



Yumi Toktok Treasury NEWSLETTER

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Ms. Napae Hurim (Deputy Secretary - Budget & Financial Management Wing), **Ms. Maryanne Maspok** (A/ Deputy Secretary - Strategy & Corporate Services Wing), **Mr. Andrew Oaeke** (Secretary) and **Mr. John Uware** (A/ Deputy Secretary - Economic Policy Wing) cutting the Easter Cake

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SPECIAL TREAT FOR TREASURY STAFF ON EASTER

Easter is the time of reflection, celebration and renewal for Christians around the World. In Papua New Guinea the Easter season holds a special importance for the many churches and Christians around the country to come together to observe the important religious holiday. As part of the Easter celebrations all staff of the department of Treasury attended a special fellowship and lunch hosted by Secretary Andrew Oaeke.

The special Easter celebrations were led with by the

Treasury Fellowship Group with a welcoming word of prayer, followed by hymns and concluded by the sharing of the Word of God by Mr Kila Ai.

Easter is a time to reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus Christ and the message of hope and renewal that his resurrection represents, that was the Easter message from Secretary Oaeke to all staff.

The event concluded by the cutting of the Easter cake by Secretary and the four deputies and the lunch.



Commonwealth Meridian Debt Management System Launched In Treasury

Mr. John Uware
A/ Deputy Secretary Economic Policy Wing

According to the Commonwealth Secretariat in recent years, the public debt management arena has undergone significant transformation and development including stronger emphasis on medium-term debt management strategy development, increasing awareness of risk management, growing importance of the management of contingent liabilities, new reporting standards and the need for improved transparency.

Given these changes in public debt management, as well as significant advancements in technology, the Commonwealth Secretariat's Debt Management Unit embarked on a project to develop a new public debt management system, Commonwealth Meridian, that incorporates advanced and improved functionalities to address emerging debt management requirements and takes advantage of the latest state-of-the-art technologies.

During the recent Debt Management System launch at the Department of Treasury, Acting Deputy Secretary Economic Policy Wing Mr. John Uware was on hand to witness the launching and spoke highly of the new debt management system and its benefits it will have on the country's debt management.

About Commonwealth Meridian

Commonwealth Meridian is a comprehensive solution that promotes effective and pro-active public debt management. It offers the following functions and features:

- Public and publicly guaranteed debt, lending portfolios and private sector external debt can be recorded, managed and analyzed;
- Customizable deployment of the solution in centralized, de-centralized and hybrid environments defined by member countries' IT and institutional infrastructure;
- Configurable around the delivery to key stakeholders, e.g. Ministry of Finance, Debt Management Office, Central Bank, various funding agencies and project implementing agencies, thus streamlining the information flow between the various entities;
- The ability to model any workflow arrangement and/or institutional structure for debt management;
- Provides flexibility in adding and maintaining a wide range of financing products including any future financing products through the use of instrument templates;
- Organized around a central repository of data from which key stakeholders can access information to ensure that real time data is always available even to remote offices;
- Driven by alerts and notifications, integrated with mail exchange systems to support the business workflow process;
- Fosters accountability and transparency through data driven work flow; and
- Integrates with external systems to provide straight-through processing and accurate data to stakeholders.

HUMAN RESOURCE (HR) CORNER

Information for awareness and compliance



RECREATION LEAVE REQUIREMENTS

When applying for recreation leave, observe the following requirements.

- You must serve for 2 years.
- You must lodge your leave application 2 – 3 months before the due date.
- Lodge your leave application with invoice from Air Niugini/Travel agents for those travelling back to their home Provinces for a break.
- If you and your spouse are both Public Servants, the husband will claim airfares for both parties and airfares granted shall be biennial return airfares to husband or wife's home province on alternating two years basis.
- In the event that your spouse is unemployed, you will claim for leave fares for both parties and fares granted will be biennial to husband or wife's home province on an alternating two years basis.
- You will be required to provide birth certificates or NID to confirm the birth of your children and spouse.
- Dependants must be below the age of 19 years to be eligible for airfares assistance.
- You will be given K2000.00 land and sea transport assistance.
- HRM will advise you of the leave period and resumption date.
- You must immediately complete a resumption form when you resume duty after leave.

STUDY LEAVE REQUIREMENTS

Officers must be reminded that if you wish to apply for full time studies within the country or overseas, follow these requirements. Take note of the short term training requirements as well.

Full time study requirements

- You must be a permanent officer with 2 years of service within the Department
- Apply for a study program listed in the training plan.
- You must obtain approval from your Divisional Head.
- Final approval to be granted by the Learning Development Committee or Secretary.
- You will be required to complete the necessary study requirements and refer to HRM.
- You will be on the payroll whilst on study, your position will remain vacant until you return.
- You will be required to provide your progressive results every end of each semester.
- If you wish to have your immediate family to accompany you for study, DoT will subsidize your dependants travel and allowances. You will be required to write and seek approval from DPM if you wish to take your family with you 6 weeks before your departure time.
- DoT will pay you study subsidy assistance of K20,000.00 per year.
- You will be required to write an academic report with your transcript and certificate copies to the Secretary after study.

Short term training.

- Apply for relevant courses for up-skilling.
- Apply for relevant courses related to the job.
- You must have acceptable work performance, attendance and punctuality.
- Approval from Branch/Divisional Heads.
- DoT to pay for the course fees.
- You will be required to write a course report to HRM and do a short presentation to your division on the benefit of the course to your line of duties.

HIGHER DUTIES ALLOWANCE (HDA) REQUIREMENTS

When applying for higher duties allowance, you must:

- Obtain approval from your Divisional Head.
- Payment of HDA is for more than 10 continuous working days not less.
- To apply for HDA,
 - ▶ you must provide the HDA form approved by your Divisional Head,
 - ▶ you must provide the approval to act on higher duties;
 - ▶ you must provide an activity report for the period worked;
 - ▶ for indefinite period, you must lodge your HDA form after every 3 months of work. (Do not accumulate HDA).

OVERTIME REQUIREMENTS

Take note of the overtime requirements when submitting your claims.

- Provide overtime request to FAS – CSD.
- Attach approval from Branch/Divisional Head to work overtime.
- Attach copies of time cards.
- Attach list of tasks performed during overtime.

Consult HRM for more clarifications

CAREER ACHIEVEMENT

My experience studying in Tokyo, Japan

from 07 Sept 2021 – 16 Sept 2023 under a JICA SDG Program

Samson Mek

Masters of Economics

I am currently working as a senior analyst with the Sectoral Policy Division in the Public Investment branch. I was privileged to be offered a long-term study program by the Government of Japan through its JICA SDG scholarship program in 2021.

I studied Public Private Partnership (PPP) in Toyo University as a full-time student for two years and graduated with a Masters of Economics - majoring in PPPs in October 2023. This course provides practical overview and insights on how Governments can better partner with the private sector to develop and deliver key infrastructure and services. This course has broadened my knowledge on how to make better investment decisions and I look forward to meaningfully contribute and give back to my Division, the Department and the country. I would like to thank my FAS Mr Donald Hehona who has encouraged me to take up this scholarship opportunity.

Living and studying in the world's largest metropolitan city has been quite challenging but also rewarding in many respects. I had to manage my time well and prioritize school work whilst enjoying the bustling city life, its unique culture and the tasty local cuisines.

The main highlights of my 2 years stay in Japan was the 7 hours climb of Mt Fuji (Japan's highest peak) that I had to endure and a study trip to the ancient city of Athens, Greece.

My tip for future scholars - You have to learn the language quite well if you really want to enjoy beautiful Japan.

Arigato Gozaimasu!



TREASURY OFFICERS ATTEND SILAG TRAINING

Officers from Treasury attended a weeklong Report Writing Course at the Somare Institute of Leadership and Governance (SILAG) IN March 2024

Officers were grateful to have learnt the basics of report writing which they said will be very useful in the office environment when preparing briefs and minutes.



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Lucas Mao	BCAD	Helen Retu	GEPD
Nickson Melton	BCAD	Margaret Loipio	BCAD
Vanessa Wek	BCAD	Reinson Aworryetne	BCAD
Ellison Darby	BCAD	Hannu Nambakele	BCAD
Pennela Lawrence	MEPD	Alice Maibu	BCAD
Harai Bulu	MEPD	Natasha Moses	BCAD
Gulares Tom	MPD	Kenny Michael	BOD
Bill Kulangie	MEPD	Abel Melton	BOD
Diane WAUYARI	FMD	Cecierose Agiru	MPD
Paul MAMPA	FMD	Maria Eko	BOD
Soge Yori	FMD	Oviamba Baria	BCAD
Edward Paliu	FMD	Michael Kaulei	BOD
Susan HAMAMBI	FMD	Matialu Wanibe	BOD
Maureen FAITELI	FMD	Simaima Benson	BOD
Bernard JUNI	FMD	Johnson UMBU	BOD
Martin Napilo	FMD	Augustine Vinevel	BOD
Daniel Kopel	BOD	Coleman Naiksolu	BOD
Daimani Pomahun	CSD	Bill Daki	BOD
Simon Vene	FMD	Stanley Brown	MEPD
Grace Kipan	GEPD		

RESEARCH PAPER WRITEUP PRESENTATION BY NRI IN TREASURY



Acting Assistant Secretary-Strategic Growth branch Ms Germaine Vigil
with NRI presenter **Professor Eugene Ekebilo**

The Strategy Division through its Strategic Growth Branch is currently working on producing short Economic Research Papers on strategic issues of importance on PNG's growth and development. Part of its role is also to develop linkages between Treasury and key think tanks, research institutions and other governments. In line with its current duties, Treasury sent an invite to the National Research Institute (NRI) to do a presentation on the "Processes Involved in Writing a Research Paper"

In accepting the Invitation, NRI sent its representative Associate Professor -Eugene Ekebilo, PhD and Deputy Director of Research who did a one-hour presentation to the staff of Treasury.

The National Research Institute is the Government's only research -

academia institution in the country undertaking policy research and analysis towards quality, evidence-based public policies to improve quality of life for all Papua New Guineans.

Treasury plays the lead economic advisory role to the Government. And as part of its mandated role, Treasury ensures that its policy advices are sound, influential and timely for the country's best interest. These advices are provided by the staff over the years and will continue to do so into the future.

It is Treasury's vision that its staff maintain professionalism through the provision of sound advice and good work ethics. On that note, Associate Professor Eugene Ezebilo, Deputy Director, Research at NRI presented on the processes involved in writing a research

paper, the Presentation included classifications of research paper, sections of the research paper etc. Treasury staff were intrigued by the presentation and expressed gratitude to the presenter and everyone involved in making the presentation a success.

Acting Assistant Secretary – Strategic Growth Branch of the Strategy Division Ms. Germaine Vigil who was also the moderator of the day said NRI has a pool of talented researchers, with vast experiences in many different fields, undertaking research – analysis work in many issues of concern, spanning many years. This presentation will benefit not only our research policy work but contribute significantly towards building future economic researchers of Papua New Guinea.

Treasury in Pictures

Commonwealth Meridian Launching



2024 Easter Treat

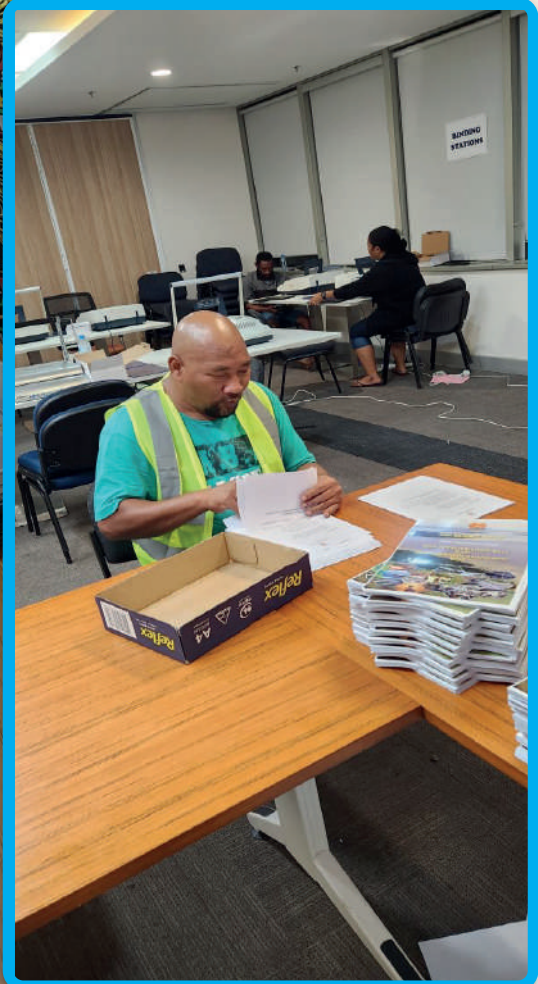
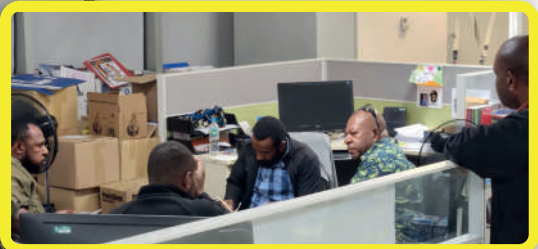


2023 Pinktober



Treasury in Pictures

2023 Budget Preparations



2024 FELLOWSHIP CALENDAR



DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP CALENDAR

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PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN IN, PLANT POSITIVE SEEDS FOR SELF & TEAM AND SURELY YOU SHALL HARVEST AT GOD'S APPOINTED TIME.

For more details on the monthly programs or if you feel God is calling you to take a role in any one of our monthly fellowships, please do not hesitate to contact the persons listed below:

Ms. Kwari Augerea 📞 78952957 or Amelia 📞 78378543 ..

And if you have prayer requests, we encourage you to contact the above mentioned via mobile, phone or email and provide your number for inclusion into the Treasury Fellowship whatsapp group.

Remain blessed & highly favored in Jesus name,

Thank you,
on Behalf of Treasury Management

Treasury Fellowship Group

Lest We Forget

Late Christy Tende

CONDOLENCE MESSAGE



Late Christy Tende

DOB 25/12/1989 - DOD 26/01/2024

The Management and staff of the Department of Treasury wish to convey our heartfelt condolences to husband Mr Martin Waswas, Children Jamila, Lina, Myron, families and friends on the untimely death of the Late Ms Christy Tende on 26th January 2024 at Port Moresby General Hospital.

Late Ms Tende was employed by the Department of Treasury for eight years and at the time of her passing she was Acting Senior Analyst with Sectoral Policy Division.

She will be remembered for her significant contribution to the Department of Treasury and Papua New Guinea.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all in this time of sorrow.

*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
Mathew 5.4"*

May her soul rest in eternal peace

Principles & Values

