



Remains of the school library at Mualevu School

Polyflor XL PU Dolomite 3910

On February 20, 2016, a category 5 tropical cyclone thrashed the South Pacific island nation of Fiji. When the storm came ashore on the island of Koro, it packed sustained winds of 300 kilometers (185 miles) per hour. According to several news and meteorological sources, it was the second strongest landfalling cyclone in recorded history.

The powerful cyclone killed at least 44 people, damaging or destroying thousands of houses, and significantly affecting about 350,000 people.

\$10 million of New Zealand aid was sent to help Fiji to rebuild its public infrastructure destroyed

in Cyclone Winston, including schools and buildings on Vanua Balavu in the neighbouring Lau islands.

Pacific Building Solutions (PBS) won the tender for the reconstruction work on Vanua Balavu from the New Zealand government in September 2016, following a rigorous tender process.

According to the PBS public relations co-ordinator, Atelaite Cama, it was in January 2017 that an original team of 36 arrived on the island to set up a camp at the Fiji Roads Authority Depot in Lomaloma for the works to begin.

Ms Cama said by April 2017, the

PBS workforce on Vanua Balavu had increased to 140 including a team of locally-hired workers.

A total of six schools on Vanua Balavu were rebuilt and repaired as a result of the NZ AID programme. The schools include Adi Maopa Secondary School, Adi Maopa Primary School, Mualevu Village School, Daliconi Village School, Cikobia Village School and Mavana District School.

Adi Maopa Secondary School, the only secondary school on the island now boasts one of the best structures in the entire Lau Group if not the country, with 10 classrooms and will also act as an Evacuation Centre in times of need.

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School repair work underway

