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**STAR SEARCH KICKS OFF**

Lydia Taukafa sings an Elvis Presley number during the first round of the Kaila! Star Search competition at Village 6 Cinemas in Suva last night.

Picture: JONA KONATACI

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# EMS tender audit

## OAG to look into concerns

By **TEVITA VUIBAU**

THE Office of the Auditor-General (OAG) will take into account all concerns relating to the Fijian Elections Office's Electoral Management System (EMS) tender in their 2017 audit.

The tender was awarded to Pakistan's National Database & Registration Authority (NADRA) whose officials have been linked to allegedly accepting bribes for fake identification cards.

Reports from Pakistani media in the past three years revealed that some of the cards were allegedly produced for suspected terrorists.

Asked whether there were any irregularities with the tender process run by the FEO, Auditor-

General Ajay Nand said yesterday that all concerns would be considered.

"We have noted the concerns raised in the media in regards to the said procurement for consideration in our 2017 audit of the Fijian Elections Office," he said.

Mr Nand said he could not confirm an exact date for the audit but said: "You would be aware the 2017 financial year ends on 31 July 2017."

The National Federation Party had called the Office of the Auditor-General to conduct an immediate independent audit into the tender process and the awarding of the contract to NADRA.

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