

FY24 Work Plan - May 2023 to April 2024: Tonga - MID-YEAR Update at 31Oct2023

TA Area	Objective	Country	Outcome Targeted	Activity	May 2023 - April 2024 (in person-days)			Number of Missions/Activities	Updated Inputs at Oct 31, 2023 (in person-days)			Number of Missions/Activities	% Delivery	Delivery Status	Milestones	Comments	Planned Date	Experts					
					PFTAC resident advisors	ST experts	Total		PFTAC resident advisors	ST experts	Total												
Financial Sector Supervision	Develop/strengthen banking regulations and supervision frameworks	Tonga	Institutional structure and operational procedures for RBS enhanced/developed.	Training on -onsite examination of banks through attachments with other supervisory authorities	-	8	8	1	-	-	-	-	0%	Shift to FY25	Completion of on-site examination Training.	PFTAC Budget	Jul 31 - Aug 4, 2023	STX					
	Develop/strengthen cybersecurity regulations and prudential norms		Sound policies & processes to identify, measure, monitor and control cyber risks.	Training - On-site examination of a bank's cyber risk exposure	2	-	2	1	3	-	3	1	100%	Jun 12 - 16, 2023 (in-country)	Training in on-site examination of cyber risk is delivered.	PFTAC Budget for participants and HQ Budget for HQX	Jun 12 - 16, 2023	HQX					
Government Finance Statistics	Strengthen compilation and dissemination of fiscal statistics	Tonga	A new data set has been compiled and disseminated internally and/ or to the public	Reconciling GFS data sources and facilitating consolidation	-	15	15	1	12	-	12	1	0%	Nov 6 - 17, 2023 (in-country)	1.A full set of GFS tables for the budgetary subsector of the general government is compiled by the statistical authorities and disseminated at least on an annual basis.		Aug 28 - Sep 8, 2023	Moskalenko					
			Source data are adequate for the compilation of these macroeconomic statistics												2.A full set of GFS tables for the extrabudgetary and social security fund (if relevant) subsectors of the general government is compiled by the statistical authorities and disseminated on an annual basis.				3.A full set of GFS tables for the public corporations sector is compiled by the statistical authorities and disseminated on an annual basis.	4.The data sources for the budgetary subsector of central government enable the precise mapping of economic flows and stocks to the GFSM 2014 taxonomy, with only isolated exceptions.	5.Metadata (or detailed notes, communication from suppliers or similar) are available to identify instances where the conceptual adjustments to the values are required to bridge the source data to the GFSM 2014 framework.	6.Data on transactions (or stocks) excluded from the scope of the primary data sources, such as transactions in-kind (or financial liabilities other than government loans), are collected from supplementary sources.	7.Source data coverage (from one or multiple complimentary sources) enables to compile GFS for each sector and subsector consistently with the institutional unit classification, as determined under the GFSM 2014 framework.
			Methodological basis for the statistics follows internationally accepted standards, guidelines or good practices												8.The mapping of the source data to the GFSM 2014 taxonomy (such as a chart of accounts) is reviewed by the statistical authorities at least on an annual basis, to ensure it continues to meet the needs of GFS statistics and new activities are recorded under the appropriate categories.								
Real Sector Statistics	Strengthen compilation and dissemination of real sector statistics- national accounts	Tonga	Improved periodicity, timeliness, and consistency of data.	Maintaining Annual GDP Production	12	-	12	1	12	-	12	1	100%	Jun 1 - 15, 2023 (in-country)	Annual Estimate for 2020-21 prepared and QNA compiler better able to deliver annual accounts	The head of Economic Statistics & the Annual National Accounts Compiler have recently left leaving the Quarterly National Accounts Compiler to prepare the 2021-22 Annual Estimates	Jun 5 - 16, 2023	Powell					
			Improved periodicity, timeliness, and consistency of data.	Maintaining Annual GDP Production	-	-	-	-	12	-	12	1	0%	Mar 18 - 29, 2024 (in-country)				Powell					
Macroeconomic Programming and Analysis	Stronger analytical skills and better macroeconomic forecasting and policy analysis	Timor-Leste	Sound medium-term macroeconomic framework (inclusive of GDP and inflation, commodity prices, the external and monetary sectors, and fiscal aggregates).	Finalization of Macro-Fiscal Modeling	-	-	-	-	12	-	12	1	0%	Apr, 2024				Beaumont					
Revenue Administration	Strengthened revenue administration management and governance arrangements	Tonga	Authorities have a baseline understanding of the current state of the government's revenue administration, management, and governance arrangements and core revenue administration operations	Review reform progress	6	-	6	1	6	-	6	1	100%	Aug 14 - 18, 2023 (in-country)	Agreement with the authorities on recommendations to facilitate modern tax administration and what anticipated CD requirements will be	Consider impacts and needs post volcanic eruption and tsunami	Jul 10 - 14, 2023	Williams					
			Support functions enable more effective delivery of strategy and reforms	Develop Job Descriptions	-	-	-	-	-	19	19	1	0%	Nov 1 - 10, 2023 (in-country/ remote)		5 remote days		Lendon					
	Strengthened core tax administration functions	A larger proportion of taxpayers meet their filing obligations as required by law / A larger proportion of taxpayers meet their payment obligations as required by law	Debt and Returns Management	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%	FY25	Filing and payment timeliness improves	TA assistance requested by the authorities to improve current returns and payment compliance levels	FY25	Lendon					
		Audit and other verification programs more effectively ensure accuracy of reporting	Strengthen tax audit and POS	-	10	10	1	-	-	-	-	0%	Cancelled	Quality of audits improved	The authorities have requested TA to assist in building audit function and capability	Sep 4 - 15, 2023 (remote)	Ledua						
	Taxpayer services initiatives to support voluntary compliance are strengthened		Improving taxpayer services and communication- Taxpayer Services Charter and Strategy		-	-	-	-	-	17	17	1	100%	Sep 25 - Oct 6, 2023 (in-country)	Increase in voluntary compliance and decrease in number of taxpayer complaints	Assistance with improving taxpayer services requested by authorities	FY25	O'Keefe					

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>6</b>				
Updated Mid-FY24 Workplan:	57	36	93	8				
Delivered by Oct 31:	21	17	38	4				
Percentage of Revised Plan:	37%	47%	41%	50%				