



**OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY
OFFICIATED BY THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI
HONOURABLE SITIVENI LIGAMAMADA RABUKA
28TH DECEMBER 2024
VODAFONE ARENA**

7.30 – 8.00 am	Arrival of delegates	MC
8.00 – 8.15 am	Delegates to be seated	MC
8.30 am	Arrival of Chief Guest	Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji Hon. Sitiveni L Rabuka
8.30 – 9.15 am	Commencement of traditional welcome	Vanua of Kalokolevu/Ministry of iTaukei Affairs
9.15 – 9.25 am	Prayer and sharing of bible passage	Rev- Turaga
9.25 – 9.30 am	Welcome address	Minister for Fisheries and Forests Hon. Alitia Bainivalu
9.30 – 9.35 am	Statement from the Executive Director WCPFC	Ms Rhea Moss- Christian
9.35 – 9.40 am	Statement from the WCPFC Chair	Ms Josie Tamate - Niue
9.40 – 10.00 am	Opening address from the Prime Minister of Fiji	His Excellency – Hon. Sitiveni L Rabuka
10.00 – 10.05 am	On stage photo session for Chief guest and VIPs	Media
10.10	End of Official Program	
10.15 am	Chief Guests and VIP to enjoy refreshments in the VIP room whilst delegations to be served refreshment in the main refreshment area.	
10.45 am	Main plenary to begin in the main meeting room	WCPFC Chair – Ms Josie Tamate