

## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT MIMAROPA REGIONAL OFFICE

November 3, 2021

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Regional Director DENR MIMAROPA Roxas Boulevard, Manila

## Dear Director Ferrer:

This is with reference to the conduct of the **2021 DAGYAW Virtual Town Hall Meeting** in the MIMAROPA Region.

DAGYAW, as you may know, is a Hiligaynon word that directly translates to mean "**togetherness**". The term exemplifies the Filipino spirit of "**bayanihan**" and aims to provide a venue wherein citizens and their government can come together to engage in dialogue.

Since 2018, the Participatory Governance Cluster (PGC) of the Cabinet has been spearheading annual and regional town hall meetings attended by groups and individuals from government and non-government sectors. At the national level, the town halls are spearheaded by DILG, PCOO and DBM as conveners.

In 2019, these town hall meetings were re-launched as DAGYAW: Open Government and Participatory Governance Town Hall Meetings. The first DAGYAW in the MIMAROPA Region was conducted in Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro in 2019.

Because of the threat posed by the COVID-19 Pandemic in 2020, the DAGYAW Town Hall Meetings were held virtually. DAGYAW 2020 had prioritized the following issues for discussions: (1) Status of COVID-19 Cases in MIMAROPA; and (2) Impact of the Pandemic to the following: (a) Economic Condition in the region; (b) Job and Livelihood; (c) Food Security and Agriculture; and (d) Tourism and Environment.

For 2021, the theme of DAGYAW is "IMPROVING SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN LOCAL SERVICE DELIVERY." DAGYAW 2021 will continue to be held virtually and shall focus on topics surrounding local service delivery, in the context of the COVID-19 Recovery Efforts of the country, as well as the changes being implemented under the SC ruling on the Mandanas-Garcia Case. In particular, DAGYAW 2021 in the MIMAROPA Region shall conduct two (2) Episodes and will revolve around the discussions on the following:

Date	Time	Topic
EPISODE 1		Usapang Devolved Functions
November 24, 2021	8:00 AM - 12:20 PM	Usapang Kalusugan
EPISODE 2		Usapang Turismo at Trabaho
December 1, 2021	8:00 AM - 12:15 PM	2. Usapang Renewable Energy

In view of the above, we would like to invite you and/or your representative to participate in the 2021 DAGYAW Virtual Town Hall Meeting. Attached to this letter is a copy of the tentative Programme of Activities for Episodes 1 and 2.

To register, kindly click on the following link:

## Episode 1:

bit.ly/DagyawMIMAROPA2021episode1

## Episode 2:

bit.ly/DagyawMIMAROPA2021episode2

For any questions or concerns, you may also get in touch with the DAGYAW Regional Technical Working Group (RTVVG) in DBM MIMAROPA via email at dbm\_ro4b@dbm.gov.ph or mobile/Viber through 09178947704/09159210538.

We look forward to your favorable response to this invitation and continued support as we promote our shared good governance goals towards sustaining meaningful open government partnerships. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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