

“Climate change is the single greatest threat to the livelihoods, security and well-being of the peoples of the Pacific.”

2018 Boe Declaration on Regional Security

How is climate change a security threat?

FIVE PATHWAYS



CHALLENGES LIVELIHOODS AND THE BLUE ECONOMY

Impacts on agriculture, fisheries and tourism, cause shrinking of households income, government revenues and may stimulate unsustainable development alternatives, straining social bonds.



THREATENS LAND AVAILABILITY & USABILITY

Climate impacts undermine land, food and water security and can increase competition over scarce resources, causing erosion of social norms and disenfranchisement with government.



EXACERBATES DISASTERS RISKS & ERODES RESILIENCE

More frequent & severe disasters cause loss of life, assets, livelihoods, displacement & undermines government and communities coping capacity.



AFFECTS MOBILITY TRENDS & CAN EXACERBATE RISKS

Relocation, displacement and unsustainable mobility may increase urbanisation and overpopulation, expose vulnerable categories to disaster risks, determine cultural loss and cause tensions, dislocation, and trauma.



URGES SECURING SOVEREIGNTY AND COULD UNDERMINE REGIONAL STABILITY

Land Loss and affected habitability pose key questions around future governance and regional cooperation.



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