PROVINCIAL, OUTREACH

MISSION

Work with the six provincial governments, chiefs, communities, women, men and youth to implement DEPC's environment extension services

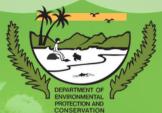
OBLIGATIONS

- 1. To develop and expand the Department's extension services to the six provinces
- 2. To help implement the Vanuatu Government's decentralisation policy
- 3. To provide environmental information and awareness to the people of Vanuatu.
- 4. To develop resource materials and information and disseminate to the schools, communities and the general public.
- 5. To work with the media, schools, provinces and the general public to help promote the protection and management of the environment.





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LEADING VANUATU TO A CLEAN, RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT

ADMINISTRATION & SUPPORT SERVICES

OBLIGATIONS

- 1. Provide administrative support to all divisions and the general public
- Development of DEPC's annual business plan, budget and reporting
- 3. Budget management and revenue collection
- 4. Provide executive support to the Ministry Cabinet and Corporate Services Unit



COMPLIANCE UNIT

MISSION

Monitoring, inspecting and investigating non-compliances

OBLIGATIONS

Ensure all environmental laws, regulations and conventions are observed in safeguarding, preventing and sustaining our environment.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

MANDATE

- 1. Waste Management
- Act No. 24 of 2014 2. Pollution Control Act
- No. 10 of 2013 3. Ozone Layer Protection Act No. 22 of 2019

MISSION

To have an Environmentally Sustainable Vanuatu in which all types of waste are collected. Reused. Recycled & Treated by Environmental Sound Technologies suitable to local conditions and that waste going to landfill is minimized and pollution to the receiving environment is within acceptable standards.

OBLIGATIONS

- 1. Waste Management: Plastic Ban, Private Waste Operators, Littering Law, Container Deposit Scheme
- 2. Chemical Management: Conventions -Minamata, Basel, Rotterdam & Stockholm
- 3. Ozone Laver Protection: Convention -Vienna
- 4. Pollution Control: Water Quality, sanitation Standards, Oil Spills, Emission Controls, & other Pollution Types

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & IMPACT ASSESSMENT

MANDATE

Environmental Protection and Conservation Act [CAP 283] and **Environmental Impact Assessment** (EIA) Regulation MISSION

To identify & manage the social, custom & natural environmental impacts, assess the risks & evaluate the costs & benefits of development projects before implementing & provide information on the environmental consequences for decision making to promote sustainable development

OBLIGATIONS

- 1. Ensure that developers comply with the EPC Act and EIA Regulation
- 2. Ensure that developers apply for **Environmental Permit for any development** apart from residential development
- 3. Ensure sustainable growth and development
- 4. Work with developers and communities to ensure that the possible impacts of a project does not affect the social, custom and natural environment
- 5. Safeguard the environment through advanced planning and critical decision making to ensure environmentally sound development

BIODIVERSITY & CONSERVATION

MANDATE

Environmental Management and Conservation (Amendment) Act No. 28 of 2010

MISSION

Vanuatu's Biodiversity are the fundamental livelihood of its people, PROTECT IT.

OBLIGATIONS

- 1. To enable sustainable use of Vanuatu's natural resources
- 2. To meet obligations of international Conventions
- 3. To support and strengthen the traditional resource management systems with community participation in establishing community conservation areas (CCA).
- 4. To ensure that the communities equally share the benefits arising from researches.
- 5. To manage, control and eradicate invasive species.
- 6. To integrate biodiversity conservation and climate change adaptation & mitigation related initiatives and projects.





