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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
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TO : CONCERNED LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVES AND LGU PERSONNEL,
DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS OF REGIONS 6, 7, 8, NIR AND OTHERS
CONCERNED

SUBJECT : SYMPOSIUM ON MANGROVES FOR CLIMATE ADAPTIVE AND
RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources, in partnership with the Climate Change Commission, will be conducting a symposium entitled "Mangroves for Climate Adaptive and Resilient Communities" on December 19-20, 2016 at the Mediterranean Room, Waterfront Cebu Hotel, Cebu City.

The activity will serve as a venue to develop models on integrated area management and convergence in selected island communities in the country. These models will make use of an ecosystem-based approach such as the utilization of mangrove ecosystems to demonstrate the adaptive management skills of local government units in ensuring that their communities attain a higher level of adaptive capacities to climate change hazards.

In line with this, selected local chief executives from the Visayas are invited to attend the abovementioned activity (see Annex A for the list of participating LGUs). These local government units are particularly chosen as they are considered ideal coastal locations for mangrove ecosystems.

In case said officials are not available to attend the event, they are encouraged to send the following personnel as their representatives:

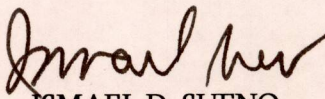
- Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer (to represent the Governor)
- City/Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer (to represent the City/Municipal Mayor)

The payment of applicable travelling and accommodation expenses of said officials and personnel may be authorized chargeable against local funds subject to the availability thereof and to all pertinent laws, rules and regulations provided that such expenses shall not be charged against the 20% component of the Internal Revenue Allotment or from whatever source that may prejudice poverty alleviation efforts. No registration fee is required for the said event.

For confirmation of attendance and other related concerns, interested parties may coordinate with Atty. Frances Ianna Canto of the Climate Change Commission at telephone number (02) 566-2277 or thru e-mail at mangroves.ccc@gmail.com.

Concerned DILG Regional Directors are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to concerned local government units within their respective jurisdictions.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.


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