

DENR GAD AGENDA 2022-2027

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GAD STRATEGIC MANDATE

The Gender and Development (GAD) program of the Department of the Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) subscribes to and actively carries out its mandate according to at least three development plans: The Philippine Development Plan (2017-2022), the Philippine Plan for Gender-Responsive Development (1995-2025), and Agenda 2030 of the United Nations.

As a program of DENR, GAD contributes to the implementation of DENR's overall mandate, mission and development goals (see box). Apart from this, the Philippine Development Plan (2017-2022) mandates DENR to lead in ensuring ecological integrity and a clean and healthy environment for Filipinos, and to work towards improvements in the socio-economic conditions of resource-based communities.

In accordance also with the Philippine Plan for Gender-responsive Development (PPGD), 1995-2025, DENR's GAD program seeks to ensure "full participation of women in the promotion of sustainable development and that women equally enjoy and benefit from the fruits of ENR development and management."

Lastly, the Philippines being a signatory of the United Nation's Agenda 2030, the GAD program of DENR also works to realize the country's international commitments through contributing to the attainment of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) by 2030, most especially SDG 5 which calls for gender equality and empowerment of women and girls. The GAD program of DENR sees SDG 5 as cutting across all other SDGs and has the potential to help accelerate progress in multiple sustainable development goals.

In all these pursuits, the DENR GAD program for 2022-2027 goes beyond the strategy of mainstreaming gender in DENR policies and programs. It also seeks to integrate understanding of and solutions to the emergent and urgent concerns of climate change, and health and disaster risks and hazards that are now besetting the country, in DENR's policies and programs including in GAD programming.

Box 1

DENR'S MANDATE, VISION, MISSION AND GOAL

Mandate

The Department is the primary agency responsible for the conservation, management, development, and proper use of the country's environment and natural resources, specifically forest and grazing lands, mineral resources, including those in reservation and watershed areas, and lands of the public domain, as well as the licensing and regulation of all natural resources as may be provided for by law in order to ensure equitable sharing of the benefits derived therefrom for the welfare of the present and future generations of Filipinos.

To accomplish this mandate, the Department shall be guided by the following objectives:

1. Assure the availability and sustainability of the country's natural resources through judicious use and systematic restoration or replacement whenever possible;
2. Increase the productivity of natural resources in order to meet the demands for forest, mineral, and land resources of a growing population;
3. Enhance the contribution of natural resources for achieving national economic and social development;
4. Promote equitable access to natural resources by the different sectors of the population; and
5. Conserve specific terrestrial and marine areas representative of the Philippine natural and cultural heritage for present and future generations.

Vision

A nation enjoying and sustaining its natural resources and a clean and healthy environment

Mission

To mobilize our citizenry in protecting, conserving, and managing the environment and natural resources for the present and future generations

Development goal

Human well being, and environmental quality and sustainability ensured

GAD VISION

A gender-responsive DENR championing equal enjoyment of the nation's environment and natural resources of all Filipinos, protecting the country's ecological integrity, and contributing to national resiliency and global competitiveness through partnership of women and men in the sustainable management of the country's environment and natural resources

GAD MISSION

Women and men are mobilized in protecting, conserving and managing the environment and natural resources for the present and future generations, and in meeting the challenges of climate change, health emergencies and disasters

CLIENT-ORIENTED GOALS

1. Meaningful participation of women in consultation processes, in community organizations and in decision-making bodies towards the sustainable management of the country's environment and natural resources;
2. Ensured equal access of women and men to environment and natural resource goods and services; and
3. Enhanced resiliency of women and men in natural resource-based communities

ORGANIZATION-ORIENTED GOALS

4. Enhanced gender mainstreaming in policies, plans and programs; and
5. Institutionalized GAD mechanisms including GAD knowledge management systems in DENR services, bureaus, attached agencies, and regional offices that can serve as model to other organizations

KEY GENDER ISSUES¹

1. Limited participation of women in the sustainable management of the environment and natural resources
2. Women have less access to natural resources and its benefits
3. Greater vulnerability of women in ENR communities to climate change-related, and natural disaster and health risks and hazards
4. Limited participation of women in decision-making on adaptation and mitigation policies and measures

¹ Document sources of gender analysis: "Environment and Natural Resource Management," Chapter 13, PPGD 1995-2025; "Beyond Gender Mainstreaming: Linking Environment and Natural Resources, Climate Change, Health and Gender," DENR, 2021. Issues 1-3 were identified in the Strategic Planning process commenced in 2019 while 4th was identified in the stated second document produced in 2020 to 2021.

ANNEX

ABBREVIATIONS IN THE GAD STRATEGIC PLAN 2022-2027

AR	GAD Accomplishment Report
BMB	Biodiversity Management Bureau
CAR	Cordillera Administrative Region
CCS	Climate Change Service
CSC	Civil Service Commission
CODI	Committee on Decorum and Investigation of Sexual Harassment Cases
DBM	Department of Budget Management
DENR	Department of Environment and Natural Resources
DOH	Department of Health
DOLE	Department of Labor and Employment
ENR	environment and natural resources
EMB	Environmental Management Bureau
ENRA	Environment and Natural Resources Academy
ERDB	Ecosystem Research and Development Bureau
FB	Facebook
FMB	Forest Management Bureau
FPO	Forest Protection Officer
GFPS	GAD Focal Point System
GMEF	Gender Mainstreaming Evaluation Framework
GPB	GAD Plan and Budget
GST	gender sensitivity training
HGDG	Harmonized Gender and Development Guidelines
HRD	Human Resource Development
IEC	information, education and communication
LGU	local government units

LMB	Land Management Bureau
MRF	Materials Recovery Facility
MBCO	Manila Bay Rehabilitation Committee
NCR	National Capital Region
NGFPS/NGADFPS	National GAD Focal Point System
NWRB	National Water Resources Board
PAMB	Protected Area Management Board
PCW	Philippine Commission on Women
R#	regions 1-13, as the case may be
SDD	sex-disaggregated data
SRM	sustainable resource management
TBD	to be determined
VAW/VAWC	violence against women and children
VMG	vision, mission, goals
WEO	Wildlife Enforcement Officer