



PRESS RELEASE

Amendments to FCCC Act Will Help FCCC Protect Fijians

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The Fijian Competition and Consumer Commission (FCCC) has welcomed the amendment to the FCCC Act 2010 which includes a new section that will empower FCCC with a specific legal provision to ensure that prices are reduced to reflect duty and tax reductions.

The changes empower FCCC to undertake a thorough review of the market and ensure that the benefits of price reductions in food and white goods, as well as tax reductions, are enjoyed by all Fijians - businesses and consumers alike.

"The 2020-2021 Fijian National Budget sustainably safeguards the welfare of Fijian consumers. The budget is people-centric and with reduced duties and taxes, Fijian consumers will have a fuller shopping cart for a lesser price," said FCCC CEO Joel Abraham.

"We have been taking collaborative approaches with different businesses and industries on how their inventory levels are, and now we are going to pass the duty and tax reduction on to them."

FCCC teams will be out in the field tomorrow undertaking a survey targeted on data collection, which is phase one of entire duty price and tax reduction, followed by a pre and a post comparison of the market survey.

"FCCC will be using a targeted approach to ensure that the benefits of duty and tax reduction are passed down to the consumers as was intended by the budget."

"We once again urge Fijians to show solidarity and compassion for one another during these trying times. The whole world is facing an unprecedented disaster and we must look after each other, especially the vulnerable in society," Abraham added.

For more information/details on this please contact FCCC at their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/FijianCCC>, on their website: www.fccc.gov.fj or call 8921991.

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