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1 Citation

This Order may be cited as the Establishment of Sub-Committees for the National Covid-19 Taskforce.

2 Commencement

This Order commences on publication.

3 Purpose

Establishes the sub-committees to facilitate and assist the Taskforce in the management and control of the impacts of Covid-19.

4 Sub-Committee on Health

(1) Members of the sub-committee include:

- (a) Secretary for the Ministry of Health, Social Welfare and Gender Affairs shall be the Chairperson;
- (b) Senior Management Staff of the Ministry;
- (c) Office of the Attorney General;
- (d) PMH Medical Officers;
- (e) Department of Health;

- (f) Department of Local Government;
 - (g) Department of Education;
 - (h) Department of Public Works;
 - (i) Tuvalu Police Service;
 - (j) Tuvalu Red Cross Society;
 - (k) Funafuti Kaupule;
 - (l) Island Kaupule Secretaries when in Funafuti;
- (2) The sub-committee's scope of work includes:
- (a) All matters pertaining to the impact of Covid-19 on health in Tuvalu;
 - (b) Monitor people in quarantine facilities;
 - (c) Determine the infrastructure and supplies that Tuvalu needs to strengthen quarantine requirements and Covid-19 prevention measures;
 - (d) Communicate with the Taskforce on all health-related needs as rapidly as possible;
 - (e) Provide updates, advice and recommendations to the Taskforce;
 - (f) Any other tasks that the Chairperson deems appropriate for the sub-committee to consider.

5 Sub-Committee on Border Control and Security

- (1) Members of the sub-committee include:
- (a) Secretary for the Ministry of Justice, Communication and Foreign Affairs shall be the Chairperson;
 - (b) Senior Management Staff of the Ministry;
 - (c) Office of the Attorney General;
 - (d) Department of Foreign Affairs;
 - (e) Department of Health;
 - (f) Department of Fisheries;
 - (g) Department of Marine;
 - (h) Department of Immigration;
 - (i) Department of Custom;
 - (j) Travel Department;
 - (k) Department of Education;

- (l) Department of Local Government;
 - (m) Department of Public Works;
 - (n) Tuvalu Police Service;
 - (o) Shipping Agents;
 - (p) Funafuti Kaupule;
 - (q) Island Kaupule Secretaries when in Funafuti.
- (2) The sub-committee's scope of work includes:
- (a) All matters pertaining to the security of Tuvalu's borders amid the Covid-19 pandemic;
 - (b) Monitor the movement of people and vessels, ships and planes into and out of the Tuvalu;
 - (c) Monitor and enforce all domestic security measures;
 - (d) Liase with other sub-committees on the facilitation of security measures and discuss necessary security and border control issues;
 - (e) Communicate with the Taskforce on all security and border control needs as rapidly as possible;
 - (f) Provide updates, advise and recommendations to the Taskforce;
 - (g) Any other tasks that the Chairperson deems appropriate for the sub-committee to consider.

6 Sub-Committee on Transport, Repatriation and Relocation

- (1) Members of the sub-committee include:
- (a) Secretary for the Ministry of Transport, Energy and Tourism shall be the Chairperson;
 - (b) Senior Management Staff of the Ministry;
 - (c) Office of the Attorney General;
 - (d) Department of Marine;
 - (e) Department of Aviation;
 - (f) Department of Energy;
 - (g) Department of Health;
 - (h) Department of Education;
 - (i) Department of Local Government;
 - (j) Travel Department;

- (k) Tuvalu Police Service;
 - (l) Pacific Energy;
 - (m) Shipping Agents;
 - (n) Funafuti Kaupule;
 - (o) Island Kaupule Secretaries when in Funafuti.
- (2) The sub-committee's scope of work includes:
- (a) All matters pertaining to regular and irregular transport issues undertaken within and outside of Tuvalu amid the Covid-19 pandemic;
 - (b) Oversee and advice on all transportation issues (including costs) for relocation and repatriation of Tuvaluans by sea and air;
 - (c) Monitor all incoming and outgoing vessels, ships and planes;
 - (d) Liase with other sub-committees on Transport issues;
 - (e) Collaborate with other Ministries on the options available to the Government and the infrastructure on all islands for relocation purposes and the cost implications/analysis;
 - (f) Communicate with the Taskforce on all transport, relocation and repatriation related needs as rapidly as possible;
 - (g) Provide updates, advise and recommendations to the Taskforce;
 - (h) Any other tasks that the Chairperson deems appropriate for the sub-committee to consider.

7 Sub-Committee on Education

- (1) Members of the sub-committee include:
- (a) Secretary for the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport shall be the Chairperson;
 - (b) Senior Management Staff of the Ministry;
 - (c) Office of the Attorney General;
 - (d) Department of Local Government;
 - (e) Department of Health;
 - (f) Department of Education;
 - (g) Department of Public Works;
 - (h) Tuvalu Police Service;
 - (i) Funafuti Kaupule;

- (j) Island Kaupule Secretaries when in Funafuti;
- (2) The sub-committee's scope of work includes:
 - (a) All matters pertaining to the impact of Covid-19 on education in Tuvalu;
 - (b) Assist with logistics and provision of information regarding the relocation of students and staff;
 - (c) Develop strategies for the continuing of education safely for students and teachers;
 - (d) Communicate with the Taskforce on all education related matters and needs as rapidly as possible;
 - (e) Collaborate with TMTI, Kaupule, USP, outer islands etc. regarding education matters;
 - (f) Provide updates, advice and recommendations to the Taskforce;
 - (g) Any other tasks that the Chairperson deems appropriate for the sub-committee to consider.

8 Sub-Committee on Infrastructure

- (1) Members of the sub-committee include:
 - (a) Secretary for the Ministry of Public Works, Infrastructure, Environment, Labour, Meteorology and Disaster shall be the Chairperson;
 - (b) Senior Management Staff of the Ministry;
 - (c) Office of the Attorney General;
 - (d) Department of Public Works;
 - (e) Department of Health;
 - (f) Department of Education;
 - (g) Department of Local Government;
 - (h) Tuvalu Police Service;
 - (i) Tuvalu National Private Sector Organisation;
 - (j) Tuvalu Telecommunication Corporation;
 - (k) Tuvalu Electricity Corporation;
 - (l) Funafuti Kaupule;
 - (m) Island Kaupule Secretaries when in Funafuti.
- (2) The sub-committee's scope of work includes:

- (a) All matters pertaining to the infrastructure needs in Tuvalu amid the Covid-19 pandemic;
- (b) Monitor the situation of public utilities at the quarantine designated areas, the Princess Margaret Hospital and health clinics;
- (c) Liase with other sub-committees on infrastructure issues;
- (d) Communicate with the Taskforce on all infrastructure needs as rapidly as possible;
- (e) Provide updates, advise and recommendations to the Taskforce;
- (f) Any other tasks that the Chairperson deems appropriate for the sub-committee to consider.

9 Sub-Committee on Finance and Food Security

(1) Members of the sub-committee include:

- (a) Secretary for the Ministry of Finance shall be the Chairperson;
- (b) Senior Management Staff of the Ministry;
- (c) Office of the Attorney General;
- (d) Office of the Auditor General;
- (e) Department of Local Government;
- (f) Department of Health;
- (g) Department of Education;
- (h) Department of Public Works;
- (i) Tuvalu National Private Sector Organisation;
- (j) Tuvalu Retailers;
- (k) Shipping Agents;
- (l) Funafuti Kaupule;
- (m) Island Kaupule Secretaries when in Funafuti.

(2) The sub-committee's scope of work includes:

- (a) All matters pertaining to finance and food security amid the Covid-19 pandemic;
- (b) Monitor the impact of the pandemic on Tuvalu's economy and the global economy as a whole;
- (c) Monitor financial matters relevant to Covid-19 and discuss ways to minimise the risks;

- (d) Liase with other sub-committees on related financial and food security issues;
- (e) Communicate with the Taskforce on all financial needs as rapidly as possible;
- (f) Provide updates, advise and recommendations to the Taskforce;
- (g) Any other tasks that the Chairperson deems appropriate for the sub-committee to consider.

10 Sub-Committee on Legal Affairs

(1) Members of the sub-committee include:

- (a) The Attorney-General shall be the Chairperson;
- (b) Senior Management Staff of the Office of the Attorney General;
- (c) Office of the Ombudsman;
- (d) Office of the People's Lawyer;
- (e) Tuvalu Police Service;
- (f) Funafuti Kaupule;
- (g) Island Kaupule Secretaries when in Funafuti;
- (h) Representatives from each sub-committee.

(2) The sub-committee's scope of work includes:

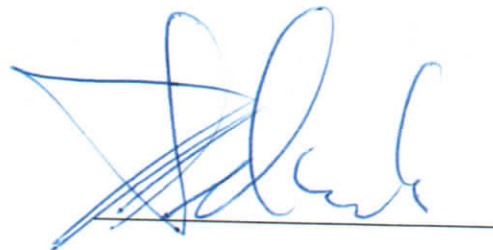
- (a) All matters pertaining to Tuvalu's civil servants and legal affairs amid the Covid-19 pandemic;
- (b) Draft and issue all laws related to the management of Covid-19;
- (c) Liase with other sub-committees on related legal issues;
- (d) Monitor the civil service and discuss ways to accommodate civil servants during the Covid-19 pandemic;
- (e) Communicate with the Taskforce on all civil service and legal affairs needs as rapidly as possible;
- (f) Provide updates, advise and recommendations to the Taskforce;
- (g) Any other tasks that the Chairperson deems appropriate for the sub-committee to consider.

11 Sub-Committee on Civil Service and Employers

(1) Members of the sub-committee include:

- (a) The Secretary for the Office of the Prime Minister shall be the Chairperson;
 - (b) Senior Management Staff of the Ministry;
 - (c) Office of the Attorney General;
 - (d) Department of Human Resource;
 - (e) Department of Health;
 - (f) Department of Education;
 - (g) Department of Local Government;
 - (h) Department of Public Works;
 - (i) Tuvalu Police Service;
 - (j) National Bank of Tuvalu;
 - (k) Tuvalu Telecommunication Corporation;
 - (l) Tuvalu Broadcasting Corporation;
 - (m) Tuvalu Electricity Corporation;
 - (n) Tuvalu National Council for Women;
 - (o) Funafuti Kaupule Secretary;
 - (p) Island Kaupule Secretaries when in Funafuti;
 - (q) Other major employers.
- (2) The sub-committee's scope of work includes:
- (a) All matters pertaining to Tuvalu's civil servants and private employees amid the Covid-19 pandemic;
 - (b) Liase with other sub-committees on related civil servants and employees issues;
 - (c) Monitor the civil service and discuss ways to accommodate civil servants and private employees during the Covid-19 pandemic;
 - (d) Communicate with the Taskforce on all civil service needs as rapidly as possible;
 - (e) Provide updates, advise and recommendations to the Taskforce;
 - (f) Any other tasks that the Chairperson deems appropriate for the sub-committee to consider.

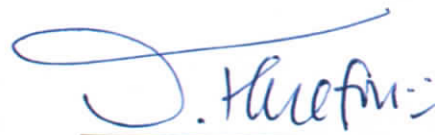
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