



INTRODUCTION

Marine Pollution causes by wastes and how they are been addressed in Samoa.



Impacts on Samoa's Marine Ecosystem been degraded

- Coastal development
- Overexploitation and pollution



Marine pollution – A Global Problem

Vulnerable due to :

- limited natural resources
- Fragile

Example of waste products

Liquid forms :

- oil spilled from ships and small boats
- Left-over chemicals in cans and bottles been dumped into the sea
- Fishing chemicals used by fishermen

Solid forms:

- Dead animals been dumped into the sea
- Children's nappies, plastic papers used tyres etc.

Problems faced by Samoa

- Loss of ecosystems/habitats for species
- Destroyed mangroves and coral reefs
- Reduce seafood protein for many people
- Reduce income and export earnings
- Loss of raw materials for medicine, handicrafts and construction

Solutions set out to solve the problems

- Set-up New Landfill (Dumping site)
- Establishing of MPAs
- Implementing Policies and Acts as Guidelines
- Promoting Education and Awareness Programmes
- Seeking financial assistances from Donors

Conclusion:

Enhance working in partnership of the Government, communities and concerned Organisations to promote improvement methods and ideas to reduce marine pollution.