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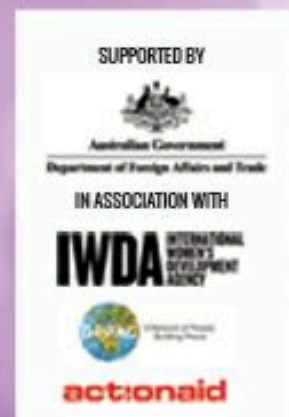
# Women's Weather Watch Updates: 2017 (May, June) (/index.php/en/actions/archive/547-women-s-weather-watch-updates-2017-may-june)

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27th June

Women's Weather Watch: New World Bank Report amplifies what Rural Women Leaders have been saying .....now will someone listen?

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## **22nd June**

Shifting the Power: "...women talk to each other and the women collecting emergency items."

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6th June

Women's Weather Watch: Fiji (Fiji Met cross post)

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## **5th June**

FemTALK Climate change is a feminist issue - Women's Media Centre report spotlights Tuvalu

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Women's Weather Watch: Important read on outcomes of recent Mexico Global Platform meeting but would be so much stronger if women's civil society voices were included

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## **26th May**

FemTALK: Support Women as Leaders for DRR, Resilience

"To achieve inclusive, gender-responsive Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), we urge States and local governments to – first - protect, promote and fulfill women's human rights, including rights to land and other assets, mobility, formal and informal education, and information, as well as sexual and reproductive health and rights," said Menka Goundan, speaking on behalf of the Women and Gender Constituency at the 2017 Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction 2017.

for more: <https://www.facebook.com/notes/femlinkpacific/femtalk-support-women-as-leaders-for-drr-resilience/10155424264619295/> (<https://www.facebook.com/notes/femlinkpacific/femtalk-support-women-as-leaders-for-drr-resilience/10155424264619295/>)

Women's Weather Watch: Cancun

Habitat for Humanity Fiji wins a merit award at the Sasakawa Award Ceremony

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Watch the video of Special Session: Availability of and access to multi-hazard early warning systems and disaster risk information

<http://www.unisdr.org/.../en/progra.../special-sessions/view/583> (<http://www.unisdr.org/.../en/progra.../special-sessions/view/583>)

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158899243860093>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158899243860093>)

Another example of Pacific women's leadership here at the UNISDR Global Platform Conference - Fekita Utoikamanu (<https://www.facebook.com/fekita.utoikamanu?fref=mentions>) United Nations High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS).

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/videos/10158899143835093/>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/videos/10158899143835093/>)

Menka Gounden delivers the Women and Gender Constituency  
Official Statement to the Global Platform on Disaster Risk Reduction (GPDRR) 2017

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Women's Weather Watch Postcard from Cancun

Ensure an enabling political environment for women to lead said Laily Begum of Bangladesh. Her experience of mobilising from the grassroots and working with allies such as Action AID resonated with femLINKpacific's experience of organising with Women's Weather Watch in Fiji and with Pacific networks.

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## **25th May**

Women's Weather Watch: This time in Auckland Adi Vasulevu is also amplifying that the localization of Core Humanitarian Standards for rural woman leaders means Shifting the Power to local level leadership!

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Women's Weather Watch: Pacific women from women's rights networks, private sector, NDMO and Inter-governmental organisations represent our region at the Global Platform for Disaster Reduction that is underway in Cancun Earlier today Sharon Bhagwan Rolls co-chaired the special session on the "Availability of and access to multi-hazard early warning and disaster risk information" which was an opportunity to highlight the Women's Weather Watch information and communication initiative which is an important collaboration with Digicel's Bulk SMS platform.

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## **23rd May**

Women's Weather Watch – Fiji: Update on 23rd May, 2017

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Women's Weather Watch: Fiji

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## **22nd May**

Cross post via Fiji Met

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## **20th May**

Progressing Women's Weather Watch: Taking the Local to Regional and Global Arenas

*press release*

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## **17th May**

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## **15th May**

Fiji Met morning update

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## **13th May**

Women's Weather Watch: TC Ella

5pm Weather Update

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### 9am Weather Update

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### Special Weather Bulletin Number 15 via Fiji Met

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## 12th May

### Women's Weather Watch: TC Ella

### Special Weather Bulletin Number 14 via Fiji Met

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### Afternoon Update

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Podcast: <https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/womens-weather-watch-tc-ella-12th-may-2017-pm>  
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### Morning Update

Web: <http://www.femlinkpacific.org.fj/index.php/en/actions/archive/554-women-s-weather-watch-fiji-tc-ella-morning-update-12th-may-2017> (/index.php/en/actions/archive/554-women-s-weather-watch-fiji-tc-ella-morning-update-12th-may-2017)

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(<https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/womens-weather-watch-tc-ella-12th-may-2017-am>)

Podcast now available - in this Women's Weather Watch update on FemTALK89FM, femLINKpacific's programme associates speak to Stephen Meke, Senior Forecaster at Fiji Meteorological Office, Fane Boseiwaqa, convenor for Ba, Tavua and Rakiraki, Adi Vasulevu, convenor for the North including Rabi, Salome Raqiyawa, member of the Nalalawa Women's Club in Rakiraki, Nila Rao, an advisory councillor in Rakiraki, and Acting Director of the NDMO, Sunia Ratulevu.

<http://bit.ly/2pDpLHq> (<http://bit.ly/2pDpLHq>)

TC Ella is still a category 2 cyclone as of this morning, but according to Fiji Met is expected to weaken as the day progresses. At this point, TC Ella will only affect North of Fiji with Cikobia and surrounding areas can expect winds picking up from tomorrow morning. Rain is also expected to pick up later tonight.

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## 11th May

### Women's Weather Watch: TC Ella

In this Women's Weather Watch update on FemTALK89FM, femLINKpacific's Programme Associates speak to Stephen Meke, Senior Forecaster at Fiji Meteorological Office, Adi Vasulevu, convenor for the North including Rabi, Fane Boseiwaqa, convenor for Ba, Tavua and Rakiraki, Disavu Daugunu, Secretary for Tawake Women's Club, Nila Rao, an advisory councillor in Rakiraki, and Mereisi Mara, Treasurer for the Nasaulevu Women's Club.

According to Meke:

1. The forecasted track of TC Ella has now changed and is expected to pass through the North of Vanua Levu; ie the centre to now move to the North of Cikobia.
2. Damaging gale force winds associated with TC Ella can still affect Vanua Levu, Cikobia, Taveuni and nearby smaller islands.
3. Very strong and gusty winds for the Lau group - 25 knots and we expect these winds to increase as TC Ella comes closer.
4. Rest of Viti Levu to expect some strong and gusty winds and rain bands - but not damaging gale force winds.

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Podcast: <https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/womens-weather-watch-tc-ella-11th-may-pm>  
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Stephen Meke, Senior Forecaster for the Fiji Meteorological Centre in Nadi spoke to Hannah Hicks before midday today (May 11) and provided this update:

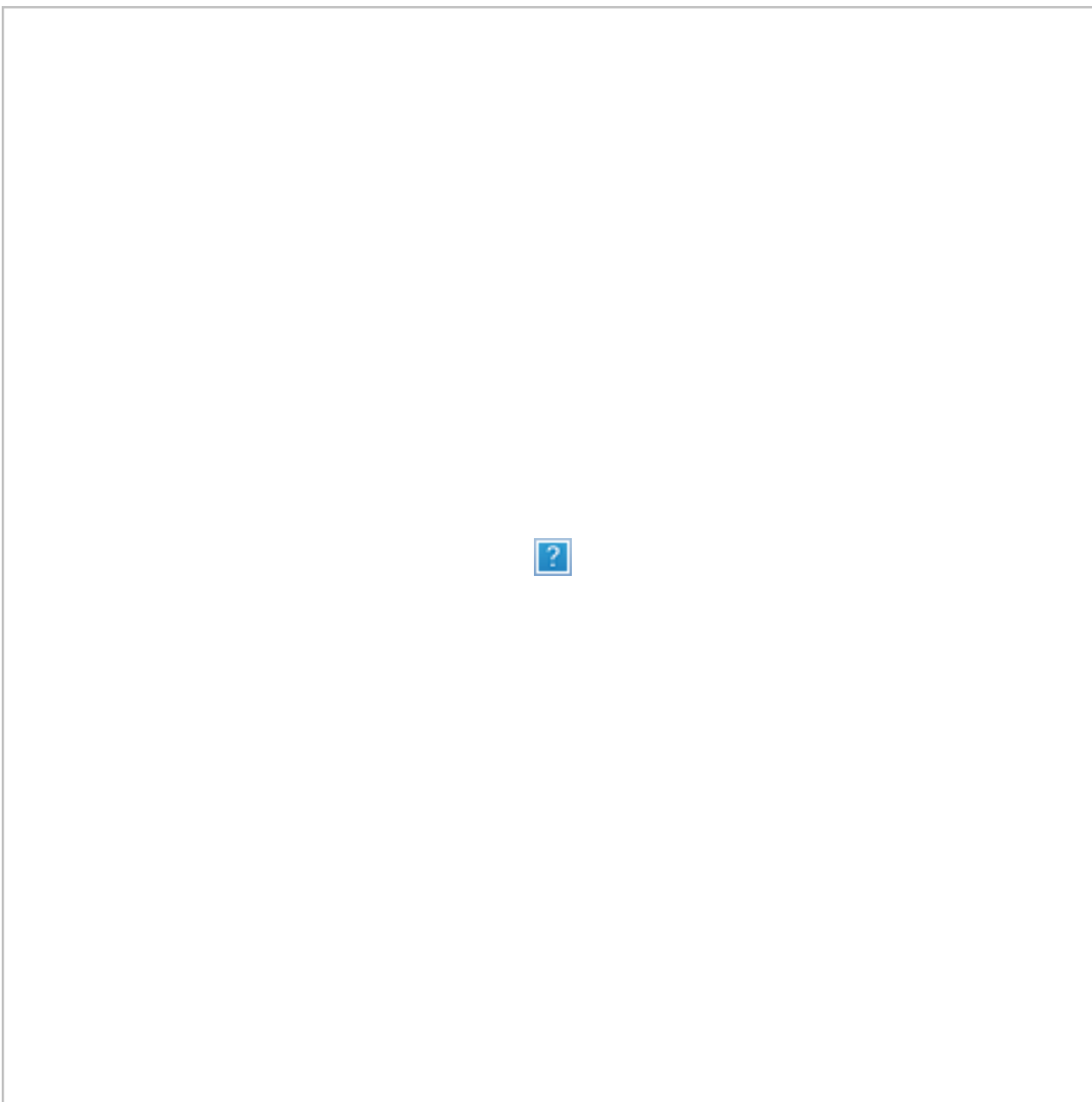
1. With the current track TCElla is expected to move closer to Fiji maybe moving over Cikobia, ie North of Fiji on Saturday night. When it comes in it possibly could intensify to a category 3 system.
2. The entire system will bring strong and damaging gale force winds which will affect mostly Vanua Levu, Taveuni, even Vanuabalavu from Friday night. But strong and gusty winds will also be felt over the eastern parts of Viti Levu come tomorrow night (May 12)
3. On the current track it is expected the centre of the system will be the west of Fiji – Monday (May 15) or even possibly on Tuesday (May 16)
4. TC Ella brings rain - affecting those up in the North, Vanua Levu, Taveuni, Vanuabalavu and more heavy rain from tomorrow night (May 12) even into Saturday as the centre draws near.

The podcast of the interview is available online: <https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/womens-weather-watch-tc-ella-11th-may-2017-am> (<https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/womens-weather-watch-tc-ella-11th-may-2017-am>)

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Special Weather Bulletin number 4 for Fiji on Tropical Cyclone Ella - issued from RSMC Nadi at 8:09am on Thursday the 11th of May, 2017

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Via FBC News: TC Ella now a category two cyclone

07:32 Today - Report by: Maggie Boyle

Tropical Cyclone Ella has been revised up to a category two and was located 510 km east north east of Labasa this morning.

The cyclone is currently moving west at around 12km an hour.

A strong wind warning is now in place for Lau, Lomaiviti, Taveuni and smaller islands in the area.

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Latest track map (6am)

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## Weather Bulletin

Issued from the National Weather Forecasting Centre Nadi  
at 5:30am on Thursday the 11th of May 2017

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Women's Weather Watch: Fiji, Tonga and Samoa via RNZI

Tropical Cyclone Ella has strengthened to a category two storm with gusts of up to 130 kilometres an hour, according to Fiji's Metservice.

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**10th May**

Women's Weather Watch: TC Ella

Via NDMO

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TC Ella was located 605 km off Vanuabalavu earlier today. It formed outside the official cyclone season which ended on April 30th. near Pago Pago in Samoa, at around 4.45pm on Tuesday.

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Women's Weather Watch: Fiji and Tonga  
Via Island Life

Tonga's northern most island group is in preparing and Fiji police are urging the public to take heed of the weather advisories as Cyclone Ella approaches both countries.

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Women's Weather Watch: Fiji

Behind the scenes at femLINKpacific Suva community media centre. Setting up our "Women's Weather Watch SMS" system

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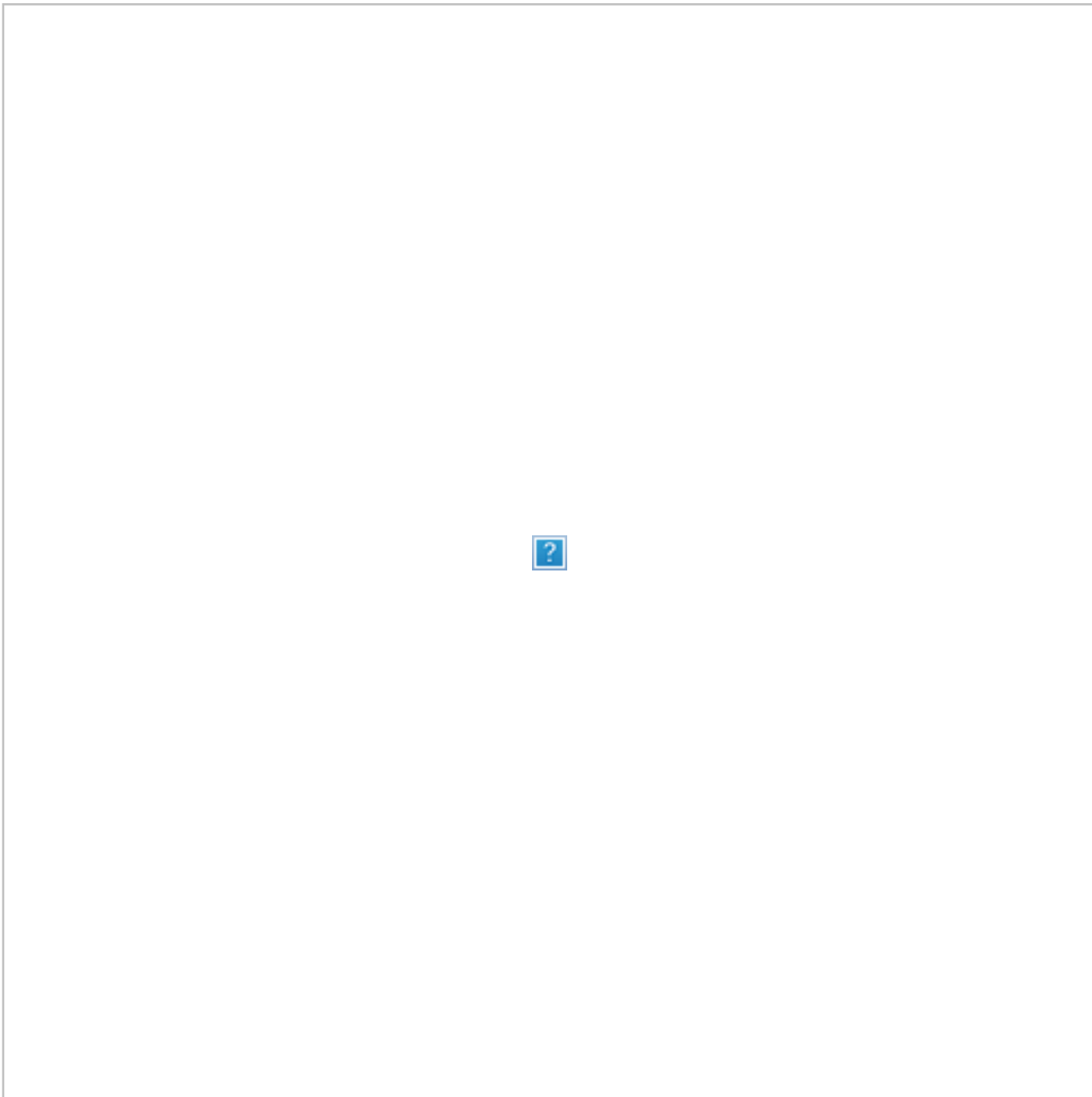
Special Weather Bulletin Number One for Fiji on Tropical Cyclone Ella - Issued from RSMC Nadi at 2:53pm on Wednesday the 10th of May, 2017

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1pm update via Fiji Met:

Tropical Cyclone Ella Category 1 with central pressure of 993HPA with sustained winds of 40 knots close to the centre is expected to intensify and become a Category 2 with sustained winds of 50 knots by tonight.

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TC Ella (press release)

“I spoke to Urmila Kumar – President of the Shakti Women’s Club - this morning,” reported Fane Boseiwaqa, femLINKpacific convenor for Ba, Tavua and Rakiraki. “She says in Dramasi settlement, Tavua, the weather is windy and cloudy.”

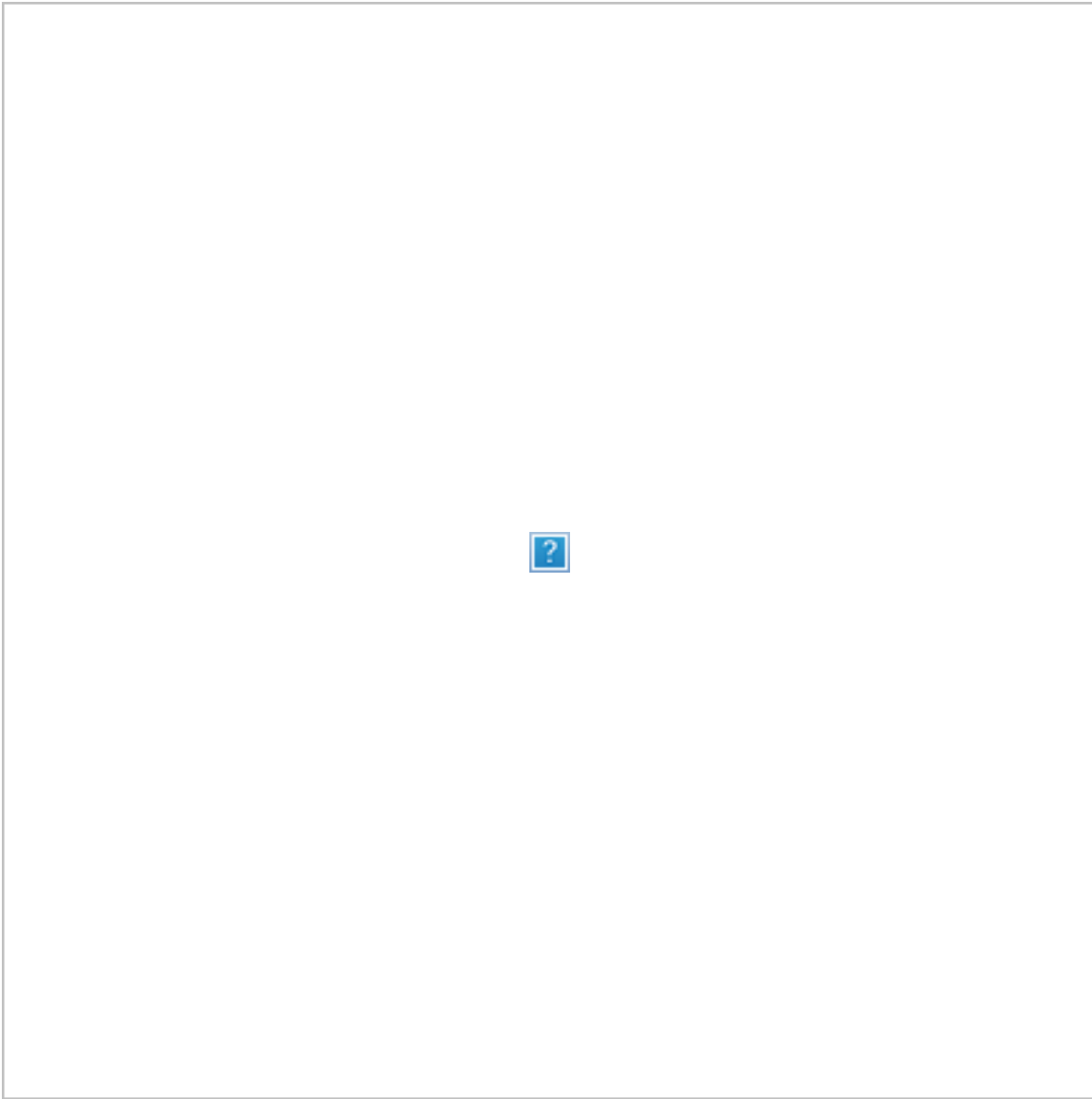
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Public Advisory 1/TC Ella - The National Disaster Management Office is advising the general public to examine their state of readiness for cyclones and make necessary preparations as Tropical Cyclone Ella Category 1 approaches Fiji from the East and is expected to intensify.

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Weather Bulletin issued from the National Weather Forecasting Centre Nadi at 10:45am on Wednesday the 10th of May 2017

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Women's Weather Watch: TC Donna and TC Ella

Via RNZI - Pacific News (<https://www.facebook.com/RNZInternational/>)

Weather authorities warn there is still the potential for destructive winds, very heavy rain and high waves to affect parts of New Caledonia today.

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Women's Weather Watch: TC Ella

Weather Bulletin issued from the National Weather Forecasting Centre Nadi at 5:30am on Wednesday the 10th of May 2017

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## 9th May

Women's Weather Watch: TC Donna and TC Ella

Via Fiji Met Office, 5pm

Severe Tropical Cyclone Donna has weakened to Category 3 system with central pressure of 963 HPA:

It still has destructive hurricane force winds estimated at about 80knots close to the centre at 3pm today.

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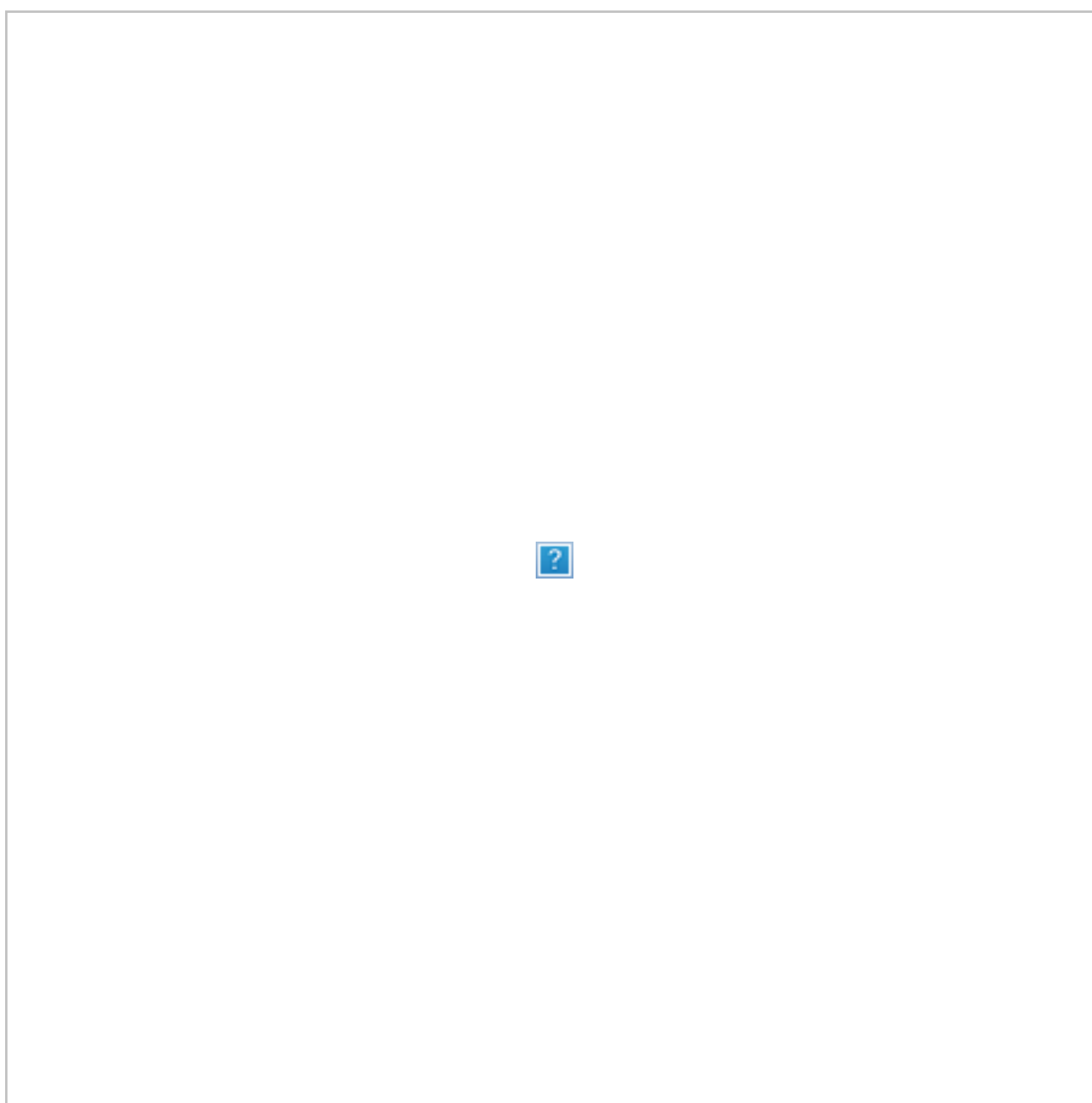
Women's Weather Watch: Fiji

Sian Rolls speaks to Fane Boseiwaqa, femLINKpacific convenor for Ba, Tavua and Rakiraki, Adi Vasulevu, femLINKpacific convenor for the Northern Division including Rabi, and Mereisi Mara, Nasaulevu Women's Club Treasurer in Nabaci, Savusavu, as the weather situation, TD22F, develops.

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The National Disaster Management Office is currently monitoring TD22F. According to the Fiji Met, the depression is slowly moving westwards. Expect intensification with a high chance of the system to develop into a tropical cyclone in the next 24 to 48 hours.

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TC Donna Updates

via RNZI

Vanuatu's capital of Port Vila has escaped any major impact from Cyclone Donna but the Category-5 storm is continuing on its path towards New Caledonia.

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Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 45 for SHEFA.

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## **8th May**

Women's Weather Watch: Vanuatu

RNZI - Pacific News (<https://web.facebook.com/RNZInternational/>) reported a few hours ago that TC Donna is heading south east after sweeping over northern Vanuatu, damaging homes, crops and a cell phone tower.

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Severe Tropical Cyclone Donna (Severe TC Donna) is now a Category 5 system with central pressure of 935 HPA and has very destructive hurricane force winds estimated at about 110knots close to the centre at 3pm today.

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Invest in Women as First Responders

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Sharon Bhagwan Rolls, Executive Producer-Director of femLINKpacific, speaks to Anne Pakoa of Vanuatu Young Women For Change on the current status of Vanuatu as Tropical Cyclone Donna continues to affect the country.

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TC Donna Track Map shows it remains on course towards New Caledonia

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Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 36 for TORBA, SANMA and MALAMPA.

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## **7th May**

Women's Weather Watch: Vanuatu

TC Donna still moving towards New Caledonia - via Fiji Met Office

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Cyclone Donna continued to lash Vanuatu's northern islands for a third straight day on Sunday, hampering efforts to send assessment teams and aid to remote areas.

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Via RNZI Cyclone Donna is currently over northern Vanuatu with winds gusting up to 240km/h.



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RNZI reports #CycloneDonna ([https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/cyclonedonna?source=feed\\_text&story\\_id=10158801686770093](https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/cyclonedonna?source=feed_text&story_id=10158801686770093)) remains about 270km of the coast of Torres, Vanuatu, with sustained winds of 185km/h at its centre. It's moving north at 4km/h

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10,000 people affected and water infrastructure damaged in Torba due to TC Donna while New Caledonia remains on alert.

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158800820010093>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158800820010093>)

Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 28 for TORBA and SANMA.

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158800782915093>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158800782915093>)

## 6th May

Women's Weather Watch: Vanuatu

RNZI reports a cyclone "pre-warning" will take effect in New Caledonia from 11pm, with people urged to prepare for #CycloneDonna ([https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/cyclonedonna?source=feed\\_text&story\\_id=10158798546115093](https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/cyclonedonna?source=feed_text&story_id=10158798546115093)) to head that way

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(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158798546115093>)

As of 5pm today (Fiji time) Severe Tropical Cyclone Donna (Severe TC Donna) is now a Category 4 cyclone with central pressure of 965 HPA and destructive hurricane force winds estimated at about 90knots close to the centre.

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(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158798522085093>)

Reports of destruction are emerging from Vanuatu's northern Torba province as Cyclone Donna moves across the country. The category three system is packing winds as high as 205 kilometres an hour.

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(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158796755745093>)

Reports of destruction were beginning to emerge from Vanuatu's northern islands on Friday night as Cyclone Donna continued its slow path across the country, but the rest of the country looked likely to be spared a direct hit.

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158796066815093>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158796066815093>)

Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 20 for TORBA and SANMA.

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158795998615093>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158795998615093>)

5th May

Women's Weather Watch: Vanuatu

Via RNZI - Disaster authorities in Vanuatu have issued a curfew for people in Torba province as the severe Category 3 Cyclone Donna batters the country's north.

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(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158792647160093>)

Sian Rolls, Programme Associate Media Advocacy of femLINKpacific, speaks to Ann Sharon Pakoa of Vanuatu Young Women For Change as Tropical Cyclone Donna approaches the country.

<https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/womens-weather-watch-vanuatu-tc-donna-ann-5th-may-am>  
(<https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/womens-weather-watch-vanuatu-tc-donna-ann-5th-may-am>)

Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 14 issued by the Vanuatu Meteorology and Geo-Hazards Department, Port Vila at 8:58am VUT Friday 5 May 2017 for TORBA and SANMA.

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158792421845093>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158792421845093>)

Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 12 for TORBA and SANMA.

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158791009515093>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158791009515093>)

**4th May**

Women's Weather Watch: Vanuatu

Sharon Bhagwan Rolls, Executive Producer-Director of femLINKpacific, speaks to Anne Pakoa of Vanuatu Young Women For Change on the current status of Vanuatu as Tropical Cyclone Donna intensifies.

<https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/ww-vanuatu-tc-donna-anne-4th-may-midday>  
(<https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/ww-vanuatu-tc-donna-anne-4th-may-midday>)

Latest Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 6 for TORBA, PENAMA, SANMA and MALAMPA issued at 8.55am by Vanuatu Meteo and Geo Hazards Department.

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158787407230093>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158787407230093>)

Sharon Bhagwan Rolls, Executive Producer-Director of femLINKpacific, speaks to Ann Sharon Pakoa of Vanuatu Young Women For Change as Tropical Cyclone Donna approaches the country.

<https://soundcloud.com/femli.../www-vanuatu-tc-donna-040517-am> (<https://soundcloud.com/femlinkpacific/www-vanuatu-tc-donna-040517-am>)

Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 5 for TORBA, PENAMA and SANMA. Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 2 issued by the Vanuatu Meteorology and Geo-Hazards Department, Port Vila at 9:04pm VUT Wednesday 3 May 2017 for TORBA, PENAMA and SANMA.

<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158786327230093>  
(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158786327230093>)

Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 4 for TORBA, PENAMA and SANMA. Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 2 issued by the Vanuatu Meteorology and Geo-Hazards Department, Port Vila at 9:04pm VUT Wednesday 3 May 2017 for TORBA, PENAMA and SANMA.

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(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158785939925093>)

Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 2 for TORBA, PENAMA and SANMA. Tropical Cyclone Warning Number 2 issued by the Vanuatu Meteorology and Geo-Hazards Department, Port Vila at 9:04pm VUT Wednesday 3 May 2017 for TORBA, PENAMA and SANMA.

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### **3rd May**

Women's Weather Watch: Fiji (Fiji Met cross post)

LIKELIHOOD OF LATE SEASON CYCLONE TO DEVELOP NEAR VANUATU - TD21F POSES NO DIRECT THREAT TO FIJI.

The Tropical Disturbance (TD21F) has been upgraded to a Tropical Depression status at 9am this morning. TD21F has a central pressure of 1000 HPA was located 12.9 degrees South latitude and 170.9 degrees East longitude (near Vanuatu) or more than 800km northwest of Nadi at 3pm this afternoon.

It is currently slow moving and expected to remain to the far west of Fiji. TD21F does not pose direct threat to Fiji; however the associated trough, cloud and rain bands are anticipated to affect the group.

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(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158784031425093>)

Women's Weather Watch: Fiji (Fiji Met cross post)

A trough of low pressure with associated cloud and showers remains slow moving over the group.

Cloudy with some showers and isolated thunderstorms over the eastern parts and interior of the larger islands. Elsewhere, fine apart from isolated afternoon or evening showers and possible thunderstorms with isolated heavy falls expected.

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(<https://www.facebook.com/femlinkpacific/posts/10158783006710093>)





## 2nd May

Women's Weather Watch: Fiji

Fiji Meteorological Service has named tropical disturbance TD21F which is located over the northern parts of Vanuatu.

The system is expected to remain away from Fiji, however the associated trough with TD21F will bring in cloud and showers over the group.

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