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Fijians Urged to Respect the Elderly
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The Fijian Competition and Consumer Commission (FCCC) urges all members of the public to be mindful of the elderly citizens and the vulnerable in the society.

“With the recent panic buying experienced it was very difficult to manage the crowds, and that is the last place we want the elderly and vulnerable to be in,” said FCCC CEO Joel Abraham.

“The elderly and vulnerable are at the highest level of risk and they can’t afford to be infected. They should be getting their children, family, and neighbours to assist them in getting their needs.”

Abraham also stressed that people not to panic buy, saying supermarkets, pharmacies have adequate stock and consumers need to be sensible while shopping.

“I urge Fijians to think about others before they buy more than they absolutely need. To help combat this, we have also limited the sale of essential items, like biscuits and canned goods, to two per customer to curb panic or bulk buying.”

FCCC teams are also monitoring supermarkets around the clock to ensure that there is ample stock of essential items available for all Fijians.

FCCC is an independent statutory authority whose role is to promote competition, promote fair trade, regulate prices in markets where competition is lessened or limited, and regulate monopolistic market situations including national infrastructure for the benefit of all Fijians.

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