The Department of Finance’s Phones Against Corruption (P@C) initiative was among other national agencies & NGOs that were invited by TIPNG to participate in their Exhibition which took place on the 23rd – 24th of March 2018 in Goroka Eastern Highlands Province. Department of Finance (DoF) was represented by the Team which consist of Acting First Assistant Secretary for Internal Audits & Compliance Division (IACD) Mr Tom Tiki, Sam Erepan, Mclaine Keari and Appala Saripalli, all from the Provincial Capacity Building Program (PCaB).

The theme of this year’s exhibition was “TOGETHER AGAINST CORRUPTION”. The Exhibition was officially opened by the Member for Goroka Open, Hon Henry Ame together with the senior officers for TIPNG including the Executive Director Miss Arianne Kassman.

The purpose of this activity was to build anti-corruption partnership with other agencies and awareness on the phones against corruption initiative that will be launched to 44 government agencies. This is the initiative that was launched in 2014 by the Department of Finance and PCaB Program to fight Corruption by sending in free SMS to 16321 to report a case. The event was successful and the public were interested to know more about the initiative.

Procurement & IFMS Brief conducted in Namatanai District by PCaB Advisor.

A combined workshop was conducted on the 20th March 2018 at the Namatanai District Administration Conference room. Officers from the Namatanai District Finance Office, District Administration and the LLGs attended the half day workshop which was organized and facilitated by the PCaB Advisor Mrs. Katherine Panap, the Acting Provincial Finance Manager (PFM) Ms. Dolores Tore and Namatanai DFM Mr. David Manil.

Communicating with the stakeholders and informing them of the reforms taking place in the Department of Finance is an important tool which will enable all public servants to be prepared and also improve in practising good procurement process in order to effectively deliver the basic services to the rural majority with the limited resources at the sub national level. It was an eye opener and also refreshing for the officers at the district and LLGs in attending the workshop which will enable them to be accountable and transparent in procuring goods and services transforming into impact service delivery. Practising good procurement process is very important while using the PGAS system, which will enable officers to grasp and appreciate the process in IFMS.