



## EAST NEW BRITAIN RETAIL TRAINING REPORT 2022 -2023

#### INTRODUCTION

The awareness targeted the ward members, ward recorders and chairman of economic sector. The main objective of the awareness are;

- **D** Be informed of the Financial Inclusion Program in ENBP
- □ Know about Centre for Excellence in Financial Inclusion (CEFI)
- Basic idea of ENBPG's participation on the rollout of National Financial Inclusion Strategy (NFIS)
- □ Progress of activities done so far since the signing of the FI MOU in 2021
- Be informed of the Implementation of the Financial Literacy Retail Training Plan in 2023.
- □ Can be able to disseminate the information to the general population in the ward.

This report outlines the Financial Inclusion Awareness program, and the roll out of the retail Financial Literacy Training program in East New Britain Province and brief on the last batch of TOT for Pomio District.

#### 1. AWARENESS

The Financial Inclusion awareness program has been conducted in Rabaul District, Kokopo District, and Gazelle District. Please refer to table below for more detailed information.

No.	LLG	DISTRICT
1	Kombiu	Rabaul
2	Rabaul Urban	Rabaul
3	Balanataman	Rabaul
4	Watom	Rabaul
5	Duke of York	Kokopo
6	Raluana	Kokopo
7	Toma/Vunadidir	Gazelle
8	Inland Baining	Gazelle

9	Lasul Baining	Gazelle
10	Reimber/Livuan	Gazelle

The awareness was conducted to the ward members, ward recorders and chairman of economic sector.

As per the table above, only 10 awareness was conducted, Rabaul District completed all LLGs, Gazelle District have one LLG outstanding (Central Gazelle LLG), and Kokopo District has two LLGs outstanding (Bitapaka LLG and Kokopo Vunamami Urban LLG). Pomio District just completed TOT for officers in June (05<sup>th</sup> to the 09<sup>th</sup> June). As per their training plan, they will conduct awareness in the third quarter and FL retail Training after wards.



# 2. TRAINING

No.	Ward	LLG	No. of participants		
			Male	Female	Total
1	Matalau	Kombiu	11	13	24
2	Rakunat	Kombiu	7	15	22
3	Rabuana	Kombiu	9	22	31
4	Korere 2	Kombiu	16	12	28
5	Nodup	Kombiu	4	23	27
6	Korere 1	Kombiu	6	12	18
7	Baai	Kombiu	13	25	38
8	Talvat	Kombiu	10	21	31
9	Matupit ward 5	Kombiu	13	17	30
10	Matupit ward 3,4,1	Kombiu	10	26	36
11	Matupit ward 2,1,3	Kombiu	16	15	31
	Kombiu (resettlement)	Total	115	201	316
12	Maranagi & Raigel	Sinivit	33	13	46
13	Riet	Sinivit	21	13	34
14	Flood way	Sinivit	22	25	47
15	Upper Sikut	Sinivit	21	17	38
	Sinivit LLG	Total	97	68	165
16	Vunapalading 1	Inland Baining	38	11	49
17	Vunapalading 2	IInland	20	5	25
		Baining			
	Inland Baining LLG	Total	58	16	74
	Total		270	285	555

There were 17x training conducted so far. Refer to the table below for more details.

The total number of participants trained were 555. 270 were males and 285 were females.

From the total;

- 316 are from Kombiu LLG (115 male and 201 female).
- 165 are from Sinivit LLG (97 male and 68 females).
- 74 are from Inland Baining LLG (58 males and 16 females).

Kombiu LLG has completed all the wards for the resettlement area and is preparing to have a mess graduation for the total of 316 participants. After graduating the participants from resettlement area,



the team will continue with the training to the original location which was destroyed by volcanic eruption in 1994. Some people decided to move back to the original villages and therefore training has to reach them as well. The 555 participants are yet to open accounts. The Division has been communicating with ENBSL and KadaPoroman Microfinance Limited to schedule a day for account opening.

The rest of the LLGs are in the process to organize for their trainings and submitting claims to get funding.

Below are some photos of the Financial Literacy trainings conducted.





## 3. POMIO TOT TRAINING

Training of Trainers for Pomio was conducted on the 05<sup>th</sup> to the 09 of June at Palmalmal District Head Quarters conference room. A total of 29 participants attended and were certified by the master trainer Ms Jill Pijui assisted by the Advisor, Mrs. Rosemary Murure. 25 were officers from Pomio District while 4 officers were from Rabaul District. The training experiences was described as highly competent. The participants showed high competency skills and knowledge of the two modules covered.

As per the training plan for Pomio District, the trainers will conduct awareness in the third quarter and continue with retail trainings in the fourth quarter. The trainers shall continue with the retail trainings next year 2024 to cover all the wards within Pomio District.





# 4. CHALLENGES

The training plan as scheduled is highly subjected to change due to the challenges faced in the roll out of the awareness and the retail training. Some of the challenges are;

- 1. Turnaround time for claims that are submitted to Finance and Treasury
- 2. LLG officers need logistic to organize for training
- 3. Some BDOs still need to be active and flexible in performing their roles and responsibilities

## 5. CONCLUSION

Overall the awareness and training will continue to next year 2024. Thank you to the great team effort from CEFI, East New Britain Provincial Administration, KadaPoroman Microfinance Limited, East New Britain Savings & Loans Society and other stakeholders. We look forward to continue working with you all to effectively implement Financial Inclusion program in the Province for the benefit of the people of East New Britain.