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## RESPONSE TO AN OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

On 23 December 2021, you contacted the Ministry for Pacific Peoples (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), information regarding government department strategies (GDSs). I have outlined your specific requests and my responses to each below.

### 1. *What GDSs have been archived (between 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021)?*

There were no GDS's archived by the Ministry for the 2021 calendar year. However, as per our previous response to you dated 15 February 2021, we requested that the Pacific Languages Framework (GDS01) is removed from the index as it is replaced by the Pacific Languages Strategy. The timeframe for delivering the Pacific Languages Strategy has been impacted by competing demands related to the COVID-19 Delta outbreak last year. Despite the challenges and delay, we expect to finalise the Pacific Languages Strategy this calendar year.

### 2. *What GDSs are new (as in published between 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021)?*

The Ministry provided an update to Cabinet on the All-of-Government Pacific Wellbeing Strategy in September last year. You can find the proactively released Cabinet paper for this GDS on our website here: [www.mpp.govt.nz/assets/Ministers-and-Cabinet/All-of-Government-Pacific-Wellbeing-Strategy-Update-Proactive-Release.pdf](http://www.mpp.govt.nz/assets/Ministers-and-Cabinet/All-of-Government-Pacific-Wellbeing-Strategy-Update-Proactive-Release.pdf).

I would also like to draw your attention to the Ministry for Pacific Peoples Strategic Intentions 2019-2024 document. This was noted as a new GDS in our 2021 response to you but has not been added to the index. You can find this document on our website here: [www.mpp.govt.nz/assets/Corporate-Publications/MPP-Strategic-Intentions-2020-2024.pdf](http://www.mpp.govt.nz/assets/Corporate-Publications/MPP-Strategic-Intentions-2020-2024.pdf).

### 3. *What GDSs have been moved/shared between departments (between 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021)?*

No GDS's were moved to another department in the 2021 calendar year by the Ministry. However, I note the Mahi Aroha Carers' Strategy Action Plan (GDS02) in your index is currently allocated to the Ministry for Pacific Peoples. We suggest this is moved to the Ministry of Social Development as it is more appropriately aligned to their responsibilities.

### 4. *What GDS were both new and archived in the 2021 calendar year?*

The Ministry had no GDS's which were both new and archived for the 2021 calendar year.

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Should you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact the Ministry at: [uia\\_requests@mpp.govt.nz](mailto:uia_requests@mpp.govt.nz).

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