

LAND ACQUISITION & RESETTLEMENT DUE DILIGENCE REPORT

Fiji: Transport Infrastructure Investment Sector Project

Queens Road Rehabilitation Project (QRRP B): Linking Section 7 & 8



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Abbreviations

ADB	-	Asian Development Bank
CR5	-	China Railway
GOF	-	Government of Fiji
GSA	-	Greater Suva Area
HQ	-	Headquarters
LARDD	-	Land Acquisition and Resettlement Due Diligence
LARF	-	Land Acquisition and Resettlement Framework
QRRP	-	Queens Rd Rehabilitation Project
TIISP	-	Transport Infrastructure Investment Sector Project
WB	-	World Bank

1.0 PROJECT OVERVIEW AND REPORT RATIONALE

1. With loan funding from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and World Bank (WB), together with funding from the Government of Fiji (GOF), the Fiji Roads Authority are implementing the Transport Infrastructure Investment Sector Project (TIISP). TIISP will improve access to socio-economic opportunities by upgrading and rehabilitating land and maritime transport infrastructure across the Fiji Islands (ADB, 2015a). The overall objectives of the Project are improved access to markets, employment opportunities, and social services. The outcome will be improved safety and resilience of land and maritime transport infrastructure for users of project roads, bridges and rural jetties and wharves
2. One of the sub-projects proposed under this package is the Queens Road Rehabilitation Package B Sub-project. Queens Road Rehabilitation Package B sub-project involves the rehabilitation and upgrade of six sections; namely Sections 4A, 4B, 4C, 5, 7, 8; of sealed road in the Western (Nadroga Province) Divisions with an approximate total length of 20km. The sub- project involves road pavement upgrades, small sections of road widening within the existing road reserve, footpath repairs and footpath installations. The approximate total cost of this sub-project is FJ\$50m.
3. The objective of the sub-project is to lower the overall road maintenance costs, improve the safety of road users (drivers and pedestrians) and improve the travel comfort of road users. Other outcomes expected from the sub- project will be lower road user costs through reduced damage to vehicles. This will be achieved by rehabilitating the existing road pavements that have reached the end of their serviceable life.
4. In 2020 a LARDD Report was prepared by FRA for all the TIISP. The LARDD Report screened the sub-project for land use and involuntary resettlement impacts which also was the “cut-off date” for entitlements for compensation and rehabilitation assistance. In September 2022, the TIISP project management unit identified some cases of new designs / inclusions; and cases of unforeseen physical and economic displacement impacts that were not included within the 2020 LARDD Report. As such, the FRA have instigated a review and verification of sites under construction, yet to be constructed and already completed to ensure compliance with the Project’s social safeguards legal covenants.
5. In the duration and near completion of the targeted sections in May, 2023; it was identified, reported and recommended of the need to include road catchments linking section 7 and sections 8 that was not part of the initial road project. This was then taken into considerations by the FRA Board and will need to undergo Social Safeguard screening for any physical and economic displacement impacts since it was a new area and not included in the 2020 LARDD Report.
6. The findings of this LARDD Report for QRRP B linking Sections 7 and Section 8 verifies that no land acquisition and resettlement impacts will occur. No permanent economic or physical displacement will be required for the completion of physical works. Furthermore, physical works will not block access to the roadside stalls and houses along the proposed area as a Traffic Management Plan will be tailored to allow continued and safe access for them.
8. This Land Acquisition and Resettlement Due Diligence (LARDD) Report has been prepared for Queens Road Rehabilitation Project (QRRP) B: – linking Sections 7 & 8 and submitted to the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and World Bank (WB) as a required level of Due Diligence. It also confirms the adherence to the Land Acquisition and Resettlement Framework (LARF, 2016) that has been prepared for the Project (ADB, 2015b); and aims to receive an approval to “No Objection” to construct.

2.0 SPECIFIC SITE DESCRIPTION AND PROPOSED WORKS - QRUP B LINKING SECTION 7 & SECTION 8

Project Name: Queens Road Upgrading Project – Package B

Location: Queens Road linking Section 7 & 8 – Nawai Police Post to Malamala Bridge, Province of Nadroga, Western Division of Vitilevu.

Proposed Works and type of activities:

1. Geotechnical investigations
2. Drainage & pavement reconstruction/rehabilitation
3. In-situ cement stabilization of existing pavement layers
4. Asphalt concrete and bituminous seal surfacing
5. Pedestrian facilities, street furniture, road markings and street lighting
6. Service replacement, relocation and/ upgrading construction, footpath, kerb and channel construction and repairs.
7. Bus shelter construction

Due Diligence Actions:

DATE	EVENT	OUTCOME	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS
12 /06/ 2023	Land Ownership Searches	Confirmed that the area of construction is within the Road reserve.	Copy of Layout Plan annexed.
12 /06/ 2023	Door to door consultation and letter drops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total of 78 Households and businesses alongside and near to the linking of section 7 and section 8 was visited. • 18 houses were unoccupied during visitation so letter dropped at mail box and gates. • 8 houses were vacant (no personal property inside). • 52 household and businesses were consulted and attendance signed as they have no objections • Those whose driveways turns from the main road will have alternative access included in the plan to ensure no displacements. 	Pamphlets of Project information that was distributed is annexed. Attendance sheets attached
12 /06/ 2023	Field Inspections / Site Verification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmed that there are 4 temporary stalls. 3 of wooden posts with tarpaulin roofing and 1 with iron post with iron sheet roofing. • They will be no permanent impacts nor displacements as there will be access available always to these stalls. 	Maps and related photos Annexed.
12 /06/ 2023	Precautionary Measures	Contractor will be required to provide a Traffic Management Plan and plan to control movements during active works.	Contractor will submit as soon as Approval is sorted.

Report Conclusions:

In conclusion, no involuntary physical or economic displacement or resettlement will occur for the linking of sections 7 & sections 8 road upgrade. The 4 temporary stalls which are currently vacant will be provided access at all times when construction works reach their locations. Consultation activities were undertaken with nearby communities and they indicated their support for the project works. Screening confirms that required level of due diligence has been undertaken and all works will be within road reserves and none on any private land. Physical works will not block access to the roadside stalls and houses along the proposed area as a Traffic Management Plan will be tailored to allow continued and safe access for them.

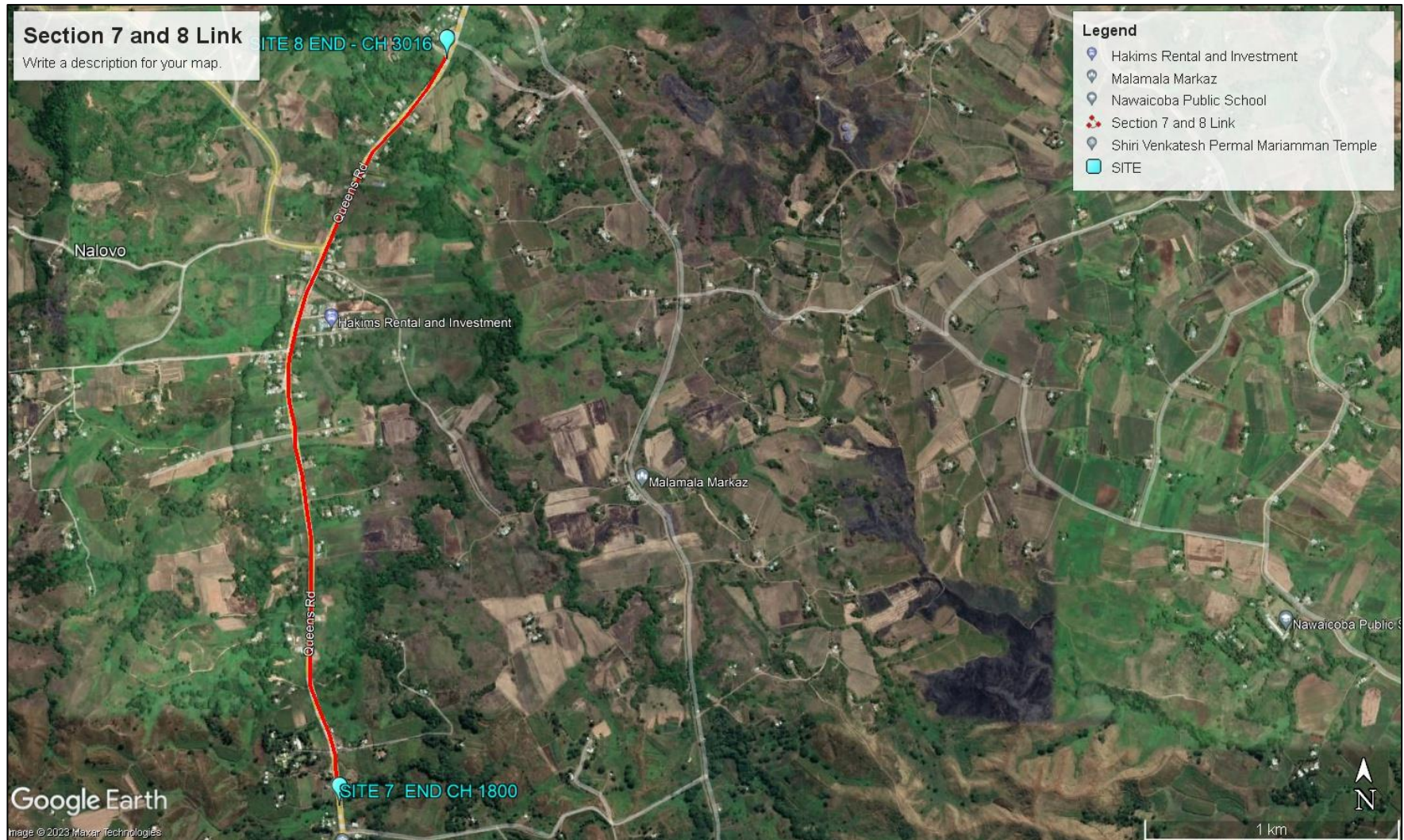
Recommendation:

No objection to the contractor to proceed on the basis of social safeguards.

Annexure 1: Screening Form

Project Title: <u>Fiji: Transport Infrastructure Investment Project</u>		Loan No: <u>ADB 3210-FJ</u>		
Subproject: <u>Queens Road Upgrading Project – Package B – Linking Section 7 & Section 8</u>				Date: <u>12/06/2023</u>
Location and impact area: <u>Nawai Police Post to Malamala Bridge</u> Answer below with tick or cross in yes, no or not known column, do not place NA in the columns.				
Probable Land Acquisition/Resettlement Effects	Yes	No	Not Known	Remarks
Temporary Use of Land				
Will the subproject need land for a diversion, camp, work yard or other requirement during construction period?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		The plan Outlined confirmed to be followed
Will the temporary use of land require removal of crops and/or trees?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No removal of crops or trees
Will the temporary use of land create partial or full impacts on a main structure (house or commercial building)?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No Structures affected.
Will the temporary use of land create impacts on livelihoods or income generating assets?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No impacts on income livelihood
Acquisition of Land				
1. Will there be land acquisition?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Within Road Reserve.
2. Is the site for land acquisition known?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Within Road Reserve
3. Is the ownership status and current usage of land to be acquired known?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Within Road Reserve
4. Will easement be utilized within an existing Right of Way (ROW)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Within Road Reserve
5. Will there be loss of shelter and residential land due to land acquisition?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
6. Will there be loss of agricultural and other productive assets due to land acquisition?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
7. Will there be losses of crops, trees, and fixed assets due to land acquisition?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
8. Will there be loss of businesses or enterprises due to land acquisition?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
9. Will there be loss of income sources and means of livelihoods due to land acquisition?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Restrictions on land use or on access				
10. Will people lose access to natural resources, communal facilities and services?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
11. If land use is changed, will it have an adverse impact on social and economic activities?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
12. Will access to land and resources owned communally or by the state be restricted?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Information on Displaced Persons: There will be no Displacements of any Persons				
Any estimate of the likely number of persons that will be affected by temporary use of land during construction period? [] No [] Yes If yes, approximately how many? _____ Any estimate of the likely number of persons that will be displaced by the Project? [] No [] Yes If yes, approximately how many? _____				
Category for resettlement impacts ¹ : A [] B [] C []				
Are any of them poor, female-heads of households, or vulnerable to poverty risks? [] No [] Yes				
Are any displaced persons from indigenous or ethnic minority groups? [] No [] Yes				

Annexure 2: Aerial View of Road Catchment Linking Sec 7 & Sec 8



Annexure 3: Community Consultation Pamphlets

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

This project will bring about issues such as disturbance and disruptions to daily program, dust emission and noise pollution. CR5 would like to hear from you should you have an issues with the road rehabilitation project that is currently underway. For any enquiries or complaints please contact the following:

- **China Railway No.5 Engineering Group (CR5G)**

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Mr. Omkaar Neil Karan

Environment Manager & Social Safeguards

Traffic Manager

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Ph: 9219724

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- **Fiji Roads Authority Toll Free: 5720**

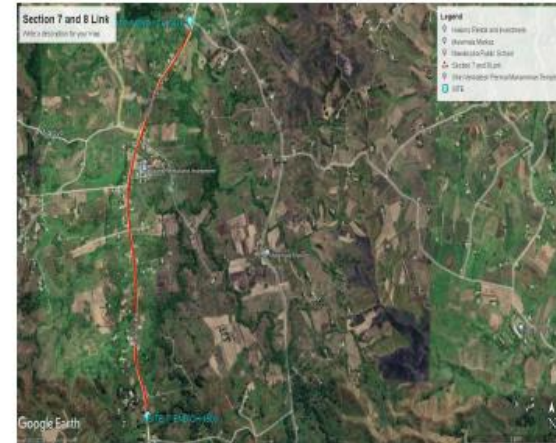


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Management Section of Queens Road Upgrade Project B

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Lot 1, DSS 1775, Sawau Road, Bayview Heights, Suva



QUEENS ROAD UPGRADE PROJECT B (QRUP-B) Section 7 and 8 Link

Funded by ADB & WB



Project Brief:

- China Railway No. 5 Engineering Group (CR5G) has been contracted to carry out rehabilitation along 6 different sections (Section 4A-C, 5, 7 and 8) of Queens Road that require immediate works.
- This road upgrade project will be taking place along the corridor of Namada village and Nawaicoba with a total construction length of approximately 23.1km.
 - * Section 4A is from Korotogo village town end to Korotogo roundabout.
 - * Section 4B is from Korotogo roundabout to Sovi Bay.
 - * Section 4C is from Sovi Bay to Namada village.
 - * Section 5 is from Navutu to Lomawai.
 - * Section 7 is from Nawai School to Bavu.
 - * Section 8 is from True Mart, Nawaicoba to Shamlal & Sons (Malamala Bridge).
 - * **Section 7 and 8 Link (new inclusion).**
- The project is funded by the World Bank (WB) and Asian Development Bank (ADB).
- The scope of work includes but is not limited to geotechnical investigations, drainage, pavement reconstruction/rehabilitation, in-situ cement stabilization of existing pavement layers, asphalt concrete and bituminous seal surfacing, pedestrian facilities, street furniture, road markings and street lighting, service replacement, relocation and/upgrading construction, footpath, kerb and channel construction and repairs. Bus shelter construction follows the new standard bus shelter model .

Link 7 and 8—Summary of Activities and Timeframe:

Construction Activities	Site	Timeframe
Entry Pit and culvert works	Link Section 7 and 8	45 days (July and August 2023)
Milling of Existing Pavement	Link Section 7 and 8	14 days (July 2023)
AP 40 Overlay & Prime Sealing	Link Section 7 and 8	28 Days (August2023)
Construction of AC 14 Sealing	Link Section 7 and 8	25 Days (August and September2023)
Road Marking	Link Section 7 and 8	7 Days (September 2023)
Construction of bus bay and bus shelter	Link Section 7 and 8	7 Days (September 2023)
Installation of Permanent Traffic Sign and Cleanup of Construction Area	Link Section 7 and 8	7 days (end of September 2023)

NOTE:

- 1. Road construction timeframe is subject to adverse weather conditions, supply of material, breakdown of plant and machineries.**
- 2. Temporary Traffic Management Plan may cause delays and disruption in day to day travelling activities.**

Annexure 4 : Community Consultation Register



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Section 7 and 8 Link Letter Drop Register – 12th June, 2023

	Name/Business Name	Address	Contact Details	Signature	Comments & Picture Consent
1.	Nawai Police Post		9404721		✓
2	TEVONO BAKERY	NAWAI NADI	8624821		✓
3	(Community Complex) SATEESH R. NAND	NAWAI NADI	9082022		✓
4		Nawai			
5	Ali	Nawai Nadi	9068688		✓
6	RODDY	Nawai	9595212		✓
7	NAUSHAL ALI	Nawai	9801621		✓
8	Ashleen Mucha	Nawai	8315298		✓
9	Empty House 1	Nawai			
10	SACHU ACHARI	NALAVO	9991428		✓
11	Empty House 2	Nalavo			





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1.	Jotika Devi	Nawai Nadi	9553373	Devi	✓
2	Prashant Prakash	Nawai Nadi	9476487	Prakash	✓
3	Nazeem Ali	4/4 -	9608675	Nazeem	✓
4	Niqui Jee Jee (Principal)	PRINCIPAL	9936967 9338650	Niqui	✓
5	(Rajesh K. Prasad) Nawai Public School	HOS	9385849	Rajesh	✓
6	Keshni Chetty	Nawai Nadi	2070970	Keshni	-
7	Roshni	Nawai	9336581	Roshni	-
8	Dipak	Nawai	9843782	Dipak	-
9	Rahul	Nawai	9536396	Rahul	-
10	Rajiv	NALVO	8302145	Rajiv	- Drainage block 9 cubes
11	Moser	NALVO	9213713	Moser	- Drainage





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1.	SUNIT KUMAR	Nalovo	8329257		✓
2	Empty House 3				
3	Empty House 4				
4	Ragni Devi	Nalovo	9492151		✓
5	Avinash	Nalovo	2143364		✓
6	Saleshni Lata	Nalovo	8729284		✓
7	SHRI RAMANI	Nalovo	8344132		✓
8	Rohit Sclendos Suresh	Nalovo			
9	Kamal		8787919		✓
10	Lanka ^{small} station	Nalovo	9962765		✓
11	SYAN PALAN BICAJ	Nalovo	9292909		✓





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1.	T. MUDLAL	NALOVO	9918338		—
2	WAISAKE DABEA	NALOVO	2423901		—
3	Dinash	NALOVO	2433651		—
4	SIAIU LINGAM	NALOVO	2838368		✓
5	KUMAR SAMI	NALOVO	8013420		✓
6	JAVENACA. LUTUMALAJI	NALOVO	2954764		—
7	Muni Prakash	NALOVO	9320500		—
8	SATYA NAND NAIDU	NALOVO	9234961		—
9	LINA WATI	NALOVO	9327685		✓
10	B.R. CHETTY & SONS	NALOVO	9973195		—
11	Kushma Wati	NALOVO	9242233		—





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2	STHA PILLAY	NALOVO	2544750	<i>[Signature]</i>	
3	Krushna Patra	Nalovo	9815 950	<i>[Signature]</i>	
4	Saundon Coach.	Nalovo	945 3402	<i>[Signature]</i>	
5	Anjan Kumar	NALOVO	9485094	<i>[Signature]</i>	
6	AOG church	NALOVO	8636610	Eligilous.	- Driveway
7	KRISHNA SWAMY	NALOVO	8660957	<i>[Signature]</i>	
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No Picture one



<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Cont</u>
1) Shru Ldgam	Nalovo	2168664	Bir	—
2) Nilamma	Nalovo	9310252	Neru	—
Suraj	Nalovo	9273487	S	—
AMRA WATI Naicker	Nalovo	9777682	Chir	—
SRIMANAN	Nalovo	9124603 91424	Ras	—

Annexure 5: Photos - Roadside Stalls



Temporary stalls with wooden posts and tarpaulin roof covering. Currently damaged and unoccupied.



Temporary Stalls with wooden posts and tarpaulin roof covering.



Temporary Stall with iron post and iron sheet roof.



Temporary Stall with wooden post and tarpaulin roofing.

Annexure 6: Photos – Community Letter Drops

