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**Province of South Cotabato:
ABANSE SOUTH COTABATO!**

Sec. Mar Roxas Confers 2015 SGLG Award to 8 LGUS in Region XII

Interior and Local Government Secretary Mar Roxas recently conferred the 2015 Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) award to 8 local government units (LGUs) in the region.

In a formal ceremony hosted by DILG XII at FB Hotel, Koronadal City, said prestigious award was conferred to South Cotabato Province and the municipalities of Magpet, Mlang, and Tulunan in North Cotabato; Bagumbayan and Columbio in Sultan Kudarat; Sto. Nino in South Cotabato; and Kiamba in Sarangani.

"We are here to recognize you and help you implement what is right, what is true and what is good to the people of Mindanao because your success is the national

government's success. There is no national government's success without the success of the LGUs," Roxas said during his congratulatory speech.

DILG XII Regional Director Reynaldo M. Bungubung, CESO IV also emphasized that the ceremony's purpose is to give much deserved recognition to the LGUs that raised the bar of good governance and excellence in providing services to the people of the region.

DILG XII also turned over the Performance Challenge Fund (PCF) checks worth P3 million to each of the seven Municipal SGLG awardees and P7 million to the provincial government of South Cotabato.

The SGLG award originated from the Seal of Good Housekeeping program introduced by the late DILG Secretary Jesse Robredo in 2010, which aimed to recognize the LGUs in their proper practice of transparency and diligence in compliance with the Anti-Red Tape Act.

DILG launched the SGLG in January 2014 to recognize the LGUs that display good governance while providing better services to the people.

This award also encourages LGUs to bring in investment and employment through business-friendliness and competitiveness; protection of their constituents from threats to life and security; and safeguarding the integrity of the environment.

"South Cotabato imprints in the region through its varied positive approaches in uplifting the economic well-being of its people. We in the provincial government may have proven our commitment and dedication to public service as evidenced by the many awards we have garnered but we do not rest on our laurels. We strive to go beyond what is expected of us to sustain the pace of progress that we have set." – Hon. Daisy P. Avance-Fuentes, Governor

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**Municipality of Magpet, Cotabato:
USWAG MAGPET!**

"I encourage all Magpeteños to be consistently involved in the programs set by the municipal government. Let us all shout with pride, Uswag Magpet! Kaya natin 'to!" – Hon. Florenito M. Gonzaga, Mayor

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Municipality of Tullunan, Cotabato: Banwa Ta, Amligan Ta!

Components of the Seal Met by the LGU:

Core Components:

1. Good Financial Housekeeping
2. Disaster Preparedness
3. Social Protection

Essential Components:

4. Business-Friendliness and Competitiveness
5. Peace and Order
6. Environmental Management

The Local Government of Tullunan underwent huge reforms on its system and structure while consistently asserting for strict compliance to government rules

and policies and the integration of Participation, Accountability, Responsibility and Transparency (PART) in all aspects of governance.

"The present administration calls for the continued support of its constituents and stakeholders and for the persistence and enthusiasm of the present and future officials of the municipality. It is my aspiration that even beyond my term, the fruits of reforms and transformation that I have long started with the constituents will be sustained and even continue to grow in order to withstand all bending circumstances that may impede the quest for peace and development"

– Hon. Lani Sarillo-Candolada, Mayor



Municipality of Columbio, Sultan Kudarat: Sumisibol, Masaganang Bayan!

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"I truly commend all the efforts done by the catalysts of good governance in their way of properly implementing programs to attain its objective of providing accountable and efficient frontline services to the constituents. I believe that the continuous desire of our people for a more transparent government can be achieved through the collaboration of our local government and private sectors."

– Hon. Amir M. Musali, Mayor

Municipality of M'lang, Cotabato: Go M'lang, Rise and Shine

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Core Components:

1. Good Financial Housekeeping
2. Disaster Preparedness
3. Social Protection

Essential Components:

4. Business-Friendliness and Competitiveness
5. Peace and Order
6. Environmental Management

The M'lang CeC Center has produced 363 graduates for ladderized courses in information technology and provided a basic knowledge about information technologies to almost 2,000

grassroots women (and still in counting), 126 trained for livelihood and entrepreneurship from the informal sectors. It is the Center of Excellence to the Out-of-School Youth and able-bodied constituents of the municipality.

"Much has been done and more rooms for improvement, but challenge is to provide priority to the "less-privileged sectors" in the Municipality, become the haven for investment, peace and order (maintain and sustain its stability) and we shall not stop working for the betterment of our people and for the future"

– Hon. Joselito G. Piñol, Mayor



Municipality of Bagumbayan, Sultan Kudarat: Katawhay Bagumbayan!

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Core Components:

1. Good Financial Housekeeping
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Essential Component:

4. Peace and Order

The municipality is known for having a nationwide model birthing home. It also has a Bahay Dalangpan for battered and raped

women, which is one of its kind in Sultan Kudarat. Its functional Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction Management (MDRRM) plan also serves as model plan for the whole province.

"I work with the united Bagumbayanons to promote and practice peaceful co-existence as the municipal government continues to provide avenues for orderly settlement of disputes. We are one in saying, Katawhay (peaceful) Bagumbayan!"

– Hon. Bernardita R. Bito-onon, Mayor





Municipality of Sto. Niño: ASENSO STO. NIÑO!

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The municipal government strictly regulates the use of plastic bags to prevent potential serious ecological imbalance by encouraging the use of alternative

packaging materials such as woven bags (bayong), cloth bags (katsa), paper bags and other similar materials such as banana and taro leaves. It also actively promotes the Bring Your Own Bag (BYOB) program.

"We commend and appreciate the DILG for its efforts to recognize the little things we contribute to nation building. The challenge is for us to continue the good governance practices while providing better public services, prepare for the challenges posed by disaster and address the needs of the vulnerable and marginalized sectors of the society."

– Hon. Antonio F. Damandaman, Sr., Mayor



« Municipality of Magpet, Cotabato: USWAG MAGPET! (cont.)

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« Province of South Cotabato: ABANSE SOUTH COTABATO! (cont.)



Municipality of Kiamba, Sarangani: PAHAYAHAY TA SA KIAMBA!

Components of the Seal Met by the LGU:

Core Components:

1. Good Financial Housekeeping
2. Disaster Preparedness
3. Social Protection

Essential Components:

4. Peace and Order
5. Environmental Management

The municipality exudes "Kiambayanihan" spirit where the people are united and work together harmoniously, capsulized in its annual festival dubbed as "Timpuyog", an Ilocano term for unity and harmony.

"Kiamba continues to work hard, hand in hand in keeping the municipality a progressive, beautiful and harmonious place to live in."

– Hon. Raul C. Martinez, Mayor



Other recent notable accomplishments include the 2015 Galing Pook Awards for its Minahang Bayan: Small Scale Mining Program and The Friendly Drugs: A Public-Private Partnership (PPP) on Health Plus Project.

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*Coming together is a beginning.
Keeping together is progress.
Working together is success.*
~Henry Ford

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Secretary Mar Roxas with the men and women of DILG XII who took part in the occasion