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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS AND MUNICIPAL MAYORS,
DILG-ARMM REGIONAL GOVERNOR, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND
OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : CELEBRATION OF THE DEVELOPMENT POLICY RESEARCH MONTH EVERY
SEPTEMBER OF EACH YEAR

Per Presidential Proclamation No. 247 dated September 2, 2002, the month of September of every year is declared as **Development Policy Research Month (DPRM)**, to provide a means of promoting and drawing nationwide awareness on the importance of policy research in national development. The theme for this year's DPRM celebration: "*Angkop na Kahandaan: Matatag na Ekonomiya at Lipunan* (with English version, "*Investing in Risk Reduction for a Resilient Philippines*"), will highlight the need for in-depth reflections and analyses of resilience building, risk reduction and structural transformation, and the role of appropriate policy interventions in building the country's resilience to various economic, environmental, political and social risks and stresses.

In this connection, all Provincial Governors, City Mayors and Municipal Mayors are enjoined to participate in this year's DPRM celebration and extend their support by way of:

1. Prominently displaying the DPRM banner/streamer (downloadable from this URL: <http://dirp4.pids.gov.ph/websiteteams/CDN/GALLERY/DPRM2016-streamer.zip>),
2. Featuring announcements about the DPRM and its theme in their various publications or dissemination outlets as well as in their websites, and
3. Organizing activities or events that may be relevant to the theme or to policy research.

For any related activity/event, please inform Ms. Gizelle Manuel through gmanuel@mail.pids.gov.ph (copy to Ms. Necy Aquino at naquino@mail.pids.gov.ph) for inclusion of such activity/event in the List of Events for the 2016 DPRM celebration, to be posted on the DPRM website, which will run throughout the months of September, October and November 2016, together with a number of fora and other activities to be organized by the PIDS.

All DILG Regional Directors and the DILG-ARMM Regional Governor are also directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular within their respective jurisdictions.

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Secretary

