



VICE-CHANCELLOR'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

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Bula Vinaka and a very warm welcome to the Fiji National University!

I warmly welcome all new students joining the Fiji National University from across Fiji, the wider Pacific region, and our international students as well.

Thank you for choosing FNU as your education provider. Your decision to study at FNU reflects the strong reputation and meaningful impact of our institution, both nationally and globally.

It is also encouraging to see working professionals returning to the University to upgrade their qualifications. Your commitment to lifelong learning reflects a shared determination to bridge skills gaps and contribute meaningfully to national and regional development.

This is an important week for the University as we commence Orientation Week for Semester 1 across our 17 campuses. I am proud to share that our Naiyaca Campus in Labasa will host its first-ever Orientation. We wish our Vualiku students every success as they begin their academic journey at Naiyaca.

Over the coming days, you will familiarise yourselves with our academic structures, campus facilities, student support services, and the vibrant and diverse community that defines FNU. You will also meet fellow students and staff who will support, challenge and inspire you throughout your journey. I encourage you to actively participate in the Orientation programmes, as it is a valuable opportunity to connect with your lecturers, tutors and the wider FNU vuvale.

Last week, the FNU Roadshow concluded successfully. I commend the Division of Marketing and Communications, College representatives, the Academic team, IT, and all support teams for taking education directly to communities across Viti Levu and Vanua Levu.

As this is the final week of applications for Semester 1, 2026, I encourage those who are still considering their future to visit their nearest FNU campus. Applications remain open until Friday, 6 February. FNU is here to help you craft your future, so do not miss out on this important opportunity!

I also wish to acknowledge last Thursday's address by Fiji's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation, Honourable Viliame Gavoka, to the FNU Senior Leadership Team workshop at our FNU Bonunaqwele Nadi Campus.

Speaking under the theme Learning Together, the Honourable Minister emphasised that education is a central pillar of national development. He highlighted the Government's commitment to working closely with FNU, particularly in meeting the skills demands of major initiatives such as Na Vualiku Project, with the shared purpose of educating, empowering and uplifting the people of Fiji.

I wish all our students and staff every success for this Semester. May 2026 be a rewarding and fulfilling year for us all.

May God bless you and the Fiji National University.

Vinaka Vakalevu!

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