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# RD's Message

## Greetings from Region XIII!

I consider 2019 as one of the major milestones in my career as a public servant. This is my homecoming year and I have a long 'bucket list', anchored on the Department's mandate and our Region's concern.

In my message during the installation rites, I stated that the fuel for 'ordinary people' to achieve 'extraordinary things' is teamwork. Given the proper training, mindset and readiness, a person can do big things, especially so in an environment where peer support, collaboration and unity is fostered. If leaders stick to their role to "guide, motivate and inspire," then we can expect bigger things to happen.

In effect, I have laid down the priorities for the Regional Office which is towards setting appropriate career paths for all personnel, capacitating them and enabling them to do better as they move up the ladder of success. DILG Regional Office XII has started with the implementation of its Human Resources Development Plan. As a result, numerous development sessions were scheduled and implemented while the recruitment and selection process were made more rigid and strenuous. All these were hinged to our commitment to uphold the values of being *Matino, Mahusay, at Maaasahang mga lingkod bayan*, purposely to build-up and enhance the skills of our personnel and staff and to put the right person for the right job.

On a larger picture, the whole of Region XII threaded on the path to peace in 2019 through President Duterte's Executive Order 70, also known as Ending Local Communist Armed Conflict (ELCAC). EO 70 has made the government more visible and appreciated and it has also become a testament about how serious it is in its quest to end the insurgency problem.

It wouldn't be a surprise to note that the 'whole-of-nation-approach,' which epitomizes teamwork, was clearly manifested in the various Local Serbisyo Caravans which we have conducted. As a result, we were able to reach out to a lot of barangays in the Region, which is among the things I have desired.

Teamwork also worked in the battle against the menace brought about by illegal drugs and substances. We were able to sustain and maintain our momentum through our strengthened Anti-Drug Abuse Councils. Region XII made extra efforts for ADACS to be active, operational and functional and the data for our Region shows an image of having highly functional ADACS.

We can go on and on but we are hopeful that this Annual Report will bear witness to our hard work, enthusiasm and our desire to do things right. This year had been fulfilling for all of us as we were able to walk the extra mile in our 'to-do' list for 2019.

I am reminded about this quote from Kalu Ndukwe Kalu, a Nigerian-born American political scientist specializing in comparative institutional development, among others: "The things you do for yourself are gone when you are gone, but the things you do for others remain as your legacy."

We have started doing that in Region XII and this is what we have to offer our country as well.

**Mabuhay!**

**JOSEPHINE CABRIDO-LEYSA, CESO III**  
Regional Director



# STRATEGIC PRINCIPLES

## VISION

A strongly determined and highly trusted Department committed to capacitate and nurture local government units, public order and safety institutions to sustain peaceful, progressive and resilient communities where people live happily.

## MISSION

The Department shall promote peace and order, ensure public safety, strengthen capability of local government units through active people participation and a professionalized corps of civil servants.

## QUALITY POLICY

The DILG Region XII, imbued with integrity, competence and professionalism, and Living Up to a Peaceful, Accountable, and Dynamic working environment, commits to deliver quality services through oversight function, capacity development intervention, incentives and rewards and administrative assistance to local government units.

We uphold customer satisfaction and continual improvement of our Quality Management System's effectiveness, compliant to applicable laws, rules and regulations, and international standards, for a highly Developed, Orderly, Self-reliant, Environment-friendly, and Globally Competitive SOCCSKSARGEN.

### Our Core Values

- Integrity** *as individual.*
- Competence** *as a public servant.*
- Professionalism** *in a dynamic working environment.*
- Responsiveness** *to attain customer satisfaction.*

# Accountable, Transparent, Participative, and Effective Local Governance

# 1

## Five LGUs Earn 2019 SGLG

The Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) is a flagship program of the Department which recognizes and rewards notable performance of local government units (LGUs) in effecting local governance reforms and sustained local development.

The 2019 SGLG was tagged as SGLG All-In: Sustaining the Impetus of Improving Local Governance and Performance. Hence, LGUs who wish to earn the Seal should pass all of the indicators across the seven (7) assessment areas, namely: Financial Administration, Disaster Preparedness, Social Protection, Peace and Order, Business-Friendliness and Competitiveness, Environmental Management, and Tourism, Culture and the Arts.



PAGKILALA SA KATAPATAN AT KAHIUSAYAN NG PAMAHALAANG LOKAL



Municipality of Lutayan  
Sultan Kudarat

Municipality of Lambayong  
Sultan Kudarat

City of Kidapawan  
Province of Cotabato  
*(Fourth consecutive year)*

Municipality of Midsayap  
Province of Cotabato

Municipality of Surallah  
South Cotabato Province

“  
*As we celebrate these milestones and ink the roadmap for the future of local governance, may we always keep our citizens at the core of public service. May our passion for nation-building burn bright and stir the hearts of the Filipino people that they too may learn to love the small, but wonderful Philippine archipelago.*

**SILG Eduardo M. Año**

Fuelled by the same spirit, the DILG XII came up with strategies embodied in Regional Memorandum Circular No. 2019-01 which includes Regional and Provincial Focal Persons strategic planning, conduct of Pre-Utilization Conferences with local government units, coordination meeting with members of the Regional and Provincial Assessment Teams, conduct of clustered provincial orientations, and conduct of pre-assessment and pre-validation activities.

**SGLG National Orientation**

March 18-19, 2019 | BSA Twin Towers, Mandaluyong City



**SGLG Pre-Implementation Meeting**

March 26, 2019 | DILG XII Conference Room



**SGLG Clustered Orientation**

202 participants attended the clustered orientation for the 2019 SGLG. They are composed of LGU officials and functionaries and City and Municipal Local Government Operations Officers. The orientation covered discussions on the indicators, assessment tools, logistical arrangements, and the implementation timelines among other pertinent topics.



**Cotabato Cluster**

April 18, 2019 | Amas, Kidapawan City

**SoCSarGen Cluster**

April 20, 2019 | Paraiso Verde, Koronadal City

**Sultan Kudarat-Cotabato City Cluster**

April 21, 2019 | Villa Amor Hotel, City of Koronadal

**SGLG On-Site Assessment**

April 21-May 23, 2019



**Regional Calibration**

May 23-24, 2019 | Cinco Niñas, Koronadal City

**Attendance to the National Calibration**

July 15-16, 2019 | Upper Story Hotel, Cubao Quezon City

**Attendance to the National Awarding Ceremony**

November 27, 2019 | Tent City, Manila Hotel

**FULL DISCLOSURE POLICY**

As part of our responsibility to foster a more open, accountable, and responsive local governance, the DILG XII has continued to provide technical assistance to LGUs to ensure that they meet the ends being championed by the Full Disclosure Policy – honest, transparent, and orderly management of public funds.

**COMPLIANCE TO FDP FY 2019**

Ratio of Local Government Units per Province, HUC, ICC with Full Compliance to the documents to be posted by the concerned LGU in the FDP Portal in CY 2019, and validated by DILG pursuant to DILG MC 2019-149.

**Percentage per Posting Period**

LGUs	1 <sup>ST</sup>	2 <sup>ND</sup>	3 <sup>RD</sup>	4 <sup>TH</sup>
Province of Cotabato	100	100	100	100
South Cotabato	100	100	91.67	100
Sultan Kudarat	100	92.31	92.31	84.62
Sarangani	100	100	100	75
Cotabato City	100	100	100	100
General Santos City	100	100	100	100

# DILG XII HOLDS 1<sup>ST</sup> PCF SUMMIT 2019



DILG XII conducted the 2019 Regional PCF Summit, the first of its kind in the entire country, on April 12, 2019 at EMR Convention Center, Koronadal City to celebrate the socio-economic gains PCF projects have brought into the lives of beneficiary communities and the region as a whole.

“The Region has received a total allocation of Php 294,500,000.00 from the PCF and this has undeniably made significant impact to the lives of everyone in the community” said Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO V, DILG XII Regional Director.

Twenty (20) LGUs were recognized for their outstanding work in the implementation of PCF projects within their respective territorial jurisdictions during the activity which had the theme “Sharing Innovations and Best Practices towards Good Local Governance.”

Field Officers assigned in every LGU-awardee were also given special recognition for providing valuable efforts and necessary technical assistance in PCF project implementation.

Guests from the DILG Central Office include Assistant Secretary Esther A. Aldana, CESO II, Director Anna Liza F. Bonagua, CESO III, Dir. Marlo S. Guanzon, LGOO IV Melanie P. Angulo, and LADD Chief Zaldy I. Masangcay.

The event was attended eight (8) Local Chief Executives, representatives from forty one (41) LGUs, DILG Provincial and City Directors, CLGOOs and MLGOOs, and DILG XII personnel. The Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) XII band and dancers and the South Cotabato Chorale rendered performances in the event.

## BEST IMPLEMENTERS

Surallah, South Cotabato  
Kiamba, Sarangani  
Cumbio, Sultan Kudarat  
City of Kidapawan  
Province of Cotabato

## BETTER IMPLEMENTERS

Province of South Cotabato  
Bagumbayan, Sultan Kudarat  
Tupi, South Cotabato  
Maitum, Sarangani  
Mlang, Province of Cotabato

## GOOD IMPLEMENTERS

Esperanza, Sultan Kudarat  
Lambayong, Sultan Kudarat  
Banga, South Cotabato  
Sto. Niño, South Cotabato  
Polomolok, South Cotabato  
Malungon, Sarangani  
Kabacan, Province of Cotabato  
Magpet, Province of Cotabato  
Midsayap, Province of Cotabato  
Pigcawayan, Province of Cotabato



**2019 PCF**  
by the numbers

**10**  
PCF projects completed

**180,294**  
benefitting residents

**Php 29.7M**  
worth of PCF Funds

In 2019, ten (10) PCF projects were completed in the provinces of Sultan Kudarat and Cotabato. Five (5) of which are 2017 PCF projects and the other five (5) are 2018 PCF projects. These projects include farm to market roads, local access roads, widening of provincial roads, water projects, landmarks, street lighting, and health facilities and medical equipment. Since the inception of this incentives program, Region 12 LGU awardees received a total of one hundred forty-three (143) PCFs with a total funding of PHP 294,500,000 for the implementation of one hundred sixty-two (162) sub-projects. One hundred fifty-nine (159) of which were already completed and three (3) others are on-going implementation.

# LUPONG TAGAPAMAYAPA INCENTIVES AWARDS

In 2019, the DILG XII has again proven its unwavering commitment to champion barangay justice system which is better known as the Katarungang Pambarangay. Faithful to its mandate, the DILG XII was able to spearhead the organization of Award Committees in different local levels, provide technical and secretariat assistance to such committees, and provide incentives and awards to declared regional winners.



To jumpstart the CY 2019 assessment, the DILG XII hosted the 2019 RAC Reorganization and Reorientation Meeting conducted on March 29, 2019 at DILG XII Conference Room. It was attended by the members of the Regional Award Committee (RAC): Minda J. Tingzon (Regional Trial Court representative), Evangeline Millones (State Prosecutor's Office representative), and Atty. Veronica A. Dondiego (CSO Representative), and DILG XII representatives Ian Jon S. Clemente (LGMED Assistant Division Chief) and Joanne Castre (LTIA Regional Focal Person).

As a result of the RAC Post Assessment Meeting and Finalization of Results on April 8, 2019 at DILG XII LGMED Office, the following barangays were identified as Region XII's entries to the National Level Assessment:

1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Class Municipality Category	ICC/Component City Category	HUC Category
Poblacion, Tupi, South Cotabato	Rosary Heights, Cotabato City	City Heights, General Santos City

## BARANGAY POBLACION, TUPI is PH's 2019 BEST LUPON

Barangay Poblacion in the Municipality of Tupi, South Cotabato is the country's best Lupon in the 2019 Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Awards (LTIA) for 1st-3rd Class Municipality Category. They bagged a total of PHP 350,000 in cash incentives (PHP 50,000 in the Regional Level and PHP 300,000 in the National Level). Notably, they were 1st Runner Up during the 2018 LTIA.



The validation was conducted on August 13, 2019 by the National Board of Judges (NBOJ) headed by Assistant Director Vivian P. Suansing of BLGS-DILG as Chairperson. RD Leysa and other officials of DILG XII were also present.

# CHILD FRIENDLY LOCAL GOVERNANCE AUDIT

As the Chairperson of the Inter-Agency Monitoring Task Force (IMTF) tasked to accomplish the CFLGA and to advocate for the promotion and realization of children's rights through this platform, the DILG XII was able to accomplish the following:

### CFLGA Orientation

April 23-24, 2019  
Eighty-Eight Hotel, Koronadal City

### CFLGA Assessment

October 2-November 15, 2019

### Organizational Meeting with Partner Agencies

November 11-12, 2019  
DILG XII Conference Room

44%

or 22 out of 50 city and municipal local government units of the region passed the 2019 CFLGA Regional Assessment with stringent indicators on Survival, Development, Protection, Participation, and Governance. \* The result may still change as it is still subject to National Level Assessment and Validation.





# BARANGAY ASSEMBLY DAY 2019

Transparency, accountability, and interaction between barangay officials and their residents are vital components of a participative, consultative, and inclusive governance in the grassroots level. Such is the reason why the DILG XII has been consistently adamant in advocating and providing technical assistance to Punong Barangays and officials in conducting the semestral Barangay Assembly Day.

As a result, the Region saw outstanding compliance from barangay local government units in conducting the Barangay Assembly Day for both semesters of CY 2019.

1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER

100%

or 1,195 of barangays complied with a total of

296,360

residents in attendance

2<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER

99.92%

or 1,194 of barangays complied with a total of

251,485

residents in attendance

## SHOWCASE BARANGAYS

### 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER (March 24, 2019)

Lun Padidu, Malapatan, Sarangani Province  
“Regional Awardee, Disaster-Friendly Early Child Care and Development (ECCD)”



### 2<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER (October 26, 2019)

Dajay, Surallah, South Cotabato  
“Hall of Famer, Dangal ng Barangay”



Baras, Tacurong City, Sultan Kudarat  
“Purok Clean and Green Contest”



“*Patuloy na makialam, makiisa, makibahagi, at tumulong nang sa gayon ay sabay-sabay nating maiangat ang ating komunidad at ang ating bansa.*”

SILG Eduardo M. Año for the 2019 2nd Semester Barangay Assembly Day

## DEATH BENEFIT CLAIMS

The Department has consistently been appreciative of the hard work and dedication of barangay officials as agents of change and guardians of peace and order in our communities.

Conscientious in its role of facilitating the efficient processing and release of death benefits to the beneficiaries of deceased barangay officials, the DILG XII processed a total of twenty four (24) Death Claim Benefits in 2019 for a total amount of Php 328,000.00.

24

Death Benefit Claims

Php328,000

Worth of Financial Assistance

100%

processing - releasing rate

# NEWLY-ELECTED OFFICIALS (NEO) PROGRAM

The DILG XII, in partnership with the Philippine Councilors League, has also taken part in molding newly-elected officials in a series of activities during the last quarter of 2019. The participants were Vice Mayors, Sangguniang Bayan/Panlungsod Secretaries, and Ex-Officio Members from the fifty-four (54) LGUs of the region.

DILG XII officials from the Central and Regional Office and technical personnel provided comprehensive lectures on the following topics:

- Decentralization
- Quasi-judicial Powers of the Sanggunian
- Local Planning and Budgeting
- Sustainable Development
- Philippine Anti-Illegal Drugs Strategy (PADS)
- Executive Order No. 70
- Disaster Risk Management
- Gender Mainstreaming
- Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Law



# CITIZEN SATISFACTION INDEX SYSTEM (CSIS)

- 2 | Two CSIS Utilization Conferences were conducted in 2019. In coordination with concerned DILG Provincial Offices and LRIs, the UtiCon for the Municipality of Surallah, South Cotabato was held on March 29, 2019 at EMR Center, Koronadal City and the Municipality of Midsayap, Province of Cotabato on December 20, 2019 at Midsayap Municipal Hall. The Notre Dame of Marbel University (NDMU) was the partner LRI for LGU Surallah and the Southern Christian College (SCC) for LGU Midsayap.
- 7 | Seven of the region's most reputable local research institutes (LRIs) forged partnerships with DILG XII to conduct the 2019 CSIS. These LRIs were capacitated on April 1-4, 2019 in Zamboanga City: Southern Christian College, Southern Baptist College, Notre Dame of Kidapawan, University of Southern Mindanao – Kabacan, Notre Dame of Dadiangas University, Notre Dame of Marbel University, and Sultan Kudarat State University.
- 10 | Ten target municipalities received funding for 2019 CSIS program implementation: Malungon, Columbio, Esperanza, Lambayong, Polomolok, Sto.Niño, Kabacan, Magpet, Midsayap, and Mlang.
- 11 | Eleven Field Officers trained for CSIS implementation on March 11-15, 2019 in Vigan, Ilocos Sur.



“ *As we envision to take part in any measure of improving the quality of life of people, USM Community is grateful and honored to become a partner of this DILG-CSIS initiative.* ”

**Francisco Gil N. Garcia, RPAE, PhD, USM President**

# SUPPORT TO LOCAL GOVERNANCE PROGRAM

## DILG XII SPEARHEADS DAGYAW 2019 IN SOCCSKSARGEN

The DILG XII in collaboration with partner agencies successfully conducted DAGYAW, the 4th Open Government and Participatory Governance Regional Town Hall Meeting, for the whole of SOCCSKSARGEN on July 25, 2019 at EMR Famville, Koronadal City.

**Seven hundred (700)** delegates, more or less, representing government agencies, local government units, academic institutions, private entities, the media, youth sector and civil society organizations convened in the said dialogue aimed to empower the public by providing them a platform for engagement with senior government officials to discuss about the priority programs and accomplishments of the Duterte administration.

This DAGYAW is a part of the series of six (6) town hall meetings headed by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) in partnership with the Presidential Communications Operations Office (PCOO) and some non-government organizations.



“*We want people to feel the government. This activity is about empowering the people.*”

**Usec. Jonathan Malaya**, DILG Undersecretary for Plans, Public Affairs and Communications

## DEVELOPMENT LIVE (DevLIVE)

### DILG XII hosts DevLive Regional Moderators Training

**One hundred (100)** participants from Support to Local Governance Program (SLGP) Teams and Project Development and Monitoring Units (PDMU) from eight (8) DILG Regional Offices of Visayas and Mindanao, representatives from SLGP Project Management Office (PMO), and mobile application developers from 98 Labs, Inc. gathered on May 6-8, 2019 in Sun City Suites, General Santos City to attend the DevLive Regional Moderators Training organized by the SLGP Team of DILG XII.

Development Live (DevLive) is a mobile application designed to collect real-time feedback from the citizens regarding the implementation of Assistance to Disadvantaged Municipalities (ADM) and Assistance to Municipalities (AM) infrastructure projects in their communities.





## BALANGAYAN: Constitutional Reform Provincial Roadshows

Following the unprecedented success of the SOCCSKSARGEN Federalism Roadshow in October of 2018 wherein around 9,000 attendees gathered to rally support, the DILG XII has continued to productively channel the national government's massive IEC efforts by conducting BALANGAYAN, a series of Constitutional Reform Provincial Roadshows, in 2019.

Atty. Vince Revil, Prof. Eddie Alih, Atty. Randolph Parcasio, Atty. Redmond Zulueta, and Prof. Eric de Torres discussed topics touching political and economic reforms for the surgical amendments to the 1987 Philippine Constitution being pursued by the government.

### Sarangani and General Santos City

November 14, 2019  
Phela Grande Convention Center,  
General Santos City

### South Cotabato

November 11-12, 2019  
The Farm, Carpenter Hill,  
Koronadal City

### Sultan Kudarat

November 15, 2019  
Carlito's Hotel, Isulan,  
Sultan Kudarat

### Province of Cotabato

December 13, 2019  
Cotabato Provincial  
Gymnasium

## CORE ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES

2

Two (2) Federalism/CoRe CSO-partners: Hugpong Federal Movement of the Philippines, Inc. (HFMPI) and the MRRD-Federalism Coalition attended the **CSO Coalition Building** held on November 4, 2019 at Sarangani Highlands, General Santos City to discuss fundamental features of the thrust for constitutional reform by Prof. Alfred Sureta, a CoRe National Head.

107

One hundred seven (107) youth leaders gather for the 2019 Youth Congress on November 21-22, 2019 at Villa Amor Hotel, Koronadal City. Composed of Sangguniang Kabataan Officials, local youth leaders, and students, the participants gained insights on **Constitutional Reform for the Youth** by the renowned political analyst and national CoRe speaker, Prof. Ramon Casiple.

100

One hundred (100) Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) and Liga ng mga Barangay (LnB) Presidents participated in the **Constitutional Advocacy Campaign** held on November 5-6, 2019 at Sarangani Highlands, General Santos City.

54

Fifty-four (54) C/MLGOOs were briefed on answers to frequently asked questions and confusions in the grassroots about the shift from Federalism to Constitutional Reform during the **Constitutional Reform One-Messaging** on December 12, 2019 at The Farm, Koronadal City. Mechanisms and budgetary requirements on Citizen's Awareness Survey were also discussed. Prof. Eric de Torres was the resource speaker during the activity.

Hon. Dulia Sultan, LnB Regional President, was also present and expressed eagerness to forge formal linkages in order to strengthen stakeholder relationships and convergence among partner institutions and organizations.



## CHAMPIONING SGDs THROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

54

LGUs conducted  
CSO Conferences

54

LGUs trained on  
BDC Functionality  
Assessment

4

Provincial Roll Out on  
Gender-Responsive  
Project Proposals

- Regional Orientation on CSO Accreditation (CMLGOOs)
- Capacity Building Activity for Provinces on Assessment of CDPs of component CMS
- CDP Focal Persons' Conferences
- Forum for Provincial Planners (PDP/SDG Localization)
- Regional Workshop on PDP/SDG Localization
- Provincial Workshops on PDP/SDG Localization

# 2019 Best Performing Local Government Units

Highlighting the gains of local government units (LGUs) of Region 12 in championing various programs and projects of the DILG

December 18, 2019 at the Farm @ Carpenter Hill, City of Koronadal



## **BEST PERFORMING POCs**

Municipality of Glan, Sarangani  
Tacurong City  
Kidapawan City  
Cotabato City  
Cotabato Province  
Sultan Kudarat Province  
South Cotabato Province

## **MOST OUTSTANDING ADACs**

South Cotabato Province  
Sultan Kudarat Province  
Columbio, Sultan Kudarat  
Esperanza, Sultan Kudarat  
Lutayan, Sultan Kudarat  
Senator Ninoy Aquino, Sultan Kudarat

## **OUTSTANDING LUPONG TAGAPAMAYAPA**

Poblacion Tupi, South Cotabato  
Rosary Heights 2, Cotabato City  
City Heights, General Santos City

## **CY 2019 SGLG AWARDEES**

Surallah, South Cotabato  
Kidapawan City, Cotabato  
Midsayap, Cotabato  
Lutayan, Sultan Kudarat  
Lambayong, Sultan Kudarat

## **DIGITAL GOVERNANCE AWARD (E-GOV)**

South Cotabato Province  
General Santos City  
Tacurong City

## **BEST CMGP IMPLEMENTERS IN THE REGION**

Sarangani Province  
Magpet, Province of Cotabato

# 2

## Peaceful, Orderly, and Safe LGUs

### STRENGTHENING OF PEACE & ORDER COUNCILS

#### FUNCTIONALITY OF BARANGAY POCs

DILG XII's persistent alliance with barangay local government units, civil society organizations and other vital stakeholders has consistently improved the functionality of BPOCs as viable grassroots institutions aimed at delivering peace and order and public safety services in communities.

LEVEL OF FUNCTIONALITY	NO OF BRGYS
<b>Ideal</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>Mature</b>	<b>574</b>
<b>Progressive</b>	<b>381</b>
<b>Basic</b>	<b>77</b>

100%

of BLGUs have organized and functional Barangay Peace and Order Councils (BPOCs).

100%

passing rate of LGUs in the 2019 Provincial, City and Municipal POC Functionality Assessment

#### 2019 BEST PERFORMING POCs IN REGION XII

**Cluster A  
BEST MPOC**  
(1st - 3rd Class Municipalities)  
**GLAN, SARANGANI**

**Cluster C  
BEST CPOC**  
(HUCs/ICCs)  
**COTABATO CITY**

**Cluster D  
BEST CPOCs**  
(Component Cities)  
**KIDAPAWAN CITY  
& TACURONG CITY**

**Cluster E  
BEST PPOCs**  
(Provinces)  
**PROVINCE OF COTABATO,  
SOUTH COTABATO  
& SULTAN KUDARAT**

#### REGIONAL PEACE AND ORDER COUNCIL (RPOC)

The DILG XII has steadfastly played its key role as RPOC XII's Secretariat and was able to convene members in the four (4) quarterly meetings and one (1) special meeting for CY 2019.

**14** RPOC XII Resolutions were prepared by DILG XII as part of the latter's role as the Council's Secretariat.

**100%** of LGUs declared the CPP-NPA as persona non-grata within their territorial jurisdictions in support to RPOC XII Resolution No. 2, Series of 2019 entitled "A Resolution Declaring the New People's Army (NPA) as Persona Non-Grata in Region XII and Encouraging all LGUs to do the Same"



RPOC XII Secretariat, earned the distinction for scoring the highest compliance rate in Peace and Order and Public Safety Plan – Compliance Monitoring System (POPS-PCMS) for CY 2019.

# SUPPORT TO ANTI-ILLEGAL DRUGS IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITIES

## Strengthening Anti-Illegal Drugs Councils

The proliferation of illegal drug use in our communities has been identified as one serious threat to public health, well-being, and national security. It puts an overarching limit, especially among the youth, on reaching full potentials for development and fuels the propagation of criminalities and other socio-economic challenges.

With these in mind, the DILG XII has maintained the fulfilment of its forefront role in the fight against illegal drugs in the Region. Supportive of the thrusts of the national government, the DILG XII has ensured minimum standard functionality and effectiveness of local anti-drug abuse councils (ADACs) at all geopolitical levels, harmonized their inter-operability, put in place systematic and effective ADAC monitoring and reporting mechanism, and steadfastly assisted local ADACs in meeting set performance indicators of a functional ADAC.

100%

organized Anti-Drug Abuse Councils (ADACs) at all geopolitical levels.

100%

passing rate of LGUs in the 2019 Provincial, City, and Municipal ADAC Functionality Assessment.

*The numbers signify that all LGUs in the Region have institutionalized ADACs, existing plans and substantial budgets, implemented the same plans and programs, conducted quarterly meetings, collaborated with other LGUs, and introduced innovative practices on their efforts to support the reduction of drug affectation in the country.*

## Functionality of Barangay ADACs

LEVEL OF FUNCTIONALITY	Percentage of Barangays	
	2018	2019
HIGH	10.38%	30.71%
MODERATE	81.92%	68.70%
LOW	7.70%	0.59%

The numbers show that the DILG XII managed to further strengthen the functionality of BADACs. In 2019, to further such efforts, a "Training-cum-Orientation on the Barangay Drug-Clearing Program and BADAC Functionality Indicators" was conducted on April 29-30 in Koronadal City.



This one-on-one coaching was designed to eliminate low functionality scores among BADACs in the Region. One hundred twenty six (126) individuals composed of Punong Barangays and Sangguniang Barangay members representing ninety-two (92) low functional BADACs across the region were present.

## Sultan Kudarat LGUs Aced 2018 ADAC Performance Audit

The Provincial Local Government Unit of Sultan Kudarat and four (4) of its component municipalities – Columbio, Lutayan, Esperanza, and Senator Ninoy Aquino – all scored 100% in the 2018 ADAC Performance Audit.

They received individual distinctions during the ADAC National Awarding Ceremony on December 16, 2019 at the Manila Hotel, City of Manila.



## PEOPLE'S LAW ENFORCEMENT BOARD

### Support to PLEB Implementation

**#PLEBserye**  
This initiative is part of our Advocacy Campaign to strengthen PLEBs in SOCCSKSARGEN, Tandaan, lamang ang may alam.

DILG XII RD Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO V on Strengthening People's Law Enforcement Board

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DILG XII formally launched #PLEBserye dedicating the entire month of October on information and education initiatives to raise awareness among the public about the nature and mandates of People's Law Enforcement Board (PLEB).

**#DILGXII**  
**#PLEBserye**  
**#KnowYourPLEB**

100%

of City and Municipal LGUs in Region XII have organized PLEBs

@plebphilippines

# LOCALIZING



President Duterte signed Executive Order No. 70 which institutionalized a Whole-of-Nation (WNA) Approach in dealing with insurgency through the creation of National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF-ELCAC). As outlined in the ELCAC-NTF JMC No. 1, Series of 2019, it aims to address the root causes of insurgencies, internal disturbances and tensions, and other armed conflicts and threats.

The Regional Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (RTF-ELCAC) for SOCCSKSARGEN has remained steadfast in fast tracking the operationalization of EO 70 in this side of the country. Organized on July 4, 2019 through Joint Resolution No. 2, Series of 2019 of the Regional Development Council and Regional Peace and Order Council, it has translated the National Plan ELCAC and its 12 Lines of Efforts (LOEs) into regional and local sectoral objectives.

The twelve (12) LOEs are Situational Awareness and Knowledge Management; Local Government Empowerment; Legal Cooperation; Strategic Communication; Sectoral Unification, Capacity-building and Empowerment; Basic Services; Poverty Reduction, Livelihood and Employment; Infrastructure, Resource Management and Employment; Local Peace Engagement; Peace, Law Enforcement and Development Support; E-CLIP and Amnesty Program; and International Engagement. In 2019, four (4) of these LOEs are led by the DILG.



*The government sets forth its full commitment and priorities to end local insurgency in the country through the National Plan to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (NP-ELCAC) as the President signed Executive Order No. 70.*

**SEC. ISIDRO S. LAPEÑA, PHD. CSEE**  
Director General, TESDA  
CORDS, Region XII

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPOWERMENT

The DILG XII has intensified its collaborative efforts with local government units, locally-based institutions, and other stakeholders by refocusing policy directions, building capacities, and project development and management support. With achieving security and social justice in mind, the Department ensured the alignment of peace building efforts from the regional level down to the villages.

In 2019, the Department has spearheaded the conduct of numerous cluster meetings, orientations, and coordination activities. Some of them are listed below.

### **EO 70 Cluster 1 Meeting cum Workshop on the Implementation of ImPlan**

July 19, 2019, Villa Amor Hotel, Koronadal City.

### **Coordination Meeting with the Lead Agencies on ELCAC**

August 16, 2019, The Farm @ Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City

### **Orientation Workshop on E.O. No. 70 And Omnibus Guidelines On Peace and Order Council (POC) Cum Formulation of CY2020-2022 POPSP**

August 22-24, 2019, The Farm @Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City

### **Cascading of EO 70 and Orientation on RSCP during the Joint Meetings of the RTF and Provincial Task Forces**

September 9-12, 2019, Koronadal City

### **Regional Task Force on Ending Local Communist Armed Conflict (Rtf-ELCAC) Technical Working Group Meeting**

October 8, 2019, Villa Princessita, City of Koronadal, South Cotabato

### **Regional Barangay Summit on ELCAC**

December 19, 2019, The Farm @ Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City







# ATTAINING INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE PEACE

## BASIC SERVICES

Through the Retooled Community Support Program (RCSP), the DILG has assisted in the provision of responsive basic services especially in CTG-affected communities. Strengthening the Community Support Program (CSP) initiatives of the military and putting the Local Government Units (LGUs) in charge, the RCSP, as an inclusive program, aims to plant and propagate peace and order, conflict-resilience, sustainability, and economic development in these disadvantaged areas.

### Provision of SALINTUBIG Projects & CMGP Projects in Priority Areas

#### Conduct of Local Serbisyo Caravans

1st Batch	2nd Batch
Balite, Magpet October 15, 2019	Datu Ladayon, Arakan December 10, 2019
Basak, Magpet October 17, 2019	Batang, Tulunan December 11, 2019
Kabalantian, Arakan October 18, 2019	Don Panaca, Magpet December 12, 2019

## LOCAL PEACE ENGAGEMENT

The DILG led the efforts in strengthening capacities of national and local governance actors in creating modalities in order to effectively heal socio-economic divides and engaging them to participate in peace building activities which foster community resiliency and cultural harmony.

### Organization of RCSP Teams in Arakan, Magpet, Makilala, and Tulunan in Cotabato Province.

### Strengthening of the P/C/M/B Peace and Order Councils

### Formulation of LGU POPS Plan for CY 2020-2022

## E-CLIP AND AMNESTY PROGRAM

Co-leading with the Department of National Defense (DND), the DILG XII assisted in the continuous implementation of government reintegration programs for the former rebels (FRs) and their families. The provision of immediate livelihood assistance and firearms remuneration for the FRs from Sarangani, Sultan Kudarat, and Cotabato Province were some of the humble accomplishments for 2019. In addition, there are ongoing constructions of half way houses in the four (4) provinces of the region.

In 2019, one hundred fifty-nine (159) FRs in the region are being monitored. One hundred fourteen (114) of them received complete assistance package. Assistance for forty-five of them are still on process. As of October 22, 2019, the assistance extended to them has already amounted to Php 7.288 million.

### Status of E-Clip in the Province of Sultan Kudarat

The DILG had allocated Php 5 million for the establishment of the halfway houses for E-Clip implementation for the 90 former rebels. It was already turned-over to the Provincial Government on November 26, 2019. The Operations Manual in the management of the said institutions are being finalized.

### Assistance to Former Rebels (FRs)

- 26 received an immediate livelihood and administrative assistance
- 68 from the Militia ng Bayan received firearms remunerations
- 7 were enlisted as SCAA (CAFGU) under the 33rd Infantry Battalion
- 23 are undergoing training under TESDA XII on Programs on Electrical installation and maintenance program

# DILG XII STAGES FIRST REGIONAL BARANGAY SUMMIT ON ENDING LOCAL COMMUNIST ARMED CONFLICT (ELCAC)

Numerous Barangay Officials and Punong Barangays of Communist-Terrorist Groups (CTG)-affected communities in Region XII, members of Retooled Community Support Program (RCSP) Teams of different LGUs, and members of the Regional Task Force (RTF) -ELCAC of Region XII convened on December 19, 2019 at The Farm @ Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City. Executive Order No. 70, Series of 2018, or the “Institutionalization of Whole-of-Nation Approach in Attaining Inclusive and Sustainable Peace, Creating a National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (ELCAC)” was discussed extensively.

Reynaldo S. Tamayo, Jr., South Cotabato Governor, delivered an earnest welcome message to the participants. He underscored that “progress will never come if peace and order issues are not resolved.”



DILG Undersecretary for Local Government Mavel C. Sacendoncillo, CESO II, who also graced the event was impressed by the strong convergent ties between various stakeholders in addressing problems on insurgency and in rebuilding the accessibility of government services even in geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas of the Region.

DILG Region XII Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III, relayed the very warm response of RCSP recipients – proof of a positive indication of the impact of the said campaign.

Resource persons include NICA XII Regional Director Eduardo T. Marquez, Col. Gabriel Viray of the 901st Brigade of the Philippine Army, and LGOO VI Ian Jon S. Clemente and LGOO IV Jessilou L. Frugalidad of DILG XII.



“ ***Progress will never come if peace and order issues are not resolved.*** ”

**Hon. Reynaldo S. Tamayo Jr., Governor of South Cotabato**

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS ON ROAD CLEARING OPERATIONS

In the spirit of DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2019-121 and 2019-167, the DILG XII has provided technical assistance to city and municipal local government units and has closely monitored their compliance to the Presidential Directive during the 4th State of the Nation Address of the President to Clear Roads of Illegal Structures and Constructions.



Percentage of Roads Cleared	
PROVINCE OF COTABATO	95.83
SOUTH COTABATO	93.45
SARANGANI	89.71
SULTAN KUDARAT	88.16
COTABATO CITY	95.00
GENERAL SANTOS CITY	81.00

# Socially-Protective LGUs

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## GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT

### DILG XII Chairs Regional GAD Council XII

The DILG XII has accepted with much optimism the Chairpersonship of the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) of Region XII on August 15, 2019 from the Commission on Human Rights (CHR) XII, the outgoing Chairperson.

As a vital support Committee of the Regional Development Council (RDC) XII pursuant to PCW- NEDA Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2016-01, the DILG XII shall continue to strengthen GAD mainstreaming from the regional level down to local government units as mandated by the Republic Act No. 9710, otherwise known as “Magna Carta of Women.”



### 1<sup>st</sup> Regional GAD Budget Forum realized

The DLG XII in partnership with the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) successfully carried out the first ever Regional GAD Budget Forum on November 28-29, 2019 at The Farm, Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City.

More than a hundred GAD Advocates and GAD Focal Point System -Technical Working Groups (GFPS-TWGs) composed of Social Welfare Development Officers, Planning Development Officers, and Budget Officers of the region’s fifty-four (54) LGUs gathered. PCW GAD specialists and their Executive Director Maria Kristina Josefina G. Balmes addressed and provided clarifications on their GAD- related concerns, misconceptions, and difficulties on GAD Plan and Budget (GPB) formulation and utilization of local GAD fund.



## LOCAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN



LCPC is a council organized at the provincial, city, municipal and barangay levels that serves as the umbrella organization for all children’s concerns. It is a council fully harnessed to be an efficient and effective advocate of child’s rights that implements all children’s programs at the local levels.

To this end, the DILG provides technical assistance in the organization of LCPC and spearheads the monitoring the functionality of LCPCs at all levels.

### Statistical Regional Summary of the 2019 LCPC Functionality (1,249 P/C/M/B LGUs)

Ideal	342 or 27.38%
Mature	664 or 53.16%
Progressive	235 or 18.82%
Basic	8 or 0.64%

**100%** of Barangays have established VAW Desks

**100%** of Cities and Municipalities have institutionalized GAD Focal Point System (GFPS)

**86%** or 43 out of 50 GPBs and GARs reviewed as of the end of 4th Quarter of 2019

Provided assistance in ensuring the availability of clean and sufficient water in communities.



**42**      **7,062**

**Total No. of Completed Sub-Projects**

**No. of Benefitting Households**

2019 Sub-Projects = 17  
2018 Sub-Projects = 25

**12**      **6,497**

**No. of Completed Sub-Projects**

**No. of Benefitting Households**

Provided assistance in the constructions of local infrastructure and access roads.



**43**      **21.08kms**

**No. of Completed Sub-Projects**

**Total Length of Roads**

Provided assistance in building other vital infrastructures and provision of resources to the community.



**4**      **6,814**

**No. of Completed Sub-Projects**

**No. of Benefitting Households**

# Environment-Protective, Climate Change-Adaptive and Disaster-Resilient LGUs

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## OPERATION LISTO Regional Disaster Resilience Dialogue

March 6, 2019 at Paraiso Verde, Koronadal City



Faithful to its mandate as Vice Chairperson on Disaster Preparedness, the DILG XII gathered the members of the Regional Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (RDRRMC) XII, civil society organizations, media entities, and local research institutes to discuss vital

aspects in strengthening the capacities and performance of local government units and stakeholders in responding to disasters.

Among the topics discussed were: Overview and Development of the Operation Llisto Manual and Journey of Operation Llisto, (2) Llisto Si Gov Manual, and the (3) Use of Quality Assurance System in ensuring quality of BDRRM Plans.

Meanwhile, LDRRMO IV Arnulfo Villaruz, PDRRMO of the Province of Cotabato, shared the best practices of the PLGU in the overall DRR Management.

### Operation Llisto: Regional Orientation and Disaster Resilience Dialogue for BFP XII and PNP XII



Bureau of Fire Protection XII  
April 22, 2019



Philippine National Police XII  
April 25, 2019

A symbolic turn-over of the LGU Disaster Preparedness Manual to the participants and the signing of Pledge of Support to Operation Llisto were spearheaded by RD Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO V.

A disaster resilience dialogue was also held with the DILG XII answering questions from members of the Information Coordinating Network (ICON)- SOCCSKSARGEN.



### Institutionalizing Disaster Preparedness

85% of LGUs have plantilla LDRRM Officers

92.60% of LGUs have approved LDRRM Plans and Budgets

86% of C/Ms have barangays with BDRRM Plans compliant to set standards

### Provincial Disaster Resilience Dialogues

Sarangani Province  
July 18, 2019

Province of Cotabato  
September 30, 2019

South Cotabato Province  
September 6, 2019

Sultan Kudarat Province  
October 14, 2019

# ENHANCED LOCAL CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLANNING

## 63 DILG and LGU Personnel from 12 Pilot LGUs capacitated on the Formulation of Enhanced Local Climate Change Action Planning (E-LCCAP)

### 1st Phase

July 8-10, 2019 at FB Hotel, Koronadal City, South Cotabato



### 2nd Phase

September 26-27, 2019 at FB Hotel, Koronadal City, South Cotabato



The participants were C/MPDCs, C/MENROs, C/MDRRMOs, C/M Agriculturists, and C/MLGOOs from the LGUs of Banisilan, Libungan, Midsayap, President Roxas, Koronadal City, Surallah, Tantangan, Columbio, Esperanza, Kalamansig, and Lutayan.

They were also trained on the tools on Climate and Disaster Risk Assessment (CDRA) and Greenhouse Gases Inventory and Accounting (GHGi).

# COMMUNITY DISASTER RISK ASSESSMENT

## 18 DILG Personnel now CDRA Trainers

The DILG XII has increased its capacity to assist LGUs in performing Climate and Disaster Risk Assessment (CDRA) after conducting a Training of Trainers (ToT) on the subject matter on December 9-11, 2019 at The Farm, Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City.

The resource persons were HHRO IV/OIC-PRLD Jovita Solarte and HHRO II Eden Santiago of the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board Southern Mindanao Region (HLURB-SMR).



## 2019 EARTHQUAKE DRILLS

DILG XII has always been compliant with the provisions of DILG MC 2019-06 which aims to assess the capability of personnel, and the available plans and systems of the Office for earthquakes.

During the First Quarter Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED), a total of seventy-nine (79) DILG XII personnel participated. The activity was held on February 21, 2019 at DILG Regional Office XII, Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City.

“*Disaster readiness and disaster resiliency is a way of life.*”

**RD Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO V**

In her message, RD Josephine C. Leysa, CESO V stressed out that drills should be taken seriously. As the Vice Chairperson for Disaster Preparedness, the office and its personnel must consider disaster readiness and consequently disaster resiliency as their way of life.



# Business-Friendly and Competitive LGUs

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## EASE OF DOING BUSINESS

DILG XII Enhances Capacities of Target LGUs in SOCCSKSARGEN on Regulatory Simplification for Local Governments (RS4LG)



As a way of providing assistance to pilot LGUs in SOCCSKSARGEN while ensuring compliance to the said Act, the Department of the Interior and Local Government XII, together with the Local Government Academy, conducted and facilitated the three-day Capacity Enhancement Regulatory Simplification for Local Governments (RS4LG) with the theme “A Journey Towards Ease of Doing Business: We Simplify. We Comply”, held on September 4-6, 2019 at the FB Hotel in Koronadal City, South Cotabato.

A total of 51 participants, composed of DILG EODB Regional/ Provincial and City Focal Persons, City/ Municipal Administrators, BPOs, Treasurers and Sanggunian Secretaries from the cities of Kidapawan, Tacurong and Koronadal and municipalities of Isulan, Surallah, Polomolok, Maasim, Malungon, Midsayap and Kabacan, attended the said training.

## DILG XII CONDUCTS EASE OF DOING BUSINESS FORUM cum Integration of Barangay Clearance in the LGU Permitting Process

As part of the ten-point socio-economic agenda of the current administration to increase competitiveness and ease of doing business, the DILG RO XII conducted a back-to-back activity on November 26-27, 2019 at The Farm at Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City.

The EODB Forum was held on November 26, 2019 to update all local functionaries and frontliners of the LGUs on the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Delivery of Government Services (EODB/EDGS) Act of RA 11032. It was attended by LCEs and City/Municipal Treasurers of all City/Municipal Local Government Units across the region.

On November 27, 2019, the Integration of Barangay Clearance for LGU Permitting Process was conducted enable to equip the local level and to widely disseminate the information about the ease of doing business (EODB) and EODB/ARTA Law and its IRR. It was attended by City/Municipal Treasurer, Business Permit and Licensing Officer (BPLO), Zoning Officer, Administrator, Barangay Treasurer and Punong Barangay of General Santos City, Koronadal City, Tacurong City, Kidapawan City and the Municipality of M'lang

LGU Compliance on Revised Standards in Processing Business Permits and Licensing System (BPLS) for CY 2019

100%

on New Business Permit

100%

on Business Permit Renewal

All of the fifty (50) cities and municipalities in Region XII complied with the requirements of DILG-DTI-DICT Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1, Series of 2016 which takes heed of the pronouncement of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte for all government agencies to reduce the requirements and processing time of all government transactions.

4 Cities  
20 Municipalities  
capacitated

### Streamlining Building Permit and Certificate of Occupancy (for pilot LGUs)

September and October 2019  
Viajera Hotel, Koronadal City

54 LGUs  
and 170 pilot  
Barangays  
capacitated

### EODB Forum cum Integration of Barangay Clearance in the LGU Permitting Process

November 26-27, 2019  
The Farm @ Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City

5 Cities  
capacitated

### Rationalization of Fees and Charges and BPLS Automation/ Computerization

December 11-13, 2019  
Viajera Hotel, Koronadal City





In 2019,  
**25 sub-projects** were  
 completed spanning  
**95.77 kilometers** of road  
 network to **peace** and  
**economic prosperity.**

NHWY Jct. Poblacion - Sta. Maria Provincial Road, Malungon, Sarangani Province

## Support to Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces (Formerly KALSADA)

The DILG XII, in partnership with Department of Budget and Management (DBM), has provided necessary technical assistance and regular monitoring and evaluation activities to CMGP-implementing provinces in the region.

CMGP aims to help realize the economic agenda of the present Administration which highlights the importance of a reliable road network, reforms in local roads management (LRM), and public financial management (PFM).



### CMGP-Funded CapDev Activities

With funding support from CMGP the four (4) Provincial Local Government Units of Region XII were able to participate in the following capacity development activities:

- o Refresher Course for Autocad Civil 3D
- o Preparation of Detailed Engineering Design (DED) for Road Projects
- o Geotagging
- o Crafting of Procurement Manual
- o Consultative Workshop with DBM, GPPB, COA, and DILG on Crafting of Procurement Manual
- o Policy Guidelines on Green Procurement
- o Contractors Performance Evaluation System



Esperanza - Banaba Road Phase II, Sultan Kudarat Province



# Strengthening Internal Organizational Capacity

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## DILG XII WELCOMES REGIONAL DIRECTOR JOSEPHINE CABRIDO-LEYSA, CESO V



DILG Undersecretary for Local Government Marivel C. Sacendoncillo, officiated the installation ceremony together with Assistant Secretary for Administration and Finance, Asec. Ester A. Aldana, CESO II.

In attendance were Bureau of Local Government Supervision (BLGS) Director Atty. Odilon L. Pasaraba, CESO V, National Barangay Operations Office (NBOO) Bureau Director Karl Caesar R. Rimando, CESO V and Public Affairs and Communication Service (PACS) Director Marlo S. Guanzon, and outgoing DILG XII Regional Director Reynaldo M. Bungubung, CESO III.

Also in attendance to witness the momentous event were friends and family members of RD Leysa, key officials of PNP XII and BFP XII, the DILG Regional Office XII personnel, Provincial and City Directors, and Field Officers.

A teacher by profession, RD Leysa joined the Department as an Local Government Operations Officer II on November 16, 1996. As a product of her passion and commitment, RD Leysa climbed up the career ladder and eventually became MLGOO of various LGUs, Provincial Director of DILG South Cotabato, Assistant Regional Director of DILG XII, and DILG Head Executive Assistant prior to finally becoming the Regional Director of DILG XII.

### “Stay put, remain true, and stand your ground.”

These are treasured life lessons shared by Dir. Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO V, the incoming Regional Director of DILG Region XII in her acceptance speech during her Installation Ceremony held on January 15, 2019 at The Farm @ Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City.

## DILG XII is ISO 9001:2015 Certified

Renato V. Navarrete, Chairman and President of Certification International confers DILG XII the Certificate of Registration as proof of operation of a quality management system which conforms with ISO 9001:2015.

The Certificate, issued on April 3, 2019 and valid for three years, encompasses DILG XII’s activities on local governance through the provision of technical assistance and administrative services, oversight function, and rewards and incentives to local government units.

Such recognition is a huge leap for DILG XII in its untiring efforts to carry out the mandates of the Department in ways which conform to international service standards.



# CSC XII endorses PRIME-HRM Maturity Level II for DILG XII



After an on-site assessment conducted on October 15-16, 2019, the Civil Service Commission (CSC) XII endorsed to the CSC Central Office four (4) core Human Resource Management (HRM) areas of DILG XII for validation as having PRIME-HRM Maturity Level II.

These core areas are (1) Recruitment, Selection and Placement, (2) Learning and Development, (3) Performance Management System, and (4) Rewards and Recognition.

Prior to this endorsement, the CSC XII provided technical assistance to DILG XII on September 3, 2019 to prepare for the said on-site assessment.



DILG XII Personnel were capacitated to undertake the Program to Institutionalize Meritocracy and Excellence in Human Resource Management (PRIME-HRM) on April 4-5, 2019 at Paraiso Verde Hotel, Koronadal City.

With Asec. Ester A. Aldana, CESO II, Assistant Secretary for Administration, Finance and Comptrollership, in attendance together with resource persons from the HRMD Division of the DILG Central Office, the participants who are members of various committees were given lectures and hands-on training on PRIME-HRM Core Areas and the Human Resource Information System (HRIS).

## DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS AND RETOOLING ACTIVITIES

The continual development of DILG XII's workforce has been a cornerstone agenda of the Regional Management under the enabling leadership of RD Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO V. True to this mission, the DILG XII has conducted three (3) major development sessions in 2019 for its hardworking personnel.

### Refresher Courses for DILG XII Drivers

April 16-17, 2019 at Punta Isla Lake Resort, Lake Sebu, South Cotabato



Conducted primarily to update drivers on road safety and courtesy, the participants were also able to learn about prevailing traffic rules and regulations, handling of VIPs, ethical standards, social graces, and ISO Reporting.

The Regional Management was able to invite resource persons from Land and Transportation Office XII, PSPU-PRO XII, and Agricultural Training Institute XII.

### Development Sessions for C/MLGOOs and Technical Personnel

July 11-12, 2019 at Greenleaf Hotel, General Santos City



This two-day activity included ten (10) enriching sessions tackling topics on leadership, priority programs of the DILG for 2019, and the programs of the national government against illegal drugs. It was participated by Provincial and City Directors, C/MLGOOs and technical personnel of DILG XII.

The Regional Management was able to pool competent resource persons from DOH-Center for Health and Development XII, Dangerous Drugs Board, NBOO, DILG-BLGS, DILG-AFC, DILG-PACS, and DILG Regional Offices I, IV-A, and CAR.

### Retooling Activity for Administrative Personnel

July 24-25, 2019 at Greenleaf Hotel, General Santos City



Entitled "Development Session for Administrative Personnel of DILG XII cum Human Resource Development Plan and Regional ISO 9001-2015 QMS Implementation," this activity was designed specifically to enrich administrative personnel from both Regional and Field Offices, topic discussed include etiquette in the workplace, stress management, financial management, Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees (RA 6713), Revised Rules on Administrative Cases in Civil Service (RRACS), Five S, and the DILG Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS) Performance Rating Scheme.

# 2019 PRAISE AWARDEES

The Regional Management, through the Program on Awards and Incentives for Service Excellence (PRAISE), recognizes and rewards creativity, innovativeness, efficiency, integrity, and productivity in the workplace. In 2019, the following officials and employees – either individually or in groups – have contributed superior accomplishments and extraordinary acts and services in forwarding public interest.

**BEST PERFORMING DIVISION**  
Local Government Monitoring and Evaluation Division (LGMED) / Musarapha A. Alim, Division Chief

**BEST CITY/PROVINCIAL DIRECTOR**  
PD Margarita H. Baynosa, MPA  
DILG Sultan Kudarat

**BEST PROVINCIAL OFFICE**  
Sultan Kudarat Provincial Office

**BEST PERFORMING C/MLGOO**  
LGOO VI Marife C. Tenorio  
MLGOO of Malungon, Sarangani

**BEST PERFORMER TECHNICAL CATEGORY (Field Offices)**  
Maria Theresa G. Nograles  
LGOO V, General Santos City

**FIRST LEVEL EMPLOYEE FIELD OFFICE**  
April Greenne Graza  
Admin Aide IV General Santos City

**BEST PERFORMING SECTION CHIEF**  
Engr. Herminia S. Ontoy  
LGOO V, PDMU

**BEST PERFORMER TECHNICAL CATEGORY (Regional Office)**  
Relmie T. Tamson  
LGOO IV, LGCDD

**FIRST LEVEL EMPLOYEE REGIONAL OFFICE**  
Joanne A. Castre  
Statistician II, LGMED

# CY 2019 PROMOTEES

In 2019, the Regional Management was pleased to promote eleven (11) hardworking and dedicated personnel of DILG XII. It was a result of their passion and dedication in the performance of their sworn duties to assist the Department in delivering its mandates.

FROM	TO	
LG00 VII	LG00 VIII	Rilimin H. Sandoval
LG00 V	LG00 VI	Mary Grace D. Santarin
LG00 III	LG00 V	Muhammad Farzieh B. Abutazil
LG00 IV	LG00 V	Almie G. Castillo
LG00 III	LG00 V	Noraisa A. Datusataviran
LG00 II	LG00 IV	Atilla H. Baynosa
AO IV	Accountant II	Charise May J. Eliseo
LG00 II	LG00 III	Mary Eulen Y. Abdilah
LG00 II	LG00 III	Cristy Jane A. Buenafior
Statistician I	LG00 II	Joanne A. Castre
Admin Asst II	LG00 II	Sittie Ratna M. Kasan



# DILG XII SALUTES 2019 RETIREES

In 2019, the DILG XII paid tribute to four (4) retiring personnel who indubitably dedicated a huge fraction of their meaningful lives in able assistance to fulfilling the mandates and causes of the Department throughout the years. The Regional Management also extends salutation and gratitude to their families and loved ones who have supported them in all of their official endeavors with DILG.



**Susan M. Palencia**  
Administrative Assistant III  
38 years in service



**Pembayong A. Kadatuan**  
LG00 V  
37 years in service



**Adelaida M. Abdul**  
Administrative Officer V  
37 years in service



**Kendak A. Umar**  
Security Guard I  
26 years in service

# Five DILG XII LGOO Inductees Graduate as 52nd Batch

DILG XII now have five (5) additional full-fledged Local Government Operations Officers who graduated as part of the 52nd Batch LGOO Induction Training last October 28, 2019 at the historical Magsaysay Hall of the Local Government Academy Training Center (LGATC) in Los Baños, Laguna.



They are LGOO II Alex Nathan Garcia of Sultan Kudarat, LGOO II Catherine Macion and LGOO II Sheila Mae Kubik of Sarangani, LGOO II Chrysanthea Zorilla of South Cotabato, and LGOO II Jon Leo Licayan of the Regional Office.

Remarkably, LGOO II Licayan finished 3rd Place among the one hundred one (101) trainees from all over the country.



Fifty-eight (58) Contract of Service (COS) and Job Order (JO) employees of DILG XII were enrolled in **KaltaSSS-Collect Program** as a result of the Memorandum of Agreement inked between the DILG XII and Social Security System (SSS) on December 20, 2019 ay DILG Regional Office XII, Koronadal City.



**DILG XII Hymn** was launched during the DILG Program and Performance Assessment 2019 on December 28, 2019. Upon the initiative of RD Leysa, this inspiring and unifying anthem was composed and arranged by the renowned composer, Sir Ryan Gazo of Ryan Gazo Music Center.



**Sayaw Kapayapaan** was formally launched in 2019. The five-minute dance routine shall henceforth be observed every 9AM, 12NN, and 3PM of every working day in the DILG Regional Office XII. Not only that it aims to promote peace, unity, and camaraderie among DILG XII employees, it also boosts physical health, alertness, and productivity in the workplace.



**DILG XII's Organic Garden** was hailed as **2019 Best Kitchen Garden in Region XII** by the National Nutrition Council (NNC) XII during the awarding ceremony held on November 29, 2019 at The Farm, Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City. The Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) XII and National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) XII were second and third placers respectively.



**DILG XII Wins Paskuhan Village 2019** and bags PHP 30,000 in cash prize awarded during the culmination program on December 7, 2019 at the Prime Regional Government Center, Koronadal City. Conceptualized upon the initiative of the Local Government Unit of Koronadal City and RD Leysa of DILG XII, Paskuhan Village aims to provide an alternative place for families to visit to feel and celebrate the yuletide season.



# DILG XII AMIDST 2019 MINDANAO EARTHQUAKE

October of 2019 will go down in the history of Mindanao as one with the most destructive series of earthquakes: October 16, 7:37 PM Philippine Standard Time (PST) at magnitude 6.3, on October 29, 9:04 AM and 10:42 AM at magnitudes 6.6 and 6.1, respectively, and on October 31, 9:11 AM at magnitude 6.5.

Around forty thousand infrastructures were ruined most of which are houses, schools, and health facilities. As of December 23, 2019, the disaster tallied 22 deaths, 9 missing and 320 injured. Families displaced inside evacuation centers were 5, 676 and 14, 569 outside.

The towns of Makilala and Tulunan and Kidapawan City, all in the Province of Cotabato experienced most of the destructive geologic impacts. Surrounding municipalities which are low-lying and water-saturated areas were not spared from the resulting damages.

Fuelled by steadfast leadership, DILG XII, being NDRRMC Vice Chairperson for Disaster Preparedness, was able to extend assistance to severely-hit communities through the following efforts:

- Deployed personnel to man the Regional Coordinating Center which facilitates and provides technical support to local Incident Management Teams, timely disseminates policy issuances to the LGUs on matters raised by the response agencies and RDRRMC, and channelling of incident reports.
- RD Leysa, met with local chief executives of Kidapawan City and the municipalities of Makilala, Tulunan, and Mlang on November 2, 2019 in order to gather first-hand information and assess areas for assistance.
- RD Leysa also did an ocular visit town-by-town and also visited Incident Command Posts (ICPs) together with Ma. Theresa D. Bautista (LGCCD Chief/DRR RFP), Arthur P. Condes (Regional Information Officer), DILG Provincial Director Ali B. Abdullah, and concerned DILG Field Officers.
- RD Leysa also discussed with various relief distribution and response teams on how to streamline communication, assistance and coordination with various agencies.
- Assisted in coming up with a mechanism for the smooth inflow and outflow of donated goods received from various sources to the Provincial Emergency Operation Center.
- LGOO IV Jessilou L. Frugalidad assisted in the conduct of Post Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA) conducted by PDRRMO of the Province of Cotabato.

## Institutionalization and mobilization of DILG XII Mindanao Quake Relief and Assistance Drive (MQ-RAD)

- a. DILG XII MQ-RAD's "One Malong, One Family Campaign" was able to raise and distribute more than a thousand malongs to affected residents.
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- c. Pooling of donations from local officials of unaffected LGUs in the Region and other DILG Regional Offices across the country.
- d. Received and facilitated the distribution of cash and relief items from Cabatuan LGU Multi-purpose Cooperative (CLGUMPC) of the Municipality of Cabatuan, Iloilo Province which were personally handed by LGU Cabatuan Mayor Ronilo O. Caspe to RD Leysa.
- e. Distribution of twenty-five (25) tents received from the Bank of the Philippine Islands (BPI) Foundation through the initiative of Captain Dominador Bernales, Vice President and Chief Security Officer of BPI. Such tents were used as temporary shelters of benefitting families who lost their homes.
- f. DILG XII volunteer employees assisted the Barangay Local Government Unit of Carpenter Hill, Koronadal City in repacking rice donations to be delivered to earthquake-hit areas.

DILG XII was humbled to have received commendations from the Local Government Units of the Province of Cotabato and the Municipality of Tulunan. These LGUs passed Sanggunian Resolutions No. 957-5 and No. 269 respectively. Both Resolutions commend DILG XII for assisting in the relief operations and for extending appropriate interventions to earthquake victims in their jurisdictions.

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***Volunteer work is a noble deed and it should remain part of our service to the people.***

**RD Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III**



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