REFORMING CO-OPERATIVE LAWS IN FIJI
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Fiji On the World Map
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<th>Country</th>
<th>Gained independence from Britain in 1970. Made up of more than 330 islands of which 100 is inhabited. There are two main islands, Viti Levu and Vanua Levu.</th>
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<td>Area</td>
<td>18,274 sq km</td>
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<td>Population</td>
<td>943,737 - growth rate .44%; life expectancy 74.27</td>
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<td>Language</td>
<td>Fijian, English, Hindi</td>
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<td>Type of State</td>
<td>Democratic Republic</td>
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Fiji Current Economy

**Trade**
- Imports $202 million
- Exports $68 million

**Gross Domestic Product**
- GDP - 6.0% (2023 forecast)
- GDP per Capita - $4,646.6 (2021)

**Emerging Industry**
- Business Process Outsourcing
- Green energy
- Health care

**Foreign Direct Investment**
$0.41 billion in 2021, a 71.73% increase from 2020

**Major Industry**
- Tourism
- Agriculture
- Clothing, Textiles and Footwear

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Fiji Co-operative Industry Snapshot

- **CO-OPERATIVE SECTOR**: 14
- **OPERATING CO-OPERATIVE**: 490
- **WOMEN CENTRIC CO-OPERATIVES**: 48
- **MEMBERSHIP**: 26,000
- **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**
  - **REVENUE**: $18 MILLION
  - **NET PROFIT**: $2.5 MILLION
  - **ASSETS**: $132 MILLION
- **TRAINING**: 81 (PAST 3 YEARS)
- **EMPLOYMENT**: 267 (PAST 3 YEARS)
Director and Registrar of Co-operatives

National Co-operative Federation

Co-operatives

Education and Training

Finance and Markets
REFORMING ACT IN FIJI

- Co-operative Act 1996
- Co-operative Regulation 1999
- Working with International Co-operative Alliance on Act review
LACK OF AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING
ARCHAIC LAWS AND COMPLIANCE
TECHNICAL EXPERTISE
WAY FORWARD

- Complete review of Co-operative Act 1996
- Establishment of a Regional Body/ Cooperation for Co-operatives
- Refurbishment of Training Facility in Fiji to enable more trainings and allow regional training to re-commence.
THANK YOU