

Pacific-LEADS NEWS LETTER

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Photo taken during my graduation with my degree certificate.

## **Alumnus Information**

Name: Charles Ikitae Country: Papua New Guinea Organization, Position: Department of Finance, Non-Tax Revenue Division, Acting Assistance Secretary Training Period (Batch): August 2016-September, 2018 (1<sup>st</sup> Batch) University: Doshisha University Research Theme: Identifying Issues and Improving of Non-Tax Revenue Collection and Administration

in Papua New Guinea (PNG)



#### What I Acquired Through Pacific-LEADS Program

My name is Charles Ikitae from Papua New Guinea. I was one of the recipients of the P-LEADS scholarship to study in Japan. I had successfully completed my Master of Business Administration at Doshisha University in Kyoto.

Studying in Japan was a great experience for me. I had learnt and acquired new skills and knowledge that I'm currently using at my workplace. My thesis/research project was on "Identifying the Issues Causing Hindrances and Improving of Non-Tax Revenue Collection and Administration in PNG". I did an intense research into academic papers and also did internships with two prefectures (Kakegawa & Minami-ounuma cities) in Japan to make comparative analysis for my research project paper. This research had enhanced and broaden my skills and knowledge and currently is more helpful in my work.

## Current position & Message to active P-LEADS Participants in Japan.

Upon return from studies, I was appointed Regional Coordinator under Provincial & District Financial Management Division of the Department of Finance to monitor the provinces on their financial management. I was then appointed Manager Cash Resources under Financial Controls Division where I oversaw expenditures and other financial resources of the government and late last year I was again appointed Acting Assistant Secretary for Revenue Review & Compliance Branch under Non-Tax Revenue Division of the Department of Finance.

I'm currently working with non-tax revenue collecting departments and agencies to review their fees and charges and doing compliance checks so that they comply with the Public Finance Management Act and other financial instructions and related regulations in order for them to collect enough revenue for the government.

## **Career Aspirations**

My career aspiration is to continue researching into financial management and on financial policy related matters to be more knowledgeable to assist and contribute towards prudent financial management of my country Papua New Guinea.

Thesis/Research Project Report Zemi with Supervisor after graduation.

