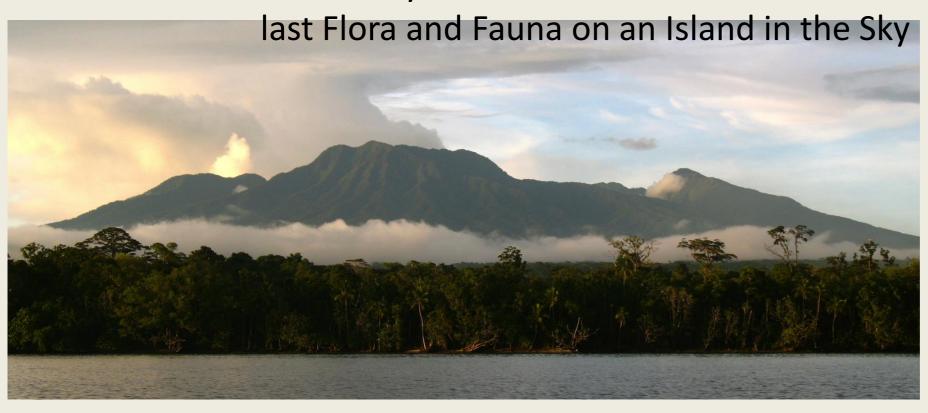
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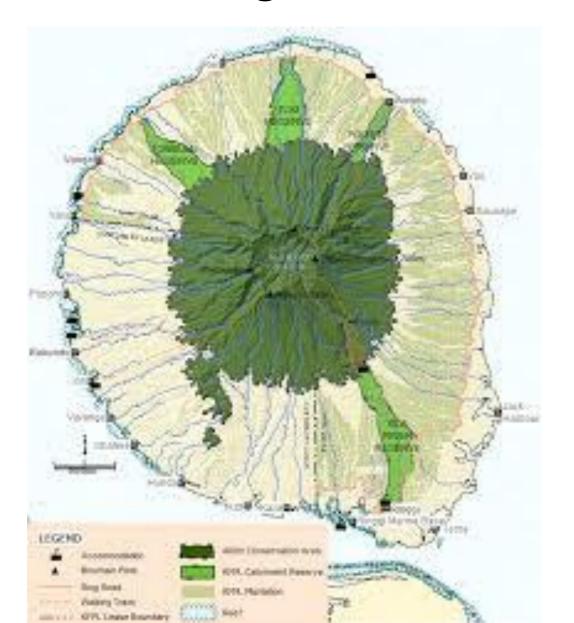
How Community Collaborates with Partners to save the



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Kolombangara Island-Many Interest



- About 100 Communities
- Growing Population of >5000 people
- 68 970ha
- Coconut Planation
- Alienation of ¾ of Land area
- Logging & Environmental degradation
- 26 000 ha under Forest Plantation
- Ongoing interest of control between two of our important institution KICC & KLTF-Colapse of Local governance
- Penetration of unsustainable and illegal logging
- Threatens the remaining tropical flora and fauna on Kolombangara Island at the expense of the environment
- Establishment of KIBCA in 2008/2009 as a community driven initiatives on Kolombangara Island

Kolombangara Island Biodiversity Conservation Association(KIBCA)

Vision: Promote Conservation and other Sustainable development and to find alternative Solution for our communities

Kolombangara Island Biodiversity Conservation Association(KIBCA)

Mission: Protection of our islands biodiversity that influence sound management of our Natural resources that leverages sustainable socioeconomic development and livelihood.

Staff:

- 1xProgram Coordinator
- 1xFinance & Admin officer
- 6xRangers
- 4xCommunity Rangers
- 5xTourguide

Update on Activities:

- 1.Collaboration with AMNH, UQ and SICCP to conduct baseline Survey to Mt Veve
- 2. Collaboration with WCS to conduct a baseline on our marine sites in 2015
- 3. Collaboration with the Canberra University on Ndughore Cultural heritage Mapping
- 2.Collation with SICCP Training of Rangers
- 3. Collaborate with ESSI/WWF on Reef to Ridge awareness and Resource Mapping
- 4. Assist land owners on legal issues such as EIA
- 5. Collaborate with LALSU on Litigation
- 6.Collaborate with the Communities and partners in the establishment Network of CBRM, Sustainable and environmental sound Business undertaking from below the conservation area-Community engagement direct Livelihoods and other income generation strategy, Microfinance scheme
- 7.REDD+ Initiatives
- 6. Awareness & advocacy about the Protected Area including Scoping on PA consultation
- 7. Governance-Collaboration with SICCP on Capacity needs training of our board members
- 8.On going Collaboration with the KANSAS university on the research about the Kolombangara white eyes
- 9. Develop Network of CBRM
- 10. Collaboration with ESSI and WPG to endorse the 400m area as protected area by the Western Province Executive
- 11. Scholarship Program
- 12. Collaborate with WCS for training of Rangers on Community engagement
- 13. Collaborate with Ministry of Tourism on Marketing
- 14. Collaborate with UNDP on Training on Indigenous Knowledge
- 15. Collaborate with Conservation Leadership on Conservation Leadership in Canada
- 16. Collaborate with UNDP and Ministry of Environment on REDD+ Anti-corruption
- 17. Collaborate with SICCP on the establishment of MUHIRO CBRM
- 18. Development of KIBCA website and FB
- 19. Management of Nature base Tourism

Problems & Issues

1.Logging: All shapes & Sizes at the expense of the environment

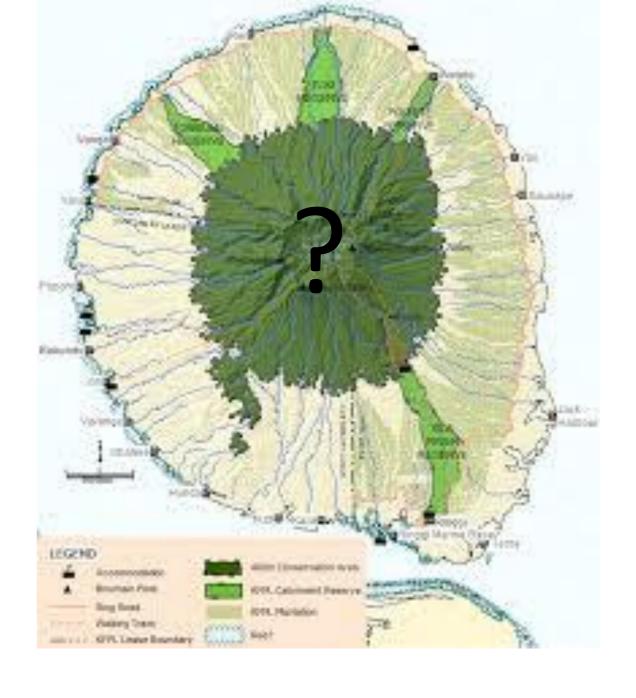


2.Committe/Board Capacity

3. UnSustainable finance

4.Incompetent-Level of understanding of the linkage of Conservation and sustainable economic development/Livelihood/Food security

5. High expectation

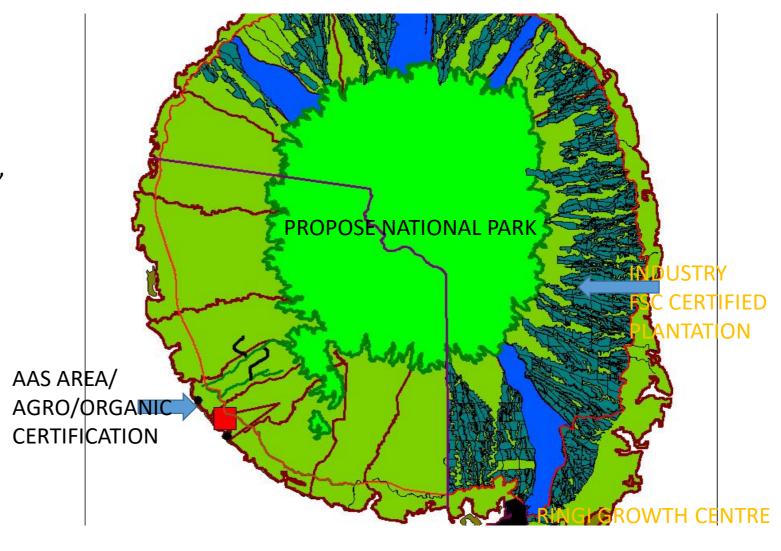


Next step & Way forward

- 1.Stregthen governance-Put Elites on Board Level
- 2.Staff Development strategy-2 Rangers in diploma on Environmental studies in 2018
- 4. Restructure to include a Project Coordinator Position
- 3. Financial Sustainability Strategy-:
 - -Working with WCS, donor partners, ESSI, KFPL and KLTF to achieve this.
 - -Imbu Rano lodge takeover
- 5. Development of Kolombangara Island Benefit Sharing Strategy
- 6.Training of our Finance officer on MYOB software
- 7. Protected area and linkages to Sustainable Economic

Kolombangara Island Conservation and Economic Model

- 1.Collaboration with partners to develop a National Park (Consultation, Management Plan, submitting)
- 2.Development CBRM that focuses on
- Forest Regeneration/Plantation to FSC status
- Establishment of organically certified
 - -Ngalinut
 - -Virgin Coconut Oil
- Develop Nature base tourism Programme "Kolombangara Island headhunters trail"
- REDD+/Nakau Carbon Market
- 3. Capacity building Programme



Key of Success to save the last flora and fauna

- 1.Our Success is through unique partnership with CBO+INDUSTRY+NGO'S+Research
- 2. Protected areas Act
- 3. Good Financial Backup
- 4. Linkages of Conservation & Economy
- 5.Partnership = "Jack of all trade and master of Non" and be SMART

EQUAL TRANSPORMATION

Acknowledgement

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