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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
MIMAROPA Region

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DIR. MA. LOURDES G. FERRER, CESO III
Regional Director
DENR MIMAROPA

Dear **RD Ferrer**:

Greetings!

The Supreme Court, in *Mandanas, et al. v. Executive Secretary, et al.* (G.R. Nos. 199802 and 208488), held that all collections of national taxes, except those accruing to special purpose funds and special allotments for the utilization and development of the national wealth, should be included in the computation of the base of the just share of LGUs.

The substantial increase in the shares of the Local Government Units (LGUs) from the national taxes will empower the LGUs in providing basic services and facilities to their constituents, and aid them in the effective discharge of other duties and functions devolved to them under Section 17 of the Local Government Code of 1991.

Relatedly, on June 1, 2021, Pres. Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Executive Order No. 138 - Full Devolution of Certain Functions of the Executive Branch to Local Governments, Creation of a Committee on Devolution, and for other Purposes, which provides guidance in implementing the Mandanas Ruling and Full Devolution (FD).

The said EO also mandates the preparation of Devolution Transition Plans (DTPs) by national government agencies (NGAs) and local government units (LGUs) to facilitate transition towards full devolution starting FY 2022.



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To guide LGUs in the preparation of their DTPs, the Department facilitated the conduct of a two-day National Orientation last July 29-30. Taking off from this orientation, sub-national level activities are set to be conducted to cascade guidance and facilitate coaching of LGUs.

In view of the foregoing, we would like to invite your Devolution Transition Plan Focal Person/s to attend the **DTP Regional Roll-out Preparatory Meeting** on **August 2, 2021** at **2PM** via **Zoom**.

The meeting details are provided as follows:

Quick Link: https://bit.ly/DTP_PrepMeeting

Meeting ID: 854 9971 1760

Passcode: 114608

We look forward to collaborating with you, in the pursuit of genuine and meaningful local autonomy.

Thank you and more power.

Respectfully,

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