



# Climate Security Considerations in Fiji & Pacific

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FIJI'S ADAPTATION  
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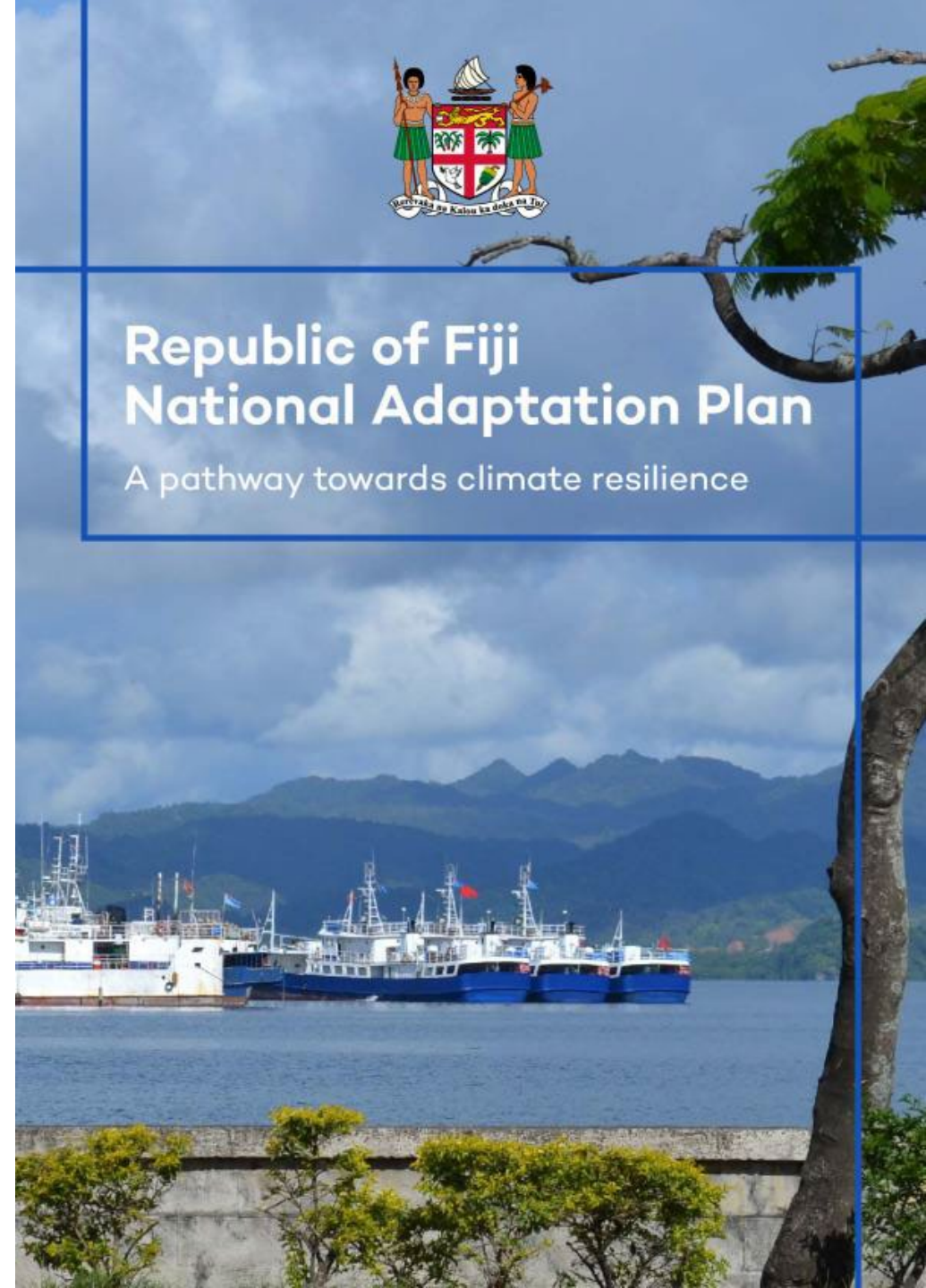
# Context – Fiji Islands

- Fiji has a World Risk Index of 6.70, ranked 15<sup>th</sup> – high disaster risk category.
- Fiji's key adaptation planning document is its **National Adaptation Plan (NAP)**.
- However, the NAP does not account for Fiji's climate security perspectives – Climate Security is framed as a regional approach in the Pacific.
- The Climate Change Act 2021 (**Clause 65**) *recognises that climate change is a threat to the rights and freedoms of Fijians recognised in Chp.2 of the Constitution.*



## Republic of Fiji National Adaptation Plan

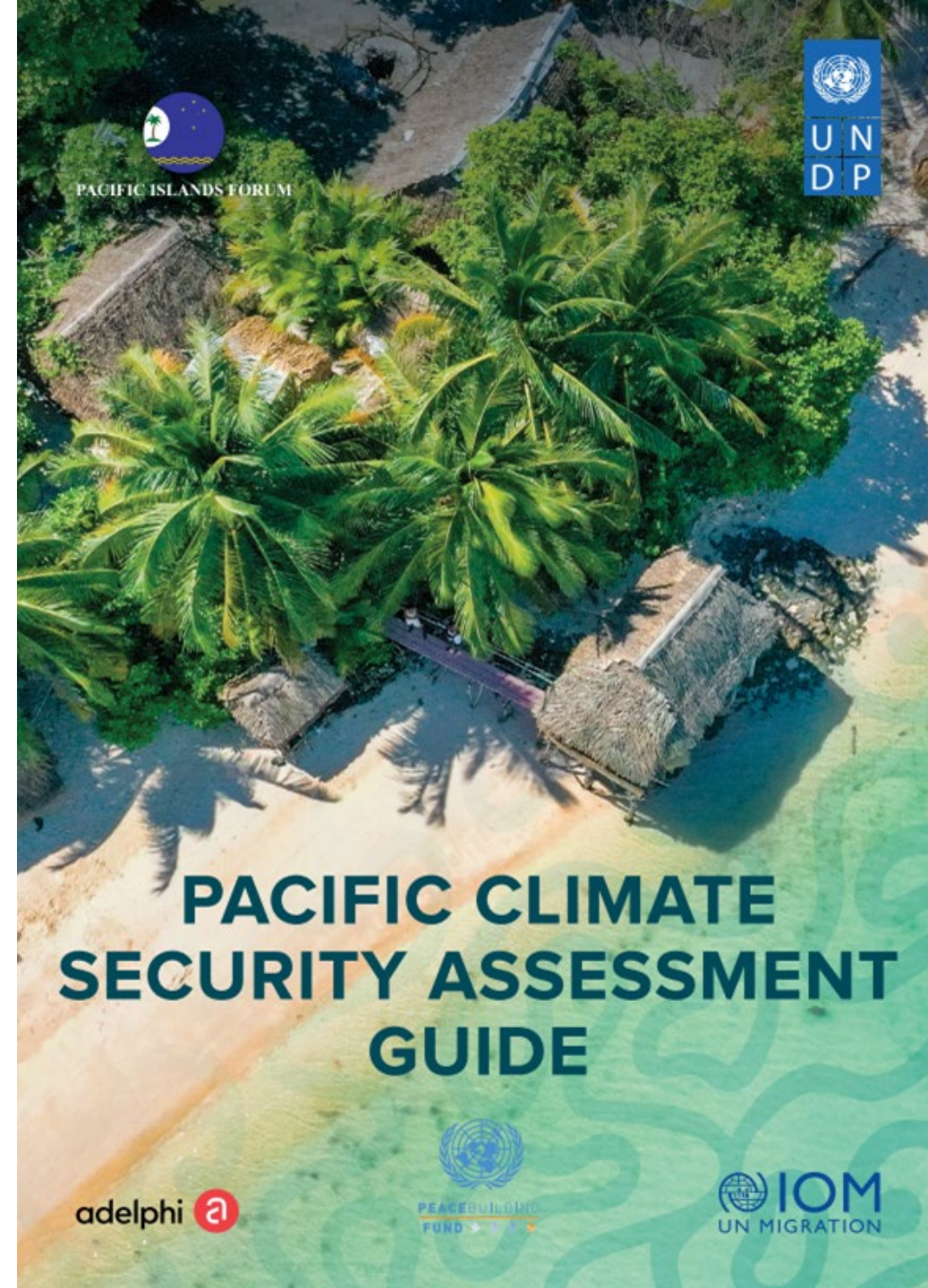
A pathway towards climate resilience



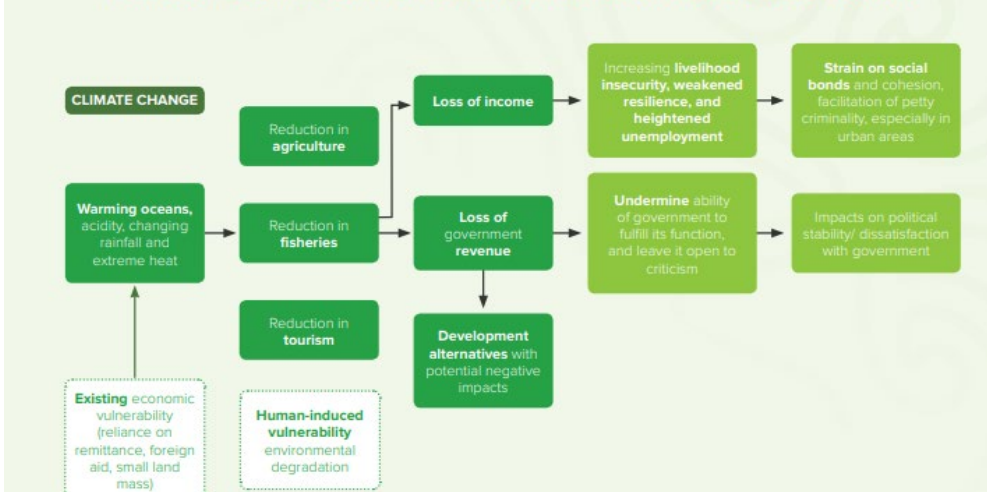
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# Climate Security – Regional Context

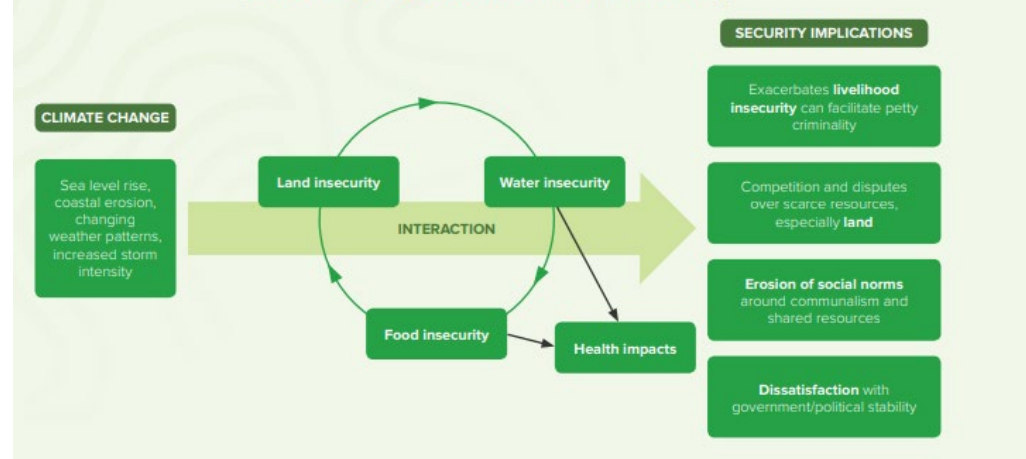
- ‘Climate Change remains the single greatest threat to the livelihoods, security, and well-being of Pacific peoples’ – **Boe Declaration**.
- The Pacific Climate Security Assessment Guide is the most updated regional framework that provides a comprehensive overview of climate security concerns.



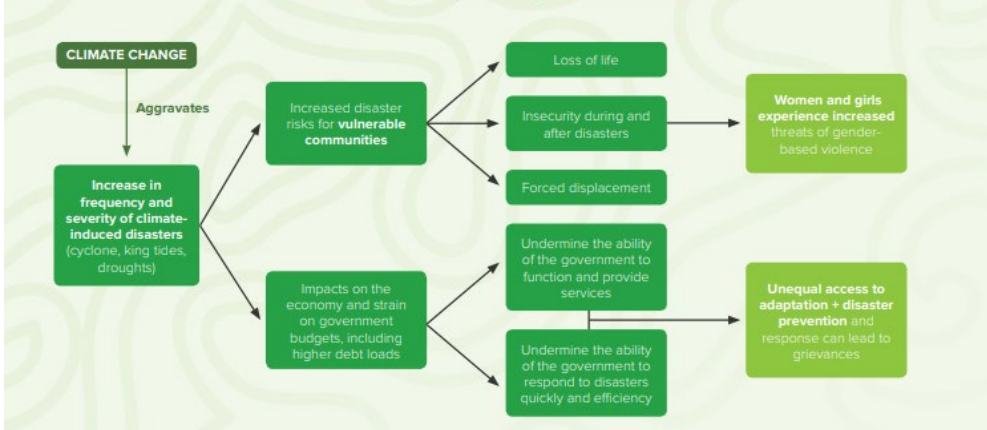
### PATHWAY 1: Climate Change challenges livelihoods and the blue economy



### PATHWAY 2: Climate Change threatens land availability and usability, putting pressures on food, water and health security



### PATHWAY 3: Climate risks exacerbate disasters and erode the resilience of vulnerable groups and governments



### PATHWAY 4: Climate change affects mobility trends and can exacerbate risks<sup>13</sup>



# Examples of Climate Security Scenarios in Fiji/Pacific

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# Strengthening adaptation planning in Fiji

- Fiji has taken systematic and well-informed steps to protect the country against climate security threats.
  - Climate Change Act 2021
  - Planned Relocation Guidelines: A framework to undertake climate change related relocation (Clause 76);
  - SOP for Planned Relocations;
  - Climate Relocation of Communities (CROC) Trust Fund (Clause 78);
  - Parametric climate insurance-based payments;
  - Risk-informed developments (National building codes, sectoral frameworks and national alignment policies);
  - Coordinating adaptation with DRR planning (National Disaster Risk Reduction Policy 2018–2030)

## Vunidogoloa – Fiji’s first planned relocation

- Vunidogoloa is a low-lying coastal village in Cakouadrova Province in Vanua Levu, Fiji.
- In 2014, Vunidogoloa became the first full-scale, government led relocation in Fiji.
- 26 households, 180 people in total relocated to higher ground.

