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## **National Initiative on Civic Education (NICE) Workshop**

“Instilling civic education in the young minds”

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Transparency International Fiji is conducting workshops around the central division targeting young people between the ages of 16 to 34 years. The workshop is on the four modules of Civic Education – Democracy, Human Rights, Constitution and Constitutionalism, and Good (Democratic) Governance.

Youths tend to be ignored when workshops such as this are organized; many who are uneducated and/or unemployed do not have the opportunity to learn the concept of human rights or constitutionalism in schools or from their guardians. These workshops are a chance to broaden their young minds on their civic duties. The NICE workshop will help them understand how the four modules of Civic Education directly affect them at personal level, community level and at state level.

UNDP-trained Facilitators Mr. Josefa Bilitaki, Ms. Setaita Tavanabola and TI Fiji Programme Officer Ms. Zena Sherani have been working around the clock reaching out to young members of communities, settlements, religious organizations and youth based clubs.

The three month project started early April of this year and will continue until the end of June.

TI Fiji has conducted workshops in Nakasi, Kalabu, Valelevu, Kalekana, Vatuwaqa and the surrounding Lami areas.

NICE workshops scheduled for this week will be at:

Kalokolevu Village Hall, Kalokolevu Village – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

Waigasa Hall, Waigasa Settlement - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

Nadonumai Youths, Nadonumai – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

Nabaka Hall, Navakavu Village – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

More NICE workshops are still being organised to reach out to as many young people as possible.

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