.) to track illegal export and import of e-waste?

 \Box Yes \Box No

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: Financial assistance is challenge to address.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Continue to support and strengthen activities that meet our obligations under the Basel and Waigani Conventions.

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly

□ Partially

III. 3R Goal	s for New and Emerging Wastes
Goal 15	Progressive implementation of "extended producer responsibility (EPR)" by encouraging producers, importers, and retailers and other relevant stakeholders to fulfill their responsibilities for collecting, recycling, and disposal of new and emerging waste streams, in particular e-waste.
	<i>specific Extended Product Responsibility (EPR) policies are enacted or introduced?</i> <i>none, then skip Q-2 below)</i> At the moment, we do not have any policies on EPR.
<i>Q-2 Please</i> -Vehicles -Tires	e provide a list of products and product groups targeted by EPR nationally?
-E-waste	
0	<i>s (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation</i> et to strengthen the concept to relevant stakeholders for consideration.
include we	of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – ebsites where relevant
-	policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake at five years (2016~2021)
	al relevant for your country? Highly Partially Not at all

III. 3R Goals for New and Emerging Wastes

Goal 16 Promote the 3R concept in health-care waste management.

Q-1 What specific policies and regulations are in place for healthcare waste management?

We do not have specific policies and regulations for healthcare waste management as health care waste is handled by the Department of Health Services. However, the national and state health services department have guidelines on healthcare waste management.

Q-2 What is the total annual government expenditure towards healthcare waste management (US\$ per year)? An estimate of \$20,000 per state. There are four states in the FSM.

Q-3 List the agencies or authorities responsible for healthcare waste management.

The agencies or authorities responsible for healthcare waste management in the FSM include the department of health services, state department of health services, dispensaries, and private clinics.

Q-4 What is the common practice for disposal of healthcare wastes?

(Please check the appropriate box and add if any other practice followed)

 \Box open dumping (untreated)

□ open burning (untreated)

□ ordinary landfilling (untreated)

✓ □ sanitary landfilling (treated)

Low cost small scale incineration (do not meet air emission standards)

✓ □ Highly controlled air incineration (dedicated/modern medical waste incinerators)

□ Other methods (please specify names:

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

There is a need to strengthen coordination efforts among relevant departments and agencies to address health care waste issues. Also, there is a need for additional funding to procure relevant equipment (trolleys, PPE, etc) and technological systems (incinerator) to combat healthcare waste issues.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Our current national and state waste management strategies acknowledge medical waste issues and governments have responded to healthcare issues through SPREP's PACWASTE Project. Through this project, baseline surveys were developed, healthcare waste trainings were implemented, an incinerator was provided, and a way forward to improve the present conditions of the hospitals was proposed. It was proposed to develop a Health Care waste management strategy in the near future.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

The development of a health care waste strategy is essential, along with specific policies.

Is this Goal relevant for your country?	🗆 Highly	\Box Partially	□ Not at all
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Goal 17 Improve **resource efficiency and resource productivity** by greening jobs nation - wide in all economic and development sectors.

Q-1 What specific policies and guidelines are introduced for product standard (towards quality/durability, environment/eco-friendliness, labor standard)? We have not introduced this concept nationally and locally.

Q-2 What specific energy efficiency schemes are introduced for production, manufacturing and service sector?

Not applicable

Q-3 What specific policies are introduced to create green jobs in product and waste sector? Not applicable

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: Not applicable

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Not applicable

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Not applicable

Goal 18 Maximize co-benefits from waste management technologies for local air, water, oceans, and soil pollution and global climate change.

Q-1 Please share how climate mitigation is addressed in waste management policies and programmes for co-benefits?

Climate Mitigation has not been addressed in waste management policies, yet through some pollution regulations, the states are required to reduce air pollution by minimizing the burning of waste.

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

Effective coordination among relevant stakeholders to align climate change issues and waste management is needed. Additionally, there is a low volume of green house gases produced

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Composting efforts are on-going. This has replaced burning of agriculture waste.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

There is a plan to address climate mitigation in waste management documents.

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly Partially Not at all

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Goal 19 Enhance national and local knowledge base and research network on the 3Rs and resource efficiency, through facilitating effective and dynamic linkages among all stakeholders, including governments, municipalities, the private sector, and scientific communities.

Q-1 What specific policies are introduced to encourage triangular cooperation between government, scientific & research institutions and private/business sector in 3R areas? FSM's national and state solid waste management strategies and action plans support the 3R concepts in all sectors-business, municipal, and household levels.

Q-2 Please share the number and list of dedicated scientific institution, or coordinating centers in the areas of 3Rs (e.g., waste minimization technologies, eco-products, cleaner production, recycling technologies, industrial symbiosis, resource efficiency, etc.)? In each of the states, the Environmental Protection Agencies carry out 3R activities in collaboration with local businesses, relevant government departments and agencies, schools, communities, regional and international partners.

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation In order to promote 3R activities in the FSM, there is a need to enforce legislations and make coordination efforts among relevant stakeholders more effective. There is also the lack of local resources to provide education and cooperative arrangements.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant. Through SPREP's projects on 3Rs, FSM has strengthened some of its recycling efforts.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly Partially

IV. 3R Goal	s for Cross-cutting Issues								
Goal 20	Strengthen multi-stakeholder partnerships among governments, civil society, and the private sector in raising public awareness and advancing the 3Rs, sustainable consumption and production, and resource efficiency, leading to the behavioral change of the citizens and change in production patterns.								
~	central government have			-					
formulate 3R-related policies and regulations? Which stakeholders are involved in the									
-	(Please <u>check all</u> applicable								
□ NGOs		🗆 Indus	strial Association						
□ Local Government			lemic Institution						
□ Others	, please add/specify (State	EPAs/KIRMA)							
Q-2 What is the level of NGOs' involvement in 3R, sustainable production and consumption,									
	fficiency related promotio			<i>'</i>					
\Box Very h	igh 🗆 Moderate	\Box Low		Almost Negligible					
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Q-3 What is the level of citizens' awareness on beneficial aspects of 3R, sustainable production and consumption and resource efficiency. (Please check the appropriate box)									
\Box Very h	-			Almost Negligible					
				Annost Negligible					
Challongo	s (notice)/institutional/too	hnological/financi	al) faced in implem	ontation					
Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation: There is a need for a platform that will raise awareness among the general public and									
strengthen the coordination among relevant stakeholders.									
Examples	of pilot projects, master	plans and/or polici	es developed or un	nder development –					
-	ebsites where relevant								
There have been numerous projects that FSM has participated in through SPREP and JICA.									
However, there is a need for additional funding to propel activities forward. Additionally, the									
	e established school enviro	nmental clubs and o	community outreac	h programs that are					
	the promotion of the 3Rs.	inatalmastar plans	the covernment	lang to undortake					
Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)									
	<i>i jive years (2010~2021)</i>								
Strengther	3R concept in Waste manag	ement Strategy, and	expand 3R Program	s to outlying islands.					
Is this God	ıl relevant for your countr	y? 🛛 Highly	□ Partially	□ Not at all					

Goal 21 Integrate the 3Rs in formal education at primary, secondary, and tertiary levels as well as non-formal education such as community learning and development, in accordance with Education for Sustainable Development.

Q-1 Provide a list of formal programmes that addresses areas of 3R and resource efficiency as part of the academic curriculum?

-3R Wire Bin System: Yap State

-Green Promo Bag Campaign: Yap State

-Community Surveys on waste: All States

-3R Outreach programs in elementary schools: All States

-Environmental Club: Pohnpei State

-Litterbug Project: Chuuk State

-SPIFFY the Garbage Truck: Kosrae State

***The 3Rs concept is being taught in school systems. At times, visitation by government authorities is conducted to present and discuss the importance of the 3Rs. The 3Rs and other waste management initiatives are incorporated generally into the science curriculum.

Q-2 Please provide an overview of the Government policies and programmes to promote community learning and development (non-formal education) on 3R and sustainable waste management.

Not applicable

Q-3 Please provide a list of academic and research institutions offering PhD programmes in the areas of 3Rs and resource efficiency? Not applicable

Q-4 Please provide a list of management institutions (offering BBA / MBA courses) which have integrated resource efficiency and life cycle assessment (LCA) as part of their curriculum or course development?

Not applicable

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

There is a need for a funding mechanism to be established to support on-going 3R activities for each of the states.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Plan to develop the promotion of community learning and development (non-formal education) on 3R and sustainable waste management

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021) Not applicable

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly

□ Partially

 \Box Not at all

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Goal 22 Integrate the 3R concept in relevant policies and programmes, of key mand agencies such as Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Agriculture, Fore Fisheries, Ministry of Industry, Ministry of Trade and Commerce, Min Energy, Ministry of Water Resources, Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Ministry of Construction, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Labor, Ministry and Urban Development, Ministry of Education, and other relevant m towards transitioning to a resource-efficient and zero waste society.	estry and histry of Health, of Land			
Q-1 Please list the name of the Ministries and major Government Agencies wh	nich are			
promoting 3R and resource efficiency as part of their policy, planning and develo	pmental			
activities at local and national level.				
-Department of Environment, Climate Change, and Emergency Management				
-Department of Resources and Development				
-Department of Education				
-Department of Health and Social Affairs				
-State EPAs/KIRMA				
-State Transportation and Infrastructure/Public Works -State Health Services				
-State Health Services -Private recycling companies contracted by state governments				
-Non-governmental organizations				
Q-2 What type of coordination mechanism are there among ministries and agenci	es for a			
<i>g-2</i> what type of coordination mechanism are there among ministries and agenet resource efficient economic development?	cs jor a			
Official regular coordination meeting among ministries and agencies				
 Official ad-hoc coordination meeting among ministries and agencies 				
□ Informal meeting among ministries and agencies				
 Other coordination mechanisms (please add/specify) 				
Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation:				
Generally, funding is always a challenge and there is limited capacity to conduct 3Rs pr	ograms.			
Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development –				
include websites where relevant				
A Plan to establish a zero waste society.				
Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to un within next five years (2016~2021) Planning stages	ıdertake			

Goal 23 Promote green and socially responsible procurement at all levels, thereby creating and expanding 3R industries and markets for environmentally-friendly goods and products.

Q-1 What specific policies are introduced to promote green and social responsible procurement?

FSM is a small country that does not produce goods. We do not have manufacturing companies that manufacture goods. We promote green on a small scale using our hands to weave a basket or build wooden and thatch roof housing.

Q-2 Please provide details of eco-labelling schemes of your country.

Not applicable

Q-3 Please provide a list of criteria for eco-labeled products and services in your country.

Not applicable

Q-4 Please provide the list of Ministries and major Government Agencies which have adopted green procurement policy.

Not applicable

Q-5 What % of municipalities have adopted the green procurement policy? 0%

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: Not applicable

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant Not applicable

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021) Not applicable

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Goal 24 Phase out harmful subsidies that favor unsustainable use of resources (raw materials and water) and energy, and channel the freed funds in support of implementing the 3Rs and efforts to improve resource/energy efficiency.
Q-1 Are there any government subsidy programmes that directly or indirectly favor unsustainable use of resources (raw materials, water, and energy)? If so, please provide a list of such programmes along with the responsible Ministry or Agency administering and implementing it. Not applicable
<i>Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation:</i> Not applicable
<i>Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant</i> Not applicable
Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021) Not applicable
<i>Is this Goal relevant for your country</i> ? Highly Partially Not at all

Goal 25 Protect public health and ecosystems, including freshwater and marine resources by eliminating illegal activities of open dumping, including dumping in the oceans, and controlling open burning in both urban and rural areas.

Q-1 Is waste management a public health priority in your country? Waste Management is a public health priority.

Q-2 What are the rules and regulations to prevent open dumping and open burning of waste? There are regulations against open dumping and open burning of waste; there are fines associated to their non-compliance. Other laws include state littering laws and POPs regulations.

Q-3 Rank the five most important rivers in terms of water quality (BOD values) passing through major cities and urban areas?

The only state in the Federated States of Micronesia that has rivers is Pohnpei State, hence the list includes the following: Nan pil river, Kepirohi river, lehn mesi, seidonogawa river, Daini river.

Q-4 What are the specific laws, rules and regulations in place to prevent littering in river and water bodies?

-Marine and Fresh Water Quality Regulations

-Littering Regulations

-Pollution Regulations

-Regulations for Environmental Requirements for Transport Vessel

Q-5 What are the specific laws, rules and regulations in place to prevent marine littering?

FSM is mandated by its **Environmental Declaration in its Constitution** to protect its waters from any hazardous materials. Furthermore, FSM is obligated by its **Environmental Act** to protect the environment, human health, welfare, and safety and to abate, control, and prohibit pollution or contamination of air, land, and water, in accordance with this title and with the regulations adopted and promulgated pursuant to this title, including measures undertaken to prohibit or regulate the testing, storage, use, disposal, import and export of radioactive, toxic chemical, or other harmful substances."

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: Collaborative efforts among relevant stakeholders need to be strengthened.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

PACPOL project gave FSM the opportunity to develop a strategy and address its marine pollution issues.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021) A plan to integrate marine pollution issues in the SWM ActionPlan.

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Goal 26	Facilitate the international circulation of re-usable and recyclable resources as well as remanufactured products as mutually agreed by countries and in accordance with international and national laws, especially the Basel Convention, which contributes to the reduction of negative environmental impacts and the effective management of resources.
Q-1 What	are major recycling industries in your country?
FSM opera	ates small scale recycling centers; there are four main recycling centers.
FSM Reg	e specify the regulation on transboundary movement of hazardous waste. ulation on Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Waste and to ban POPs in e with the Basel, Waigani, and Stockholm Convention.
	<i>ur government has restriction on import of non-hazardous waste or quality control zardous waste, please list it up.</i> able
Q-4 Does	your government restrict import of remanufactured goods?
Not applic	able
	your government regard remanufactured goods as secondhand goods, and regulate adhand goods?
Not applic	able
Challenge	s (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation:
include we	of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – ebsites where relevant party to the Waigani and Basel Conventions which obligate us to comply with their
terms.	
within nex	<i>policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake</i> <i>ct five years (2016~2020)</i> plan to organize a workshop on the convention obligations.
Is this God	al relevant for your country? Highly Partially Not at all

Goal 27 Promote data collection, compilation and sharing, public announcement and application of statistics on wastes and the 3Rs, to understand the state of waste management and resource efficiency.

Q-1 Please give an overview on availability of various data and information on material flow and waste management by checking (X or \checkmark) the appropriate boxes. (Please respond on both "Data Availability" and Monitoring Base")

Data Type	Data Availability			Monitoring Base	
	Good	Very limited	No data exist	Good	Not good
Waste generation	✓				
Material flow		✓			
Cyclical use			✓		
Amount of final disposal		✓			
Disposal to land		~			
Direct disposal to water		~			
Import of waste	✓				
Export of waste					
Total landfilled waste		~			
Import of recyclables	~				
Export of recyclables	~				
Hazardous waste generation (solid, liquid, sludge, etc.)		Y			
e-waste generation		✓			

(Please add any other date type relevant to your country)

Q-2 What are the current and planned government policies and programmes to strengthen data and information availability in waste sector?

Waste management is a priority in the FSM, hence there is a need to strengthen its data and information availability. FSM has collaborated with SPREP to collect the necessary data and information on relevant waste components and that has proven to be successful, but there is a need to update and provide a more organized system in the collection and analysis of such data.

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: Capacity building in the area of data analysis

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

SPREP's INFORM Project is currently in place to address data collection and analysis for environment. FSM is a member of the project.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021) Not applicable

Goal 28 Promote heat recovery (waste-to-energy), in case wastes are not re-usable or recyclable and proper and sustainable management is secured.

Q-1 What are the government policies and programmes, including incentives, for waste-to-energy programmes? This concept has not been fully developed in the FSM.

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: Not applicable

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant. Not applicable

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021) Not applicable

Not applicable

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly

 \Box Partially

 \Box Not at all

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Goal 29 Promote overall regional cooperation and multi-stakeholder partnerships based on different levels of linkages such as government-to-government, municipality-to-municipality, industry-to-industry, (research) institute-to-institute, and NGO-to-NGO. Encourage technology transfer and technical and financial supports for 3Rs from developed countries to less developed countries.

Q-1 Please provide a list of on-going bilateral/multi-lateral technical cooperation in 3R areas?

1. J-PRISM through JICA: There exists a Bilateral cooperation amongst the FSM and the Japan International Cooperative Agency (JICA) to conduct planning, awareness and management of solid waste including 3Rs.

Q-2 What actions are being taken to promote inter-municipal or regional cooperation in areas of waste exchanges, resource recovery, recycling, waste-to-energy and trade of recyclables?

Five components are addressed through the JPRISM project: Policy, Awareness, Landfill management, Collection, Disposal, and Recycling. Through the project, technology transfer and technical and financial support for 3R have been implemented from state to local communities. Essentially, Cooperative measures are being implemented on an ad-hoc basis to promote resource recovery on municipal generation of waste materials.

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

Training needs have to be addressed at the local level. There is still a need to build capacity for 3R activities at the local level.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

State pilot projects on landfill management, waste disposal, and recycling have been implemented.

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Not applicable

Goal 30 Pay special attention to issues and challenges faced by developing countries including SIDS in achieving sustainable development.

Q-1 Please describe any past and on-going cooperation with SIDS (Small Island Developing States) countries in 3R areas.

FSM has invested in advancing its Micronesia Challenge efforts through cooperation with SIDS. Micronesia Challenge is a commitment made by the CNMI, Palau, Guam, RMI, and FSM to conserve at least 30% of the near-shore marine resources and 20% of the terrestrial resources across Micronesia by 2020.

Q-2 Please list 3R related projects linked to climate change, biodiversity, disaster management and sustainable tourism. (This is to be reported by SIDS countries only) Unknown

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation:

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Is this Goal relevant for your country? Highly

□ Partially

 \Box Not at all

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Goal 31 Promote 3R + "Return" concept which stands for Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and "Return" where recycling is difficult due to the absence of available recycling industries and limited scale of markets in SIDS, especially in the Pacific Region.

Q-1 What specific policies, programme, including pilot projects, are implemented to promote 3R+ "Return" concept? (This is to be reported by SIDS countries only)

Currently, through JICA's five year project J-PRISM, the 3R + Return concept has been introduced to the states under the Recycling component. There is an emphasis on strengthening the recycling systems at the state level and promoting the Return of certain goods. More importantly, there are Recycling programs for certain recyclables and littering laws in place.

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: FSM does not have recycling industries, and there is a limited scale of markets available.

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant

Not applicable

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Plan to strengthen recycling systems and be exposed to markets that can assist in our return efforts

Goal 32 Complete elimination of illegal engagement of children in the **informal waste sector** and gradually **improve** the working conditions and livelihood security, including **mandatory provision of health insurance**, for all workers.

Q-1 What is the approximate market size (in US\$) of the informal waste sector? No available data.

Q-2 Number of annual labor inspections in waste sector? Unknown

Q-3 Is health insurance a mandatory to all informal workers in waste sector by law? No

Q-4 What specific policies and enforcement mechanisms are in place to prevent illegal engagement of children in waste sector? Everyone is encouraged to be in school until the consenting age.

Q-5 Number of landfill sites accessible to register waste pickers? Four landfill sites--one in each state

Q-6 Average life span of informal waste workers? Vary by socio-economic status

Q-7 Any government vaccination programmes for informal waste workers? Not specifically for informal waste workers, but for the public in general.

Q-8 Any public awareness programmes for informal waste workers on health and safety measures? No

Challenges (policy/ institutional/ technological/ financial) faced in implementation: There is no policy on the matter

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development – include websites where relevant Not applicable

Important policies/programs/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within next five years (2016~2021)

Plan to implement safety procedures for waste pickers and recycling operators and their staff.

Promote 3Rs taking into account gender considerations. Goal 33

O-1 Please give a brief assessment on how the national, provincial and municipal governments incorporate gender considerations in waste reduction, reuse and recycle.

FSM acknowledges gender visibility in all realms: elderly, youth, and the sexes. However, FSM's culture dictates the roles of men and women distinctly. In general, Gender consideration is equal in terms of waste reduction activities. In fact, all community members are involved in the waste reduction process from means of resource recovery to segregation to waste disposal.

Challenges (policy/institutional/technological/financial) faced in implementation: Not applicable

Examples of pilot projects, master plans and/or policies developed or under development include websites where relevant

Not applicable

Important policies/programmes/projects/master plans the government plans to undertake within *next five years (2016~2021)*

A gender statement can be considered for inclusion in the national and state strategies. Build capacity for all concerned depending on context. Increase internship programs for youth.

Is this Goal relevant for your country? □ Highly □ Partially

 \Box Not at all

Q- Please provide a brief comprehensive summary of important 3R and resource efficiency policies /programmes/ projects/ master plans of your country.

3R is certainly an important concept to be applied because it spells out an effective waste management strategy. Throughout the Federated States of Micronesia, waste management is one of the country's main priorities as it contributes to the prevention of health risks. Managing waste is about living in a clean environment. The 3R concept has become a part of FSM's waste management efforts, however, the implementation of a certain legislation, and a waste management curriculum throughout the school system are necessary actions that need to be considered.

In today's modern world, FSM relies heavily on imports, and this has affected the peoples' lifestyles. The people rely more on abundance rather than on reduction measures causing waste management efforts to become ineffective. Hence, through the minimization of imported items such as plastic bottles, aluminum cans, styro-foam items, metals, and the like there will be a reduction of such waste. Therefore, the national and state governments must work collaboratively to develop and implement policies, laws, and regulations against importation of items that contribute to much waste. Furthermore, the need to advocate for a stronger RETURN system where the opportunity to return items or sell them to interested overseas companies must take place in order to contribute to the on-going efforts to minimize waste.

As population increases every year, waste is bound to be generated and multiply. However, through

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Goal 33 Promote 3Rs taking into account gender considerations.

education, efforts to manage waste can be strengthened. The need to integrate waste management concepts and activities through the school system curriculum is vital. Waste Management must be formally taught in schools in order to build capacity for waste management experts who will guide the populace towards the path of reducing, reusing, and recycling efforts.

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