

Asian Productivity Organization "The APO in the News"

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Our West continues to shine internationally



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The West is this week hosting yet another major international meeting, underlining yet again the role of Fiji in the region.

The 54th Asian Productivity Organisation workshop will see some 50 delegates from 19-member countries assemble on Denarau Island, Nadi.

Prime Minister Commodore Vorege Bainimarama will open the event at the Sheraton Resort and Spa. The Western Division has become a hub for hosting such international events

This emphasises two things. First, Fiji's role as a regional leader and strong position in the global community. Second, the quality of our resorts in the West.

Despite challenges that these resorts sometimes face during the cyclone season they have always bounced back and have been ready to welcome visitors better than ever.

The current meeting will be no exception, with the Sheraton providing warm local hospitality with international class.

What does this particular workshop mean? It is a gathering of top business people and heads of national productivity organisations.

Countries represented are as diverse as India, China, Indonesia and Iran, Pakistan, and the Philippines. The aim of this organisation is to promote productivity in member countries. This is done through sharing of ideas and resources.

How will Fiji benefit out of this meeting?

We will be able to see how other developed countries and developing countries have promoted productivity in their own lands, an issue close to the Bainimarama Government's heart. And we will be able to show again just what a welcoming and safe place Fiji is for such international events.