



# VICE-CHANCELLOR'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

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## Bula Vinaka to you all!

Welcome to another exciting week of teaching and learning at the Fiji National University. As we progress into Week 14 of Semester 1, it is inspiring to see our students actively engaged across campus, demonstrating their enthusiasm for education.

I am delighted to share some wonderful news. We have received a generous donation of \$10,000 from His Excellency Zhou Jian, the Chinese Ambassador to Fiji. This generous contribution supports the FNU Foundation programme and highlights the spirit of international cooperation, solidarity, and shared commitment to education and development. We extend our sincere gratitude to His Excellency and the Chinese Government for their ongoing support. The funds will significantly bolster our efforts to assist underprivileged students, promote innovative research, and advance key campus projects.

Additionally, I am pleased to announce that our Basic Clinical Medicine (BCM) team's research titled «Students' Perception on the Reduction of Teaching Weeks for MBBS Curriculum from 18 to 14 Weeks»

was officially published on 1 April 2025. This study provides valuable insights into how educational changes influence future medical professionals, enriching our understanding of student perspectives amid a changing academic environment. Our sincere appreciation to The Asia Pacific Scholar (TAPS) for their continued assistance and support, which was instrumental in realising this research.

With just two weeks remaining before the final examination, I encourage both students and staff to continue working diligently. Let us collaborate and give our best to ensure a successful end to the semester. Wishing everyone the very best in the week ahead. May you all be blessed with success and wellbeing.

Vinaka vakalevu!

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