

**Minister for Industry, Trade,
Resources**



Tourism, Lands and Mineral

Honorable Faiyaz Siddiq Koya

ISSUANCE OF REGISTERED LEASES

**CRC CHURCH HALL
8 Miles**

**WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2017
1800 Hours**

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- The Acting Prime Minister & Minister for i-Taukei Affairs, Sugar Industry and Foreign Affairs & Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Public Enterprises, Civil Service & Communications Hon. Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum

- Permanent Secretaries;
- Senior government officials;
- Lessees;
- Ladies and Gentlemen.

Bula Vinaka and a very good evening to you all.

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you all to today's handing over of registered leases.

Today's event signifies another fulfilled promise by your Government in ensuring economic prosperity for all Fijians and not leaving anybody behind in this journey towards a better and brighter Fiji. Moreover, to develop and regularize the completed subdivision of Omkar here in Narere.

On that note, I would like to acknowledge the Ministry of Local Government, Housing and Environment for providing funding of \$2.1million which spearheaded this development project for residents living within this vicinity.

Ladies and Gentlemen

I know that you have waited for this day to arrive. This evening, I am pleased to say that, all that is over. You will be receiving your registered leases and this has been made possible with the collaborative effort between the Department of Town and Country Planning and Department of Lands respectively.

Ladies and Gentlemen

Today's handover of leases, is an indication of Government's commitment to the wellbeing of ordinary Fijians. We will not tire of our responsibility to deliver to you the best of that which can be provided. From issuance of

registered leases, to having access to basic and essential amenities and infrastructure. All this and more is what encompasses the lease documents you will receive this evening.

Ladies and Gentlemen

The presence of our Chief Guest the Acting Prime Minister & Minister for iTaukei Affairs, Sugar Industry and Foreign Affairs & Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Public Enterprises, Civil Service & Communications Hon. Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum to personally hand out the leases is a testament that your Fijian Government prioritizes the growth of Micro, Small

and Medium enterprises as they ensure inclusive economic development for our nation.

With the conclusion of today's event, you will be joining 200 individuals who are already striving to improve their standard of living with leases issued to them. And as for any lease issued, your Government expects full utilization of the land given, with the hope that it will improve your standard of living and also of the communities in which you are part of.

Ladies and Gentlemen

With those few words, I now have the honor of inviting the Acting Prime Minister & Minister for i-Taukei Affairs, Sugar Industry and Foreign Affairs & Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Public Enterprises, Civil Service & Communications, Hon. Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum to deliver his key note address this evening.

Vinaka Vakalevu, Dhanyavaad.