

"Blending Traditional Knowledge and Modern Science to Strengthen Community Resilience"

Vanuatu communities have a rich heritage of applying traditional ecological knowledge for climate and seasonal forecasting.



VMGD Traditional Knowledge Objectives

The initiative to document traditional knowledge aims to capture and preserve indicators related to weather and climate. By integrating this wisdom with conventional science, it seeks to present information in a way that is accessible and relevant to communities across Vanuatu.



Key Components:

- Dissemination: Sharing insights widely with communities.
- Collection: Gathering knowledge from various sources.
- Integration: Combining traditional and scientific knowledge systems.
- Storage: Safeguarding this knowledge for future generations.

What is Traditional Knowledge?

Traditional knowledge encompasses wisdom developed by communities worldwide, passed down through generations. Rooted in their interaction with nature, this knowledge includes:

- Building techniques
- Fishing practices
- Agricultural methods
- Culinary traditions
- Medicinal remedies
- Hunting strategies
- Insights on weather and climate



Is your community or island still using traditional knowledge?

Traditional knowledge is vital to our way of life. It is not only free and accessible, but also a reliable resource for communities, especially those in remote parts of Vanuatu who lack network coverage and depend heavily on it.

"To build a more resilient community, traditional knowledge skills must be revived, utilized, and practiced—today and into the future."

The VMGD, along with its partners, is gathering stories about traditional knowledge related to weather and climate across Vanuatu.

IF YOUR COMMUNITY STILL PRACTICES THESE SKILLS, ESPECIALLY FOR UNDERSTANDING WEATHER AND CLIMATE, THE VMGD IS EAGER TO LEARN ABOUT THEM.



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