



Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES
REGION XII

**EXCERPTS FROM THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REGIONAL INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR
THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES (RIATF-EID) XII VIRTUAL
MEETING OF THE HELD ON MAY 27, 2020 9:00 A.M. IN REGION 12**

PRESENT:

HON. ISIDRO LAPEÑA, CSEE, PH.D.	-	Secretary, TESDA XII/CORDS for Region 12
LINA SARMIENTO	-	Deputy Director General, TESDA
JOSEPHINE CABRIDO-LEYSA, CESO III	-	Regional Director, DILG XII/Chairperson, RIATF-EID XII
ARISTEDES CONCEPCION TAN, MD	-	Regional Director, DOH-CHD XII/Co-Chairperson, RIATF-EID XII
ARLENE R. BISNON	-	Asst. Regional Director, DOLE XII
ARMIN H. HAUTEA	-	Regional Director, DOT XII
ALIMBZAR P. ASUM	-	Asst. Director, DICT Mindanao Cluster 3
MACARIO D. GONZAGA	-	Regional Director, LTO XII
PCOL ERNESTO V TENDERO, JR	-	DRDO, PNP-PRO XII
COL STEVE D CRESPILO	-	ADC, 6 TH ID, PA, AFP
TERESITA SOCCORO C. RAMOS	-	Regional Director, NEDA XII
FLORA POLITUD-GABUNALES, CESO V	-	Regional Director, DTI XII
ALLAN G. FARNAZO, CESO IV	-	Regional Director, DepEd XII
DONNA MAYOR-GORDOVE	-	Asst. Regional Director, DENR XII
JEANY T. TEDERA	-	Regional Director, DOF-BLGF XII
AKMAD J. USMAN	-	Regional Director, DBM XII
CEZARIO JOEL C. ESPEJO	-	Regional Director, DSWD XII
ARLAN M. MANGELEN	-	Regional Exec. Director, DA XII
MAHMUD L. KINGKING	-	Regional Director, DOST XII
CATHERINE T. APELACIO	-	Regional Director, PIA XII
BASIR M. IBRAHIM	-	Regional Director, DPWH XII
JOCELYN C. SANTOCELDES	-	Regional Director, CHED XII
MARY ANN V. LUCERO	-	Regional Head, PMS XII
RAFAEL Y. ABROGAR II	-	Regional Director, TESDA XII
FROILAN B. JAMIAS	-	Regional Director, NTC XII
LAILYN A. ORTIZ, CESO V	-	Asst. Regional Director, DILGXII / Head Secretariat, RIATF-EID XII
NILO J. GEROCHE	-	Director, DOE Mindanao Field Office
COL POTENCIANO CAMBA	-	1002 nd BDE, 10 TH ID, PA, AFP
ENGR. DIEGO LAGUNA	-	Representative, OCD XII

ABSENT:

ATTY. SERVILLANO SANTIAGO LORENZO III - DOJ -PAO XII

PAOLO CARLO A TIONGSON - Cmdr., PCG-General Santos City

GUESTS:

HON. REYNALDO S. TAMAYO, JR. - Governor, South Cotabato
HON. NANCY A. CATAMCO - Governor, Province of Cotabato
HON. STEVE C. SOLON - Governor, Sarangani
HON. RONNEL C. RIVERA - City Mayor, General Santos City
EDWIN MATEO P. QUIJANO - Regional Director, POPCOM XII
DR. PHIL MALALUAN - LGU – Province of Cotabato
ATTY. MICHELLE ANNE VIEJO - Legal Officer, DILG XII
ENGR. DARWIN GALANG - DOE, MFO

RESOLUTION NO. 002-2020

RESOLUTION CONCURRENCE THE DECLARATION OF 4 PROVINCES, HUC GENERAL SANTOS AND ICC COTABATO TO RETAIN ITS GCQ STATUS FROM JUNE 1-30, 2020 SUBJECT TO NIATF APPROVAL

WHEREAS, IATF Resolution No. 29 s. 2020 dated April 27, 2020 recommended all **low-risk and moderate-risk areas in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao** shall be placed under General Community Quarantine starting May 1, 2020 to May 15, 2020. LGUs of Region XII was classified as low-risk areas;

WHEREAS, on April 30, the President issued Executive Order No. 112 that provides authority to LGUs to impose, lift or extend Community Quarantine. It states that “Beginning May 16, 2020, all decisions to impose, lift or extend a community quarantine in provinces, HUCs and ICCs shall rest with the IATF”

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 35-A s. 2020 provides for the clarification and/or amendments to Resolution No. 35 s. 2020 issued on May 11, 2020 that “Beginning 16 May 2020, provinces, HUCs, ICCs classified as low-risk based on their risk level shall be placed under general community quarantine (GCQ)”;

WHEREAS, during the meeting of the NTF COVID 19 Chair & Chief Implementer, Secretary Carlito Galvez, Jr and Deputy Chief Implementer, Usec. Vivencio Dizon with the Governors, City Mayor of General Santos and select member agencies of the RIATF-EID XII last May 26, 2020, it was discussed that the Local Chief Executives can submit their appeals to RIATF-EID XII to retain the General Community Quarantine status of their LGUs for consideration of the NIATF based on the actual assessment of health risks of their respective communities;

WHEREAS, the letters of the appeals of the LCEs for the retention of their respective LGUs status to GCQ revealed the following: there were only 1,500 Rapid Test Kits distributed per province and HUC GenSan which is not enough to cover the whole of Region XII; Cotabato Regional Medical Center (CRMC) can only cater

72 tests per day with 7 days waiting period prior to release of RT-PCR test result. It also caters to Region 12 and BARMM, according to DOH-CHD XII; Dr. Arturo P. Pingoy Medical Center (DAPPMC) is still on Stage 3 of its accreditation process and the GeneXpert Diagnostic Machine is scheduled to be delivered sometime next week as committed by BCDA Usec. Vivencio Dizon while DAPPMC Medical Personnel will still undergo proficiency training prior to the full operation of the DAPPMC Testing Facility for a couple of days/weeks; Contact Tracing Systems (StaySafe.ph System and South Cotabato Covid-19 Contact Tracing System -SCCCT) is not fully in-place; Proximity to Maguindanao Province, which is a land-locked province inside Region 12 where there have been 12 additional COVID-19 cases; and influx of Returning Overseas Filipinos (ROFs) and Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs) from across the country to the Region which is a threat to possible resurgence of cases in the Region;

WHEREAS, upon thorough deliberation, the RIATF-EID XII agreed to concur the appeals of the 4 provinces, HUC General Santos and ICC Cotabato given the foregoing premise;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of RD TERESITA SOCORRO C. RAMOS of NEDA XII and duly seconded by RD BASIR M. IBARAHIM of DPWH XII; **BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to Concur the Declaration of 4 Provinces, HUC General Santos and ICC Cotabato to Retain its GCQ Status from June 1-30, 2020 subject to NIATF Approval;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the National Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-EID) thru the IATF Screening and Validation Committee and National Task Force on COVID-19 for favorable action, and members of the RIATF XII, RTF COVID-19 and LCEs of Region 12 for their information.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED: May 27, 2020 in Region 12.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY as to the appropriateness of the foregoing Resolution.


LAILYN A. ORTIZ, CESO V
Assistant Regional Director, DILG XII &
Head Secretariat, RIATF-EID XII

Approved:


JOSEPHINE CABRIDO-LEYSA, CESO III.
Regional Director, DILG XII/
Chairperson, RIATF-EID XII
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