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Tafari Community

Tafari Community Group	Tafari Community Group
Priority Problems 2015	Priority Problems Identified 2024
1. Maumau ngaahi tanaki'anga vai (Leaking water storages)	1. Maumau ngaahi tanaki'anga vai (Leaking water storages)
2. Faingata'a toho vaka ki taulanga (Boat docking challenge)	2. Faingata'a toho vaka ki taulanga (Boat docking challenge)
3. 'Ikai ha Holo Fakakolo (Absence of Community Hall)	3. 'Ikai ha Holo Fakakolo (Absence of Community Hall)
4. Motu'a mo maumau fale nofo'anga faiako (Old/ Damaging house of teacher)	4. Motu'a mo maumau fale nofo'anga faiako (Old/ Damaging house of teacher)
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Tafari Problems Priorities Matrix

Tafari Community Group									Score	Rank
Priority Problems 2024	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
1. Maumau ngaahi tanaki'anga vai (Leaking water storages)		2	3	1	5	6	7	8	1	7th
2. Faingata'a toho vaka ki taulanga (Boat docking challenge)			2	2	2	2	2	2	7	1st
3. 'Ikai ha Holo Fakakolo (Absence of Community Hall)				3	3	3	3	3	6	2nd
4. Motu'a mo maumau fale nofo'anga faiako (Old/ Damaging house of teacher)					5	6	7	8	0	8th
5. Maumau 'ā fonua / Si'i me'angāue fakangoue (Damage community boundary fence/ Lack of farming tools and equipment)						5	7	8	2	4th
6. Faingata'a fefononga'aki (Poor transport access)							7	8	2	5th
7. Palopalema founa fetu'utaki (telefoni) (Poor communication system)								7	5	3rd
8. Maumau sola ngaahi 'api (Non-functioning solar system in settlements)									1	6th

Tafari Problems Listed in order of Priority

Tafari Community Group	
List of Problems already Prioritise	
1. Faingata'a toho vaka ki taulanga (Boat docking is a challenge)	
2. 'Ikai ha Holo Fakakolo (Absence of Community Hall)	
3. Palopalema founa fetu'utaki (telefoni) (Poor communication system)	
4. Maumau 'ā fonua / Si'i me'angāue fakangoue (Damage community boundary fence/ Lack of farming tools and equipment)	
5. Faingata'a fefononga'aki (Poor transport access)	
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Tafari Community Group 2025 - 2028							
Lisi 'o e Palopalema (List of Problems Prioritised)	Ngaahi me'a 'oku ne fakatu-punga (Causes)	Ngaahi Uesia (Impacts)	Ngaahi Solova'anga (Possible Solutions)	Ngaahi me'a 'e hoko (Possible Output)	Ngaahi Ola (Possible Outcome)	Fakafe'atungia (Threat)	Kaunga Ngāue (Partners)
1. Faingata'a toho vaka ki taulanga (Boat docking challenge)	Si'i ivi fakapa'anga (Lack of finance) Si'i kole tokoni (Lack of request support) 'Ikai ha uafu (Absence of wharf) Fasi'i hū'anga vaka (Harbour entrance too narrow for boat) Tokosi'i kakai 'i he motu (Decline in community population)	Faingata'a fefolau'aki (Difficulty in transportation) Maumau ngaahi vaka (Boat permanently damaged) Lavea pe mate kakai he motu (Injury and death in the community) 'Ikai manakoa e motu ki he fefolau'aki (Prevents access of people to the island) Faingata'a 'oange ngaahi tokoni ki motu (Rarely access of provision to the island)	Kole tokoni naunau toho'anga vaka (Request support of docking facilities) Feinga pa'anga fakafonua (Country fundraise) Fakalahi pa'anga fakafalealea ki he motu (Increase parliament allocation fund) Ngaahi ha uafu (Construct/ Install wharf)	Ma'u e naunau toho'anga vaka (Docking facilities stored) Ma'u ai pa'anga (Sourced Finance) Lahi 'inasi fakapa'anga he falealea (Increase parliament fund allocation) Ma'u e uafu (Installed wharf)	Faingofua fefononga'aki 'i uafu (Ease access in the wharf area) Vave hono toho ngaahi vaka ha fakatamaki (Mobility of boats when disasters occurs) Fie 'alu kakai 'o toutai (Encourage fishing activities) Faingofua e ngaue (Comfort services) Fiefia kakai (Happiness of the people)	Fakatamaki fakafenatula (Natural Disasters) Feliutiuaki 'ea (Climate Change) Putu (Funerals)	Kakai kolo (People of the community) Potungaué Toutai (Ministry of Fisheries) Fakafafonga Falealea (Parliament Representative) Kau toutai kolo (Fishing people in the community) Pule Fakavahe (District Officer) 'Ofisa kolo (Town Officer) Pule'anga (Government of Tonga)

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2. 'Ikai ha Holo Fakakolo (Absence of Community Hall)	Si'i ivi fakapa'anga kakai 'i he motu (Lack of Finance) Si'i kole tokoni fale hūfanga (Lack request support of community hall) Faingata'a fetuku ngaahi naunau (Difficult access of materials) Tokosi'i kakai 'i he kolo (Actual low population)	'Ikai malu mo'ui kakai taimi fakatamaki (Risky life when disasters occurs) Lahi hiki kakai mei motu (High migration rate of people in the island) 'Ikai lava ngaahi fakataha fakakolo (Disable community meetings) Tōlalo langa fakalakalaka 'a e kolo (Slow development of the community)	Kole tokoni fale hūfanga (Request support of community hall) Feinga pa'anga fakafonua (Country fundraise) Langa holo he ngaahi tu'unga fale lolotonga 'i ai (Construct Hall on installed foundation) Langa holo kapa mo ukamea (Construct carbon & steel hall)	Ma'u ha fale hūfanga (Installed Community Hall) Ma'u e ngaahi tokoni (Supported requests) Ma'u ha holo (Fale tali fononga) (Enable visitors settlement)	Malu e kakai 'oka hoko ha fakatamaki (Secure settlement for disasters) 'Iai ha fale talifononga lelei (Installed facility for visitors) Faka'ofa'ofa e kolo (Beauty community environment) Fiefla mo flemalie kakai Tafahi (Comfort people of Tafahi community) Fakalakalaka kolo (Community Development)	Fakatamaki fakaenatula (Natural Disasters) Feliuliaki 'ea (Climate Change) Putu (Funerals)	Pule'anga Tonga (Government of Tonga) AUS Aid US Aid NZ Aid Fakafofonga Falealea (Parliament Representative) NGO's (Non-Government Organizations)
3. Palopalema founda fetu'utaki (telefoni) (Poor communication system)	Hala ha pou telefoni (Absence of network post) Si'i ivi fakapa'anga (Lack of Finance) Tokosi'i kaungāue (Shortage of staffs) Si'i 'ilo fakatekinikale kaungāue (Lack of technical experiences staffs) Fu'u mama'o 'a e motu (Distanced location of the island)	Faingata'a fetu'utaki (Poor communication system) Faingata'a fakahoko mai ha ngaahi fakatamaki (Emergency alert challenge) Faingata'a ke 'ilo tu'unga lolotonga 'a e motu (Hard to notice island current status) 'Ikai malu mo'ui kakai (Risky lives of the people)	Fokotu'u ha pou telefoni (Install network post) Feinga pa'anga (Fundraise) Ngaue'aki teleletio (Use walkie talkie phones) Kole tokoni (Request support)	Ma'u ha pou network (Installed network post) Ma'u ha pa'anga (Sourced Finance) Ma'u telefoni (Mobile phones placed) Ma'u tokoni (Supported request)	Vave mo sai fetu'utaki (Advance communication) Faingofua ange fetu'utaki 'i he hoko ha me'a (Able to communicate for information) Malu ai mo'ui kakai (Safety for people) Lelei 'ilo kakai (Sociolisation)	Fakatamaki fakaenatula (Natural Disasters) Feliuliaki 'ea (Climate Change) Putu (Funerals)	Fakafofonga Falealea (Parliament Representative) Pule'anga Tonga (Government of Tonga) 'Ofisa kolo (Town Officer) Kakai 'o e kolo (People of the community)

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4. Maumau 'ā fonua / Si'i me'angāue fakangoue (Damage community boundary fence/ Lack of farming tools and equipment)	Si'i ivi fakapa'anga (Lack of Finance) Si'i kole tokoni (Lack of request support) 'Ikai ha 'ā fonua lelei (Poor quality of country fence)	Lahi maumau ki he ngoue (Crops damage) 'Ikai manakoa ngoue (Discourage cultivation of crops) Holo ivi ngāue kau ngoue (Weakness strength of growers) 'Ikai mo'ui lelei 'a e kolo (Unhealthy people of the community) Honge Fonua (Country food insecurity)	Kole tokoni 'ā fonua kapa (Request support of carbon country fence) Kole uaea 'ā taautaha ('ā ngoue) (Individual fencing support) Feinga pa'anga fakafonua (Country fundraise) Faka'auha fanga puaka vao pe tauhi (Destroy or manage wild pigs)	'I ai 'ā fonua kapa (Installed carbon country fence) Ma'u uaea (Fence stored) Ma'u pa'anga (Sourced Finance)	Malu e ngoue (Plantation crops secured) Mahu fonua (Community are food secured) Faingofua ngoue kakai (Improve agricultural productivity) Fie ngoue tokotaha ngoue (Empower farmers to cultivate more land in farming)	Fakatamaki fakaenatula (Natural Disasters) Feliuliaki 'ea (Climate Change) Putu (Funerals)	'Ofisa kolo (Town Officer) Kakai he kolo (People of the community) Potungau Ngoue (Ministry of Agriculture Food and Forestry) NGO's (Non-Government Organizations) Pule'anga Tonga (Government of Tonga) Live and Learn
5. Faingata'a fefononga'aki (Poor transport access)	Palopalema sitepu lolotonga (Poor quality of current country steps) 'Auhia fonua (Soil erosion) Fa'unga fonua mo'unga mo mau'olunga (Volcanic island with slope and steep land landscape) 'Ikai ha maama hala (Absence of street light) Si'i ivi fakapa'anga (Lack of finance) 'Ikai ha pamu piki he sitepu (Absent of hand rail for the step footpath)	Faingata'a fefononga'aki (Transport access difficulty) Mahamahaki 'a e kakai (Unhealthy people) Fakatupunga lavea (Injury cause) Tuai 'a e fakalakalaka 'a e kolo (Slow development of the country) 'Ikai manakoa ki he kau folau (Prevents tourists/ visitors)	Kole tokoni sitepu (Request support of country steps) Misini hiki (fetuku uta) (Request hydraulic crane) Feinga pa'anga (Fundraise) Fakafo'ou sitepu lolotonga (Renovate current country steps) Ngaahi ha holisi ke malu'i kelekele mei he 'auhia (Install barrier to prevent soil erosion)	Ma'u tokoni sitepu (Support country steps installed) 'I ai e misini hiki (Hydraulic crane placed) Ma'u ha pamu ke piki ai e kakai he sitepu (Installed rail steps)	Faingofua fefononga'aki e kakai (Ease access of the people) Fie afea folau 'eve'eva (Attracts tourists) Vave ai mo ha fakalakalaka kolo (Development chance) Faka'ofa'ofa kolo (Beautiful community) Si'i 'auhia fonua (Minimize soil erosion)	Fakatamaki fakaenatula (Natural Disasters) Feliuliaki 'ea (Climate Change) Putu (Funerals)	Pule'anga (Government of Tonga) MOI (Ministry of Infrastructure) Fakafofonga Fale Alea (Parliament representatives) Pule Fakavahe (District Officer)

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6. Maumau sola ngaahi 'api (Non-functioning solar system in settlements)	Motu'a naunau sola (Poor quality solar system) 'Ikai ha kongokonga talifaki (Absence reserve solar facilities) Si'i 'ilo fakatekinikale ki he sola (Lack of technical knowledge of solar system) Mamafa naunau ki he sola (High price of solar facility) Si'i kole tokoni (Lack of request support)	Faingata'a fefononga'aki 'i he po'uli (Transport access difficulty) 'Ikai lava fakakakato fatongia fakafonua Siasi mo e Famili (Skip functions of families, church and country) Fakatupu lavea kakai (Injury cause) 'Ikai manakoa 'a e motu (Least favor call of the island) Fakavave'i ngaue 'oku fai 'i motu (Urgent movement of activities in the island)	Kole tokoni sola (Request support of solar system) Fokotu'u senoleita 'uhila (Install power generator) Ngaue'aki pa'anga Falealea (Parliament allocation for support) Feinga pa'anga fakafonua (Country fundraise)	Ma'u e maama (Power for light) Ma'u pou sola (Solar stand installed) Ma'u senoleita (Power generator installed) Ma'u ha pa'anga (Sourced Finance) Ma'u mo ha ngaahi tokoni (Reach out for more support)	Maama e ngaahi 'api mo e kolo (Brightness of the community) Faingofua fefononga'aki po'uli (Ease transport access) Malu ange ai e nofo he kolo (Safety livelihood of the community) Lava mo ha ngaahi ngāue 'i 'api he po'uli (Extended duties in households) Faka'ofa'ofa ai e kolo (Beauty community environment) Lata ha sola tene afea (Keep visitors access)	Fakatamaki fakaenatula (Natural Disasters) Feliuliaki 'ea (Climate Change) Putu (Funerals)	Fakafofonga Falealea (Parliament Representative) Potungaue Takimamata (Ministry of Tourism) Tonga Power Limited AUS Aid NZ Aid US Aid
7. Maumau ngaahi tanaki'anga vai (Leaking water storages)	Motu'a ngaahi tangike lototonga (Longstanding water tanks) 'Ikai tu'unga lelei ki he tangike (Poor quality of water tanks) Si'i ivi fakapa'anga (Lack of finance) Si'i tanaki'anga vai inu (Lack of water collector) Tuai a'utaki ange tokoni (Delay reach of support)	'Ikai feau ngaahi fiema'u faka'aho famili (Does not meet daily needs of family) Mahamahaki kakai (Unhealthy people) To lalo ngoue (Low crop production) Mahamahaki monumanu (Unhealthy livestock) Palopalema fakalele ako (Poor running of school system)	Feinga pa'anga (Fundraise) Kole tokoni vai kolo (Community request support of water) Fakalahi tangike vai (Enlarge water tanks size/number) Fakavave'i tokoni ki he motu (Support reach on time)	Ma'u ha tokoni ki he vai e kolo (Community water supported) Lahi tangike vai (Water tanks increase) Ma'u vave ha tokoni (Ongoing reach of supports)	Malu vai inu kakai (Secure Household Drinking Water) Mo'ui lelei kakai (Healthy people) Lelei mo e ngoue he fonua (Better crop production) Mo'ui lelei mo makona fanga monumanu (Food security of livestock) Sai mo e ako kakai (Improved learning and understanding of the people)	Fakatamaki fakaenatula (Natural Disasters) Feliuliaki 'ea (Climate Change) Putu (Funerals)	Fakafofonga Falealea (Parliament representatives) Pule'anga Tonga (Government of Tonga) MEIDECC (Tonga Meteorological Service) N60's (Non-Government Organizations)



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8. Motu'a mo maumau fale nofo'anga faiako (Old/Damaging house of teacher)	Motu'a fale faiako (Longstanding teacher accommodation) Si'i tokoni Potungaue Ako (Lack of support from Education Ministry) Tokosi'i fanau ako (Low number of students) Faingata'a fetuku koloa ki he motu (Challenge of unloading materials into the island)	Kovi tu'unga fakaako fanau (Decline students' performance) 'Ikai manakoa ki he kau faiako (Unfavourable for teachers' company) Mahamahaki faiako mo e fanau (Unhealthy teacher and students) Lahi ange taimi 'ikai fai ha ako (Often skip of school programs)	Kole tokoni faleako (Request support of teacher accommodation) Kole tokoni toilet (Request support of restrooms) Feinga pa'anga (Fundraise) Fakalelei fakakuata e faleako mo e nofo'anga fakaako (Quarterly services of school facilities)	Ma'u ha fale nofo'anga (Installed accommodation) Ma'u ha faiako (Teacher settled) Ma'u ha toilet ki he ako'anga (Constructed restrooms for the school)	Lelei ako mo tokolahi (Improve students' performance and school programs) 'Iai e faiako 'e 'omai he Potungaue Ako (Teacher provide by the Ministry) Mo'ui lelei fanau ako (Healthy students) Fie ha'u ha faiako (Encourage attendance of teachers)	Fakatamaki fakaenatula (Natural Disasters) Feliuliuaki 'ea (Climate Change) Putu (Funerals)	Potungaue Ako (Ministry of Education) AUS Aid NZ Aid US Aid Pule'anga Tonga (Government of Tonga)

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