

# Conflicts between cultural use and ecotourism: the case of bird tours in PNG



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# **This presentation brief y considers:**

Bird watching tourism in PNG

Benefits to the local community

Importance of birds in PNG culture

Private ownership of land

Some environmental issues

Ecotourism in Varirata National Park



# Bird Watching Tourism in Papua New Guinea

- [Birding in Papua New Guinea - Trans Niugini Tours](#)

[www.pngtours.com/birding.html](http://www.pngtours.com/birding.html)

The island of New Guinea has one the richest and most varied avifauna in the world. The 708 *bird* species identified so far for the islands include 578 land and ...

- [Bird Watching - Papua New Guinea Tourism Promotion Authority](#)

[www.papuanewguinea.travel/birdwatching](http://www.papuanewguinea.travel/birdwatching)

Papua New Guinea is a *Bird* Watchers paradise! ... *Birding* Seasons- *Tours* Operators run specific *birding* *tours* mainly during the dry season, from June to ...

- [PAPUA NEW GUINEA Birding Tours with BIRDQUEST](#)

[www.birdquest-tours.com/Papua-New-Guinea-birding-tours-1/2013/](http://www.birdquest-tours.com/Papua-New-Guinea-birding-tours-1/2013/)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA *Birding* *Tours* with BIRDQUEST. Our *birdwatching* trips are wonderful experiences: we have the best itineraries and truly remarkable ...

- [Papua New Guinea - Rockjumper Birding Tours](#)

[www.rockjumperbirding.com/tours/destinations/papua-new-guinea/](http://www.rockjumperbirding.com/tours/destinations/papua-new-guinea/)

Rockjumper has an unbeatable reputation for leading highly successful *birding* *tours* to Papua New Guinea.

- [Papua New Guinea: Paradise Untamed - Tropical Birding](#)

[www.tropicalbirding.com/australasia-tours/new.../papua-new-guinea/](http://www.tropicalbirding.com/australasia-tours/new.../papua-new-guinea/)

No birder has seen the BBC's "Attenborough in Paradise" documentary without feeling compelled to visit the magnificent island of New Guinea. Undoubtedly a ...

- [Papua New Guinea Bird Tour - Kirrama Birdwatching & Wildlife](#)

[www.kirrama.com.au/newgui.html](http://www.kirrama.com.au/newgui.html)

Papua New Guinea *Bird* *Tour*. 16 Day *Tour* + New Britain extension 8 *birdwatchers* minimum / 12 maximum. Port Moresby - Ambua Lodge (Tari) - Kumul Lodge ...

- [VENT Birding Tours—Papua New Guinea Highlights](#)

[www.ventbird.com/birding-tour/2013/08/.../papua-new-guinea-highlight.../](http://www.ventbird.com/birding-tour/2013/08/.../papua-new-guinea-highlight.../)

Exceptional tropical forest *birding* with large numbers of endemics in one of the world's most exotic *birding* destinations. We explore vast, untouched areas of ...

- [Papua New Guinea Birding Tour with FIELD GUIDES: Birds of ...](#)

[fieldguides.com/bird-tours/new-guinea/](http://fieldguides.com/bird-tours/new-guinea/)

Papua New Guinea *Birding* *Tour* with FIELD GUIDES: Birds of Paradise and More. See a lot of birds, have a lot of fun.

- [Go birdwatching with a Birdingpal from Papua New Guinea.](#)

[www.birdingpal.org/Papuanewguinea.html](http://www.birdingpal.org/Papuanewguinea.html)

Aug 16, 2013 - Papua New Guinea *tours* with Joseph Tano your local guide. Fixed date *birdwatching* *tours* around the world. Birder friendly lodging in Papua ...



# What the bird watchers want to see



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# Importance of bird watching tourism to local landowners: Kumul Lodge



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# Ambua Lodge, Tari



# Employment of the local community and entrepreneurship



# Bird watching guide: Daniel Wakra



# Importance of birds in PNG culture

Moresby over the weekend and is at a funeral home.

necessary... and skills to directly confront the criminals as he was allowed at

pursuing criminals following a hold-up.

## A colourful welcome for Rudd



MEKEO dancers welcome Australia's PM Kevin Rudd at Jackson's Airport yesterday. Picture: TARAMI LEGEI

## Police brutality rife in Hela

# Importance of birds in PNG culture



# Importance of birds in PNG culture: looking for the King of Saxony Bird of Paradise



# Private landownership



# The need to live off the land



# Land owned by Max: our bird watching guide



# Threats to the bird watching tourism industry: land disputes



**PAPUA NEW GUINEA**  
**MINUTE**  
**PPC - ENGA /**

File No: DHQ "H"

<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>RE - ALLOWANCES AND ACCOMMODATION FOR POLICE PERSONNEL ENGAGED AT BORDER OPERATIONS</b>
	<p>This operation on the boarder of Enga and Western Highlands was commissioned by Enga Provincial Government after the mass killings at Waliya self-proclaimed boom gate.</p> <p>There were threats to burn down tourist attraction facilities which is Kumul Lodge being a revenue contributor in the Tourism Industry.</p> <p>So the Police Personnel have done a good job and must be compensated by the Provincial Government.</p> <p>If the allowances and accommodations bills are submitted to the Provincial Government via your office than; you must do up a covering report and address it to the Provincial Administrator for his endorsement for payment.</p> <p>For your attention, please.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p><b>T.W. TEI DPS</b> Assistant Commissioner of Police Divisional Co...</p>

# Ecotourism as opportunity



# A poor understanding of what ecotourism is!



# Threats to the bird watching tourism industry: forest clearance



# The forest as revenue



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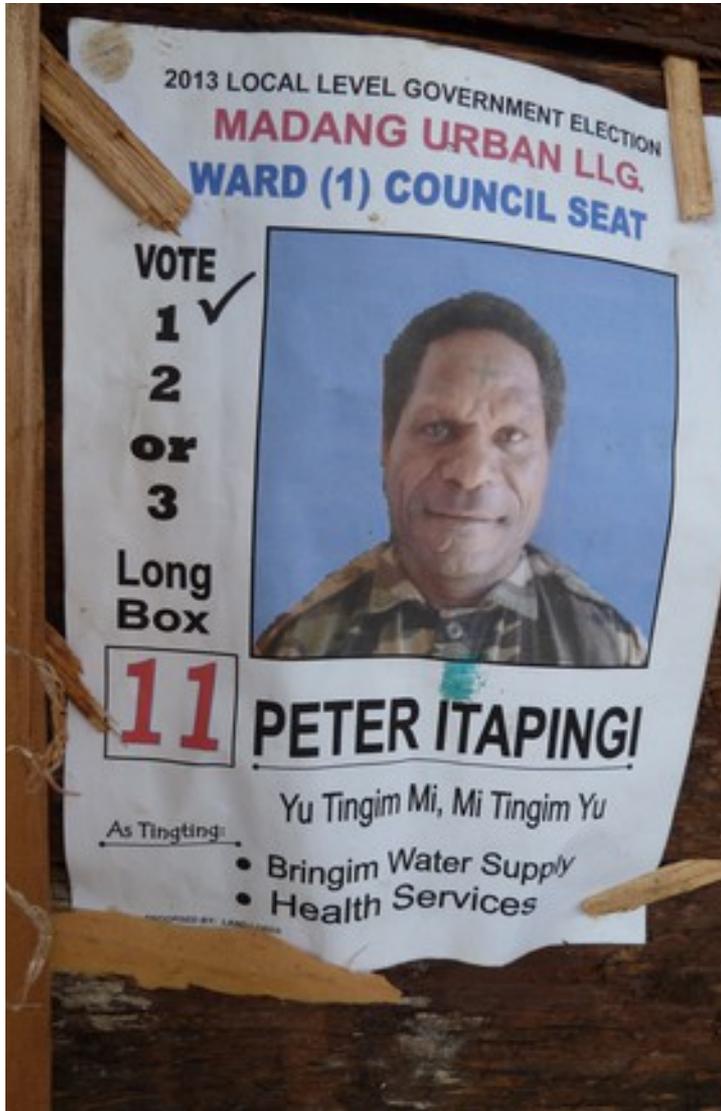
# Climate change



# Resource development projects = more \$



# Issues associated with poverty



Living off the land

Bird feathers as currency

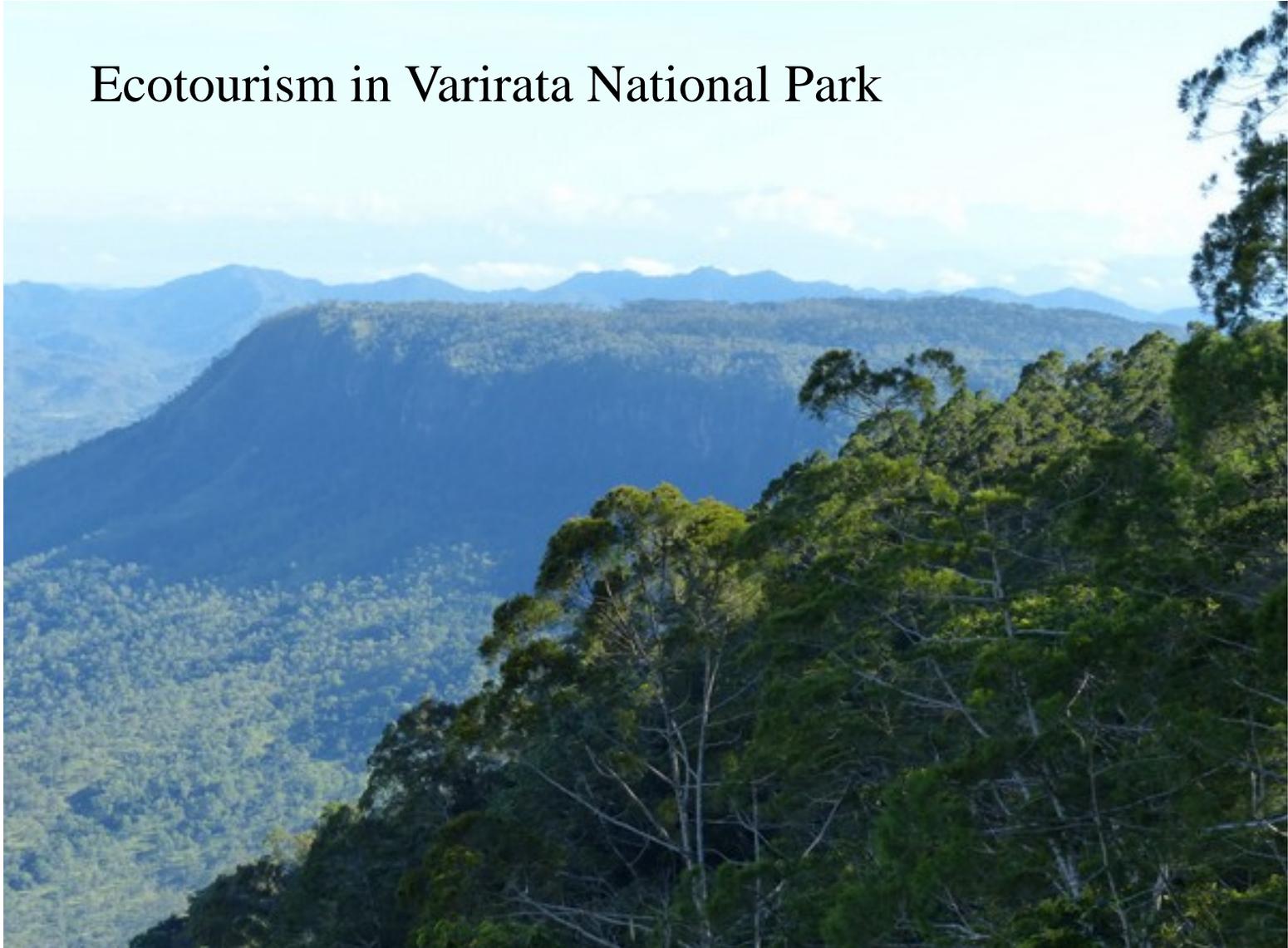
Land disputes and social issues

The panacea of resource development

The importance of ecotourism!

# There are very few formal protected areas in PNG

Ecotourism in Varirata National Park



# Display area of Raggiana BOP



# Neglected infrastructure



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# Inside the visitor centre



# Inside the visitor centre



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## Summary of cultural use of the landscape and wildlife

Hunting

Birds and ceremony

Use of forest products for food, shelter and land for family groups

Land ownership disputes

## Other environmental issues

Resource development projects

Climate change

Poor understanding of ecotourism



# The case of the Victoria crowned pigeon and the need for environmental protection



**Thank you**

