



MINISTRY OF TRADE, CO-OPERATIVES, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES AND COMMUNICATIONS

CALL FOR WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS – ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MEDICINAL CANNABIS INDUSTRY IN FIJI

The Ministry of Trade, Co-operatives and Small and Medium Enterprises, and Communications ('Ministry') will hold public consultations on **9 October 2023 to 19 October 2023** to address the socio-economic impacts of the emerging industry.

The consultations will be held to consider views on the establishment of the Medicinal Cannabis industry in Fiji. In introducing this industry and with thorough consultations, Fiji will be able to meet the demand of the global market whilst promoting economic diversification. The Ministry would like to call for submissions on the following:

- Legal pathway for medicinal cannabis in Fiji (trade exports only) ;
- Possible tax on export of medicinal cannabis; and
- Monitoring and enforcement mechanisms.

The Ministry would like to reiterate that the establishment of a medicinal cannabis industry in Fiji will be limited to **exportation only** and will not affect the domestic prohibition of Cannabis in Fiji.

Members of the public, relative industries, non-government organisations, civil society organisations, communities and other stakeholders are invited to attend the Public Consultations on the list of locations below:

Date	Time	Location	Venue
Monday, 9 October 2023	10am – 12pm	Suva	Epworth Hall - Beside Centenary Church
	2pm – 4pm	Nasinu/Nakasi	Ministry of Youth and Sports - Youth Training Center, Valelevu, Nasinu
	5pm – 7pm	Nausori/Korovou	UN Women's Accommodation, Nausori
Friday, 13 October 2023	2pm – 4pm	Sigatoka	Sai Hall, Sigatoka
	6pm – 8pm	Nadi/Lautoka	Nadi Civic Auditorium, Nadi
Wednesday 18 October 2023	2pm - 4pm	Labasa	Co-operative Office North, Rt Raobe building, Labasa
Thursday 19 October 2023	10am - 12pm	Savusavu	Co-operative Office, Savusavu

Additionally, submissions can be made online via bit.ly/medicalcannabisfiji or through written submissions which must be received by the Ministry no later than **4pm on 20 October 2023** addressed to:

Mailed to:	Hand Delivered:	Emailed to:
Permanent Secretary Ministry of Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications PO Box 2218 Government Buildings Suva	Permanent Secretary Ministry of Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications Level 3, Civic Tower Victoria Parade, Suva.	Support@mcttt.gov.fj

For any queries or further clarification on the above, can be directed to Ms. Phinai Liao at phinai.liao@trade.gov.fj or phone 3305411.

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**Chair of Medicinal Cannabis Taskforce
Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and
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