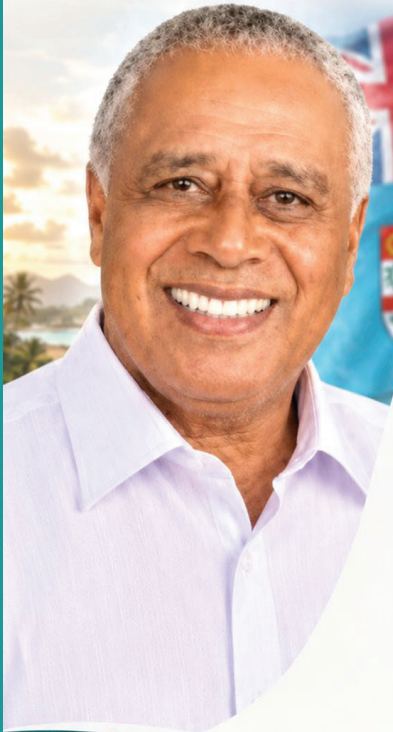




UNITY FIJI

MANIFESTO

LEADERSHIP YOU CAN TRUST

*"Inspiring youths,
transforming lives"*

We will challenge the past
to transform our future
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WHO WE ARE: UNITY FIJI

Unity Fiji was born in 2017 with one simple aim: to serve the people, not ourselves. It was founded by three Fijians who had already given a lifetime of service — the late Adi Sivia Qoro, Kaliopate Tavola and Savenaca Narube. They watched with utmost concern as our politics drifted to the extremes and served self-interest, and decided to build something different: a moderate and multiracial party that unites the country through unity in diversity, respecting every culture and tradition.

We are not here to serve ourselves. We are here to serve you.

What Unity Fiji is all about

- ✓ People before politicians — we implement what we promise. No slogans, no shortcuts.
- ✓ Reducing poverty and inequality — closing the gap between the rich and the struggling.
- ✓ Rooting out corruption — restoring honesty and trust in government.

Why Unity Fiji stands alone

- ✓ Clean, proven leadership — a party with no baggage from the past.
- ✓ A clear vision — backed by real, fully costed plans.
- ✓ Hope and inspiration for our youth — opportunity, not just debt, for the next generation.
- ✓ Innovation and transformation — modern systems and new technology to move Fiji forward.
- ✓ A change of mindset — from dependence to enterprise, from division to unity.

The motto of this manifesto says it all: Fiji needs leaders that the people can trust.

A LEADER YOU CAN TRUST

Fiji does not need more promises. It needs a leader who has already delivered.

Savenaca Narube has spent his career protecting Fiji's finances and steadying our economy in its most difficult times. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce in Economics and Accounting (Canterbury, New Zealand) and a Master of Commerce with Honours in Econometrics (NSW, Australia).

He has held the nation's most demanding roles

- ✓ Governor of the Reserve Bank of Fiji (9 years)
- ✓ Permanent Secretary for Finance (4 years)
- ✓ Senior roles at the World Bank and the IMF (4 years)
- ✓ Chairman of the RBF, FPNF, FRCS, FINTEL, FSM, Fiji Reinsurance and Rakavi Trust
- ✓ Director of ATH, TFL, FEA and FSC; Trustee of the Fiji Rugby Union

He has proven himself

When political crises struck in 2000 and 2006, it was Savenaca Narube who helped rescue the economy. He is the only person to hold the position of Governor and Permanent Secretary of Finance at the same time after the 2000 coup. He is the only Permanent Secretary for Finance to post a Budget surplus in the modern era. He established the Fiji Revenue and Customs Authority, reformed telecommunications, secured the Southern Cross submarine cable that connects us to the world, and introduced our modern electronic payment system. He achieved all this the honest way — through hard work, integrity, and commitment. No self-dealing. He is clean. He leads an experienced Unity team skilled in law, medicine, fisheries, agriculture, health, education, business, accounting, trade, and community work. This is the leader Fiji can trust.

FOREWORD BY THE PARTY LEADER

My fellow Fijians,

It is time to go back to the polls — and it is time for a fresh start.

For too long, our people have carried a heavy load due to poor national leadership. The cost of living keeps rising while wages stand still. Fifty dollars of shopping that once filled a trolley now barely fills a bag. Bus fares climb. Good jobs are scarce, and too many of our graduates walk the streets looking for work. Our national debt has ballooned to around \$11 billion — roughly \$12,000 for every man, woman, and child. Too many families go to bed worried about tomorrow.

This is not the Fiji we dream of. Fiji is our paradise. It should be a place of opportunity, dignity, and hope — especially for our young people.

I have spent my life working to protect Fiji's finances and steady our economy. I have sat in the rooms where the hardest decisions were made. I helped bring our country back from the brink after the crises of 2000 and 2006. I know what it takes to fix what is broken — and I know it can be done.

Unity Fiji offers something different. We are a clean party. We carry no baggage from the past. We are not here to enrich ourselves. We are here to serve you.

This Manifesto is not a wish list. It is a plan. Every promise in these pages is backed by costed numbers in our Budget framework, because you deserve honesty, not slogans.

Our plan will moderate the rising cost of living and put more money into your pocket. We will grow and diversify the economy through our Economic Transformation Program, so that every resource owner — of every ethnicity, in every corner of Fiji — can earn a decent income—and that includes sugar cane farmers. We will lower the national debt by cutting waste, not services. We will make free tertiary education a reality and forgive student debt so that no bright young Fijian is held back by their bank balance. We will confront the drug crisis which is stealing our children's future. And we will restore the independence of the institutions that keep government honest.

We will do all of this while building unity and tolerance — not by force, but through respect for our many cultures and traditions. Unity in diversity is not just our slogan. It is our promise.

After the last two governments, I know that trust in politicians is low. So, I do not ask for your blind faith. I ask you to look at our record. I ask you to read our plan. And I ask you to hold us to it.

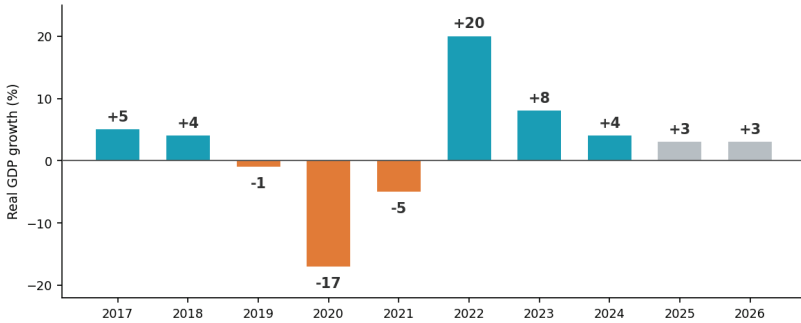
Enough is enough. Let us be an inspiration to our young people so they can see a brighter future. With our skills and our quest for innovation, Unity Fiji will transform lives. May God bless you and your families. Please vote and make your vote count.

Savenaca Narube
Leader, Unity Fiji

WHERE ARE WE TODAY?

Before we talk about solutions, let us be honest about where Fiji stands.

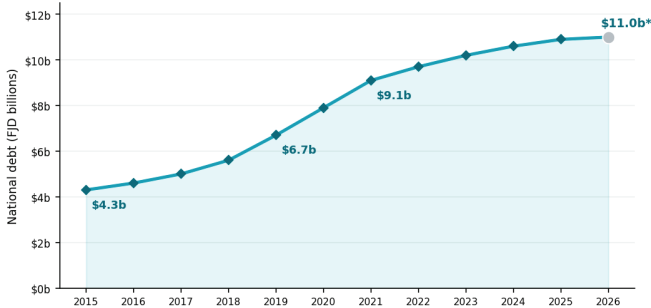
A ROLLERCOASTER ECONOMY: real growth collapsed, then bounced — but momentum is fading



Grey bars = 2025 estimate and 2026 projection. Sources: RBF, IMF, World Bank.

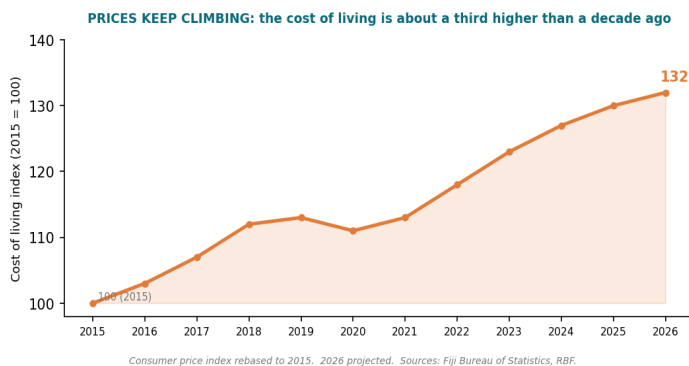
Our economy has been on a rollercoaster. After the deepest collapse in our history during the pandemic — a fall of around 17% in a single year — tourism drove a strong bounce-back. But that rebound is now fading, and growth is drifting back toward 2–3% a year. That is simply not fast enough to lift wages, create jobs, or pull families out of poverty. Fiji needs a proven economic leader to secure the future of our children and grandchildren. This manifesto provides a credible program to double our GDP in 12 years.

DEBT HAS MORE THAN DOUBLED: from about \$4 billion to roughly \$11 billion



*2026 projected. That is around \$12,000 of debt for every man, woman and child. Sources: Ministry of Finance, RBF.

To get through the pandemic crisis, the government borrowed heavily. Our national debt has tripled in a decade — from about \$4 billion to roughly \$11 billion. That is around \$12,000 owed for every man, woman, and child. Debt repayments now swallow close to half of every dollar government collects, crowding out money for hospitals, schools, and roads. Our children will be paying this bill for decades. Unity Fiji has the leader who has demonstrated first-hand expertise in managing our budget, removing wastage, and reducing debt.



And the squeeze is felt every single day at the shops. Prices are about a third higher than they were a decade ago. Prices of food and fuel have doubled. For families on stagnant wages, the maths simply does not add up. The global fuel crisis looms large on our horizon. Its impact will further raise prices, with a devastating impact on the families that are already struggling. Fiji needs an experienced leader who has saved Fiji before and has the unmatched strength, experiences, and honesty to cushion the impact of global developments on prices and build a stronger economy. This manifesto has innovative but realistic measures to cushion the impact of the rise in the cost of living on families.

Behind the numbers are real struggles

- Unemployment is too high — and youth unemployment is higher still at around 25%.
- Too many children are dropping out of school.
- Teenage pregnancy is rising.
- The health service is skewed toward those who can pay for medicine and private doctors.
- Drugs are spreading through our communities and schools.
- We have the second-fastest rate of increase in HIV in the world
- The gap between the rich and poor keeps widening.
- Traffic congestion is choking our towns, stealing hours from families every week.

The bottom line: The problems that we face are daunting. They have been worsening for three decades. An entire generation has lost its way. Fiji is drifting toward a financial cliff, and ordinary families are paying the price. It does not have to be this way. With the right leadership and the right plan, we can turn this around. This manifesto provides the blueprint to transform our lives and restore hope amongst our youth.

PART 1 — We Will Take Better Care of Everyone

This is where it starts — with your family's daily life.

1.1 We will help families manage the rise in the cost of living

We know that the higher prices will not come back down at any time soon. Therefore, we will need to address the rise in prices not only from the cost side but also from the income side.

- ✓ Keep VAT at zero on essential items and prescribed medication decided by Cabinet.
- ✓ Review fiscal and import duties on essential foods and fuel.
- ✓ Rebalance price-control margins so the burden is shared fairly between families, businesses, and government.
- ✓ Stabilise the exchange rate to cushion the rising cost of imports.
- ✓ In the medium to long term, raise the production of our natural resources through the ETP so we are less dependent on the rest of the world.

We will also put money directly into your hands:

- ✓ Raise the minimum wage to a living wage of \$8 an hour — phased in and with conditions to protect small businesses.
- ✓ Raise the income tax threshold from \$30,000 to \$40,000 — so low- and middle-income earners keep more of what they earn.
- ✓ Increase the allowances paid to senior citizens to \$150 a month. Senior citizens deserve our support.
- ✓ Increase the allowances of the After Care Fund to match the increases in other allowances.

1.2 For our children, we will:

- ✓ Review the law that regulates the disciplining of children to strengthen discipline and training.
- ✓ Work with the schools, faith-based organisations and the communities to strengthen family values.
- ✓ Review the school curriculum to enhance the principles of discipline, hard work, and perseverance.

1.3 For our youth, we will:

- ✓ Grant an automatic scholarship to every student who wins a place at a registered tertiary institution. Free tertiary education, at last.
- ✓ Forgive remaining student debt owed to the government under the existing scholarship scheme.
- ✓ Help students find jobs after they leave school through better economic management and the ETP.
- ✓ Introduce a National Youth Training Scheme to empower youths to be successful in their lives. This will include discipline, positive thinking, and behavioural changes.
- ✓ Undertake a national campaign on issues facing the youths like teenage pregnancy, AIDS, and cyberbullying, in partnership with NGOs and faith-based organisations.

1.4 For the sake of our children, we will fight the drug crisis with every weapon we have.

Drugs are stealing our children's future. This is a battle we will fight together and win:

- ✓ One united front — mobilise the Churches, the Vanua and Government as one force to fight drugs.
- ✓ Stronger families — put family values back at the heart of our communities.

- ✓ Cut the supply — stop the corruption that lets drugs flow and increase penalties. Procure state-of-the-art surveillance with the help of development partners.
 - ✓ Heal and recover — invest in rehabilitation and a dedicated treatment unit.
- ✓ Champion a nationwide awareness campaign against drugs — with the help of the Vanua and the Church.

1.5 We will empower our women with income to achieve their ambitions.

We will help women rise:

- ✓ Use the ETP platform to graduate women from micro and small businesses into medium and large enterprises, with access to capital, training, and markets.
- ✓ Champion the campaign against gender-based violence and strengthen the enabling legislation.
- ✓ Continue to support MSMEs through funding and training.
- ✓ Repeal the law that requires women to change their family names for the elections.

1.6 For our senior citizens:

Our senior citizens have served our country loyally and contributed to our progress. However, they become very vulnerable after retirement as the cost-of-living surges and their incomes slump. Unity Fiji will take better care of you. We will:

- ✓ Increase allowances to \$150 a month to cushion the impact of the rise in the cost of living and raise this amount annually. Introduce a special medical insurance for senior citizens.

1.7 We will improve the services to our people

1.7.1 Health

Our health services are at the worst level in our history because of the lack of focus and the wrong priority. This is a life-and-death matter which we cannot allow to continue. Unity Fiji will:

- ✓ Raise allocation to health to fix our dilapidated hospitals, keep lifts and all operating theatres working, and end the constant shortages of drugs and consumables, repair medical facilities including health centres, pay overtime to nurses and laboratory staff, set up diabetes clinics to reduce amputations, and overhaul St Giles and improve mental-health care.
- ✓ Reduce the charges for ambulance services, which can cost the patient \$700 a trip.
- ✓ Review all contracted health services
- ✓ Reopen another hospital laundry in Suva.

1.7.2 Education

Education is the key to severing the link of intergenerational poverty. Unity Fiji believes that education is a right and not a privilege. Unity Fiji will:

- ✓ Offer an automatic full scholarship scheme to every student who secures a place at a registered tertiary institution in Fiji.
- ✓ Forgive all debt under the existing TELS.
- ✓ Revive technical and vocational training (TVET) and reintroduce the apprenticeship scheme.
- ✓ Cut urban class sizes to 25 to improve student-to-teacher ratio.
- ✓ Improve the quality and facilities in Early Childhood Education (ECE) Centres and for Persons with Disabilities.

1.7.3 Housing

Shelter is a basic human right. Unity Fiji will quadruple the allocation to the construction of new houses from \$20m to \$80 million a year, from savings, not borrowings, to build 1,000 homes a year, relocate informal settlements, and help first-home buyers.

1.7.4 Water

Water is essential. Unity Fiji guarantees every citizen clean, reliable water, wherever they live.

1.7.5 Government services

We will streamline government services to improve services for the people.

1.8 We will ease traffic congestion

Traffic congestion steals time, fuel, and family life. Yet the government continues to allow and even promote the importation of vehicles while very limited improvements have been made to ease traffic flows.

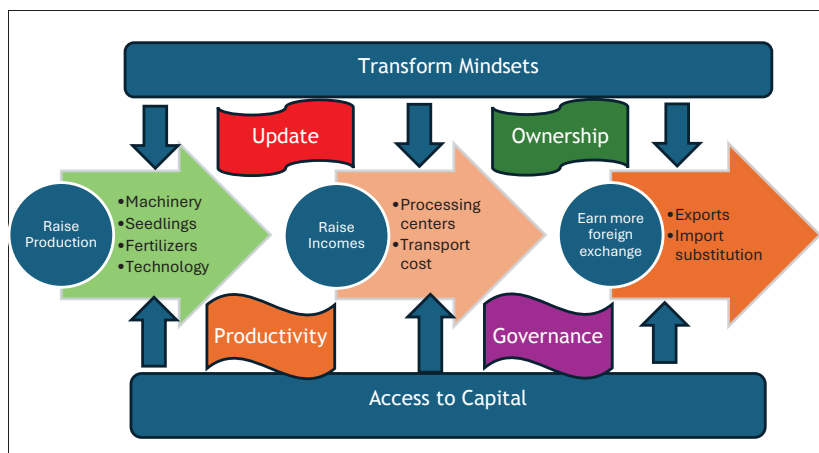
We will:

- ✓ Widen roads, removing traffic hindrances like dividers, synchronizing traffic lights, clear lane markings, and redesigning traffic flows.
- ✓ Build two lanes each way between Nadi and Lautoka;
- ✓ Introduce temporary lanes during peak traffic hours.
- ✓ Review vehicle tariffs at the higher end and encourage carpooling and working from home.
- ✓ Examine sea transportation between Nausori and Suva and rail between Nadi and Lautoka.

PART 2 — We will make the poor people rich—and reduce poverty

Poverty shatters dreams and steals dignity. Eliminating it is our top priority. Our engine is the Economic Transformation Program (ETP) — a new, integrated way to turn Fiji's natural resources into real income for their owners and users, in every province, of every ethnicity.

Economic Transformation Program



The ETP works through five connected platforms:

- ✓ **Raise Production** — machines, modern technology, seedlings, and organic fertilisers to turn small plots into larger productive farms, aiming to double resource-based production in four years.
- ✓ **Establish Processing Centres** — to maximise revenue, owned by resource owners themselves, so the profit stays with the people who did the work, not the middleman.
- ✓ **Raise Capital** — explore innovative ways to raise capital, pool lease money and remittances, explore a dedicated Resource Investment Bank (RIB) and open access to capital markets.
- ✓ **Enable Legislation and Reforms** — review all legislation connected to natural resources, review ITLTB, overhaul the iTaukei administration system and decision-making structure including the Great Councils of Chiefs and the Provincial Councils, and change lease valuation to better reflect their market value.
- ✓ **Transform Mindsets** — the overarching umbrella of the ETP. We will work with the Vanua and faith-based organisations to build an enterprise culture of positivity, accountability, and risk-taking.

PART 3 — We Will Lighten the Debt Burden on Our Young People

We cannot build a strong future on a mountain of debt. Unity Fiji has unmatched skills in public financial management — and we will use them.

- ✓ **Stop the borrow-and-spend habit** — let revenue, not borrowing, drive the Budget.
- ✓ **Cut waste** — which we estimate runs into over one billion dollars every year.
- ✓ **Lead by example** — reduce the number of Ministers to around eighteen for a leaner government.
- ✓ **Budget smarter** — introduce zero-based budgeting and a full expenditure review across government.
- ✓ **Lift productivity and efficiency** — make the public service and State-Owned Enterprises efficient and self-sustaining to improve the services to the people.

Less waste means more money for hospitals, schools, and roads — and a lighter load for our children.

PART 4 — We Will Fight Corruption

Good governance is the cornerstone of democracy. When power is concentrated and institutions are silenced, corruption grows. We will turn on the lights.

- ✓ **Reinforce the independence of key institutions** like the Reserve Bank, the DPP, the Auditor-General, FICAC, the Human Rights Commission and the Elections Office.
- ✓ **Publish political interventions** — Ministerial interventions and the outcomes of all major procurement, out in the open.
- ✓ **Strengthen scrutiny** — empower Parliament's committees and full compliance with Standing Orders.
- ✓ **Raise awareness and penalties** — run strong public campaigns and increase penalties so corruption no longer pays.
- ✓ **Import expertise** to investigate all allegations of corruption, including against the Fiji First government.
- ✓ **Continue the implementation of the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry** after consultations with the Attorney General.
- ✓ **Through the amendments to the Constitution, change the members of the Constitutional Offices Commission (COC) to the private sector and strengthen the independence and accountability of the Fiji Judicial Services Commission (JSC).**
- ✓ **Bring back the Senate through an amendment to the Constitution: A Unity Fiji Government will welcome the scrutiny of its decisions. The benefits of administering the Senate far outweigh the cost.**

Checks and balances. Transparency. Accountability. That is how we protect your money.

PART 5 — We Will Correct the Mistakes of Past Governments

5.1 Constitution

We will ensure that the will of the people is reflected in the supreme laws of Fiji — the Constitution. Unity Fiji will:

- Implement the findings of the Constitutional Review Commission, with a preference for amending the entire 2013 Constitution with a new name.
- To build unity, we will promote consultations in all aspects of the amendments to the 2013 Constitution.

5.2 We will restore full democracy and freedom.

- ✓ Review and take forward the relevant findings of the Electoral Review Commission to ensure that all votes count.
- ✓ Restore full democracy by holding municipal elections by the end of the second year in government.
- ✓ Review and take forward the relevant findings of the Peace and Reconciliation Commission.
- ✓ We will repeal all the laws that limit freedom.

5.3 We will resolve longstanding land issues

- ✓ Establish a land tribunal to hear land disputes.
- ✓ Review the TLTB to better serve the resource owners and be fair to land users.
- ✓ Require the TLTB to consult with landowners before approval of leases and their renewal
- ✓ Mandate that 60% of landowners must approve the lease before being granted by the TLTB
- ✓ Actively encourage buyback of state land and freehold land by the rightful landowners.
- ✓ Change lease valuation to be market-based with adequate consideration of the tenant's interest.
- ✓ Review all laws relating to natural resources to ensure a fair distribution of benefits between the owners and users of resources.
- ✓ Change the Constitution and the relevant laws to allow landowners to own minerals found on their land.

5.4 We will protect the people from the impact of climate change

Climate change is the biggest threat that we face. The cost of protecting Fiji from climate change is much higher than the funds we receive to adapt and mitigate these risks. We therefore cannot rely solely on funding from global funds and development partners. We must take our own initiatives to address this greatest risk to our future. We will provide incentives: Uni Fiji will

- ✓ Review the laws and regulations protecting the environment and ensure that they are consistently enforced.
- ✓ Stop the garbage incinerator project in Vuda.
- ✓ Ensure that the landowners approve the issue of mineral prospecting licences.
- ✓ Review the targets for renewable energy and ensure that they are consistently supported by relevant regulations
- ✓ For the importation of electric cars and building the supporting infrastructure. This will insulate us from further increases in fuel prices.
- ✓ To homeowners who would like to install solar power in their homes to reduce reliance on diesel.
- ✓ Review the legislation on installation of solar power.
- ✓ To encourage households to save on their power bills.

- ✓ We will reduce the number of people attending COP meetings.

5.5 We will address the needs of our diaspora

Remittances have become the second largest source of foreign reserves. Our diaspora plays a significant role in supporting families in these difficult times and funding Fiji's development. Unlike all past governments, Unity Fiji acknowledges the tremendous support of the diaspora and will do the following:

- ✓ Establish a facility that will allow the diaspora to safely invest their remittances on behalf of their families and communities in Fiji.
- ✓ Seek an amendment to the Constitution to allow people with dual citizenship to contest the elections if they have stayed in Fiji for the last two years before the elections.
- ✓ Review arrangements for our people going overseas on work schemes to protect families and encourage savings.

5.6 We will restore equality under the law

Unity Fiji will procure an overseas team with the right skills to investigate corrupt allegations of past governments, including the COI report.

5.7 We will increase income from our natural resources

For too long, Fiji has under-used its greatest assets — its land, sea, and people. Governments have preached diversification but only talk — no action. Relying on tourism alone leaves us exposed. Unity Fiji will:

- ✓ Steer the narrative away from ownership to the productivity of resources.
- ✓ Through the ETP and a review of the pine and mahogany industries, we will grow agriculture, fisheries, and forestry and increase the returns to landowners
- ✓ Add value at home to natural resources through processing.
- ✓ Lift the economy toward its true long-term potential — to double GDP over 10 years.

5.8 We will transform the sugar industry

Many families rely on the income from sugar cane. But the country realises that sugar production and exports have been declining for decades. The problems faced by sugar are well known — low financial return, rising production costs, aging infrastructure, outdated mills, low global sugar prices and land issues. Yet government after government has refused to address the long-term future of sugar. While Unity Fiji will continue to support sugar cane farmers, we will consult with sugar cane farmers and millers to build a more certain and lucrative future for cane farmers. Unity Fiji will do the following:

- ✓ Raise the price of sugar cane to \$110 a tonne.
- ✓ Allow the farmers to receive their total income from their crop within 3 months of delivery of cane rather than the current one year.
- ✓ Explore mobile mills to extract sugar juice at the farm.
- ✓ Include sugar cane farmers in the ETP, which will benefit them by providing access to machinery and other alternative crops that can at least triple the returns that they are getting from sugar cane.

5.9 We will increase the benefits that landowners receive from pine and mahogany

While the pine and mahogany have helped families, their impact on landowners' lives has been minimal. Unity Fiji will:

- ✓ Review the structure, governance and operations of the pine and mahogany industries to maximise their benefits to landowners.
 - ✓ Use the landowners' structures of the pine and mahogany as business ventures under our ETP.
 - ✓ Review the land premium to better reflect the value of the assets.
 - ✓ Review the stumpage and compensation formulas.
 - ✓ Provide support through the ETP for landowners to harvest pine and mahogany.
- ✓ Add more value to pine and mahogany exports.
 - ✓ Clearly identify lease boundaries of pine and mahogany plantations.
 - ✓ Through the ETP, identify alternative timber that can increase the returns to landowners.

5.10 We will build national security on a lasting foundation

For too long, we have wrongly depended on the military for our national security. As we have seen, this is not sustainable. Economic wellbeing is a more sustainable foundation for building national stability. Unity Fiji will:

- ✓ Change the narrative. National security will be better served with stronger economic livelihoods for everyone, irrespective of ethnicity and location.
- ✓ Use the ETP and smarter economic management to transform lives.
- ✓ Create a more efficient public sector to improve service to the people.

5.11 We will heal old wounds and honour those who served

- ✓ Justice for our soldiers — address the field allowances short-paid to those who served on peacekeeping duties in the Middle East between 1978 and 2002. They sacrificed for Fiji; the least we can do is ensure they receive what they are owed. We will also increase the payments of after-care funds to match the increase in other allowances.
- ✓ Support the Commission for Peace and Reconciliation to address the injustices of past coups.
- ✓ Honour the minority ethnic groups like the Melanesian (Solomon Islands) community and others who helped build our nation.

OUR PROMISE TO YOU

This Manifesto covers the main changes Unity Fiji will make. There are many more — we have listened, and we are committed to acting.

Unity Fiji is the only party in our history to prepare a fully costed Alternative Budget. Our promises are linked, transparently, to revenue, expenditure, and debt — because a promise you cannot pay for is not a promise at all.

A plan is only good if it is delivered. We have the leadership, the experience, and the honesty to deliver. We stake our reputation on it.

Enough is enough! Let us inspire our youth and transform lives.

APPENDICES TO THE UNITY MANIFESTO

Unity Fiji has computed the budgetary impact of all the measures in this manifesto in these appendices. We have made these projections to the best of our abilities. For consistency, we have used the same tables in the Budget Estimates to present these projections.

The summary of these projections includes:

1. A reduction in the overall deficit from 7% of GDP in the 2026/2027 government budget to 1% in 2027/28. This means the rate of borrowing will be lower than the rate of growth in GDP, resulting in a sharp drop in the debt-to-GDP ratio. This will begin our plans to reduce our high level of debt to below 50% of GDP in the medium term.
2. We have been able to reduce borrowing despite increasing the budget allocation to priority areas like health, education, and housing by a total of \$120 million in one year through the reallocation of budget savings.
3. Reducing wastage in the current budget is one of our central themes in managing our debt and growing the economy. We intend to achieve these savings mainly by reducing the number of Ministers to 15, cutting overseas travel and allowances, and procuring proper vehicles based on needs and not on status. We aim to save \$800,000 in the first year and another \$500,000 in the second year from these initiatives.
4. Efficiency and productivity reforms are also important components of our overall strategy. These reforms include the productivity of the civil service, transfers to State-Owned Enterprises and changes to the budgetary processes. The savings from these reforms will be realised over the medium term, starting with \$20 million in 2027.

In summary, Unity Fiji has revealed in these projections that we are fiscally responsible in our strategies. We are not making promises that will worsen our debt. Furthermore, we are demonstrating that we have the experience and the skills to undertake these complex financial projections. It also confirms that we know what we are going to do when we are in government.

All the budget tables in this Unity Manifesto must be read with the following provisions

1. The Unity Fiji Budget covers the first full year of its operation.
2. The financial projections are based on the information that is publicly available and our own analysis. These projections will be reviewed when Unity Fiji forms government.

Appendix 1: Budget Framework (\$m)

<i>Estimated Revenue</i>	2026/27 Govt Budget	2027/28 Unity Budget (Est)
<i>Direct Taxes</i>	1,074,185.4	1,072,800.00
<i>Indirect Taxes</i>	2,231,960.2	2,232,600.00
<i>Others</i>	510,663.8	518,100.00
Total Operating Receipts	3,816,809.4	3,823,500.00
Total Investing Receipts	7,476.1	7,476.10
Total Estimated Revenue	3,824,285.5	3,830,976.10
Total Estimated Expenditure VIP	4,869,835.3	3,927,823.04
Net Deficit/Surplus	-	-
<i>Add Loan Repayment</i>	436,313.60	436,313.60
Gross Deficit/Surplus	-	-
<i>Local Borrowing</i>	853911.0	169,733.33
<i>Foreign Borrowing</i>	627952.4	169,733.33
Nominal GDP	14,833,497.3	14,833,497.3
Rev/GDP	25.8%	26%
Exp/GDP	32.8%	26.48%
Net Deficit (surplus)/GDP	-7.00%	-1%

Source: Government Budget Estimates 2026/2027 and own projections

Appendix 2: Revenue Summary (\$m)

<i>Revenue Estimates</i>	2026/27 Govt Budget	Impact of Unity 2026 Manifesto	Unity Budget 2027/28 (Est)
<i>Direct Taxes</i>	1,074.2	-1.4	1,072.80
<i>Income Taxes</i>	2,232.0	-2.0	2,230.00
<i>Social Responsibility Tax</i>	0	0	-
<i>Frindge Benefit Tax</i>	28.2	0	28.20
<i>Capital Gains Tax</i>	31.6	0	31.60
<i>Indirect Taxes</i>	2,232.0	0.6	2,232.60
<i>Value Added Tax</i>	1,349.1	0	1,349.10
<i>Customs Taxes</i>	636.8	0.6	637.40
<i>Water Resource Tax</i>	67.7	0	67.70
<i>Departure Tax</i>	167.5	0	167.50
<i>Other Indirect Taxes</i>	10.9	0	10.90
TOTAL TAX REVENUE	3,306.1	1.2	3,304.90
<i>Fees, Charges, Fines, Taxes & Penalties</i>	180.4	0	180.40
<i>Sales Revenue</i>	0	0	-
<i>Grant in Aid</i>	114.1	0.0	114.10
<i>Reimbursements & Recoveries</i>	23.1	0	23.10
<i>Other Revenue & Surplus</i>	57.7	0	57.70
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING REVENUE	3,681.4		3,680.20
TOTAL INVESTMENT REVENUE	142.9	0	142.9
TOTAL NON - TAX REVENUE	518.1	0	518.1
TOTAL REVENUE	3,824.3	0	3,823.10

Source: Government Budget Estimates 2026/2027 and own projections

Appendix 3 Expenditure Summary (\$m)

<i>Functional Expenditures</i>	2026/27 Govt Budget	Projected Savings	2026/27 Unity Baseline	Impact of 2026 Unity Manifesto	Budget 2027Unity /28 (Est)
1. Administrative Services	963.0	85.6	877.40	0	877.40
2. Social Services	1,445.3	0	1,445.30	141.08	1,586.38
3. Economic Services	460.0	28.7	431.30	5	436.50
4. Infrastructure	820.8	156.5	664.30	2	666.30
5. Unallocable	1,180.7	178.2	1,002.50	179.20	1,181.70
6. Expenditure reforms		800	- 800.00	- 20.46	- 820.46
Total Expenditure (VIP)	4,869.8	1,249.0	3,620.80	307.0	3,927.82

Source: Government Budget Estimates 2026/2027 and own projections



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