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NEW TRANSMISSION SITES FOR ENGA PROVINCE

Governor Peter Ipatas has congratulated EMTV, Papua New Guinea's national television service, on the establishment of two new television transmitters for the Kandep and Kompiam districts of Enga Province. The transmitters were installed with the financial input of Enga province and transmission commenced late May 2005.

The inclusion of these districts means that the entire province of Enga now has access to EMTV. Based on figures from the 2000 Census, the addition of the new EMTV transmission sites will extend reach to a further 91,732 people, bringing the total possible reach within Enga province to 295,031 people.

Governor Ipatas said it was an exciting step forward for his province.

“Through EMTV we are able to deliver both education and entertainment to our people” Governor Ipatas said.

“I am especially excited about more people having access to programmes such as the Distance Education Programmes on EMTV, produced by the Department of Education in conjunction with JICA and EMTV”

Olota Rokovunisei, Chairman of the Board of Media Niugini Limited and Fiji TV Limited said “We are delighted to make this continuing contribution and that our policy encouraging the establishment of transmitters for rural PNG has been able to be preserved in this way.”

According to 2000 Census data, the inclusion of the Kandep and Kompiam transmission sites now brings the total reach of EMTV within PNG to over 2.5 million people.

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