



**In 2017 and 2018, volcanic eruptions caused the evacuation of 11,000 citizens from the island of Ambae, Penama province**

Australia is providing ongoing support to the Government of Vanuatu-led response to re-establish communities and rebuild livelihoods and essential infrastructure

### IO-1 Partnerships and Coordination

#### Partnerships

The Vanuatu Skills Partnership is working with

**5** provincial and national government partners to 'Build Back Livelihoods Better' in Ambae

**2** MOUs were formalised with the **Department of Water Resources** and **Department of Livestock**



The working relationship with the Penama Provincial Government was strengthened

Delivered a two-day Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning workshop for **22** provincial and national government staff

**3** participants were women

- This was attended by Area Administrators, Community Liaison Officers and Area Council Chairpersons
- Introduced the concept of Better Balance

Worked with partners to collect and validate data on people living with disability in Ambae

Supported the delivery of a five-day Language Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) Assessment



### IO-6 Entrepreneurship and Employment through Skills Training

#### Food Security

Supported the construction of food security infrastructure, including a root crop and vegetable multiplication plot in West Ambae

Engaged and upskilled **39** local volunteers to support the upgrade of the Penama Provincial Agriculture Station

Distributed vegetable seedlings to farmers

Sales of vegetable seedling trays generated **VUV 32,000** which was invested back into the plot and the community

The Partnership engaged

- 4** agriculture assistants
- 1** man with a disability
- 3** Vanuatu Agricultural College trainers
- 3** interns to support food security activities

### IO-4 Diversity, Quality and Flexibility in Skills Training Delivery

### IO-5 Inclusive Participation

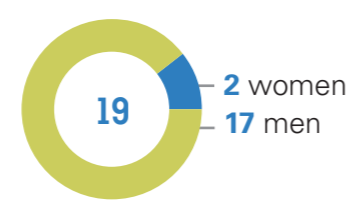
#### WASH

Verification of the Redcliff Gravity Water system, with the Department of Water Resources

Successful completion of water technical assessment within four area councils, with the aim of identifying existing gravity water systems and bore holes for upgrade

#### Construction

Supported the delivery of a Certificate I in Building Construction training for participants in Walaha, West Ambae



**19** participants: **2** women, **17** men

**1** participant with a disability

Worked with the Penama Education Office staff to identify several local building contractors to renovate and rebuild damaged schools

Supported these contractors to establish a formal association and supported the development of governance and management systems

#### Inclusion

The Partnership worked with the Vanuatu Society for People with Disability to launch a disability register across Ambae's area councils

Individuals with disabilities were registered on Ambae: **172** (80 women, 92 men)

Age distribution of participants:

- 0 - 17: 31
- 18 - 39: 30
- 40 - 59: 42
- 60+: 69

**20** mobility devices were distributed

Partnership Intermediate Outcomes

- IO-1** Skills system planning and coordination
- IO-2** "Better balance" in leadership
- IO-3** Public and private resource allocation
- IO-4** Diversity, flexibility and quality of skills providers
- IO-5** Inclusive participation
- IO-6** Improved entrepreneurship and employment opportunities
- IO-7** Improved market access