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Press Statement

Ministry of Education & Training Launches New Vanuatu Government Scholarship Website and Online Application Process

The Government of Vanuatu through the Ministry of Education & Training launches its first ever scholarships website and online application process. This process is the first phase of a comprehensive Scholarship Management Information System (SMIS) which is being developed by CNS to assist in the effective selection and management of all awardees, and facilitate a more coordinated approach to the integration of graduates within the workforce.

The bilingual website and online application process is a milestone development to help ensure that the Vanuatu Government Scholarships are transparent, accountable and responsive. This system will assist the TSCU and National Scholarships and Training Board to more effectively assess and select scholarship recipients in order to meet the national workforce priority needs of Vanuatu. During the launch of the website and online application process, Minister Jean Pierre Nirua thanked the Office of the OCGIO who through its financial support enabled this project to me implemented. He also thanked

CNS and hardworking Senior Managers, Director and the Director General of Education & Training for their assistance enabling the first phase of this development to be implemented in a timely manner.

"The System will enable online applications of scholarships which will relieve stress and long hours of frustration to serve and facilitate the task in this important Unit within the MoET". stated Minister Nirua

Minister Nirua in his opening statement on the website, states:

The Vanuatu's National Sustainable Development Plan 2016 -2030 (The Peoples Plan 2030) is the overarching policy framework that inspires the redesign of the national Scholarships, ensuring scholarships must be focused on areas of study which will make a direct contribution to these National development goals and aspirations.

Vanuatu Government Scholarships are aimed at supporting those who will priorities their studies, work hard and on graduation, make positive and valuable contributions to our development."

Online application forms are available on this link: https://www.scholarship.gov.vu. Online applications will be open from 4^{th} September 2017 to the 4^{th} of October 2017.

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