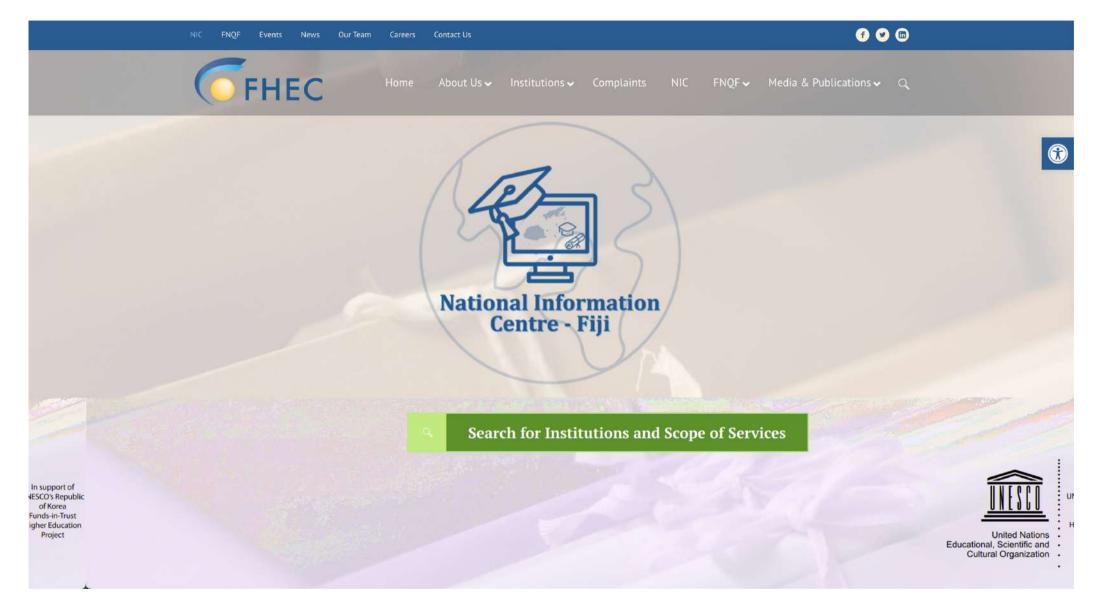


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Fiji's National Information Centre inter alia therefore:

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(c) further education."

The Ministry of Education, Heritage and Arts is responsible for building a knowledge-based society by ensuring that Fiji's young people have equitable access to high-quality education at all levels.

The Fijian education system is broadly structured into:

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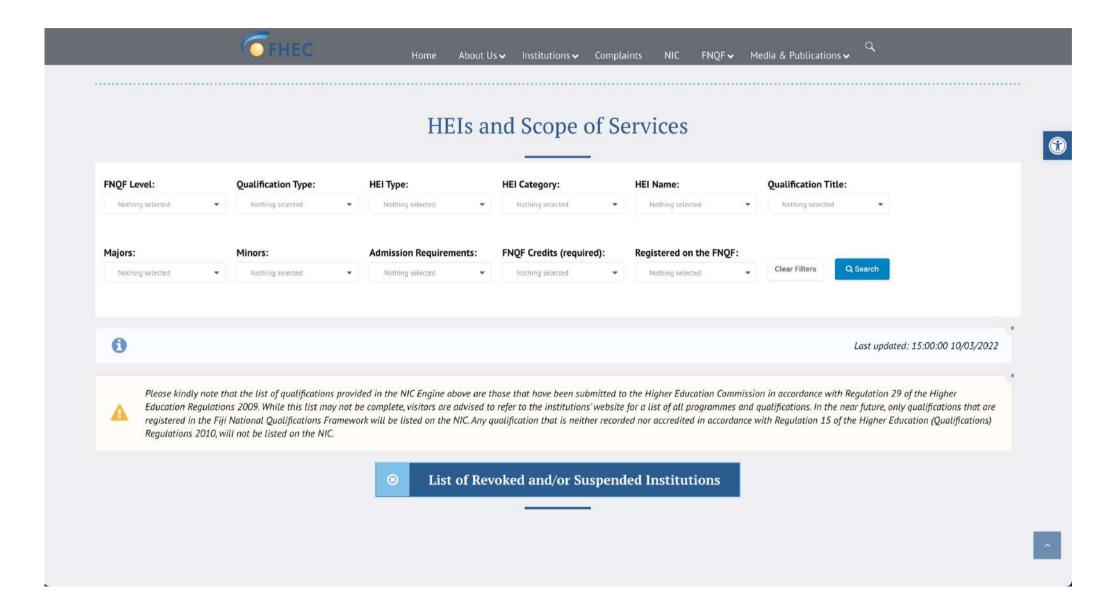


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