

## MEDIA RELEASE

### **HIDES GAS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LTD ASSISTS CHURCHES AROUND BADILI AREA**

**PORT MORESBY:** Hides Gas Development Company Ltd today showed its appreciation to the churches in the vicinity of our Port Moresby office with an assistance of K10,000 each to carry on the good work that they do in this community.

The assistance to these churches is our token of appreciation to the role the churches play in the Badili/Kaugere, Koki and Sabama areas by preaching the gospel and also spiritually rehabilitating many of the young residents of these areas.

Churches that received assistance are Ela United Church in Badili, Christian Fellowship Church Gabutu, Catholic Parish Badili, Don Bosco Technical Institute, SDA Church 2-Mile, SDA Church Koki, SDA Church Sabama, Four Square Church Kaugere, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Koki and Evangelical Church of PNG - Koki

HGDC Ltd Chairman Mr Tuguyawini Libe Parindali said, "Churches play a big role in all our societies by preaching the gospel and also being involved in building family units and communities spiritually and all of us including companies must be appreciative of the role they play to create peace and harmony in our communities."

"The Badili/Kaugere areas were once notorious areas but since we established our office in this area, we are proud to report that not one of our employees or property has been attacked over the last two and half years and much of this has to be attributed to the change in mindset created mainly by the Churches' involvements in the community."

"HGDC will operate in the country over many years ahead and being a good corporate citizen we must ensure we give credit where it is due and with our support to the churches today, we are establishing a partnership that will be around for many years into the future."

"Most importantly, we value the work of the churches in spreading the gospel in the communities and at HGDC we believe that bringing people up spiritually will instil discipline among the people which will lead to people living in peace and harmony. This will then address the law and order problems we experience often in our communities."

Hides Gas Development Company Ltd is Umbrella Company for the upstream sector of the PNG LNG Project.

The Company represents 14 regional landowner companies with a fully represented board of 15 Directors.

HGDC will continue to work with our traditional landowners, our Joint Venture Partners and also with partners in the PNG LNG Project including operator ExxonMobil to achieve a mutually beneficial outcome for all stakeholders.

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