



**HIGHLANDS REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM
24 - 25th March, 2015**

Venue: Provincial Assembly Hall, Agiru Centre–Mendi

THEME: “SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND ACHIEVING THE RESPONSIBLE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY”

Draft Program

Day One – Tuesday 24th MARCH, 2015

TIME	ACTIVITY
8:00-8:50	REGISTRSTION
SESSION 1	CHAIRPERSON: Southern Highlands Provincial Administrator
8:50-9:00	Opening Prayer <i>Reverend Justin Wapu United Church mendi</i>
9:00-9:15	National Anthem & Pledge <i>Kumin Primary School</i>
9:15-9:20	Purpose of Forum <i>Mrs Wallis Yakam-Executive Officer, CIMC</i>
9:20-9:45	Welcome – Hon. William Powi, Governor, Southern Highlands Province
9.45-10.05	Opening - CIMC Chairman <i>Hon. Charles Abel, MP, Minister for National Planning</i>
10.05-10:25	Private Sector and Civil Society Views on Implementation at the Sub-National level <i>Mr Berry Mini, President-Southern Highlands Chamber of Commerce and Industry</i>
10.25-10.45	Discussions & Recommendations
10:45-11:00	Morning Tea
SESSION 2	CHAIRPERSON: Paul Barker-Director Institute of National Affairs (INA)
	<i>Sub-Theme: Status of Implementation of Key Government Policies and Strategies</i>
11:00-11:20	Understanding the roles and responsibilities of politicians and public servants – what is the role of Parliament in ensuring effective implementation of policies • <i>Hon. Theo Zurenuoc, MP, Speaker of National Parliament</i>

11:20 – 11:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dr Joseph Ketan, Senior Lecturer & Head of PNG Studies & International Relations, Divine Word University, Madang</i> Effective Management and Utilization of Resource Revenue <i>Mr Manu Momo, First Assistant Secretary, Policy-Department of Treasury</i>
11:40- 12:00	Discussions & Recommendations
12:00 – 12.40	Lunch
SESSION 3	CHAIRPERSON: TBA Sub-Theme:
12:40 – 1:00	Awareness and Encouraging citizen participation in the implementation of the Responsible Sustainable Development Strategy <i>Mr Joe Kapa, Deputy Secretary-Policy, Department of National Planning and Monitoring</i>
1:00 - 1:20	Implementation of District Development Authority Act 2014 – implications on service delivery processes <i>Mr Munare Uyassi, Secretary, Department of Provincial & LLG Affairs</i>
1:20 - 1:40	Ensuring adequate service delivery at the Provincial Level – Issues & Challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mr Joe Kaio, Provincial Administrator, SHP</i>
1:40-2:00	Discussions & Recommendations
SESSION 4	CHAIRPERSON: TBA Sub-Theme: Experience of Implementation at the Sub-national level-Issues and Challenges
2:00-2:20	Civil Society views on Implementation at the Sub-National Level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mr John Ericho, Executive Director, Eastern Highlands Family Voice</i>
2:20-2:40	Ensuring adequate service Delivery at the Provincial Level-Issues and Challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mr William Bando, Provincial Administrator, Hela Province</i>
2:40 - 3:00	Challenges and Issues of Delivering Services at the District and LLG Levels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mr. Lucas Wayon, District Administrator – Wabag District, Enga Province</i>
3:00-3:20	Discussions & Recommendations
3:20-3:40	Afternoon Tea
3:00-4:00	Close of Day 1

Day Two – Wednesday 25th MARCH, 2015

TIME	ACTIVITY
8:00-8:50	REGISTRSTION
8.50–9.00	Opening Prayer, Pastor, Mendi Pentecostal Church
SESSION 1	CHAIRPERSON: TBA
	<i>Sub Theme: Understanding the Revised Financial Instructions & Empowering Local Communities for Active Engagement in Development</i>
9:00-9:20	<i>Understanding the Revised Financial Instructions& Guidelines of DSIP/LLGSIP/PSIP Mr Paul Sai'I, Secretary Department of Rural Development & Implementation</i>
9:20–10:20	The work on social accountability and Expenditure Tracking Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Elizabeth Avaisa, Senior Project Officer-CIMC • Mr John Toguata, Advisor Governance, Law & Justice – Oro Experience
10:20-10:40	Discussions & Recommendations
10:40-11:00	Morning Tea
SESSION 2	CHAIRPERSON:
	<i>Sub-Theme: Status on Implementation of Key Government Policies and Strategies – issues & challenges</i>
11:00-11:20	Developing Policies and Plans to empower SMEs <i>Mr Richard Yakam, Acting Deputy Secretary, Policy and Administration, Department of Commerce, Trade and Industry</i>
11:20 - 11:40	Facilitating Market Opportunities at Both Local and International for Local Producers – Issues and Challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Ronald Maru Executive Officer, Investment Promotion Authority • Ms Cathy Pianga, Coordinator-PNG Women in Coffee
11:40-12:00	Discussions and Recommendations
12:00-1:00	Lunch
SESSION 3	CHAIRPERSON:
1:00-1:20	Sub-Theme: Status on Implementation of Key Government Policies and Strategies – Issues and Challenges What is the National Identification System and how will it be useful to individuals and PNG? <i>Mr Roko Koloma, Acting National Statistician</i>
1:20–1:40	Rural Airstrips Agency and Rural Service Delivery <i>Mr John Bromley, Manager, RAA</i>

1:40–2:00 **How Resource Development is impacting on Human Well-Being in PNG – findings of the 2014 National Human Development Report**
Mr. Jorg Schimmel, UNDP Representative

2:00–2:20 **Discussions & Recommendations**

SESSION 4 CHAIRPERSON: CIMC

2:20–2:40 **Sub-theme: The Responsible Sustainable Development Strategy Mechanisms and Roadmap for Implementation**
Strategy Working Team to Facilitate – led by Professor Misty Baloiloi

2:40–3:00 **Afternoon Tea**

3:00–3:40 **Group Discussions**

1. SME Development –Policy challenges
2. SME Development –Implementation challenges
3. Improving Information Management and Coordination through the NID Program
4. Accountability and Good Governance Issues for Improved Service Delivery

3:40–4:20 **Report Back To Plenary**

4:20 **CLOSE OF 2015 NATIONAL DEVELOPEMENT FORUM**
Hon. Dee Kewanu, Member for Mendi and Vise Minister for Works
