May 26, 2021

Ma. Lourdes G. Ferrer, CESO III Regional Director Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Region 4B

Dear Sir,

The Government Policy and Procurement Board, reiterated in CIRCULAR 01-2021 issued on 4 March 2021 with the subject line - Transparency, Accountability and Good Governance in the Procurement Process reminds all Procuring Entities (PEs) to abide by transparency and accountability requirements under the Republic Act (RA) No. 9184 and its 2016 revised IRR, the General Appropriations Act (GAA), Resolutions issued by the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) and other relevant laws, rules and regulations. Training on the use of PhilGEPS which is the primary source and repository of information on government procurement is a requirement that members of BAC members, Secretariat and TWG must be adept with.

In the past, PHILGEPS Training all over the country had been conducted via in-person or face-to-face classes. As PHILGEPS's training partner and provider, **E-BLACKBOARDS LEARNING and SOLUTIONS, Inc. (EBLSI)** came up with the *tried and tested solutions* for **online** training on the use of PHILGEPS which we have been implementing *productively* and *efficiently* since July 2020, and is facilitated and anchored by Certified PHILGEPS Trainers from different procurement entities nationwide, using platforms such as Zoom and Google Meet that mirror the usual 2-days sessions we used to deliver and complemented by the PHILGEPS Learning Management System for tutorial guidance on system use.

We are thus, writing to invite your <u>BAC members, Secretariat and Technical Working Group</u> to attend the **PhilGEPS Training for Phase 1**. Since classes will be purely virtual, participants from a confirmed class can consist of procurement officers from different procuring entities in various regions, which will open opportunities for information exchange and sharing of experiences in procurement.

Below are the schedules for the month, which will be on a first confirmed-first served basis:

Month	Tentative Dates
	JUNE 9-10, 2021
JUNE	JUNE 14-15, 2021   JUNE 16-17, 2021   JUNE 18-19, 2021
JUNE	JUNE 21-22, 2021   JUNE 23-24, 2021   JUNE 25-26, 2021
	JUNE 28-29, 2021

Trainings are to be held for two (2) days. Kindly accomplish the attached confirmation form which require a list of your participants. Training Fee is **Php2,000.00** per participant (inclusive of VAT). Please make check payment for the account of **E-Blackboards Learning and Solutions Inc.**, the only authorized PHILGEPS training provider.

For inquiries and/or clarification, please contact us by email at <u>jdesales@e-blackboards.com</u> or by telefax at (02) 7728-6883 or you may get in touch via mobile phone number 09366430483. You may likewise check our website <a href="https://e-blackboards.com">https://e-blackboards.com</a> - your additional gateway for training registration.

We hope to see you soon in one of our trainings!

Very truly yours,

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