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IDI/PASAI 6th Cooperative Performance Audit of Preparedness for Implementation of SDGs - Audit Review Meeting
Nadi, Fiji

The INTOSAI Development Initiative (IDI) and the Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI) conducted an audit review meeting for the 6th Cooperative Performance Audit (CPA) of Preparedness for Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Twenty-nine performance auditors from 13 Pacific Audit Offices attended this meeting from 11 to 15 June 2018 in Nadi, Fiji.

In the five day meeting, SAI teams presented their preliminary findings and shared their draft audit report with the IDI, PASAI and peer teams participating in the programme. Performance audit experts and mentors from the INTOSAI Development Initiative (IDI), PASAI Secretariat and the audit offices (SAIs) of Papua New Guinea and Samoa guided the teams on how to make the audit report on the preparedness for SDGs implementation as per International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs).

The primary objective of this cooperative audit is to support audit offices (Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs)) in conducting ISSAI-based cooperative performance audits of preparedness for implementation of SDGs in their national context. IDI and PASAI envisage this audit as one of the SAIs’ first responses in contributing to SDGs implementation by providing independent oversight of the government’s efforts in implementing of SDGs programs and activities. In a collaborative partnership between PASAI and the INTOSAI Development Initiative (IDI), this programme coincides with and contributes to INTOSAI Global Auditing SDGs programme by supporting SAIs in conducting high-quality audit of SDGs.

Before this meeting, the attending SAI teams completed the eLearning course, developed audit plans and participated in the audit planning meeting in Suva, Fiji in November 2017. After the audit planning meeting, the SAI teams conducted the ISSAI based cooperative performance audit and finalised respective draft audit reports. Constructive feedback was provided to each SAI team from an allocated peer team and also from the programme mentors for the purpose of improving the content and quality of the draft report and peer learning.

A review team comprising of Mr. Shofiqul Islam, IDI Manager Capacity Development, and Ms. Claire Kelly, PASAI Performance Audit Advisor, supported by one of PASAI sub-regional representatives, Ms. Oceanbaby Penitito, Manager, Performance Audit division, Samoa Audit Office facilitated the meeting.

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