

Oceania & Pacific: Cyclone Maila Aftermath, Solomon Islands Politics, Vanuatu

Oceania · Answer Key · 8 Questions

1. In the aftermath of Tropical Cyclone Maila in April 2026, which two countries received humanitarian relief from the Australian government?

- A) Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands**
- B) Fiji and Vanuatu
- C) New Zealand and Australia
- D) Palau and Tonga

2. Following the 2024 general election in the Solomon Islands, who was elected as the new Prime Minister, succeeding Manasseh Sogavare?

- A) Jeremiah Manele**
- B) Mathew Wale
- C) Peter Kenilorea Jr.
- D) Rick Houenipwela

3. Vanuatu's Tourism Business Recovery Program (Phase 2) is designed to assist businesses recovering from recent natural disasters, including which specific seismic event in late 2024?

- A) A December 17, 2024 earthquake**
- B) A January 5, 2025 earthquake
- C) A March 10, 2024 earthquake
- D) A November 20, 2024 earthquake

4. According to Westpac's May 2026 Economic Overview, what is the predicted unemployment rate for New Zealand in 2026, impacted by the conflict in the Middle East?

- A) 5.6%**
- B) 4.5%
- C) 6.2%
- D) 3.1%

5. Fiji's Climate Change Act of 2021 aims to reach net-zero emissions by what year?

- A) 2050**
- B) 2040
- C) 2035
- D) 2060

6. The Palau National Marine Sanctuary (PNMS), established in 2015 and effective from 2020, protects what percentage of Palau's national waters as a no-take zone?

- A) 80%**
- B) 50%
- C) 90%
- D) 70%

7. In May 2026, a no-confidence vote in the Solomon Islands parliament led to the ousting of which Prime Minister?

- A) Jeremiah Manele**
- B) Manasseh Sogavare
- C) Peter Kenilorea
- D) Mathew Wale

8. Which of the following was NOT a key electoral issue in the 2024 Solomon Islands general election?

- A) Climate change adaptation strategies**
- B) The country's relationship with China
- C) The economy
- D) Healthcare