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Kerema Branch Reopens



Gulf District Administrator Mr Clement Tare (front right) and MVIL CEO Mr Michael Makap cutting the ribbon to officially open the Kerema office.

otor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL) opened its new customer service centre in Kerema, Gulf Province, in a small but significant ceremony on 13 March 2025.

This brings the total number of MVIL branches nationwide to 34.

The office commissioning was held in the presence of MVIL staff and Chief Executive Officer Mr Michael Makap.

Representing the office of the Minister for Energy and Kerema Open MP Hon. Thomas Opa, was his Executive Officer Mr Jude Avosa, Gulf Provincial Administrator Mr Clement Tare and provincial government representatives.

Mr Makap said that the previous office in Kerema was condemned in 2018 and could not operate as normal, however, MVIL has come back to provide service to the people of

Kerema.

He stated that MVIL was one of the 12 state-owned enterprises (SOE), a small but successful business with nationwide presence.

"This makes us a leading SOE in service delivery, providing critical business services and economic enabling services throughout the length and breadth of the country."

Mr Makap further said support would be provided to the Gulf provincial government in its investments, mainly those which required assistance from MVIL in close consultation and dialogue with other state agencies and stakeholders.

On behalf of the Kerema MP's office, Executive Officer Mr. Avosa commended MVIL on not leaving Kerema out and bringing service to the

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Dear All,

he first quarter of 2025 has certainly flown by quite quickly. I am certain everyone has been busy working on their annual activity plans in alignment with the company's corporate plan and working on Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) whilst achieving their individual and team goals and objectives.

Please join me as we take a look at our first quarter activities. For our branch activity, Kerema opened its new branch earlier on March. The office is of the same design standard as the other newer branches and is a boost in service delivery for the little township. The new Minj office is complete and will be commissioned at the end of April. The Kokopo branch is also undergoing refurbishment and the team is in the process of seeking expression of interest (EOI) for suitable contractors to begin work on the office. This will take up most of quarter two (2).

We concluded the first management workshop in January which included our subsidiaries PMMI and PacRe CEO's. Our managers did presentations on the corporate plan 2025-2027 and basically on operational agendas for the next 12 months' activities and their strategies. Each manager presented on their key priority areas, objectives and timeframes. Reporting and monitoring activity wise will be done in the next management meeting in April.

At this juncture, I also welcome Mr Chrisbourne Taput, who takes over from Mr Mosley Elly as Executive Officer to the Chief Executive Officer. Mr Taput has over twenty years' experience in the workforce and more so over ten years' experience in the Oil & Gas, Energy and Mining industries. With his professional background and experience, I am confident he will

bring added value and insight to the company's mission and objectives.

Mr Taput will be responsible for the company's corporate plan execution, reporting and monitoring through the CEO's office. He will be responsible for coming up with a reporting template which is derived from the seven pillars in the Corporate Plan. Each manager aligns their activities according to which pillar their activities fall under. This will ensure there is no adhoc activity. The reporting format will be the same but will change for progress, milestones, timelines, challenges, resources and so forth.

Board reporting will be culminated out of this process as well. This year there will be more visual reports and little write ups. We aim to have more visuals displaying tables and graphs which is totally aligned to our corporate plan. This is so that the board will have clear visibility of our trend and where we are going.

In other announcements, MVIL recorded a net operating profit of K107 million after tax and made a final dividend payment of K53.5 million after audit to the state in the 2023 financial year.

I also make mention the renewal of Mr Daniel Katie, who now serves his second term as a board director. At this point, I also make mention that we have formed an Investments & Audit Committee and the chairman of the audit committee is Director Stanley Komunt. Committee members are Mr Stanley Hondina, the Chief Operating Officer (COO), Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Company Secretary (CS) and Investment Manager Mr Giles Piriri. The Committee advisor is KPMG.

In other updates, MVIL has renewed its sponsorship of K500,000 to the PNGRFL match officials (referees.) This corporate sponsorship has been approved by the board and has been ongoing for a number of years now.

Pronto is progressing well. The Financial system went live at the end of December 2024 and we are looking forward to going live with our customized Motor Vehicle Registration system by the 30th March, 2025. This will see the migration of the current Vehicle Registration Management System (VRMS), which has been used for the past 13-14 years to the new customized Pronto system. By the beginning of the second quarter, Customer Service will go live with the customized Pronto vehicle services.

The customized Pronto has been done with assistance from Pronto engineers from Australia who designed, and developed the product to suit our need specifically for vehicle registration and CTP insurance. This is a big milestone for us as it has taken much time, hours and hours of tireless effort to go through the different phases to get it right.

By the end of quarter two (2), we should have our Accident Claims function go live. Once Claims goes live, we will have completed what we started three (3) years ago. It hasn't been easy; it has been a somewhat difficult transformation that we managed well. There may be teething issue with the new system, so please bear with us and take note of this advance notice.

I would also like to thank the ICCC for bearing with us all challenges that we have gone through during the Pronto implementation. We were in constant dialogue with them on the changes to deadlines and in their understanding have supported us by allowing us extension of time.

With that, thank you to everyone at MVIL for the continued teamwork.

Also at this juncture I wish to inform every one of my departure from MVIL as CEO as I conclude my second term contract at the end of the month of April, 2025. It has been a fruitful and

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exciting journey and much has been accomplished under my watch for the three (3) entities, namely MVIL, Pacific MMI Ltd and Pacific Re Ltd.

Significant Dividend Payments to the state from MVIL over six (6) year with a milestone balance sheet growth of close to 60%, finishing the 2024 financial year at a NBV of K1.032 billion. There are no commercial loans, very clean unqualified audits and fully compliant and up to date with all taxes.

I have served under three Chairmen, have displayed exemplary who leadership and shown unprecedented, seamless, transitional leadership. All board members that I have served under, displayed exceptional visionary direction and respected the rules of corporate governance, whilst observing the demarcations between shareholder, board & management. It was quite a unique experience to have mingled with such minds, which have added value to my professional acumen.

During my oversight role as Chairman of PMMI Ltd and Director of Pac Re

Ltd, I have successfully installed 2 very experienced insurance professionals, both from New Zealand, as CEOs, who have shown marked improvements in the two entities. These two businesses have recently undergone their rebranding makeovers and are on the road to a very bright future. My input at the board and management oversight of these two (2) businesses have resulted in successive profitability and balance sheet growth years. I leave with a feeling of accomplishment and a tremendous value added to my understanding of the insurance industry.

I also wish to extend my sincere appreciation and thanks to the Minister for State Enterprises, Hon William Duma and the government for giving me this opportunity to contribute at this level. I am glad to say I have performed and delivered to your vision objectives and I am proud of my achievements.

My thanks to MD Professor Kavanamur and the rest of the SOE CEO's who continually will be serving our beautiful country. You have become my good friends and I wish you all the best in your future. To my Chairman, Dr. John McKup and Board members; Mr. Ian Prentice, Mr. Stanley Komunt, Mr. Stanley Hondina, Mr. Joseph Krammer, Mr. Daniel Katie and Mrs. Elizabeth Bradshaw, you all are incredible people. I salute you for respecting my leadership. You have stuck with me through thick and thin and never ever showed any sign of weakness.

I have decided not to renew my contract for a further term for personal reasons, therefore I have to exit. I have been given this great opportunity where I had built my professional profile and met some incredible people, who I will add to my friendship list.

For that I am so grateful. God is always good and, 'ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR THE GOD OF THOSE WHO ARE CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSES'. Romans 8:28.

Michael Makap Chief Executive Officer

Taput joins senior ranks

otor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL) welcomed a new Executive Officer to the Chief Executive Officer after the position was left vacant recently.

Mr Chrisbourne Taput joined the MVIL team in March 2025. He has a decade of experience across Oil & Gas, International Development, and Mining industries.

Since 2010, he has provided operational and strategic guidance, helping diverse organizations.

Mr Taput excels in leading teams in challenging, remote environments, with expertise in health, safety, and security; data management; stakeholder engagement; social performance; and policy development.

His skills in monitoring, evaluations, and adaptive strategies ensure successful project outcomes and exceptional operational management.

With a Bachelor in Management, Diploma in Applied Science and Advanced Certificate in Business Intelligence, Mr Taput brings a wealth of experience in management and leadership, skills in business intelligence, stakeholder management and corporate affairs to complement the leadership qualities and skillset within MVIL, hence making MVIL become a leader within the SOE space.

"The working culture, which is driven by the MVIL values, creates an environment that is conducive for inclusion, growth, innovation and success at the individual, team and organisational level. I am honoured and privileged for the opportunity to contribute to MVIL in this capacity," Mr Taput said.

He hails from New Ireland and Milne Bay Provinces.



Executive Officer to the CEO, Mr. Taput.

Hospital receives timely donation

he Gerehu Provincial Hospital in the Nation's Capital received a personal donation of basic health and hygiene packs from the Chief Executive Officer of the Motor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL).

These items will go towards assisting patients in the general ward, labour ward and surgical ward, according to Manager Medical Services and Acting Hospital Manager Dr Esther Gabut.

This gesture was a personal donation by Mr Makap in response to Dr Gabut's request written to MVIL for sponsorship for the hospital during last year's Christmas period as the largest facility within the National Capital District Provincial Health Authority (NCDPHA), with approximately 290 staff.

In addition to the CEO's donation, MVIL presented K5,000 towards supporting the hospital in its daily operations.

Due to the hectic schedules of the Christmas and New Year period, the items were presented to Dr Gabut at the Gerehu Hospital on Monday 20th January, 2025.

She thanked MVIL and Mr Makap for his kindness and generosity stating that the assistance in cash and gifts were understandably part of MVIL's community obligation (CSO) to the health sector, and would go a long way in assisting sick patients.

The donation in cash was used for the hospital Christmas function, and to give back to the patients in the wards on Christmas Day with meals and gifts.

"The support we received assisted the management in supporting our staff functions due to limited funding



Dr Esther Gabut receiving MVIL's cash donation and Chief Executive Officer Mr Michael Makap's donation of basic hygiene packs from HR representative Mr Lusan Imbuni.

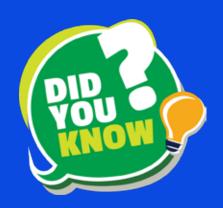
received this year.

Our staff expressed their gratitude and appreciation during the events, which went a long way in boosting team spirit and morale," Dr Gabut said.

She mentioned that the funds enabled

30 sick patients to be presented with gifts, food and toiletries.

"This small gesture of kindness to our patients was also appreciated by the sick as our hospital does not provide meals to patients," Dr Gabut said.



Motor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL) is responsible to assess claims and compensate victims of motor vehicle accidents. Claimants must notify MVIL immediately if they have been involved in a motor vehicle accident. They can make a claim for injuries sustained or for a deceased person(s).

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Customized CTP insurance and vehicle registration system launched



MVIL's CEO Mr Michael Makap and the first client Mr Alex Arua after vehicle registration renewal on the new system at the Vision Clty Branch.

otor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL) launched its new Compulsory Third Party (CTP) Insurance and vehicle registration service on March 31 at its Hohola and Vision City Branches in Port Moresby.

The launch and trial of this new system will take place in National Capital District before it is rolled out to other MVIL branches throughout the country.

Chief Executive Officer Mr Michael Makap said it is anticipated that there will be some teething issues with the new system and appealed to all clients to have patience and understanding.

MVIL has taken steps to ensure a smooth transition during the change with the ultimate objective to ensure that the new system is working efficiently.

"During this period, we are committed

to ensuring that the current customer service standard is preserved to the extent possible. However, as with the introduction of any new system, these outcomes cannot be achieved immediately but overtime," Mr Makap said.

The NCD Customer Service team were on hand during the system change at the Vision City branch to manage the process.

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people.

He said initiatives like the MVIL Office were driven by good leadership, which God gave the direction and wisdom to venture into the unknown and to grow and multiply.

He further said that transportation was one of the biggest problems faced in the province with the biggest mode of transportation being maritime.

"Road infrastructure is viable to us as it provides a corridor to deliver services for our people in the district. With the inception of the MVIL Office in Kerema, it will bolster, strengthen and provide a good avenue for us to give incentives to our local operators to enable transport of logistics as long as their vehicles are insured and

reaistered."

Mr Avosa said Kerema Town was experiencing a paradigm shift firstly because of a change of leadership at the top level and the need for public private partnerships.

"Government incentives are there but if we have stakeholders to partner with, that makes it easier to achieve these plans." Mr. Ken Yafive | Data Integrity Examiner - Business Support Advisory (BSA)

From informal to formal

ooking for formal employment for those who have graduated from university to anyone else looking for work is a frustrating situation when the expected outcomes are not met.

The dream job that you may want is not going to be the first job you may get, even though you have applied to various companies that may hire you.

This is true for Ken Yafive, a Data Integrity Examiner with the Motor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL) Business Support Advisory (BSA) Division.

He can attest to the fact that looking for a job after completing university studies is very challenging.

Mr Yafive, who comes from Barola village along the Highlands Highway in Kainantu, Eastern Highlands

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graduation right through to the middle of June 2019 looking for a job. Mr Yafive recalls living with his

spent the remainder of 2018 after

cousins at the Morata suburb in Port Moresby after graduating to look for a job because he felt there were more opportunities than back home in his home province.

"I nearly gave up and wanted to go back home since living away from my parents was hard and a real struggle for me. But my mother did not allow it. She encouraged me to try harder and not give up." Mr Yafive said.

With that in mind, he set up an informal market in front of the house gate and started selling betelnut and cigarettes to support him in his job

His first job opportunity was with Seeto Kui (Holdings) Ltd in late June 2019 where he had applied for an audit position as it was related to his field of study. The interview was successful, however he was advised that the position he had initially applied for was taken up by someone else so they offered him a position as Sales Representative.

"To be honest, I was not happy but I decided to grab the opportunity as I had been looking for a job for a long time and it was much better to be do doing something than doing

> nothing on the street except sellina betelnut and smoke," Mr Yafive said.

> > Regardless his

disappointment, he worked as a salesman for three years with Seeto Kui even though the wages and benefits were not as exptected. He stayed on learning new things whilst still sending numerous applications to different companies for work.

Stress from family and those close to him almost made him give up. Imagine constantly hearing things like: "Ken, are you even sending applications for job elsewhere? or "When are you going to join a good company?" and "Are you going to stay with this company for the rest of your life?"

"Some kind of stress for a small guy like me," Mr Yafive laughingly said, with the mentality that hard work would pay off and one day he would find himself in greener pastures. If not sooner, then it would be later.

Responses from the application letters he sent were not favorable, however Mr Yafive never gave up. He had also written to MVIL after graduating, as he admitted it was one of those companies he had always dreamt to work for but was unsuccessful the first time around.

He applied to MVIL again early 2022 and finally received a phone call on 14 March of the same year.

"I was excited as it was one of the first phone calls I had received after almost three years of no such luck," Mr Yafive recalled.

That phone call turned out to be the first phone interview and two weeks later, he received a second call to come into the MVIL office for a short assessment. Following this was the formal interview with MVIL's Team Leader, Talent Management, Mr Jayson Yandalla on 7 April, 2022, which Mr Yafive mentioned was a special day because that day happened to be his birthdav.

Mr Yafive was also interviewed for a job in the Claims Division but was unsuccessful. Interviews with the Customer Service Division continued with the last interview in May with then Executive Manager Operations Ms Helen Koka, NCD Customer Service Manager Ms Martha Geeji and Mr

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Students benefit from internship program



The student interns were presented with certificates of attaintment by HR Officers Cyril Iwap (left) and Jayson Yandalla (right).

ive students from various tertiary institutions have equally benefited from a hands-on internship program exposing them to real world experiences in their field of study at Motor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL).

Human Resource Officer Cyril Iwap said the main goal of the internship program was to provide an avenue to equip students with practical experiences in their field of study while bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and on-the-job application.

He said this also allowed students to develop professional skills, explore potential career paths and increase their chances of being employed by MVIL or other companies after they graduated.

The internship program covered areas in skills development, career exploration, professional networking, academic integration and employer recruitment.

Intern Stephanie Wau, a third year

student at the Pacific Adventist University (PAU) said her training in Customer Service was enriching as interacting with customers on a daily basis was a skill one had to attain, further adding that MVIL was a well-established company to gain job experience from.

The other interns were Suehannah Mado, Claims, University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG), Iru Tau, Customer Service Division (CSD), Institute of Business Studies University (IBSU), Daniel David, Business Support Advisory (BSA), Don Bosco Technical College (DBTI) and Tato Hina, Goroka Branch, Western Pacific University (WPU).

The internship program was for a duration of seven (7) weeks from December 2024 to January 2025 and the interns were farwelled in a small ceremony at MVIL's head office at Hohola on Friday, 17th January, where they were presented with certificates of attainment.

CPA certification a bonus



ecoming a Certified Practicing Accountant is an important achievement for Mr Gabriel Gamenu, Team Leader Audit & Risk division at the Motor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL).

With a background in accounting, Mr Gamenu left formal employment in 2015 to pursue full time studies in Accounting at the University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG).

He graduated top of his class in 2020 with a grade point average of 4.0 and got an offer to work at Kapi & Clark Chartered Accountants> He worked there for the next nine months before joining leading accounting firm Price Water House Coopers.

Mr Gamenu joined MVIL in October of 2023 as Team Lead Audit & Risk, which is an elevation in his capacity as a certified practicing accountant and is useful in his role in the Audit & Risk division.

"It has been a very challenging journey from being employed, to an unemployed full-time student and then back into the workface. It has not been easy but I am proud to be where I am today," he said.

Furthermore, Mr Gamenu acknowledged his past and his past employers and current employer MVIL for giving him the opportunity to attain his CPA certificate.

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Yandalla.

Mr Yafive tried not to panic because he knew that this interview was the last if and he failed, his chance, of working for MVIL was basically gone, therefore he had to be confident and give it his best.

The last interview and assessment with the managers was successful and he joined MVIL as a Customer Service

Officer

"I personally have a long history of job search after graduating from University in 2018. I sent numerous applications to different companies, I cannot recall how many. Although, I got employed with Seeto Kui in 2019, it was not the company I wanted to develop my career with." Mr Yafive said.

He felt like giving up during his

job search but with support and encouragement from his mother and others close to him, he pulled through and finally joined MVIL, after four (4) years of waiting for this rare opportunity.

"Thank God I have been given this golden opportunity to join MVIL a company that I have always wanted to join since graduating from UPNG will always remember this journey."

SENIOR STAFF PROFILE

Name:

Ms Judy Romanong

Current position:

Team Leader – VIP/Corporate Customer Service

How long have you been with MVIL:

13 years

Province of Origin:

Mendi, Southern Highlands Province



- 1. Where were you before you joined MVIL? I was working with the Motor Traffic Registry at the provincial government in Mendi as a traffic registry clerk. I was an agent for MVIL at that time doing vehicle registration and CTP insurance. I relocated to Port Moresby in 2005 with my husband and children where I had to get used to life in the big city. I was unemployed for seven (7) years, but that didn't stop me from sending out applications for employment to various companies including MVIL. I also applied for further studies and completed a Diploma course in Accounting from the PNG Institute of Public Administration (PNGIPA). I joined MVIL in 2012 as a cashier in Customer Service at the head office at Hohola. I worked as a cashier for two years before becoming senior cashier for another three years. It was a hands on job. I didn't do any training when I joined, like they do now for new staff, but because of my experience working as an MVIL agent for the provincial traffic registry in Mendi, I had a fair idea of what to do. Most things you have to learn and adapt as you go along. I then moved on to be team coordinator, where I basically assisted the managers and Team Leaders with the cashiering duties. In 2021, I was given the Team Leader position with VIP/Corporate Customer Service.
- 2. Your experiences of working at MVIL so far (including the challenges): This is one of the best companies I have worked with. The experience is good. There is gender balance and equality and colleagues become like family, because you get to know them over the years. Everyone is friendly. The work culture is good and MVIL takes care of its staff very well. Working in customer service is a very tough area to be in. You have to be firm because you meet customers from all levels in society and sometimes they can make it hard for you but always keep in mind our slogan "Serving Comes First".
- 3. Most memorable experience/ event/ situation that you have been in: In customer service there are many challenges. You meet customers who sometimes don't understand the process and procedures in place to register vehicles, transfer ownership, change registration plates and other business. There was this one time, a customer threatened myself, former colleague Nadia Maraga and Manager NCD/Southern Region Martha Geeji because he didn't understand there were some documents he needed to produce before we could proceed with his query. The customer and his relatives planned to attack us when we went out at lunch time and in fact they almost did but another customer, who overheard them followed us all the way to the café and alerted us. All thoughts of eating lunch left us and we threw the food away, called the office and the drivers came and picked us up. I will never forget that incident. Other times, there are customers who will argue with you to the point of having screaming matches inside the customer service lobby because they don't understand the processes in place. As senior officers, Team Leaders and Managers, we have to keep our cool and refrain from arguing back. Customers bring in revenue and being customer focused, we have to treat them with the approach that they are always right. On the good side, the quarterly team bonding events were really good because you get to know your colleagues better.
- 4. Personal quote/ saying/ thoughts/ words of advice:

"Be honest, committed and have patience. It goes along way"

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MVIL booth attracts youth



(Top) Youths listening intently to MVIL Officers talking about CTP insurance and it's importance. (Bottom Left) Agnes Bayang (PR Officer) and Cyril Iwap (HR Officer) speaking to a youth. (Bottom Right) Q&A session with Robert K Mitt (Customer Service) and Ms Aluman Karrol (Claims).





outh in numbers visited the Motor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL) information booth during the opening of the Youth Resource Week at the Sir John Guise Stadium on Tuesday 25 March, 2025.

The week-long event was a collaborative effort between the private sector and the government, aimed at empowering youth and promoting meaningful connections.

The MVIL information booth was crowded with youth wanting to know more about the company's core businesses, claims, drivers licensing

and vehicle registration services. Many youths didn't know about the process of making a third party claim so it proved to be a very informative first-day for the MVIL team conducting awareness and speaking to the youth.

Most youth's understanding of MVIL was that it was the company that issued drivers licenses and vehicle registration. After listening to the MVIL officers doing awareness and reading the information brochures and pamphlets, they had a clearer understanding of MVILs core business, which is Compulsory Third Party (CTP)

insurance.

With the aim of changing mindsets, the annual event encourages youth to engage directly with key stakeholders including entrepreneurs, business leaders, corporate agencies, government officials and other key agencies. It is part of a broader strategy to address youth unemployment and disengagement, aligning with the National Youth Engagement Strategy 2025-2029.

The Youth Resource Week emphasizes the importance of collaboration across all sectors.

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The Lae team during the trek up Mt Wilhem, having a break after the steep climb.

A trek to remember

orking weekdays and weekends on a fixed routine can be exhausting thus the work-life balance is necessary.

And the Motor Vehicles Insurance Limited's (MVIL) Lae team affirmed this, by taking time out of their busy daily work schedules to trek Mt Wilhelm during the 2024 Independence break.

Mt Wilhelm is the highest mountain in Papua New Guinea and the Pacific at 4,509 meters. It is situated in the Gembolg District Simbu Province. The best time to travel is when it is not the rain season. Mt Wilhelm may seem hard to trek but the beautiful scenery is therapeutic.

The MVIL Lae team took a trip to Gembolg on the Independence weekend in 2024, purposely to have a break from the hectic hours in the office, bond with colleagues and family and most importantly to maintain a work life balance.

The team departed Lae on Friday 13th September, 2024 at around 5pm and arrived at Kundiawa at 4am the next morning. They stayed at

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MVIL Kundiawa Branch Team Leader Mr Wesley Balapai, Team Leader's Kundiawa branch residence and rested for few hours before heading to Gembolg.

The team had cooler bags sponsored by the Marketing Team of Highlands Products T/As Zenag Chicken. including umbrellas and water bottles. They packed in the cooler bags biscuits that were supplied by Paradise Foods Limited, Pop Mie Cup Noodles, Oreos and tinned meat that were purchased using vouchers from Ramu N0.18 Limited and Papindo Trading. Jackets and hot water bottles were sponsored by Express Freight Management and wool caps from MVIL.

"We displayed team work, commitment and gave each other moral support, values which we appreciated at that time and this date because we are a team and we portrayed the true team spirit," said Jenny Raia, Team Leader Lae Regional office.

For the team, the climb was worth it. They described the area as: "Beautiful. Like a little heaven on earth" They spent time kayaking and bathing in the lake and decided to turn back instead of continuing to the summit.

Ms Raia said time did not permit them to stay longer, but the memories created was enough.

The team travelled back to Lae that same afternoon, arriving in the early hours of September 16th, in time for the independence celebrations.

According to group leader Mr Yavi Ninipa, the trip taught him:

- 1. Commitment Always commit all your plans to the Lord as evident in this trip.
- 2. Perseverance Continuing the journey despite discouraging situations.
- Time Time is precious and immeasurable. Always plan accordingly.
- 4. In-valuable Experience Willing to pass on advice to other hikers.

Meanwhile, Ms. Raia, said having a positive team spirit resulted in a successful and adventurous trip. The Lae team are planning another attempt at Mt Wilhelm in the near future.

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The MVIL Volleyball Team, posing for a group photo after a game at the Taurama Aquatic and Leisure Centre.

orporate volleyball has seen Motor Vehicles Insurance Limited (MVIL) register a men's and women's team displaying their serving, blocking and spiking skills out at the courts every weekend.

Both MVIL men's and women's teams are thrilled to be participating in Season six (6) of the Port Moresby Corporate Volleyball Competition (POMCVC) for the very first time. Held every Sunday at the Taurama Aquatic Indoor Complex, POMCVC has grown into one of the capital's largest and most vibrant corporate sporting events.

It brings together teams from private companies, state-owned enterprises (SOEs) and government departments for a season of networking, fitness, and fun outside the office environment.

This year, the competition features over 50 teams across six divisions: Premier, Division 1, Division 2, Division 3, Mixed Division, and the Under 19's Division. MVIL has registered two teams in Division 3, which is specifically for first-time entries and is competing alongside 16 other teams in their division.

So far, both men's and women's

teams have shown great promise. The women's team has secured some strong wins, while the men's team continues to improve with each game. A recent highlight was the Easter challenge, where several of MVIL's top players were selected to represent MVIL in a special match.

This was a fantastic opportunity to showcase their talent and build team spirit.

MVIL representatives included: Judy Turi, Michelle Pint, Sereanna Doriga, Rachael Orawi, Elias Nerius, Weimo Sigap, Patrick Yame, and Sebastian Huambi.

With several rounds still ahead, the teams are excited about the journey and committed to finishing the season strong.

Here are some highlights from MVIL team representatives.

"I have the amazing opportunity to participate in the POMCVC, and it is an unforgettable experience! Being part of a team representing my organization brought a whole new level of excitement, connection, and friendly competition.

From the moment we started training, I could feel the team spirit building.

We learned to work together, support one another, and celebrate our small victories on and off the court. The tournament itself was vibrant and full of energy and seeing different companies come together in such a positive way was truly inspiring.

Win or lose, the POMCVC is about more than just volleyball. It was about building teamwork, communication, and fitness – all while having fun. Participating in this game made me realize the important of maintaining a healthy worker-life balance. I'm grateful for the chance to represent my organization, build stronger bonds with colleagues, and grow my confidence in a high-energy environment." – Nika John, Claims Admin Support Officer

"Sport is an integral part of human life, and I find this tournament very exciting because it helps keep us both physically and mentally fit. I would also like to thank MVIL for participating in the tournament, as it gave me the opportunity to socialize and connect with employees from other organizations." – Naisa Boga, Admin Driver

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