

# HEADLINES

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## NORO PORT LIGHTS UP



Deputy PM Maelanga switches on the new LED lights.

Solomon Ports has officially commissioned the first ever LED lighting system and CCTV fibre Network for Noro Port, Western Province, on 10th May.

This is the first time ever for Western Province and takes Noro Port to become the second Port in the Pacific region behind Honiara Port, to have LED lighting system.

Solomon Ports remains the only port in the Pacific to use LED lighting poles system and CCTV fibre network in its operations, which is fully funded self-funded by the port, which costs SBD\$14 Million.

Around 32, twenty-five-meter light poles and over 20 CCTV cameras were installed and deployed around the Port facility.

This also accomplishes the Port's ongoing 'Green Port Initiative', an effort to achieve energy efficiency and lead the Pacific's maritime transport sector in promoting green energy use in port operations.

The event was attended by Members of Parliament, foreign dignitaries, the Premier of Western Province, Noro town representatives and Noro SIPA staff.

Deputy Prime Minister Hon. Manasseh Maelanga was given the honor of officially switching on the lights, marking a major milestone for SIPA and Western Province.

The new LED lights and CCTV fibre system will improve port efficiency and boost security capabilities, to ensure port operations is con-

ducted with safety.

This an historical achievement and significant milestone for the port, taking it forward one as of leading ports in the region.

On his keynote address, the deputy Prime Minister Hon. Manasseh Maelanga said despite the global impact of Covid-19, he was pleased with the ongoing output of port operations. He said this new investment will certainly improve productivity and security of the port, also pushing SIPA forward to meet international standards.

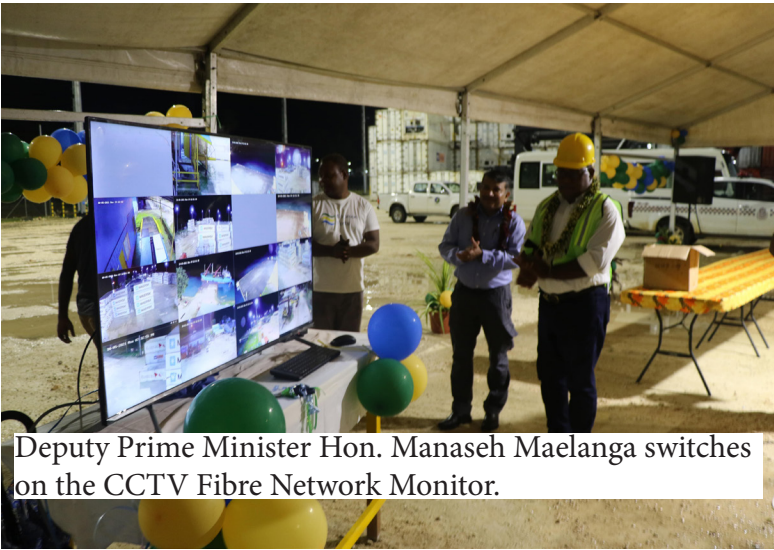
"With the LED lighting and CCTV deployment, SIPA has satisfied its compliance requirements under ISPS code for physical security monitoring and high visibility," he said.

"As an operating port, SIPA has been audited annually under the code and the authority is committed to satisfying the compliance requirements,"

Noro Port has been without proper lighting since it was established, the new lights will also be a bonus to the ongoing development of Noro town.



# NORO LED AND CCTV COMMISIONING PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS



Deputy Prime Minister Hon. Manaseh Maelanga switches on the CCTV Fibre Network Monitor.



VIP Guests attending the commisioning event.



Deputy Prime Minister Hon. Manaseh Maelanga cuts the ribbon to switch on the LED lights.



CEO Eranda Kotelawala delivering his keynote address during the ceremony.



Noro LED and CCTV Fibre Network commisioning ceremony group photo



# SIPA LAUNCH '3 Rs' CAMPAIGN



3 Rs Bins setup at the domestic terminal

Solomon Ports has now commenced the 'Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle' (3 rs) campaign in Honiara.

The 3R (Reduce-Reuse-Recycle) Concept is a sequence of steps on how to manage waste properly. The top priority is Reduce, which is to reduce waste generation, then Reuse, and then Recycle, to give waste material a second chance before disposing them to the landfill.

Earlier this month, we have installed rubbish bins along both sides of the Commonwealth street, and our domestic terminal area.

The bins were also outfitted with signs to distinguish between 'General Waste, Cans, bottles, plastic and food waste'.

This is our bid to promote proper and sustainable waste management, through reducing waste, reusing products, and recycling materials.

Waste management is an issue for Honiara, which is why Solomon Ports is taking the initiative to encourage members of the public in Honiara to practice proper waste disposal manners.

As part of this initiative, 3 'R's signboards were also erected at the commonwealth street, Domestic Terminal and inside the port facility area.

This is to educate and spread the awareness on proper waste disposal to ensure our streets are rubbish free and look more presentable.

Solomon Ports is taking the lead in tackling this issue, and would like to encourage all organizations, companies, and individuals of Solomon Islands to adopt this initiative, so that it becomes part of their lifestyle and habit. Recently, Solomon Ports handed over, used heavy machineries to Solomon

Islands National University as part of reusing old machines for the purpose of giving firsthand experience to students and preparing them for their future endeavors in the automotive industry.

Solomon Ports has also donated rubbish bins to 6 schools around Honiara, and to encourage all Solomon islanders to take responsibility in ensuring our towns and communities practice good rubbish disposal attitudes.

We will also continue to participate in the fight against climate change and we request public support and participation in looking after our capital city to ensure it is well look after and clean.



*Plant a tree. Save the planet.*



# SIPA STAFF CARRY OUT STREET CLEANUP



SIPA and SIVB staff pose for a group photo after the cleanup



Solomon Ports staff took time off work to collaborate with Solomon Islands Visitors Bureau in a joint street cleanup of Point Cruz in February.

Staff from within the various departments and divisions within the port, armed themselves with garbage bags and gloves, cleaned up from the Ports CBD area all the way down to the BSP and heritage Park Hotel Building.

This was not the first time the Port has taken part in such initiative, as over the years SIPA has been actively participating in activ-

ities to improve the image of the City. This has also complemented the '3 Rs' Campaign that the port is actively pushing to encourage proper waste management solutions for Honiara City.





# Meet our board of directors



**Johnny Sy**  
Chairman



**Mike Wate**  
Deputy Chairman



**Stephen Maesiola**  
Director



**Moses Virivolomo**  
Director



**Donald Kudu**  
Director



**Ali Homelo**  
Director



**Gabriel Suri**  
Director



held on March this year.

Joash left SIPA for education purposes and to further his studies.

Joash joined SIPA in 2015 and has since been one of the key IT officers in the SOE.

His fellow colleagues organized a brief

## IT Department farewells colleague

farewell ceremony at the TOS office, and to share their appreciation for his service to SIPA over the past years.

Speaking during the brief ceremony, Joash thanked his colleagues and the management for working closely with him during his time at SIPA.

He said SIPA was where he started his career and had gained valuable experience.

Meanwhile, Chief Information Officer, Mr. Ellison Pade commended Joash for

his service to SIPA.

He said Joash has been a valuable and integral part of SIPA's IT team.

Mr. Pade said he was instrumental in some of the major projects at SIPA over the years and wished him all the best in his future endeavors.



# Finance conducts 'IFRS' training



Solomon Ports Finance and accounts team recently undergone a 3 day International Financial Reporting Standard training on March.

The training was conducted via Zoom at the SIPA auditorium room and was attended by more than 20 participants.

Representatives from other stakeholders such as Solomon Post, South Pacific Oil, and the Auditor General's office were also invited to attend the training. The training was facilitated by KPMG Fiji.

Areas covered during the training were mainly on Financial Instruments, Revenue, Leases, and Impairment of Property, plant and equipment.

Chief Financial Officer Mr. George Rausi said the training was basically aimed at keeping up with the latest updates and IFRS standards. Mr. Rausi said such trainings was important as it will ensure SIPA finance team can keep up with the latest these changes and improve their inhouse financial reporting capacity. He said this will help his staff broaden

their knowledge on financial reporting and essential financial information. "All the training materials were provided by KPMG, and we also invited our other important stakeholders to join us in the training," he said.

"I believe it is vital for us to keep up with the latest changes, this will help our officers to work more efficiently and faster, especially in the areas we covered during the training." He said SIPA had always keep up with the IFRS standards and must always ensure to comply, and adopt latest changes to it.

## Meet our new staff



**Roland Delemani**  
**Human Resources Manager**



**Mary Bong**  
**Board Secretary**



**Ashley Vasula**  
**Energy and Utility  
Management Officer**



# LATE RIGGER FOREMAN FAREWELLED



The Late David Waleurifo

Solomon Ports on the month of April, lost a long term staff. The Late David Waleurifo sadly passed away on the 20th of April 2021. Late David comes from Ambu village in Malaita province , and had joined SIPA since 1997, serving a total of 24

years for the SOE. SIPA reps and colleagues joined his friends and families at the Tabernacle Center in Henderson , East Honiara to give him one last fitting farewell. His casket was then carried by SIPA staff and his colleague's.

His Body was then transported back to his home village in Malaita province to be laid to rest.

The Late David served under the operations department as a 'Rigger Foreman' during his untimely demise

## NORO PORT CONDUCTS ISPS TRAINING



Participants attending the training

Noro Staff successfully held their quaterly International Shipping and Ports Security (ISPS) training on April.

As a mandatory requirement, the training was conducted for mainly security personals and other port staff. The Solomon Islands Ports Authority , trading as Solomon Ports is conduct-

ing such training in response to the Solomon Islands Maritime safety Administration Regulation 2011 for the Implementation of the ISPS Code Edition.

SIPA Ports Facility Security Officer (PFSO) Mr. Andrew Kilimani conducted the trainings and was satisfied with the outcome of the

training at Noro Port.

Mr. Kilimani said his office as a designated PFSO For Honiara and Noro will Continue to ensure all training will be done accordingly.

A similar training was also done recently in Honiara Port for newly inducted staff



# SIPA STAFF FAREWELL LATE COLLEAGUE



SIPA Enforcement officers carrying the late James' casket



SIPA Board of directors paying their last respects.



Late Gere's family member

Solomon Ports staff and family members farewelled their colleague, the Late James Gere at the Kukum SDA Church in Honiara, who sadly passed away early January this year.

Fellow staff and colleagues took time off work to join late James' family and friends to give him one last fitting farewell.

The late James joined SIPA in 1993 and served the company for 28 years. He progressed through the ranks over the years, and was the chief human

resources and capital officer during his untimely demise.

Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Eranda Kotelawala and Chief Financial officer Mr. George Rausi, both spoke on behalf of SIPA on his contributions to the company during his time at SIPA. Members of SIPA's enforcement and security division gave a guard of honor and paraded his coffin around the port for the final time before his body was then transported to his home village in Malaita province for burial.



The Late James Gere