



## Objective

**The aim of the project is to facilitate opportunities for equitable and effective agricultural development for Solomon Islands and female smallholder farmers and their families.**

The objectives are to:

- Adapt the Family Farm Teams approach of agricultural extension to the Solomon Islands and assess its potential for scale out in the Solomon Islands and other Pacific Island Countries.
- Explore opportunities to improve agricultural livelihoods for subsistence and semi-subsistence female smallholders and their families in three Solomon Islands districts, and contribute knowledge that can guide their development in the future.

## Expected scientific results

- Data analysis and knowledge of effective ways to improve agricultural development and livelihoods for female smallholders.
- Generation of information about the outcomes of agricultural extension and sustainable livelihood activities for women and their families.
- Analysis of the process and effectiveness of utilising existing women's networks for peer-to-peer learning and the scale-out of sustainable livelihood programs in Pacific Island Countries.
- Improved understanding of the social and cultural norms and practices that influence family decision-making and access to income for women in smallholder families.
- Increased knowledge about the role of culture in developing sustainable livelihoods.

## Expected impact/outcomes

- Improved understanding of the role of culture in the adoption of gender-based approaches to sustainable livelihood development in the Solomon Islands.
- Increased knowledge of gender equitable communication and shared workloads in family.
- Adoption of opportunities to improve agricultural livelihoods, especially by female smallholder farmers.
- Understanding of socio-cultural factors that impact agricultural development for female smallholders and their families in three Solomon Island districts.
- Increased knowledge about socio-cultural issues, including gender and economic factors for subsistence and semi-subsistence female smallholders who want to access and implement new agricultural knowledge.

