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OFFICIAL LAUNCHING OF THE PATHWAY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SAMOA FY2021/22 - FY2025/26

The “Pathway for the Development of Samoa (PDS)” for the period **FY2021/22 to FY2025/26** was officially launched on **Friday 25th February 2022** at the **Tui Atua Tupua Tamasese Efi (TATTE) Convention Centre** by the honourable Prime Minister, Fiamē Naomi Mataafa. The occasion marked a significant milestone for the Government and all of its partners, as this national plan provides the direction for Samoa’s development over the next five years.

In her keynote address, the honourable Prime Minister spoke of the importance of empowering our communities and promoting nation-wide collaboration to achieve the outcomes of the PDS. These outcomes revolve around the theme of **“Empowering communities, building resilience, and inspiring growth”**, with the intention to lead to the realization of the long term vision of **“Fostering social harmony, safety, and freedom for all.”**

The Prime Minister reiterated Government’s commitment to enabling the people of Samoa to cope with the challenges and uncertainties of today’s world. This is evident in the PDS placing great emphasis on initiatives that promote social harmony and shared prosperity; relying heavily on strong partnerships and community engagement to drive the nation towards sustainable growth and resilience.

The Key Strategic Outcomes pursued in this national plan aim at ensuring improved social, economic, governance, environmental, and infrastructural development. Social development sits at the forefront of Government’s efforts to build capacities, minimize vulnerabilities, and provide equal access to opportunities for all who live in Samoa. This will be founded on sustainable and diversified economic development. The protection of people’s rights and integrity of governance systems will be prioritised, as will securing partnerships that can benefit Samoa. Environmental conservation and sustainability remain crucial in building resilience, as well as strengthening measures towards climate change mitigation, adaptation, and disaster risk management. The Government will also invest in affordable, resilient, and well-maintained infrastructure, so to provide the platform upon which overall sustainable development can be pursued.

The Prime Minister acknowledged the contribution and support of all those involved in the development of the PDS including the village communities, the private sector, civil society, NGOs, development partners, and Government institutions. She also encouraged the continued collaboration of all stakeholders and reminded everyone of their shared responsibility for development towards a greater future for the people of Samoa.

The occasion was well-attended by members of Cabinet and Parliament, members of the Diplomatic Corp, Government dignitaries, representatives of various national stakeholders, and members of the community including Sui o Nu'u and Sui Tama'ita'i o Nu'u.

The Pathway for the Development of Samoa FY2021/22 – 2025/26 will also be launched in **Savai'i** on **Friday 4th March 2022 at 10:00am** at the **Apita o Pisaga Hall in Salelologa**.

**FA'ALAUILOAINA ALOA'IA O LE
TA'IALA MO LE LUMANA'I MANUIA O SAMOA
TF2021/22 – TF2025/26**

Na fa'alauiloaina aloa'ia e le Afioga i le Tama'ita'i Palemia ia Fiamē Naomi Mataafa le “**Ta'iala mo le Lumana'i Manuia o Samoa (TLMS)**” mo le **tausaga fa'aletupe 2021/22 se'ia o'o atu i le 2025/26**, i le Aso Faraile 25 o Fepuari 2022 i le maota o le **Tui Atua Tupua Tamasese Efi (TATTE)** i Sogi. O lea fa'amoemoe o se pine faamau tāua mo le faiga Mālō ua iai nei ma ana pa'aga uma, auā o lenei ta'iala o le a limata'ita'iina ai le atiina'e ma le lumana'i manuia o Samoa mo le isi lima tausaga o i luma.

I lana saunoaga autū, na fa'aihoa ai e le Afioga i le Tama'ita'i Palemia le tāua o le fa'aagava'aina o alalafaga fa'apea le galulue so'oso'o tau'au o vaega uma o le atunu'u i le ausiaina o taunu'uga o lenei ta'iala. O nei taunu'uga e taula'i uma i le sini autū e fa'apea, “**Ia fa'aagava'aina alalafaga, fa'amausalī le lotoifale, ma fa'amaite le fa'atupula'ia o le tamāo'aiga**”, ma le fa'amoemoega ina ia ausia le va'aiga taula'i o le a tulimata'i ina ia “**Tausia le nofo fealofani, le sagalēmū, ma le sa'olotoga mo tagata uma.**”

Na toe ave le fa'amamafa a le Afioga i le Tama'ita'i Palemia i le naunauta'iga a le Mālō, ina ia mafai e tagata uma o Samoa ona tali atu i le feagai ai nei o le lalolagi ma taimi faigatā ma le lē mautonu. O lo'o atagia lenei naunauta'iga i le Ta'iala mo le Lumana'i Manuia o Samoa ma lona fa'atāuaina o galuega e si'itia ai le nofo fealofani ma le fefā'asoā'i o le manuia; e fa'alagolago tele lea i faiga pa'aga mautū ma le galulue fa'atasi i totonu o nu'u ma afio'aga, e fausia ai se ala e aga'i atu ai i le fa'amausalīna o le fa'atupula'ia o le tamāo'aiga gafataulimaina.

O Ta'iala Autū o lo'o tulimata'i totonu o lenei ta'iala e taula'i i le fa'aleleia o atiina'e tau soifuaga lautele, tamāo'aiga, si'osi'omaga, ma atiina'e ma galuega tetele. O atiina'e mo le soifuaga lautele o lo'o tomua iai naunauta'iga a le Mālō ina ia si'itia agava'a ma tomai, fa'aitiitia le tulaga ma'ale'ale o le soifuaga, ma ia agava'a tutusa i avanoa tagata uma o lo'o aumau i Samoa. E fa'avae lea i le gafataulimaina ma le fa'alauteleina o le tamāo'aiga. O le a ave foi le fa'atāua i le puipuia o aiā tatau o tatou tagata atoa ai ma le fa'amautinoa o le amiotonu ma le tūlaga fa'atuatuaaina o pūlega, fa'apea ma le sā'ilia o faiga pa'aga lelei e maua ai manuia mo Samoa. O lo'o tūmau pea le tāua o le tūlaga mausalī o le si'osi'omaga, fa'atasi ai ma le fa'amālosia o ālāfua e mafia ai ona tali atu i suiga o le tau fa'apea le pūleaina lelei ma le mata'itūina o fa'alavelave matuiā. O le a lagolagoina ma ūna'ia foi e le Mālō atiina'e i galuega tetele ina ia gafatia, mausalī i le tali atu i suiga o le tau, ma mautinoa le mata'itūina lelei ina ia fausia ai se fa'avae mālosi e tuliloa ai atiina'e gafataulimaina.

Sa fa'afetaia e le Afioga i le Tama'ita'i Palemia le lagolagosua ma le fesoasoani a i latou uma na iai sō latou sao i le tapenaina o lenei ta'iala. E aofia ai pa'aga o lo'o fai ma sui o nu'u ma afio'aga, le vaega tūma'oti, fa'alapopototoga o nu'u ma afio'aga, pa'aga mai atunu'u i fafo, fa'atasi ai ma Matāgaluega ma Fa'alapopototoga uma a le Mālō. Na ave fo'i le fa'amalosiu e fa'aauauina pea le galulue so'oso'o tau'au o vaega uma, atoa ai ma le fa'amanatu i lō tatou tiute fai fa'atasi i le atiina'eina o se lumana'i manuia mo tagata uma o Samoa.

Sa auai i lea fa'amoemoe tāua sui o le Kapaneta ma le Palemene, pa'aga mai atunu'u i fafo, sui o vaega eseese o le Mālō ma le vaega tūma'oti, fa'apea ai ma sui o nu'u ma afio'aga e aofia ai Sui o Nu'u ma Sui Tama'ita'i o Nu'u.

O le a fa'alauiloaina aloa'ia foi le Ta'iala mo le Lumana'i Manuia o Samoa TF2021/22 – TF2025/26 i le motu i **Savai'i i le Aso Faraile 4 o Mati 2022 i le 10 i le taeao i le Apita o Pisaga i Salelologa**.