Analysis of IWRM Meeting in Niue, July 18-22

What Is IWRM?

• Water Management

- 1. Managing water in a more sustainable manner
- 2. Managing water sustainably by involving all the stakeholders
- 3. Process of managing water from source to use (disposal & recycle)
- 4. Understanding and integrating hydrological data and information into resource management, water supply and demand
- 5. Managing water resources with improved coordination
- 6. Sustainable and holistic approach to water management
- Inter Sectoral Approach
 - 1. Commitment at all levels (National government to community)
 - 2. Linking up with all the stakeholders
 - 3. Political involvement and community support
 - 4. Sector wide approach
 - 5. Multidisciplinary involvement
 - 6. Inclusive of all sectors
 - 7. Understanding social, economic, health, environmental, agriculture, cultural etc issues and impacts of water

- Protection of Resources
 - 1. Ridge to reef
 - 2. Protection of water resource from source to sea
 - **3.** Introduction of new and advanced water technology to minimise water usage (waste water)
 - 4. Maintaining integrity of water resource (quality and quantity of water supply and demand)
- Others
 - 1. Financial support from government
 - 2. Technical support
 - 3. Improving life
 - 4. Legislation Policies
 - 5. Sort out the mess
 - 6. Ownership Issues
 - 7. Capacity and limitation
 - 8. Anchored in culture (Underlying dimension)
 - 9. Research and policy
 - **10.IWRM** sounds lovely but challenge is how to implement and mobilise on the ground
 - **11.Differences from country to country. No one solution fits all.**