

1077 RAVIRAVI SANGAM SCHOOL

YEAR 6

SOCIAL STUDIES

WORKSHEET SOLUTION # - 2

<i>Strand :2</i>	Time, Continuity And Change
<i>Sub-strand- m.3.1</i>	Understanding The Past
<i>Content learning outcome - 6.3.1.1</i>	Explain the reason behind the ceding of Fiji to Great Britain and highlight the Important events that has happened and their significance to Fiji's history and to the present

LESSON NOTES

Reasons That Led to the Deed of Cession

- ✓ A United States Council John Brown Williams had his trading store looted by Fijian natives following an accidental fire which burnt his house in Nukulau Island.
- ✓ The Commander of the United States naval frigate USS John Adams demanded Cakobau to pay compensation for the damage caused with the total amount of US \$5000.00 for Williams, not only that; the governments overspending had led to an unmanageable debt totalling US\$38,531.00.
- ✓ Unable to pay his debt, Cakobau approached the British consul with an offer to cede Fiji to the United Kingdom.
- ✓ In 1872, John Bates Thurston approached the British government, with Cakobau's request with another offer to cede Fiji.
- ✓ The formal cession took place in 1874, when Cakobau, Ma'afu and a group of senior Chiefs signed the Deed of Cession signifying Fiji's annexation to the British government.

ACTIVITIES

- a) When was Fiji ceded to Great Britain? **1874**
- b) Who ceded Fiji to Great Britain? **King Cakobau**
- c) In two complete sentences, explain why Fiji was ceded to Great Britain.
The Commander of the United States naval frigate USS John Adams demanded Cakobau to pay compensation for the damage caused with the total amount of US \$5000.00 for Williams. Fiji was in a lot of debt.
- d) Where in Fiji did the deed of cession take place? **Levuka**