



## GOVERNMENT GRANT – PROTECTING FIJI’S ROADS THROUGH AIR-BAG TRAILER ASSISTANCE

The deterioration of roads caused by overloaded vehicles cost Fijian taxpayers around \$50 million last year alone. To keep Fiji’s roads in good condition, the Fijian Government will continue with the initiative to subsidise the purchase of air-bag suspension systems for trucks.

Air-bag suspension systems — or air-bag trailers — are good for roads, good for drivers and good for trucks. They put less strain on road infrastructure by preventing deterioration by evenly distributing the weight of truckloads. By reducing the vehicle vibration, the systems also grant better braking and axle loads, which help truck drivers stay safe. They also result in less wear and tear on truck components and tyres, and allow for steadier driving speeds which reduce overall travel time.

Potential purchasers can access a grant of up to \$20,000 towards the purchase of air suspension/ air-bag trailers. A total budget of \$300,000 has been allocated for this initiative for the 2021-2022 financial year.

Application forms to apply for the assistance (hard copies) will be made available and can be submitted at any of the LTA office. All required documents stipulated in the application form and the guideline must be provided. The application form and detailed guideline will also be available online at:

1. [www.fiji.gov.fj](http://www.fiji.gov.fj)
2. [www.economy.gov.fj](http://www.economy.gov.fj)
3. [www.lta.com.fj](http://www.lta.com.fj)

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