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New 60Tala Commemorative Banknote

Date and Design Reveal

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The Central Bank of Samoa has released images of the limited edition 60 Tala banknote commemorating Samoa's 60th Anniversary of Independence.

As announced earlier, the new 60tala commemorative banknote design represents a celebration of a new era for Samoa, as it honours our first Prime Minister and Independence Day in 1962 while embracing our future with the first female Prime Minister 60 years later.

Design

The obverse of the banknote will portray Samoa's first female Prime Minister, the Honourable Fiame Naomi Matā'afa in its 60th years of independence.



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The reverse side of the banknote depicts the first Prime Minister of Samoa, the Honourable Fiamē Matāā'fa Faumuina Mulinuu II, as he lowered the New Zealand flag on its first Independence in 1962.



The banknote will be printed on a cotton paper substrate. It includes an updated blue and green metallic thread with number 60 and Samoa whisk. A new watermark design featuring a teuila flower with CBS letters.

The 60tala commemorative banknote is legal tender and will be issued into circulation through Commercial Banks from 31st May 2023.

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