# CULTURAL HERITAGE SITES PRESERVATION IN FIJI





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### THE FIJI MUSEUM

- ESTABLISHED IN 1904
- CURRENT BUILDING IN 1952
- CAP 263: FIJI MUSEUM ACT
- CAP 264: PRESERVATION OF OBJECTS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND PALAEONTOLOGICAL INTEREST (POAPI)







## CAP 264: POAPI

"object of archaeological or palaeontological interest" means any structure, erection, memorial, tumulus, cairn, place of interment, pit-dwelling, trench, fortification, irrigation work, mound, excavation, cave, rock, rockdrawing, painting, sculpture, inscription, monolith, or any remains thereof, fossil remains of man or animals or plants or any bed or beds containing, such fossil remains thereof, or any object (or any remains thereof) which is or are of archaeological, anthropological, ethnological, prehistoric, or historic interest, and includes-

- (a) the site on which such object of archaeological or palaeontological interest was discovered or exists;
- (b) such portion of land adjoining the said site as may be required for fencing or covering in or otherwise preserving such object of archaeological or
- palaeontological interest; and
- (c) the means of access to and convenient inspection of such object of archaeological or
- palaeontological interest;





# THE ARCHAEOLOGY AND GAZETTING SECTION



# **ROLES**

ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS

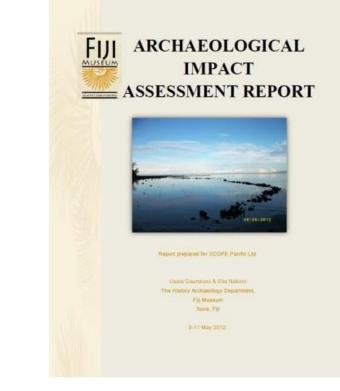


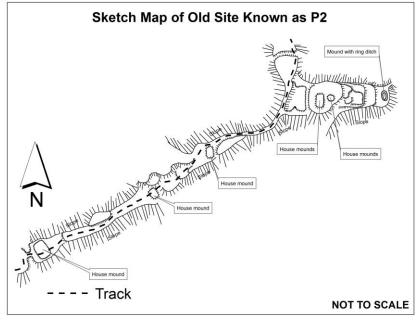
• COMMUNITY REQUESTS



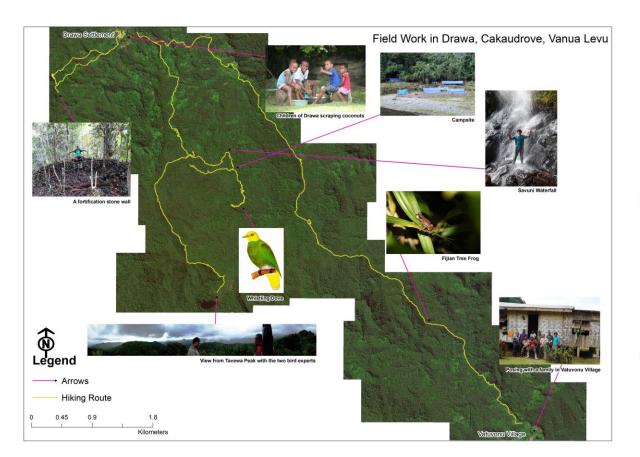
### • ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (EIA)

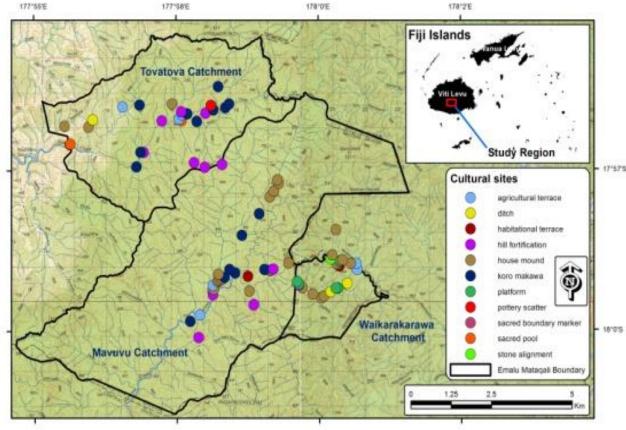




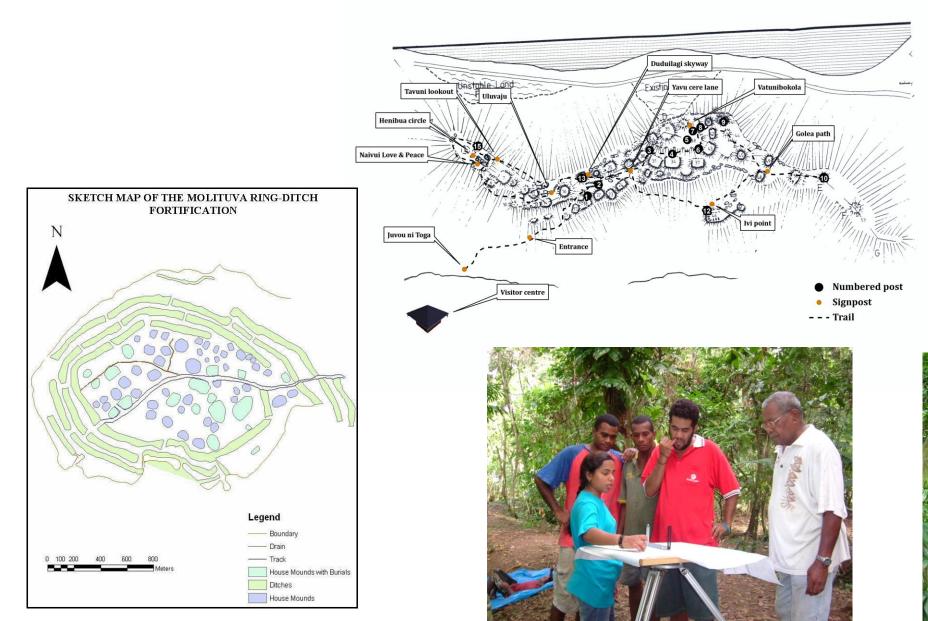


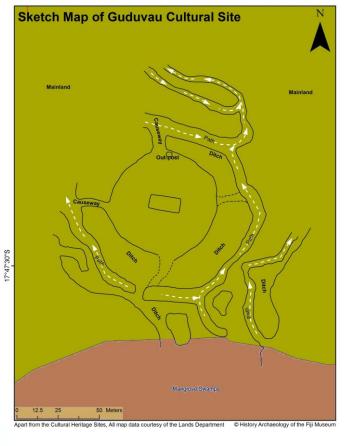
### RAPID BIODIVERSITY SURVEYS





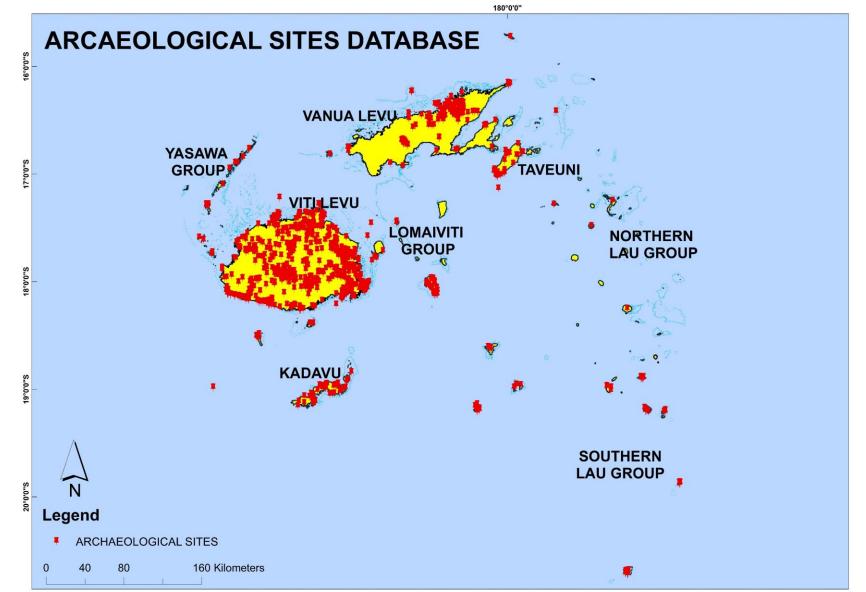
### • ECO-MUSEUMS/TOURISM







# ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES DATABASE



## **CHALLENGES**

- HUMAN RESOURCES
- LAND DISPUTES
- LACK OF COLLABORATION WITH KEY AUTHORITIES
- LACK OF AWARENESS