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RD's Message

Greetings!

I am proud to share with you the accomplishments of DILG Rehiyon Dose for the second quarter of the year.

This quarter was full of feats as we continue to GADvocate spaces that are gender inclusive in the country.

A series of capacity development activities and inter-agency meetings and commitments were also signed and agreed upon as we stay committed to promote excellence in local governance and contribute to achieving safe communities for all.

Furthermore, we have also launched regional initiatives to support and strengthen the government's campaign against illegal drugs, the search for a Drug-free Workplace.

These are just some of the highlights of our quarter. We are humbled and grateful for all that we have accomplished through the massive support we have received from our stakeholders. As we enter the second semester, rest assured that the Department will keep its fire burning for genuine public service.

UNITE Dose, Dose the Best!

JOSEPHINE CABRIDO-LEYSA, CESO III
Regional Director



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**LUPAD DOSE!
DOSE THE BEST!**



Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Secretary Atty. Benjamin “Benhur” C. Abalos Jr. takes his anti-illegal drugs campaign down south as he led the regional rollout of the Buhay Ingatan, Droga’y Ayawan (BIDA) program in SOCCSKSARGEN early Saturday morning. Some 8,000 people representing the different sectors of society gathered at the Capitol Grounds to express their support for the program and joined Abalos in the BIDA fun run in Alabel, Sarangani. With the DILG Secretary were former senator and SarGen BIDA Ambassador Manny Pacquiao and Sarangani Governor Rogelio Pacquiao who both completed the three-kilometer run. In his keynote speech, Abalos echoed his previous call on the whole-of-nation approach to address the illegal drug menace in the region and the country.



“Sa bawat sampu na nakukulong sa illegal drugs, tatlo ay babalik at makukulong ulit. Ang gagawin natin ay tutulungan natin ang ating mga kapulisan, ang PDEA, ang AFP, ang NAPOLCOM.”

Atty. Benjamin C. Abalos Jr.
DILG Secretary



The event was also highlighted by the awarding of winners for the “DrawGa” mural painting contest; the pledge of stakeholder support; and colored water spray.



Also present during the BIDA event were Representatives Loreto Acheron and Steve C. Solon, General Santos City Mayor Lorelei Pacquiao, Alabel Municipal Mayor Vic Paul M. Salarda, DILG Undersecretaries Lord Villanueva and Margarita Gutierrez, Assistant Secretary Elizabeth Lopez de Leon, Regional Director Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, and DILG Sarangani Provincial Director Samuel Camaganacan, among others. After the fun run, Abalos and the other officials graced the groundbreaking ceremony of the new west wing of the General Santos City Hall and the ceremonial burying of the time capsule led by Mayor Lorelei G. Pacquiao.

Abalos leads launching of LGRRC DOSE'S BANTALA Sang Dose



DILG SEC. Atty. Benjamin C. Abalos, Jr. also graced the formal launching of the **"Bantala sang Dose"** on June 25, 2023 at the departure area of Gen. Santos City International Airport. He was joined by DILG XII RD Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, CESO III, PNPRO XII RD PBGEN Jimili Macaraeg, FCSUPT Alven Valdez, Napolcom XII RD Rodel M. Calo, represented by Atty. Michelle Ann P. Viejo and Gensan City Jail Warden JSUPT Reuben D. Olivo, representing RD JCSUPT Leo P. Baldon. Sec. Abalos lauded the joint project between DILG Rehiyon Dose and Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) - Gen. Santos City, which has been made operational at the height of the BIDA Campaign in the region.



" The BIDA Campaign is a nationwide advocacy program of the DILG which aims to reduce drug demand through empowering communities by engaging them in anti-illegal drug activities, raising public awareness on the ill-effects of drug proliferation and destigmatize drug addiction in the community." The Bantala sang Dose aims to strengthen information dissemination for the anti- illegal drug advocacy. "

Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, CESO III
Regional Director, DILG Rehiyon Dose

This initiative is anchored on the Local Governance Regional Resource Center (LGRRC) XII's platform of DILG Rehiyon Dose that promotes a culture of learning, inter-local cooperation, and partnership among stakeholders in local governance. LGRRC XII intends to install another TV set at the arrival area of the airport in the near future.

With the construction, expansion and repair almost done, Gensan International Airport can now accommodate two million passengers annually, from a low of 800,000 in the previous years. "We have chosen Gensan International Airport because we have seen higher post pandemic foot traffic, with the normalization of travel," Director Leysa said.

Sec. Abalos congratulated DILG Rehiyon Dose RD Leysa, and CAAP Gensan headed by Airport Manager Joel Gavina for the joint effort to spread right information, knowledge and truth and looks forward to the replication of the idea to the other airports across the philippines.



14 LGUs, NGAs receive GAD Seal Award



DILG XII, in its capacity as the Regional GAD Committee Chairperson (RGADC) XII, together with the RGADC-Regional Assessment Committee (RAC), conducted the Gender and Development (GAD) Seal Awarding for 2nd batch LGUs and NGAs of Rehiyon Dose last May 26, 2023, at The Farm @ Carpenter Hill, City of Koronadal.

AWARDEES

1. Department of Health Center of Health and Development Regional Office 12
2. Bureau of Jail Management and Penology Regional Office XII (BJMP)
3. Department of Budget and Management Regional Office XII (DBM)
4. PLGU Sultan Kudarat
5. Tacurong City
6. Isulan
7. Bagumbayan
8. Esperanza
9. Palimbang
10. Columbio
11. Plgu sarangani
12. Malungon
13. Gen. Santos City
14. Makilala
15. Kabacan



individuals attended the ceremony.

“RGADC XII has been at the forefront of the initiative, pioneering the development and implementation of the GAD Seal in the region”, DILG XII Regional Director and RGADC XII Chairperson Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III said. With its successful implementation, DILG-Central Office recognized the value and impact of this initiative, thus replicating it with the recent issuance of the DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2023-070 dated May 12, 2023, entitled: Gender and Development (GAD) Seal Certification Program for DILG. This achievement further highlights a certain degree of influence of RGADC XII in shaping national policies and practices in Gender and Development. Director Leysa congratulated the awardees as well as the RGADC XII members for their unwavering commitment to gender and development, and reminded everyone to keep the fire burning while moving forward together.



RGADC XII, DILG Rehiyon Dose bag four awards at 3rd GAD Summit

DILG XII RD Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, CESO III and RGADC XII Chairperson, was awarded as the Outstanding GAD Champion (Gawad AlaGad Award) during the 3rd GAD Summit at Manila Prince Hotel, Manila, organized by the Philippine Council for Women last June 8, 2023.

" This day has been filled with surprises, all unexpected and it has overwhelmed all of us, the SOCCSKARGEN delegation! "

Josephine Cabrido-Leysa
Regional Director, DILG Dose



Outstanding GAD Champion (Gawad AlaGad Award)
GAD Technical Assistance Mechanism Award (GAD Kaagapay Award)
GAD Recognition System Award (AlaGAD ng Pagkilala) Outstanding Secretariat Award (GawAD Secretariat Award)



During the forum, Director Leysa presented the GAD Seal Certification Program, which has been named as "one of the Best Practices of RGADC XII".

She emphasized that the GAD Seal program would not be successful without the united efforts and collaboration among the 49 member-agencies of RGADC XII. The GAD Seal is a ground breaking ...

The Summit was held from June 7-9 at Manila Prince Hotel, City of Manila, and was attended by all RGADCs from all the regions of the country.



" This practice is something that we are really proud of, as we believe that this has truly contributed to the overall Gender and Development efforts of the Government, "

- RD Josephine Cabrido-Leysa
during the GAD Summit



The SOCCSKARGEN GAD delegation is composed of PSR B/Gen. Joselito E. Kakilala, RGADC XII Co-Chairperson, Assistant Regional Director Lailyn A. Ortiz, CESO V of DILG XII, Melissa Gabrielle H. Vargas of NEDA XII, and LGCDD Chief Jermie E. Yeager with LGOO II Jahleel A. Domingo of DILG XII as the RGADC XII Secretariat.

Dagyaw sa Rehiyon Dose highlights CSO Participation in local sa governance



CSOs from the different parts of the region participated in the first episode of Dagyaw 2023 Open Government Town Hall Meeting on June 30, 2023 in Koronadal City. Participants aired their sentiments, raised their concerns and gave suggestions in co-opting CSOs in the development process. OIC Asst. Regional Director Romel Patrick E. Tanghal of NEDA XII, as the townhall reporter, presented the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028, Regional Development Plan, and the participation of CSOs in planning and local governance.



“ CSOs are encouraged to apply for accreditation to get support from the LGUs and to be able to participate in different planning and development councils. ”

Romel Patrick E. Tanghal
OIC Asst. Regional Director NEDA XII

Meanwhile, Mr. Ryan S. Vidanes, Executive Director of Conrado & Ladislawa Alcantara Foundation, Inc. gave his insights on the topic as one of the reactors. He said that CSOs and NGOs are all part of the development sector. For CSOs, **“we have to be the voice of the sector we are representing”**. He continued to elaborate on, CSOs agenda which should be aligned with the priorities of the government, integrate it with sectoral advocacies and focus on working towards regional development, while LGUs should create an enabling environment for CSOs, not just as compliance to DILG directives, but also as appreciation to the contribution of different organizations, as partners for development.



RD Akmad J. Usman, CESO III, in his closing remarks, highlighted the importance of the Dagyaw as an opportunity to gather inputs from the people on a certain matter. He commended the management team and looked forward to another episode of Dagyaw as a follow through to the recently concluded episode.



DILG XII hosts Capacity Program for CSOs in Local Development Council through its Capacity Development Division. It was conducted last April 25, 2023, at Paraiso Verde, Koronadal City. The activity was attended by about 40 CSOs from 16 LGUs in the region. The training course aims to capacitate newly appointed CSO Representatives in the LDC to effectively perform their roles and functions. The training provided participants with the basic knowledge and skills needed to participate actively in LDC activities and advocate sustainable development in the Council.



Participants eagerly shared their experiences and concerns as they participate in the workshop. DILG XII Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III in her message highlighted the purpose of the CSO Academy as "one of the innovations of the region in capacitating the CSOs to become effective & efficient partners of the government." She also emphasized that it is her personal aspiration to witness the thriving and sustained cooperation between the CSOs and the government in delivering services to the community.



Meanwhile, CSO Representatives to the Local School Boards of 16 LGUs in the region actively participated during the Capacity Development Program intended for them held at Paraiso Verde Hotel and Resort, Koronadal City last April 26, 2023.



Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III, in her message, encouraged everyone to "gain knowledge and raise clarifications regarding their roles and responsibilities in the LScB." She also emphasized that the main goal of the activity is to capacitate the CSOs who are sitting as members of the special bodies for them to advocate certain programs and cooperate with their respective LGUs in the process of implementing those programs.



The training has six modules focusing on the reinvention of the LScBs and how the CSOs can contribute to its improvement. Most of the participants were "first timers" in the LScB of their LGUs, making the training vital for them. They also raised concerns on the functionality of their LScBs and their participation in the meetings. During the action planning, the participants proposed programs and activities that they think will address said concerns. The output of the training was CSOs action plan on furthering LScBs for their LGUs.

Financial Assistance to LGUs (FALGU) is one of the five program funds under the Local Government Support Fund (LGSF) which grants financial subsidy to priority programs and projects of LGUs not funded out of national government agencies or local government budgets. Under Special Provision (SP) No. 3 of the Local Government Support Fund Financial Assistance (LGSFFA) to Local Government Units (LGUs) of Republic Act (RA) No. 11518, or the FY 2021 General Appropriations Act (GAA), the appropriated amount of Php13, 585,219,000.00 shall be used for financial assistance to LGUs, except for those under the Bangsamoro, Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, to support the priority programs and projects.

Together with the representatives from LGUs, Municipal Engineering Office (MEO), the team inspected the progress of the following projects in the region:

Project Description	Location	Fund Allocation	Status	Construction/inst. allation of Solar Streetlights	Alabel, Sarangani	15M	Completed
Farm-to-Market Road	Kgovwil and Belo paved road in Brgy. Tinongcop to Brgy. San Felipe stretch, Tandingan	5M	80% Accomplishment	Road Concreting	Brgy. El Nonok, Banga, South Cotabato	8M	Completed
				Road Concreting	(Milagroso Stretch), Tampakan, South Cotabato	10M	Completed
Potable Water System	Brgy. New Caridad, Tulunan, Cotabato	5M	Completed	Municipal-wide installation of led streetlights	Alabel, Sarangani	5M	On-going
Farm-to-Market Road	Brgy. Rangayen, Alamada, Junction National Highway to Sitio Lama (Sejas/Esleta-Ambol/Disimban Road Section) Located at Brgy. Rangayen, Alamada	5M	Completed	Multi-Purpose Vehicle (Mobile Clinic with Equipment for COVID-19 Testing)	Glan, Sarangani	12.5M	Completed/delivered
Road Concreting	in Brgy. Poblacion, to which sections include: a) Purok Apple Mango, Bolong Subd.; b) Purok Kasoy, Sinsuat St.; c) Purok Pomelo, Encarnacion Subd., and d) Purok Tisa, Upper Mundog Subd.	5M	Completed	Road Concreting	Brgy. Lamdalag		On -going
				Multi-Purpose Building	Barangay Tagunarao, Matalam	5M	Completed
				Farm-to-Market Road	Brgy. Jose Rizal - Brgy. Katipunan II, Makilala	10M	On-going

On top of that, the team conducted Technical Assistance to LGUs on the LGSF -FALGU guidelines and registration using Digital Request Submission for Local Government Support Fund to ensure excellence in Local Governance.

The team has provided various technical assistance (TA) to LGUs of Kiamba, Maasim, Maitum, Malapatan, Sto. Niño, Tandingan, T'boli, and Norala in May 2023. They also provided TA to LGU Polomolok on Non-Infrastructure Projects on May 18, 2023.

The team also assisted in the Updating of SubayBAYAN portal report to help Indigent Individuals as they process the following:

a) Medical; b) Burial; c) Transportation; d) Food Assistance; e)Cash for Work; and f) Educational Assistance and g) Assistance Programs and Projects for Health and Social Protection (in light of the COVID-19 Pandemic). Additionally, other issues like non geo-tagged photos and lacking attachments/documents were also given attention. In collaboration with the respective Municipal Engineering Offices of the aforementioned MLGUs, the team has provided assistance on the encoding and submission of data in the Subaybayan portal, as well as reoriented the guidelines on FALGU.



The DILG's SubayBAYAN portal, provides details as to the status of locally-funded projects of the department, as well as LGU infrastructure projects - informing the citizenry of the updates of the government projects.

DILG XII extends oversight, monitoring and evaluation support to DTI's RAPID Growth Project



The DILG XII, through a MOA with DTI XII, commits to support in monitoring and evaluating the implementation of Farm-to-Market Infrastructure projects of the Rapid Growth Project. The Rural Agro-Enterprise Partnership for Inclusive Development (RAPID) Growth Project of DTI is a five-year project funded by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and it aims to stimulate agro-enterprise development in rural areas. Anchored on selected Value Chains, it adopts a whole-of-government approach in the delivery of services, expands economic opportunities, creates more agro-enterprises, particularly in the rural areas, and facilitates easy access to market, and technology transfer, financing, and other business development support services.

The Regional and Provincial Technical Engineers, conducted Site Validation, Inspection and Project Documentation of the following FMR Projects:

1. Concreting of NHJ Paghidaet –Maligaya (Kadi FMR) in Brgy. Kadi, Senator Ninoy Aquino, Province of Sultan Kudarat on April 14, 2023 ;
2. Concreting of Road from Calagumet-Calucob Farm to Market Road in Brgy. Sapu Masla, Province of Sarangani on April 11, 2023;
3. Concreting of Poblacion-Datu Agod Farm to Market Road in Brgy. Datu Agod, Antipas, Province of Cotabato on April 12, 2023;
4. Concreting of Sitio Bacalto to Sitio Mission Farm-to -Market Road,Barangay Sto. Niño, Bagumbayan, Province of Sultan Kudarat on April 19, 2023;
5. The two (2) additional Proposed Farm to Market Roads in the municipality of Matalam and Alamada, Cotabato Province on June 15 and 16, 2023.

Subsequently, the team interviewed the key officials involved in the project implementation and the project beneficiaries on their expectations and the impacts of the project especially on their economic and social growth.



PDMU Chief Engr. Herminia S. Ontoy and RAPID focal Person attended the regular Regional Technical Working Group (RTWG) meeting along with the RTWG Member Agencies, namely; DPWH XII, DOST XII, DENR XII, DA XII, DAR XII, and NEDA XII. To further fast-track the preparation of the technical documents of LGUs and to commence the procurement for FY 2023, the team also attended the First Batch training for the 5-day Farm-to-Market Infrastructure (FMI) Technical Documents Coaching/Cliniquing Session at the Waterfront Insular Hotel in Davao City on May 22-26, 2023.

The coaching session was conducted by the RAPID National Project Coordination Office (NPCO) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), PDMU XII Chief Engr. Ontoy and Engr. Kriszle Evardoni represented Rehiyon Dose.

All technical documents of the recipient LGUs were presented and reviewed by National Project Coordination Office (NPCO), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), and DILG to ensure that these are ready for the “No Objection No. 1 Issuance”. A workshop followed purposely for the review of the documents.

PRAISE AWARDS (GEMS)

The "Gems for DILG Dose Awarding Ceremony and Tribute to the Retirees" is a mirror image of the CapDev Ace Awards. The awardees of the various categories are the following:



The DILG Regional Management also added the Sustainability Award for this year, to give due recognition to the Hall of Famers (those who remained on top for the past 3 years and have managed to maintain their performance level).



Part of the awards night was a tribute to the three retirees, namely; Admin Assistant II Flaviana P. Surita from South Cotabato, LGOO VI Aida B. Garcia and Admin Aide IV Ibrahim E. Anking led by RD Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, CESO III, The regional management committee thanked the three retirees of DILG XII for their years of service. The GEMS Awards was conducted on April 28, 2023, at the Farm at Carpenter Hill, with the presence of USLG Marlo L. Iringan, the guest of honor and speaker.





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DILG Rehiyon Dose inks partnership with Mindanao State University - General Santos City for the Citizen Satisfaction Index System (CSIS)



DILG Rehiyon Dose and Mindanao State University – General Santos City formally signed the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), adding another significant milestone in the strategic partnership for the implementation of the CSIS program. Citizen Satisfaction Index System (CSIS) aims to contribute to the vision of the department that all local government units (LGUs), will become self-reliant,

development- centered, safe, peaceful, socially protective, business-friendly, environmentally protective as well as transparent, accountable, and participative. In scaling up local government performance in these areas, the department moves beyond excellence in the internal capacities of LGUs and upgrades to working on their capacities on how to effectively respond to the needs of the citizens who are the end users of the local services.

The Citizen Satisfaction Index System is a set of data tools designed to collect and generate relevant citizens’ feedback on the local government’s service delivery performance and on the citizens’ general satisfaction. It uses a mix of quantitative and qualitative research methods through face-to-face interviews with residents, randomly sampled from barangays of the target LGU.



For CY 2023-2028 the target LGUs are all Highly Urbanized Cities (HUC), comprising 12 HUCs across the country. For Region XII, we will have the LGU of General Santos City. One of the CSIS program partner implementers is the Local Resource Institutes (LRIs). Data gathering and interpreting

results will be performed by them because of their technical expertise in managing and conducting research. They are deemed to be politically neutral and effective in building rapport with citizens from different socio-demographic backgrounds. Since 2014, MSU General Santos City has already been an LRI partner in the implementation of the CSIS program covering the LGUs of Kiamba, General Santos City, and Koronadal City.



Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III, Regional Director signed the MOA on behalf of DILG XII and JD. Usman D. Aragasi, MPA, Acting Chancellor signed for MSU - Gensan. Also in attendance during the event were DILG XII ARD Lailyn A. Ortiz, CESO V; DILG Gensan CD. Rilimin H. Sandoval; LGMED Chief, Musarapha A. Alim, MPA; HUC Focal Person Rommelyn A. Damasco; VC for Academic Affairs. Dr. Mishell D. Lawas; VC for Research, Extension, and Innovation Dr. Jaime A. Namocatcat; VC for Planning and Development Prof. Sheila J. Loable; VC for Admin and Finance Ms. Nurleila G. Canacan, MPA; Extension Director Dr. Keno Jay M. Balogbog; Research Director Dr. Christine Dawn G. Obemio; Office of International Affairs Director. Prof. Beverly T. Garcia; University Registrar Prof. Tersa I. Castillo; Project Manager Prof. Berlita Disca; other staff from the DILG, and the rest of the faculty and staff from MSU-General Santos.

LOCALIZED NAP-PCVE MODULE ROLL-OUT TRAINING IN THE BARANGAYS CY 2023



The Department of the Interior and Local Government as head of the Executive Committee in the implementation of the National Action Plan on Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism (NAP-PCVE) and the lead agency in the implementation of the NAP on Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN), in coordination with the DPCVE partner agencies: the PNP, AFP, NICA and partner funding institution, the UNDP, conducted the Regional Rollout to 180 barangays regionwide. Part of its preparation was the conduct of the Localized NAP-PCVE Module Roll-out Training in the Barangays for CY 2023 last May 24-25, 2023 in Koronadal City, South Cotabato.



The activity was graced by DILG XII Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III. In her message, she warmly welcomed and thanked all the participants for their attendance to the Module Rollout. She acknowledged the efforts and support of the barangay officials in the implementation of the NAP-PCVE Module in this region. She then requested the participants to be involved and be serious in their workshop proper because their outputs will serve as the

basis of the PMO and higher LGUs in developing appropriate interventions on the security issues of their areas of responsibilities. She also highlighted the importance of converging the efforts of all stakeholders in peace and security so we can move towards the development aspect of our society.

The participants of the 2-day activity were Punong Barangays, Sangguniang Barangay Members (BPOC Chairpersons), and Chief Tanods of the target barangays in Region 12. The Roll-out provided the participants with necessary information on Security Situational Analysis, Legal Basis of Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism, Violent Extremist Groups (VEG) Recruitment, Building Resilience Against Extremism, and Community Anti-Terrorism Awareness (CATA).



Topics were discussed by the Resource Persons from the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), Philippine National Police (PNP) XII, Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism-Project Management Office (PCVE-PMO), and the DILG XII.

The AFP was represented by Major James Carl M Teaño, Executive Officer of the 6th ID, Philippine Army, while the PNP was represented by PLTCOL Badrudin P Esmael, Chief of Salaam Police Center, Eastern Mindanao Field Unit, DPCR, and PMAJ Mohammad Jihadi Abdelgafur, Deputy Chaplain Service of PRO 12. Joining the team from DILG XII was LGOO VI Ian Jon S. Clemente, Assistant Division Chief of the LGMED, and coming from the PCVE-PMO were Ms. Joan Hope B. Tolibas, Program Manager and Ms. Darlene C. Castro, Supervising Project Officer of the PCVE-PMO.

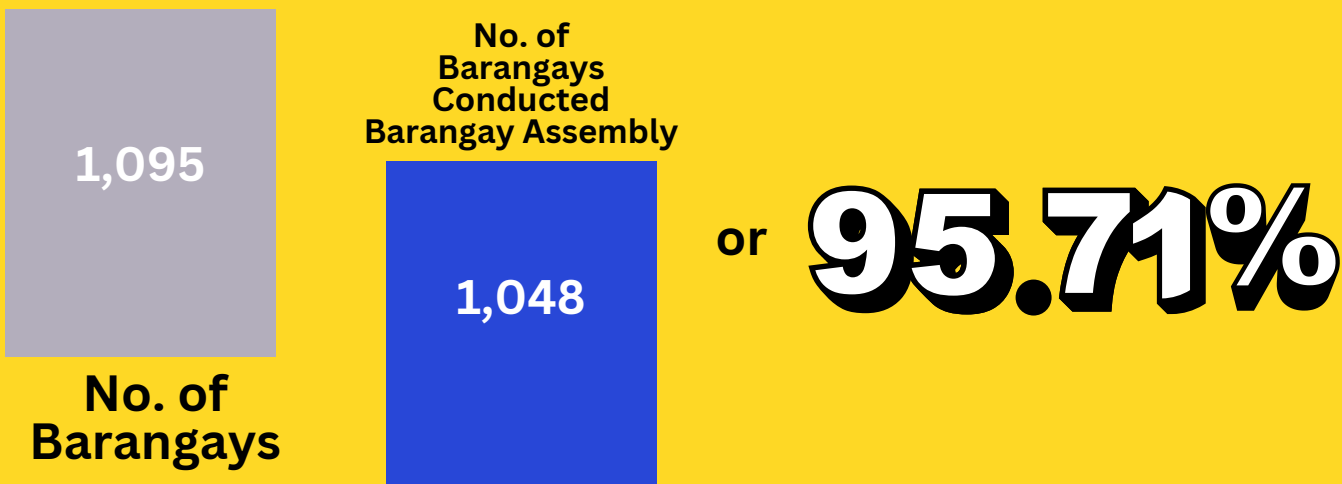
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Sustaining Participatory Governance through 1ST Semester Barangay Assembly Day for CY 2023

Section 397 of RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, mandates all barangays to conduct the Barangay Assembly Day twice a year to discuss reports, programs, activities, and concerns in the barangay.



The Barangay Assembly serves as the platform for discussion of the barangay officials and their constituents of the issues concerning, but not limited to, social services, peace and order, public safety, disaster risk reduction and management, environmental management, and economic growth and development. A State of Barangay Address (SOBA) shall be delivered highlighting the accomplishments, financial report, plans, projects, and newly-enacted ordinances, among others.



POC and ADAC Audit 2023



The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) holds an annual performance audit to all Anti-Drug Abuse Councils (ADACs) of provincial, city, and municipal levels across the country. This audit ensures the persistent involvement and effectiveness of local government units in the battle against illegal

drugs. As chairperson of the Anti-Drug Abuse Council Audit Team, DILG brings together the ADAC Provincial Audit Teams (APT) and ADAC Regional Audit Teams (ART) for the audit process. Tasked with assisting component cities and municipalities, the APT, and the ART, which focus on provinces and highly urbanized cities, are composed of representatives from the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), Philippine National Police (PNP), and civil society organizations (CSOs). Guided by DILG Memorandum Circular 2023-062 and the DILG – DDB Joint Memorandum Circular 2018-01, local ADACs are audited based on defined indicators of functionality and effectiveness.

During the performance audit held in Koronadal City on June 16, 2023, several PADACs underwent a comprehensive evaluation by the ART. These included the councils from Cotabato, Sarangani, South Cotabato, Sultan Kudarat and the CADAC of General Santos City was also assessed. Criteria included the organization of local ADACs, conduct of quarterly meetings, allocation of funds for anti-drug activities within the Peace and Order and Public Safety (POPS) Plan, implementation of ADAC plans and programs, support for component LGUs, and innovation.



Prior to the regional audit in June, a series of provincial audits took place in May 2023. These assessments were spearheaded by the Provincial Audit Teams (APT). Each APT is composed of provincial representatives from the DILG, PNP, PDEA, and two accredited CSO members. These teams carried out audits in the cities and municipalities within the 4 provinces of Region 12.



Sarangani Province
May 15-17, 2023



Cotabato Province -
May 18, 2023



South Cotabato Province
May 16-17 2023



Sultan Kudarat Province -
May 18-19

As we press forward in our collective fight against illegal drugs, these audits serve as a critical tool for evaluating our progress, acknowledging our successes, and identifying areas in need of enhancement. They form an integral part of our shared commitment to building a drug-free Region XII and ultimately, a drug-free Philippines.

RPOC XII 2nd quarter meeting CY 2023



The Regional Peace and Order Council successfully conducted its 2nd Quarter Meeting on June 27, 2023, at the Farm @ Carpenter Hill, City of Koronadal, South Cotabato.

The meeting was presided by the RPOC XII Chairperson, Hon. Reynaldo S. Tamayo, Jr., Governor, South Cotabato and was facilitated by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) XII headed by Regional Director Josephine Cabrido Leysa, CESO III as the head Secretariat with the support of technical staff.

The meeting was attended by 26 RPOC XII members coming from the PNP, AFP, various Regional Line Agencies and Local Government Units of Region XII. The status and issues on Peace and Order Situation of Region XII as of quarter were presented and discussed fourteen Resolutions were passed by the council on various aspects to wit:



- RPOC R12-13-2023 Expansion of GAD Seal Certification Implementation to the Private Sector
- RPOC R12-20-2023 BIDA Awards System
- RPOC R12-19-2023 BIDA AVP Display in Malls and Bus
- RPOC R12-18-2023 BIDA AVP Display in LED Walls
- RPOC R12-17-2023 BIDA Launching Sarangani
- RPOC R12-25-2023 Comprehensive Social Benefit Program
- RPOC R12-23-2023 Enhanced Comprehensive Local Integration Program
- RPOC R12-26-2023 FOOD Security
- RPOC R12-16-2023 AIRFARE
- RPOC R12-21-2023 PROJECT HORSE
- RPOC R12-24-2023 VAWC
- RPOC R12-15-2023 PRC Month
- RPOC R12-14-2023 Opening of Account
- RPOC R12-22-2023 Immunization



R12 Inter-Agency Monitoring Task Force concludes the CY 2023 LCAT-VAWC functionality assessment

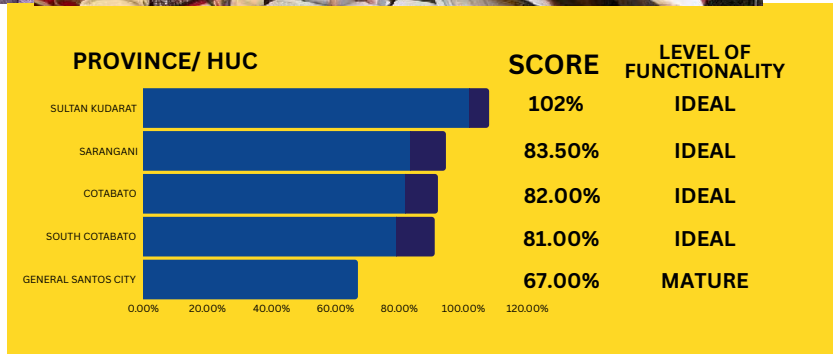
The Regional Inter-Agency Monitoring Task Force (RIMT), DILG Provincial and HUC Focal Persons, and select LCAT-VAWC secretariat converge on April 18, 2023 at DILG XII, Koronadal City for the Post Assessment of the CY 2023 Functionality Assessment of the Provincial/HUC Committee on Anti-Trafficking and Violence Against Women and Their Children.



In this meeting, the Provincial IMTs and CIACAT-VAWC Secretariat discussed their implementation status, final results, and issues or concerns on the assessment that was conducted last April 12-14, 2023 to the four (4) Provinces and one (1) Highly Urbanized City of the Region.



LGOO II Kimberly T. Tuanzon presented the commendable final ratings of the Provinces and HUC on the concluded assessment. All of the four provinces of Region 12 garnered the score of 80-102%, which is considered as the “IDEAL” Level of Functionality, while HUC Gensan garnered the score of 57-79% which is considered as “MATURE” Level of Functionality.



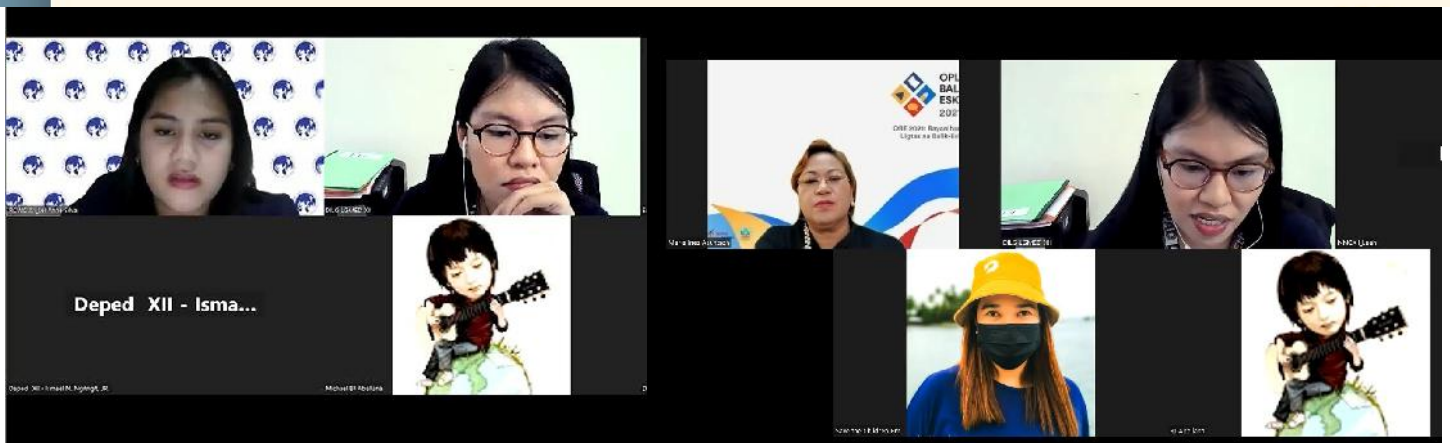
Pursuant to DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-006, this functionality assessment is conducted annually to the Local Committees on Anti-Trafficking and VAWC (LCAT-VAWC). It aims to coordinate and monitor the implementation of Republic Act No. 9208 (Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2003) and Republic Act No. 9262 (Anti-Violence Against Women and their Children Act of 2004). The four areas of concern are the Organization, Meetings, Policies, Plans and Budget, and the Accomplishments of the committee.



Meanwhile, DILG-DSWD-DOJ JMC No. 2010-01 provides the guidelines in the creation of the IMTs who will conduct the assessment and are composed of the representatives from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Department of Justice (DOJ), Department of Health (DOH), Philippine National Police (PNP) and a representative from non-government organization partner.

CFLGA RIMTF XII TABLE VALIDATION

May 16, 2023



The Child-friendly Local Governance Audit (CFLGA) Regional Inter-Agency Monitoring Task Force (RIMTF) from Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD XII), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA XII), Department of Education (DEPED XII), Department of Health (DOH XII), National Nutrition Council (NNC XII) and Save the Children conducted the CFLGA Table Validation last May 16, 2023, via Zoom Platform. The calibration activity was conducted to validate and verify Means of Verification that were uploaded to the web portal for submission of compilation of the reports to the national level. These reports are further examined by the national IMTF.

The Child Friendly Local Governance Audit (CFLGA) is used to evaluate how effective local governments are in promoting and defending the rights and general welfare of children. It tries to assess how far local governments have gone in putting child-friendly laws, initiatives, and services into place.

The audit covers the following Assessment Criteria:



Survival



Development



Participation



Protection



Governance

Local governments may find gaps and opportunities for development, create action plans, and track advancement over time by performing a Child Friendly Local Governance Audit. By properly integrating children's rights into local development plans and procedures, this assures that children's opportunities and well-being within the community will be improved.

TRAINING ON REENGINEERING OF LGU SYSTEMS AND PROCEDURES FOR PROVINCES

The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) XII, through the Local Government Capability Development Division (LGCDD), in coordination with the Bureau of Local Government Development (BLGD) and the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) conducted the Training on Reengineering of LGU Systems and Procedures for the Provincial Committee on Anti-Red Tape /Regulatory Reform Team (CART/RRT) members, on May 30-31, 2023 at the Paraiso Verde Hotel and Resort, City of Koronadal, South Cotabato.



The training served as an avenue to help local government units (LGUs) in the region to comply with the requirements under Section 5 of Republic Act No. 11032, otherwise known as Ease-of-Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery (EODB-EGSD) Act of 2018 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR). In general, improving the LGU Competitiveness and Ease-of-Doing Business (EODB) aims to enhance the local business environment for economic recovery, facilitate more investments, and generate more jobs by improving regulatory services and public services among LGUs, creating local enabling environment to encourage local investments, and encourage private sector investments in public sector infrastructure and services toward local economic development.

DILG XII Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa CESO III emphasized the importance of “Digital Strategy in improving the LGUs service delivery and to reduce the bureaucratic red tape and processing time.”



The resource persons for the training came from DILG-BLGD Central Office, Anti-Red Tape Authority and the DILG Provincial/City EODB Focal Persons. Twenty-eight active provincial CART/RRT members from the four provinces of Region XII attended the activity and they are expected to review their LGU’s systems and procedures and undergo evaluation and improvement of their transactions. If necessary, they need to reengineer the same to reduce bureaucratic red tape and processing time, in accordance with the provisions of ARTA on EODB-EGSD Act at their levels.

DILG REHIYON DOSE HOLDS TRAINING ON THE FORMULATION OF THE LOCAL INVESTMENT AND INCENTIVES CODE (LIIC) AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PLAN (WDP)

The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) XII, through the Local Government Capability Development Division (LGCDD), in partnership with the Bureau of Local Government Development (BLGD) and the Board of Investments (BOI) Davao- Extension, Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) XII, Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) XII and the Technical Education Skills and Development Authority (TESDA) XII conducted the Training on the Formulation of Local Investment and Incentives Code (LIIC) and Workforce Development Plan (WDP) on June 26-27, 2023 at the Viajera Dine and Café, City of Koronadal, South Cotabato. The training was designed for the Local Economic Development and Investment Promotions Officer (LEDIPO), Public Employment Service Office (PESO), Community Training and Employment Coordinator, SB Member Representative, Tourism Officer, Agriculture Officer, Private Sector Representative, MLGOO, and DILG EODB Provincial/City Focal Persons/Alternates.



Mary Ann R. Traspe, Assistant Division Chief of LGCDD presented the Overview of the Activity



Chief Jermie A. Erie-Yaeger of LGCDD representing the Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III thanked all the Resource Persons and LGU Participants during the Training



Dr. Gil M. Dureza, Chief, Board of Investments (BOI) Davao-Extension discussed the topics on “Investments Promotion and Inclusion of Mandanas Ruling on Investments and Understanding the Business Point of View of the Investors”



Ma. Theresa T. Chua, Chief, TIDS Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) XII shared the topics on “DTI’s Role and Responsibilities in the JMC and its Offering to SIBOL”



Christine B. Bernabe, Senior Labor and Employment Officer, Technical Support and Services Division, Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) XII discussed the topic on “DOLE Employment Facilitation Programs and Services”



Ruth L. Claver, Technical Education and Skills Development Specialist II/Regional Planning Officer, Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) XII talked about the topic on “TESDA’s Role and Responsibilities in the JMC and its Offering to SIBOL”

After the workshop was the presentation of draft Workforce Development Plan and Action Plan critiquing with the participants and training team. After the presentation and critiquing, the resource persons were then awarded with the Certificates of Appreciation and tokens in recognition of their efforts in equipping the participants. Subsequently, each participant received their Certificate of Completion for having managed to finish the training course.



DILG Rehiyon Dose personnel and staff had an information-loaded about the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act and PhilHealth KOnSulta Package as part of the Financial Literacy Program of DILG XII at the Wagi Hall, 3rd Floor Conference Hall of DILG XII on June 13, 2023, right after the regular Monday convocation. The orientation was attended by both plantilla and contract-of-service (COS) personnel of the DILG region XII. The resource persons, Ms. Acel Ann G. Seblos, Social Insurance Assistant II, Group Enrollment Program (GEP) Focal Person, and Ms. Aiza Grace M. Diaz, RN, Administrative Aide VI, KonSulta Point Person are from the Local Health Insurance Office (LHIO)-Koronadal City.



The resource speakers discussed and clarified issues and queries about the PhilHealth Konsulta package. They talked and shared about the coverage and preventive care package, including consultations, health risks screening and assessment, the 13 laboratory tests, and the 21 maintenance drugs and medicines. This activity provided all the personnel of DILG XII with a special opportunity to get updated about the benefit packages offered by PhilHealth.

During the program, the resource speakers also presented the steps for registration of the flagship program of PhilHealth, which is the Konsultasyong Sulit at Tama, or known as the KonSulta Package, and how to avail of its benefits. They then distributed PhilHealth Member Registration Forms (PMRF) and PhilHealth KonSulta Registration Forms (PKRF) and encouraged the participants to register and avail the various benefit packages. ARD Lailyn A. Ortiz, CESO V, on behalf of RD Josephine Cabrido-Leysa CESO III, thanked the guests for their time and eagerness to impart and freely share information pertaining to the KonSulta program, which is highly beneficial to all personnel. These programs are part of DILG Rehiyon Dose's culture which looks after the welfare of its personnel and staff, as embodied in its WELLCARE PROGRAM.



DILG Rehiyon Dose personnel and staff welcomes 'Pag-IBIG-filled' June with its Financial Literacy Program

DILG Rehiyon Dose's 3rd Floor Conference Hall (also known as the Wagi Hall) was flooded with "Pag-IBIG of a different kind" as the Regional Office delivers another round of its Financial Literacy Program on June 5, 2023 during the Regular Monday convocation.



Pag-IBIG Koronadal City Branch Head Engr. Marlon D. Barluado introduces his topic before DILG Rehiyon Dose crowd during its Financial Literacy Program

The lecture, which is a comprehensive orientation on Pag-IBIG MP2 Savings program, was attended by both plantilla and contract-of-service (COS) personnel of DILG XII.

Engr. Marlon D. Barluado, Pag-IBIG Koronadal City Branch Head provided a detailed discussion on the agency's various programs, provided updates and at the same time, encouraged the DILG XII employees to enroll in Pag-IBIG 2 and have their own savings account in Pag-IBIG MP2. Engr. Barluado also presented the topic on loans, specifically the Housing and Short-term loans, which can be availed of by the personnel.

He has also encouraged the attendees to apply for Pag-IBIG Loyalty Card after he introduced the partner institutions and business establishments that Pag-IBIG is in tie up with, to avail of discounts in their purchases or availment of services. DILG Rehiyon Dose has so far invited various agencies and entities, including its own pool of resource persons from within the Execom and Regional Staff, to share their own experiences during the previous Financial Literacy Sessions.

DILG XII Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III, says she has learned from her own financial struggles and experiences in the past and she wants to impart lessons to all so that we become more financially stable and have something during the 'rainy days.'

“ It is our way of sharing wisdom, especially to the young personnel who might not have decided or has not learned about making investments, saving for the future or managing their earnings ”

Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, CESO III
Regional Director, DILG Rehiyon Dose

Out of the 162 plantilla personnel of DILG Rehiyon Dose, 74 of them belong to the 25 to 45 age bracket, that's 45%. I guess there is more or less the same percentage of contract of service personnel as well. It is not the love month but we sure have brought a heavy rain of Pag-IBIG for all of our personnel.”



DILG Rehiyon Dose Execom headed by RD Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, CESO III gives the Plaque of Appreciation to Engr. Barluado



Refresher Course for DILG XII Drivers

The DILG XII Regional Management offered a Refresher Course for DILG XII Drivers at Paraiso Verde Resort, Koronadal City, South Cotabato on May 13, 2022. Fifteen DILG XII Drivers, including those who came from the Field Offices attended the activity together, with the Regional Director Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, CESO III, Assistant Regional Director Lailyn A. Ortiz, CESOV, CAO/Chief, FAD Dennis T. Socol, MPA, SAO Katherine M. Llano, MPA, AO III/OIC Chief, Maria Glema A. Talua-Bascos, ADAS III Merriam D. Sarmiento and ADAS II Marrielle Joyce S. Tuble, RPr.



The resource persons, namely, Supervising Human Resource Specialist of CSC XII Travis Ryan J. Delos Reyes and TESDA XII Mechanic I Aguila G. Ponce discussed various topics emphasizing the important roles of a government vehicle driver which include:

- Duties and Responsibilities of Government Drivers**
- Defensive Driving: Techniques, Road Courtesy and Safety/Handling of VIPs**
- Driving Light Vehicles and Implementing and Coordinating Accident-Emergency Procedures**
- Performing Shop Maintenance and a few more important pointers**

TESDA XII Mechanic I Aguila G. Ponce also supervised the hands-on activity on various routine check-ups, troubleshooting and maintenance skills that the drivers must know.



The course, according to the participants, helped them to be refreshed and has also highlighted the importance of equipping themselves. "Competency" will ensure that we become effective, trustworthy and reliable. As a result, we help ensure that we become part of the delivery of service excellence," says one driver. DILG XII, under the leadership of RD Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, CESO III has always given premium to capacity development to enhance the level of skills of our drivers.

"We entrust the lives of our officials, even my own life, visitors and personnel to these drivers and giving them updates and refresher courses are just the right thing to do."

Josephine Cabrido- Leysa, CESO III
Regional Director, DILG Dose



With the numerous tasks & innovations introduced by DILG XII, drivers have been given the great responsibility of taking care of the Department's officials, from the Secretary down to the other bureau officials, RDs and other personnel who visit the region for various activities.

"In DILG XII, drivers are our super heroes." - RD Josephine Cabrido-Leysa CESO III

DILG SOUTH COTABATO SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCTS MSAC ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AND MOU SIGNING



The Multistakeholders Advisory Committee (MSAC) of South Cotabato successfully held its organizational meeting and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signing on June 26, 2023, at Viajera Dine and Café in the City of Koronadal.

The highlight of the gathering was the signing of the MOU by the 14 MSAC members, including prominent organizations such as DILG South Cotabato, NAPOLCOM XII, DICT XII, PNP South Cotabato, PDEA South Cotabato, Mahintana Foundation, Inc., 5th Special Forces, NDMU, LMP South Cotabato, LnB South Cotabato, League of Local Planning and Development Coordinators of South Cotabato, South Cotabato Foundation Inc., Sultan Energy Philippines Corp, Daguma Agro Mineral Inc., and the South Cotabato Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management

Officers Association. Everyone also witnessed the selection of MSAC Chair Hon. Leonard T. Escobillo, RN, LMP President, and Vice Chair MPDC of LGU Sto. Niño Bryan F. De Eyoj.



During the meeting, proposed members of the four sub-committees were presented and moderated by sub-LGRRC Focal Person Ms. Chrysanthea Zorilla. This session allowed for constructive discussions and the selection of individuals who would contribute their expertise and knowledge to the respective sub-committees.



The DILG South Cotabato expressed its gratitude to the Regional Management, led by RD Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III, and ARD Lailyn Ortiz, CESO V, for their unwavering support and guidance, which contributed to the success of this significant event. The collaborative efforts of the MSAC partners are expected to drive positive change and progress in South Cotabato.

DILG SARANGANI JOINS THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF SARANGANI IN CELEBRATING THE 125TH PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY

June 12, 2023 | The Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) Sarangani Provincial Office led by Provincial Director Samuel Camaganacan joins the Provincial Government of Sarangani in commemorating the 125th Anniversary of Philippine Independence with the theme "Kalayaan, Kinabukasan, Kasaysayan" by holding a flag-raising ceremony and wreath-laying to pay tribute to the country's heroes. This solemn event was attended by National Agencies, Government officials, employees, and military personnel.



In his message, Governor Rogelio D. Pacquiao emphasized the importance of the country's independence. He recognized the sacrifices of the country's past and present heroes who fought for the Philippines' freedom and sovereignty and urged Filipinos to continue working together towards a better tomorrow.

#DugongSarangani ParaSa Tanan: DILG's Bloodletting Campaign in Celebration of Women's Month

March 28, 2023 - The DILG Sarangani Provincial Office organized a Bloodletting Activity in coordination with the Philippine Red Cross to culminate the 2023 Women's Month Celebration. The activity has an overwhelming response from donors. Volunteers from the Philippine National Police (PNP), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), Department of Environmental and Natural Resources (DENR),



Primasia Foundation College Incorporated (PFCI), and representatives from neighboring LGUs queued up to contribute their blood to yield a total of 32 pints of blood which could potentially help at least 96 lives.



The Philippine Red Cross took strict measures to ensure the safety of donors while administering the collection of blood. The DILG assisted throughout the activity and provided snacks for the donors. Through their donations, volunteers have reaffirmed the vital role they play in strengthening camaraderie to help and save lives.

#DILG SARANGANI visits FY 2022 RLIP Infrastructure Projects of the Provincial and Municipal Local Government Units of Sarangani

In a move to ensure the safety and quality of infrastructure projects across the province, the Department of Interior and Local Government -- Project Development and Monitoring Unit (DILG-PDMU) recently conducted an inspection and Monitoring Operation of the pilot projects under the Results-Based Monitoring and Evaluation (RBME) of LGU Infrastructure Projects (RLIP) on March 23-24, 2023. During the inspection, teams visited several infrastructure programs across the LGUs of Sarangani Province, on various project to include Footbridges, Streetlights, Farm-to-Market Roads, and Multi Purpose Buildings, where they conducted thorough evaluation of the projects' progress and adherence to standards and specifications of LGUs.



These projects were chosen to be the pilot projects enrolled by the LGU in the SubayBAYAN Portal. The RLIP program aims to improve tracking of outcomes for infrastructure initiatives funded by LGUs, with the goal of promoting transparency and accountability at every level. Overall, the DILG-PDMU Sarangani expressed satisfaction with the progress of the projects and

the level of compliance of the LGUs in Sarangani. The DILG has reassured the public that it will continue to monitor and inspect all infrastructure projects until their completion to ensure they meet the highest standards of safety, quality, and sustainability.

DILG-SULTAN KUDARAT GEARS UP THE 2023 SEAL OF GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE ASSESSMENT AT COMPONENT LGUS OF COTABATO PROVINCE.

The Department of the Interior and Local Government-Sultan Kudarat Regional Assessment Team go over the documents and certifications presented by the component LGUs of Cotabato Province in view of the Seal of Good Local Governance Awards for 2023. The assessment and validation commenced last June 20, 2023 until July 14, 2023 which covers 10 governance areas namely; Financial Sustainability and Administration, Disaster Preparedness, Social Protection and Sensitivity, Health Compliance and Responsiveness, Sustainable Education, Business Friendliness and Competitiveness, Safety, Peace, and Order, Environmental Management, Tourism Heritage Development, Culture and Arts, and Youth Development. The LGU needs to pass these areas in order to be qualified for the most coveted SGLG Awards.



The DILG SK regional assessment team was headed by Outcome Manager Augustus T. Tabugo together with LGOO V Alex Nathan C. Garcia, LGOO II Louigie B. Lopez-Elizaga and LRI Partner from SKSU Dr. Siony S. Brunio who did the rigorous task in assessing and assisting the LGUs as they walk towards reaching the SGLG Award. The SEAL OF GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE is pursuant to Republic Act. No. 11292 that aims to provide incentive, honor and recognition for LGUs and encourages the continuing commitment of LGUs to continually progress and improve their performance to promote good governance.



GOVERNANCE EXEMPLARS FOR MEANINGFUL SERVICE FOR SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN (GEMS FOR SK) PEDERASYON ASSESSMENT FOR SULTAN KUDARAT PROVINCE



The DILG-Sultan Kudarat in coordination with the Provincial Youth Development Office conducts the first ever SK Pederasyon GEMS Assessment last June 16-17, 2023, at Dolores Lake Resort, Lake Sebu, South Cotabato. The activity was participated by SK Federation Presidents, other SK Officers and their respective LYDOs coming from component LGUs of the province.

Pursuant to DILG Regional Memorandum Circular No. 2023-08, all SK Federations of municipal, city and provincial levels will be assessed based on the indicators of the GEMS Award System.

Out of 12 component LGUs, 3 SK Pederasyon got the High Functional Status and were also endorsed for regional validation particularly the SK Pederasyon of Isulan, Bagumbayan and Esperanza. The Provincial Monitoring and Evaluation Team (PMET) was headed by LGOO V Alex Nathan C. Garcia of DILG-Sultan Kudarat and Co-Chaired by LYDO Christine C. Camzar, RSW together with Ms. Joan Jurao from Provincial Budget Office, Ms. Jeany Morales from Provincial Accounting office and Ms. Joylyn Marato from SKAYO. The PMET examined all the documents presented and conducted interviews to check the veracity of data presented.

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