

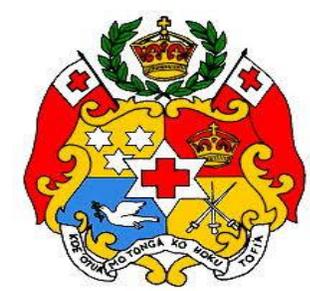
# “Building Effective, Accountable and Inclusive Institutions and Public Administration for Advancing SDGs 2030”

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# Outline

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# Background of Tonga

## 1. Geography

- Tonga is situated at the east of Fiji Islands in the South Pacific Ocean
- Tonga (also known as the Friendly Islands) consists of 150 islands, of which 36 are inhabited. Most of the islands contain active volcanic craters; others are coral atolls.
- The current population of **Tonga** is **108,440**
- The **population density** in Tonga is 150 per Km<sup>2</sup> (389 people per mi<sup>2</sup>).
- The total land area is 720 Km<sup>2</sup> (278 sq. miles)
- **23.9 %** of the population is **urban** (25,819 people in 2017)
- The **median age** in Tonga is **21.5 years**.
- **Life Expectancy**: females(**69yrs**), males (**65yrs**)

## 2. Government

- Hereditary constitutional monarchy
- Tonga started implementing the Democratic Reforms in 2010.

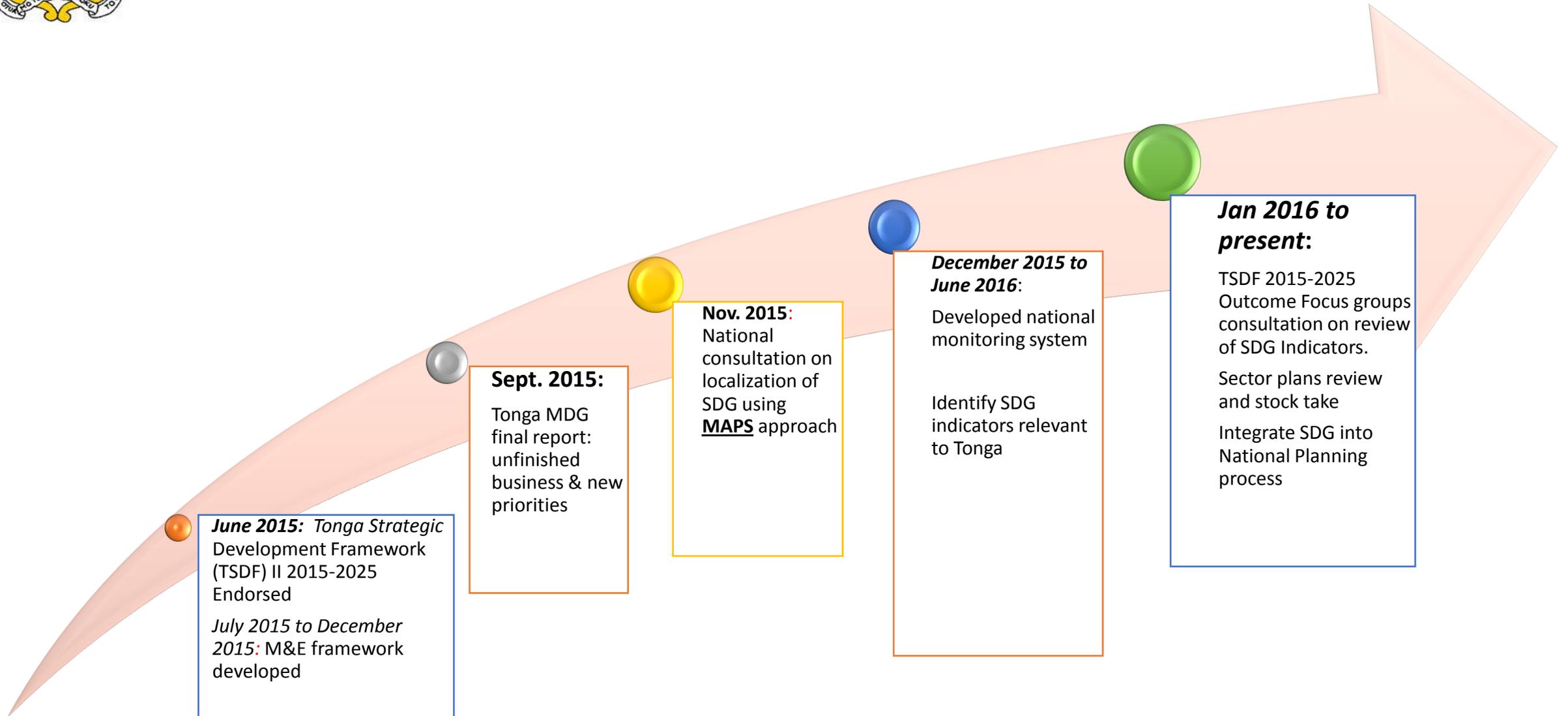
## 3. Economy

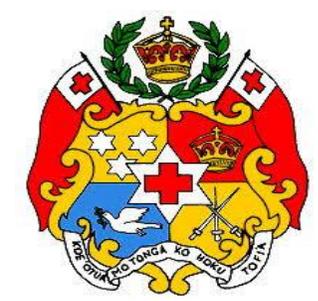
- **GDP growth** forecast for 2016/17 is **2.7%** and expected a higher growth rate in **2017/18 by 3.4%**
- Monetary unit: Pa'anga (TOP)





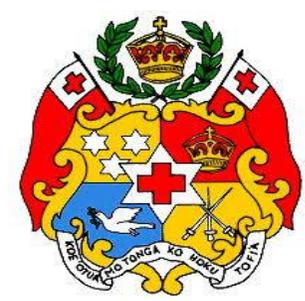
# Tonga's Journey in Advancing SDG & Agenda 2030





# Enabling Environment

- Government of Tonga focused on:
  - Performance based of its public servants
  - TSDF hinges on result based strategic planning
  - Public Service Commission (PSC) and Ombudsman have been established
  - Platform has been established whereby it encourages joint sectorial review
  - Effective monitoring & evaluation framework has been established and actioned upon.



# Institutional Mechanisms

1. Strategic Planning

2. Implementation

3. Monitoring & Evaluation

10yrs

- Tonga Strategic Development Framework 2015-2025 (Tonga Sustainable Development Task Force)

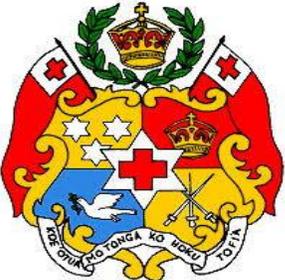
5yrs

- 8 Sector Plans
  - Education, Health, Fisheries, Agriculture, Energy, Climate Change & Disaster & Environment, Tourism, Infrastructure

Coordinating Secretariats: **Statistics & National Planning of Prime Minister Office**

- *Corporate Plans and ministries annual management plans*
- *Technical Working Groups*
  1. Economic Sector Group
  2. Social Sector Group
  3. Infrastructure & Environment Sector Group

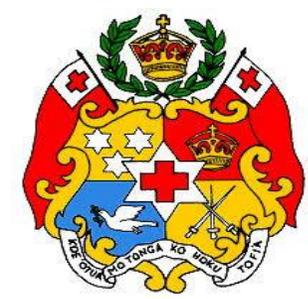
**National Monitoring System “Tracker Database”**



# Framework and Policies to Adapting SDGs

- TSDF 2015 – 2025 aligned to SDGs
- 132 Pacific Headline Indicators
  - About 60 are relevant to Tonga
- Gender based and risk assessment toolkits have been integrated into National Planning Process

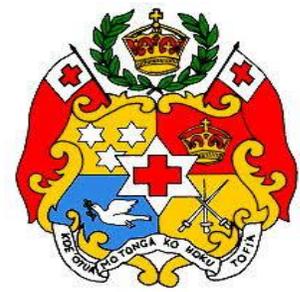
Tonga Strategic Development Framework II 2015-2025	Sustainable Development Goals (2015 - 2030)
<p><b>A. More inclusive, sustainable and dynamic, knowledge based economy</b></p>	<p><b>Goal 8</b> → Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all;</p> <p><b>Goal 10</b> → Reduce inequality within and among countries;</p> <p><b>Goal 1</b> → End poverty in all its forms everywhere</p> <p><b>Goal 2</b> → End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture</p>
<p><b>B. More inclusive, sustainable and balanced urban &amp; rural development across island groups</b></p>	<p><b>Goal 11</b> → Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable</p>
<p><b>C. More inclusive, sustainable and empowering human development with gender equality</b></p>	<p><b>Goal 3</b> → Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages</p> <p><b>Goal 4</b> → Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education promote lifelong learning opportunities for all</p> <p><b>Goal 5</b> → Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls;</p> <p><b>Goal 10</b> → Reduce inequality within and among countries</p>
<p><b>D. More inclusive, sustainable and responsive good-governance</b></p>	<p><b>Goal 16</b> → Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels</p>
<p><b>E. More inclusive, sustainable and successful provision and maintenance of infrastructure</b></p>	<p><b>Goal 9</b> → Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation</p>
<p><b>F. More inclusive, sustainable and effective land &amp; environment management and resilience to climate &amp; risk</b></p>	<p><b>Goal 12</b> → Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns</p> <p><b>Goal 13</b> → Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts;</p>



# Challenges

## ❖ Integrated policy framework to address:

- Poverty & hardship
- Developing informal sector as second engine of growth
- Fight against NCDs
- Fight against HIVs
- Mainstreaming population & family planning by developing appropriate legislative and policy frameworks & strategic plans for implementation
- Protection & conservation of the environment & resources



# Way Forwards

- ❖ Financing of priority development goals for the future
- ❖ Enhance monitoring & evaluation framework
- ❖ Develop partnership frameworks for collaboration, coordination for the delivery of outcomes & making impacts for SDGs
- ❖ Improve capacity for capturing data and strategic information

**THANK YOU.**