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5 **82nd RDC Full Council Meeting**
6 02 June 2023 – 9:00 AM Pasay City
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9 **MINUTES OF MEETING**
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11 **ATTENDANCE**
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13 **Present**

Represented by

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15 **RDC Officers**

16 1. Gov. Jose R. Riano RDC Chairperson
17 2. Rev. Fr. Arvin Anthony J. Madla RDC Co-Chairperson
18 3. Dir. Agustin C. Mendoza RDC Vice Chairperson
19 4. ARD Apollo Edwin S. Pagano RDC Secretary
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21 **Governors**

22 5. Gov. Humerlito A. Dolor Oriental Mindoro Ms. Edmin L. Distajo
23 6. Gov. Eduardo B. Gadiano Occidental Mindoro Ms. Victoria Q. Calabio
24 7. Gov. Victorino Dennis M. Socrates Palawan
25 8. Gov. Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr. Marinduque
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27 **City Mayors**

28 9. Mayor Lucilo R. Bayron Puerto Princesa City Ms. Jovenee Sagun
29 10. Mayor Marilou F. Morillo Calapan City
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31 **Mayors of Capital Towns**

32 11. Mayor Armi D.C. Carrion Boac, Marinduque
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34 **League of Municipalities**
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36 12. Mayor Angelina F. Tria Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
37 13. Mayor Ernesto C. Pablo, Jr. Rizal, Occidental Mindoro
38 14. Mayor Rolando O. Tolentino Gasan, Marinduque Ms. Dahlia N. Eturalde
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40 **Regional Directors of National Government Agencies**

41 15. USec Mark Cristo R. Gimenez PMS Ms. Hanah Alejo
42 16. Dir. Ma. Josefina P. Abilay DOST
43 17. Atty. Joselito C. Alisuag CHED Mr. Dionisio O. Camato
44 18. Atty. Marvin V. Bernal DAR Ms. Ludivina L. Vinarao
45 19. Atty. Tomas J. Cariño, Jr. BSP 4 Ms. Melanie N. Condes
46 20. Dir. Ricky L. Sanchez DBM
47 21. Dir. Naomi Lyn C. Abellana DOLE
48 22. RED Lormelyn E. Claudio DENR Ms. Donna M. Gordove
49 23. USec Timothy John R. Batan DOTr Mr. Enrico C. Ferre
50 24. Dir. Karl Caesar R. Rimando DILG
51 25. Dr. Mario S. Baquilod DOH

52	26. Dir. Roberto P. Alabado III	DOT	
53	27. Dir. Leonardo C. Reynoso	DSWD	ARD Sheila S. Tapia
54	28. Dir. Nicolas T. Capulong (via Zoom)	DepED	
55	29. Engr. Maria Christine C. Inting	DA	
56	30. Dir. Rodolfo J. Mariposque	DTI	PD Arnel E. Hutalla
57	31. EnP Peter Daniel G. Friginal	DHSUD	Mr. Louis Alconcel
58	32. Dir. Michael O. Sinocruz	DOE	Mr. Noel M. Sernal
59	33. Dir. Marilou Q. Cañete	BLGF	Mr. Victor Pacardo
60	34. Ms. Carolina A. Constantino (via Zoom)	DFA	
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62	Private Sector Representatives		
63	35. Mr. Raymundo D. Cometa	Roadbook Centre, Inc.	
64	36. Mr. Rodne R. Galicha	Bayay Sibuyanon, Inc.	
65	37. Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez	Mangyan Mission, Inc.	
66	38. Ms. Nanette M. Geronimo	Rotary Club of Downtown Calapan	
67	39. Engr. Ana Margarita Lustre-Malijan	Puerto Princesa Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Inc.	
68	40. Mr. Delfin M. Natal, Jr.	Philippine Rural Reconstruction Movement	
69	41. Ms. Gemma M. Parcia	Ministries Without Border Philippines, Inc.	
70	42. Ms. Maria Milagros G. Quieng	Palawan Aid International-KVSI	
71	43. Mr. Aristotle G. Ramos	Council for Restoration of Filipino Values	
72	44. Ms. Juvelyn V. Gumal-in (via Zoom)	Pampamayanang Mangyan Ugnayan, Inc.	
73	45. Mr. Darius M. Guerrero	Philippine Trade and General Workers Organization	
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75	Special Non-Voting Members		
76	46. Dir. Marie Grace T. Pascua	NCIP	
77	47. Dir. Eugene G. Cabrera	OCD	Mr. Marc Rembrant P. Victore
78	48. Dir. Glenn Marcelo C. Noble	MGB	
79	49. Dir. Emmanuel H. Asis	BFAR	Ms. Lea A. Dagot
80	50. Dir. Joe Amil M. Salino	EMB	Ms. Buena Fe A. Rioflorido
81	51. Dir. Bibiano C. Concibido, Jr.	PCA 4	Ms. Marilyn R. Clenuar
82	52. Atty. Jay Daniel R. Santiago	PPA	Mr. Ronald Matibag
83	53. PBGen Joel B. Doria	PNP	PCol Imelda V. Tolentino
84	54. Dir. Leni S. Rioflorido	PSA	
85	55. Engr. Ronillo M. Cervantes	NIA	
86	56. RNPC Ma. Eileen B. Blanco	NNC	
87	57. Dir. Reynaldo O. Wong	POPCOM	Mr. Mark Laurence O. Guilles
88	58. Dir. Gil Cesario P. Castro	PDEA	
89	59. Dir. Manuel L. Betaizar	LTO	
90	60. MGen Roberto S. Capulong	AFP-PA 2ID	LTC Noel Wamil
91	VAdm Alberto B. Carlos	AFP-WESCOM	BGen Amado V. Dela Paz PAF
92	61. Dir. Niño Rey C. Estoya	PCSD	Mr. John Francisco A. Pontillas
93	62. Dr. Levy B. Arago	MinSU	
94	63. Dr. Diosdado P. Zulueta	MSC	Mr. Crispin M. Jandusay
95	64. Dr. Elbert C. Edaniol	OMSC	Mr. Lord Priam Cordova
96	65. Dr. Merian C. Mani	RSU	
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98	Absent		
99	66. Mayor Gerard S. Montojo	Romblon, Romblon	
100	67. Mayor Amy Roa Alvarez	San Vicente, Palawan	
101	68. Mayor Elegio A. Malaluan	Bongabong, Oriental Mindoro	
102	69. Dir. Gerald A. Pacanan	DPWH	

103	70. Dir. Angelina M. Carreon	TESDA
104	71. Dir. Cheryl C. Ortega	DICT
105	72. Dir. Alberto A. Sabarias	CDA
106	73. Atty. Homelo V. Estoque	Philippine Adventist Medical Aviation Services, Inc.
107	74. Mr. Solomon C. Rosario	Taw Kabui for a Child, Inc.
108	75. Admin Emmanuel P. Juaneza	NEA
109	76. Dir. Luis T. Cueto	PIA
110	77. Engr. Rizal J. Victoria	MARINA 4
111	78. Dir. Oscar G. Casaysay	NCCA
112	79. Dir. Ariel T. Perlado	NICA
113	80. Sec. Robert E.A. Borje	CCC
114	81. Dr. Ramon M. Docto	PSU
115	82. Dr. Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina	WPU
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117	<u>Guests</u>	
118	83. USec Carlos Bernardo O. Abad Santos	NEDA Central Office
119	84. Atty. Jomarili B. Ustarez	Department of Migrant Workers
120	85. VP Nanette C. Caparros	DAP
121	86. Ms. Ma. Alyssa Samantha F. Sison	DAP
122	87. Ms. Ashley May Alison M. Monsanto	DAP
123	88. Ms. Michelle N. Belga	DAP
124	89. Atty. Lizette F. Mortel	Romblon
125	90. Mr. Aaronn Joseph C. Riano	Romblon
126	91. Ms. Myla F. Villegas	Romblon
127	92. Atty. Jethro M. Palayon	Palawan
128	93. Mr. Sharlene D. Vilches	Palawan
129	94. Ms. Sarah Tria	Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
130	95. Mr. Rodel A. Ramos	Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
131	96. Mr. Carlo Felizardo D. Jacinto	Boac, Marinduque
132	97. Mr. Robert A. Villafuerte	Boac, Marinduque
133	98. Mr. Rommel G. Salcedo	Boac, Marinduque
134	99. Mr. John Patrick Mangul	Boac, Marinduque
135	100. Ms. Catherine A. Padua	DILG
136	101. Ms. Riezel Karen Joyce Guille	DOLE
137	102. Mr. Michael S. Leabres	DOE
138	103. Ms. Ma. Liezel L. Magbojos	PSA
139	104. Mr. Jay S. Macatangay	PSA
140	105. Mr. Reejay B. Condez	LTO
141	106. Ms. Maria Siena M. De Luna	EMB
142	107. Mr. Christian Arjay M. Faina	NCIP
143	108. CDR Ariel B. Tiero	WESCOM
144	109. Ms. Catryn Dominique D. Batol	PRDP
145	110. Ms. Jean E. Tirante	PRDP
146	111. Ms. Daisy Nazarreta	PRDP
147	112. Ms. Jane Catapang	PRDP
148	113. Mr. Manuel L. Carba	PRDP
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150	<u>RDC Secretariat</u>	
151	114. Ms. Sheryll B. Sarabia	NEDA
152	115. Mr. Bernardino A. Atienza Jr.	NEDA
153	116. Mr. Roy A. Dimayuga	NEDA

154	117.	Mr. Emerson Kim J. Lineses	NEDA
155	118.	Mr. Ryan O. Manrique	NEDA
156	119.	Ms. Beltisezara A. Garcia	NEDA
157	120.	Ms. Jobelle M. Cruzado	NEDA
158	121.	Ms. Amalia F. Santiago	NEDA
159	122.	Ms. Judy Mae V. Masangkay	NEDA
160	123.	Mr. Joel M. Paule	NEDA
161	124.	Ms. Maria Victoria S. Marcos	NEDA
162	125.	Ms. Angelus G. Genterola	NEDA
163	126.	Mr. Dean M. Baja	NEDA
164	127.	Mr. Wilson D. Garcia	NEDA
165	128.	Mr. Mel Anthony I. Atienza	NEDA
166	129.	Mr. Wilfredo Anthony P. Dela Cruz	NEDA
167	130.	Mr. Joel L. Tobias	NEDA
168	131.	Mr. Walter S. Balancio	NEDA
169	132.	Mr. Reyson G. Luceriano	NEDA

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I. PRELIMINARIES

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The RDC secretariat led the preliminaries with the singing of the Philippine National Anthem, an invocation, and playing of the MIMAROPA Hymn.

Regional Launch of MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028

NEDA Assistant Regional Director and RDC Secretary Apollo Edwin S. Pagano served as the master of ceremony of the Regional Launch of the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028. The MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028 is a development blueprint that will bring back the region to its original growth trajectory through social and economic transformation. It seeks to reinvigorate job creation and accelerate poverty reduction, enhance connectivity through infrastructures to link markets and urban centers, and keep food and overall prices low and stable.

The event showcased the salient features of the Plan and its priority strategies and projects to attain accelerated growth and development of the MIMAROPA Region, way forward to implement the plan, unveiling ceremony, pledge of commitment, and photo opportunity. The MIMAROPA provincial governors, city mayors, representatives from the private sector, and regional line agencies shared their messages of support for the Plan’s implementation.

In his recorded message, Socioeconomic Planning Secretary Arsenio M. Balisacan of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) as keynote speaker, congratulated the RDC MIMAROPA for the completion and launch of the MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028. He emphasized the Plan’s key strategies, which included pursuing the connectivity of the region’s different island provinces and creating agglomeration economies, improving power generation and transmission, and reviving agriculture and tourism sectors to achieve its vision as the destination of choice.

Moreover, Undersecretary Carlos Bernardo O. Abad Santos of the NEDA, Regional Development Group also graced the launching of the said MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028. He commended the RDC for its exceptional leadership in crafting and finalizing the Plan and extended his appreciation to all the MIMAROPA stakeholders for their significant contributions and support to the Plan.

206 **II. BUSINESS PROPER**

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208 **A. Declaration of Quorum**

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210 The RDC Chairperson, Governor Jose R. Riano of the Provincial Government of Romblon
211 called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. RDC Secretary, ARD Pagano called the roll,
212 acknowledged the guests, and informed the presence of quorum. Of the 53 regular
213 members, 29 were present and 15 were represented, constituting 83 percent attendance.
214 Among the 28 special non-voting members, nine were present and 11 were represented,
215 registering 71 percent attendance.

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217 **B. Chairperson’s Message**

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219 In his message, Governor Riano greeted and thanked all the members and guest present.
220 He expressed his profound gratitude to the RDC secretariat for launching the MIMAROPA
221 RDP 2023-2028. He shared his positive outlook for the region and hoping that its economic
222 performance will continue to surpass pre-pandemic levels with a remarkable growth rate,
223 empowered citizens and communities, food security, environmental integrity, and a unified
224 independent island provinces, which will make the MIMAROPA region a “Destination of Choice!”
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226 Governor Riano also enumerated several major agenda to be discussed during the meeting.
227 He encouraged all stakeholders present to continue harnessing the region’s growth potential and
228 capitalize on existing resources to attain robust regional development. He ended his message by
229 thanking everyone for their unwavering support to the RDC MIMAROPA and encouraged to
230 actively participate and engage in constructive dialogue, share their ideas and expertise, and
231 work collectively towards a more prosperous and sustainable MIMAROPA region.
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233 **C. Proposed Agenda**

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235 The RDC Chairperson presented the provisional agenda. On a motion duly seconded, the
236 provisional agenda was approved and adopted.

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238 Similarly, the Council agreed and approved the inclusion of the following agenda items as
239 part of the other matters, namely: a) Issue on the port of Batangas affecting the passengers of
240 Romblon, Oriental Mindoro and Occidental Mindoro; b) Alleged red-tagging of three individuals
241 in the province of Romblon; and c) Status of inclusion of Verde island Passage (VIP) in the e-
242 NIPAS and the reactivation of the VIP Task Force.

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244 **D. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

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246 RD Ma. Josefina P. Abilay of DOST MIMAROPA moved to dispense with the reading of the
247 minutes of the 81st RDC full council meeting held on 24 March 2023 since copies of the reference
248 folder were transmitted to all the members before the meeting.

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250 On a motion duly seconded, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

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252 **E. Matters Arising from the Minutes of Previous Meeting**

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254 ARD Pagano informed the Council that all matters discussed during the previous RDC
255 meeting were favorably and affirmatively acted upon. He highlighted some of the actions
256 taken on the agreements reached during the previous meeting and reported on the status of
257 transmittal of 46 agency budget resolutions to their respective agency central offices (ACOs)

258 as well as the 16 project endorsements to the concerned entities. He added that the details
259 of the report can be found on pages 20-30 of the RDC reference folder.

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261 The matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting were noted.

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263 **F. Matters for Approval/Endorsement/Confirmation**

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265 • **Attendance of Regional Directors/Heads of Offices in the Meetings of the RDC Full**
266 **Council and its Sectoral Committees**

267
268 The DAC Chairperson, Calapan City Mayor Marilou F. Morillo presented the background and
269 the legal basis of the abovementioned subject. She reported that for the last five years, only
270 Regional Director (RD)/Assistant Regional Director (ARD) of NEDA MIMAROPA and DOST
271 MIMAROPA recorded perfect attendance in RDC meetings. She also mentioned the following
272 issues and challenges, namely: a) records of attendance show that RDs/ARDs and head of
273 offices were not able to consistently attend the RDC full council meeting and were only
274 sending representatives on their behalf; b) attending representatives were not able to directly
275 respond to or address matters specific to their agencies and mandates; c) low attendance
276 rates of directors and heads of offices in the RDC full council and its sectoral committee
277 meetings may impact on the policy and decision-making functions of the RDC; and d)
278 unaddressed issues and delayed actions, particularly on matters related to budget proposals,
279 project implementation and progress reports, and other relevant issues and concerns, among
280 others.

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282 To address this, Mayor Morillo added that the Development Administration Committee (DAC),
283 during its second quarter meeting held on 04 May 2023, reviewed and favorably
284 recommended RDC approval of the following: a) passage of a resolution reiterating the
285 presence of RDs or ARDs and heads of offices during meetings of the RDC full council and
286 its sectoral committees; and b) conduct of hybrid/blended meetings to allow members to
287 attend virtually if joining physically is not possible.

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289 On a motion duly seconded, a resolution enjoining the attendance of regional directors and
290 heads of offices to the meetings of the RDC full council, and its sectoral committees was
291 approved.

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293 • **Western Command's Initiative in Kalayaan Island Group (KIG)**

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295 The DAC Chairperson, Calapan City Mayor Marilou F. Morillo reported that Republic Act No.
296 7611, otherwise known as the Strategic Environmental Plan or SEP for Palawan Act, created
297 the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development or the PCSD, which shall exercise the
298 governance, implementation, and policy direction of the SEP. Pursuant to Section 21 of the
299 implementing rules and regulations of RA 7611, PCSD issued Resolution No. 22-828 creating
300 the Puerto Princesa Council for Sustainable Development (PPCSD).

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302 Mayor Morillo said that the PPCSD during its regular meeting held on 25 January 2023 in
303 Puerto Princesa City, the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) Western Command
304 (WesCom) sought the support of the Council to the initiative of the WesCom to invite and
305 encourage fisherfolks in Palawan to fish within the waters of the Kalayaan Island Group (KIG).

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307 She further stated that aside from the missed opportunity of local fisherfolks to gather fish
308 and other marine resources within the KIG, there is also an urgent need to assert and
309 exercise the sovereign rights of the country in the area. As a result of which, PPCSD passed

310 Resolution No. 23-013 expressing support to the initiative of the WesCom to invite and
311 encourage local fisherfolks to fish in the waters of the KIG and call the concerned national
312 agencies to extend support of these efforts.

313
314 She added that the Development Administration Committee, during its second quarter
315 meeting held on 04 May 2023, favorably recommended RDC support to WesCom's initiative
316 to invite and encourage local fisherfolks to fish in the waters of the KIG.

317
318 On a motion duly seconded, a resolution supporting WesCom's initiative to invite and
319 encourage local fisherfolks to fish in the waters of Kalayaan Island Group was approved.

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321 • **Philippine Rural Development Project (PRDP) Scale-Up**

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323 The EDC Chairperson, Mayor Armi D.C. Carrion of Boac, Marinduque reported that the
324 Department of Agriculture (DA) MIMAROPA requested RDC endorsement of the MIMAROPA
325 component of the proposed PRDP Scale-Up, covering 16 regions and 82 provinces with an
326 estimated total project cost of US\$ 818.4 million. It is proposed to be implemented in five
327 years from 2024 until 2029.

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329 As a backgrounder, Mayor Carrion stated that the PRDP Scale Up is one of the flagship
330 programs of DA to address the gaps in the commodity value chains by improving the
331 efficiency of the food supply chain towards greater connectivity, mobility, accessibility,
332 availability, and affordability of food in the market. The proposed program aims to improve
333 farmers and fisherfolks access to markets and increase their incomes from selected agri-
334 fishery value chains. The PRDP Scale-Up will still cover the original components of the PRDP
335 such as: a) I-Plan constituting 2% of the total project cost; b) I-SUPPORT with 6%; c) I-REAP
336 with 13%; and d) I-BUILD with 79%.

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338 For the MIMAROPA region, a total of 87 subprojects amounting to ₱7.78 billion are proposed
339 covering 62 I-BUILD subprojects with ₱6.77 billion, and 25 I-REAP subprojects with ₱1.00
340 billion. For Marinduque, a total of 9 projects amounting to ₱1.19 billion are proposed;
341 Romblon with 27 pipeline projects amounting to ₱1.08 billion; Oriental Mindoro with 14
342 projects amounting to ₱1.82 billion; Occidental Mindoro with 14 projects amounting to ₱2.28
343 billion; and Palawan with 23 projects amounting to ₱2.15 billion.

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345 Mayor Carrion added that the Economic Development Committee, during its second quarter
346 meeting on 04 May 2023 in Manila, reviewed and favorably recommended RDC endorsement
347 of the proposed PRDP Scale Up (MIMAROPA Component) of the Department of Agriculture.

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349 On the membership and functions of the Regional Project Advisory Board (RPAB), PSR
350 Galicha inquired if there is a civil society organization (CSOs) seated in the Board. RD Maria
351 Christine C. Inting of DA MIMAROPA affirmatively responded that there is CSOs represented
352 in the Provincial Agricultural and Fishery Council (PAFC) at the provincial level and Municipal
353 Agricultural and Fishery Council (MAFC) at the municipal level. PSR Galicha mentioned that
354 since the PRDP seek RDC recommendation, he proposed that the civil society organization/
355 EDC Co-Chairperson be included in the RPAB.

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357 RDC Vice Chairperson and NEDA Regional Director, Agustin C. Mendoza manifested that
358 the Regional Project Advisory Board (RPAB), is an interagency committee mandated to
359 review and approve plans, feasibilities studies, detailed engineering designs, and program of
360 works of the PRDP. Regarding monitoring, Director Mendoza mentioned that the RDC has
361 all the institutional mechanisms as provided in the Regional Project Monitoring and

362 Evaluation System (RPMES) and the Regional Project Monitoring Committee (RPMC) to
363 monitor any projects being implemented in the region. Director Mendoza recommended
364 discussing the proposal of PSR Galicha to the EDC/RPMC if there's really a need to become
365 part of the RPAB and report back to the RDC on the final recommendation of the secretariat.
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367 On a motion duly seconded, favorably endorsing the proposed Philippine Rural Development
368 Project (PRDP) Scale-Up (MIMAROPA Component) of the Department of Agriculture to the
369 NEDA Investment Coordination Committee was approved.
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371 • **Creation of the Corridor Alliance Advisory Committee for the Mindoro Biodiversity**
372 **Corridor Project**
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374 The EDC Chairperson, Mayor Armi D.C. Carrion of Boac, Marinduque reported that in April
375 2020, the Department of Environmental and Natural Resources (DENR), with support from
376 the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) received funding approval from the Global
377 Environment Facility (GEF) for the project entitled: Integrated Approach in Management of
378 Major Biodiversity Corridors in the Philippines, otherwise known as the *Biodiversity Corridor*
379 *Project*. The primary objective of the project is to operationalize integrated management of
380 biodiversity corridors, to generate multiple benefits including effective conservation of globally
381 threatened species and high conservation value forests, reduce deforestation and
382 degradation, and enhance local biodiversity-friendly livelihoods. One of the pilot sites of the
383 project is the Central Mindoro Biodiversity Corridor in the provinces of Occidental and Oriental
384 Mindoro.
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386 Mayor Carrion stated further that the project has four components, namely: 1) effective
387 coordination and governance framework for integrated ecosystem management (IEM) in the
388 Philippines biodiversity corridors system; 2) application of integrated network design and
389 management of biodiversity corridors to ensure continued stability and sustainability of their
390 biological, ecosystem services and socioeconomic conservation values; 3) community-based
391 sustainable use and management systems in the two pilot biodiversity corridor system; and
392 4) knowledge management, gender mainstreaming, learning, monitoring, and evaluation.
393 Among the strategies identified under component 1 is the proposed creation of a Corridor
394 Alliance Advisory Committee (CAAC), which aims to serve as a venue to update the key
395 stakeholders on the progress of the Biodiversity Corridor Project as well as to address and
396 resolve implementation issues and concerns.
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398 She mentioned that the DENR MIMAROPA, through a letter dated 30 January 2023,
399 proposed the creation of CAAC for the Mindoro Biodiversity Corridor Project under the
400 umbrella of the RDC. The CAAC mirrors the composition of the National Project Board of the
401 Biodiversity Corridor Project. The EDC, during its first quarter meeting held on 22 February
402 deferred the creation of CAAC under the EDC due to some primary issues and concerns
403 such as: a) the proposed composition and membership of the CAAC, wherein not all of its
404 proposed members are part of the EDC or RDC; b) lack of legal basis; and c) submission of
405 the detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for further review of the Committee. The DENR
406 resubmitted the revised proposal.
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408 The Economic Development Committee, during its second quarter meeting held on 04 May
409 in Manila, reviewed the proposed creation of the CAAC under the RDC and favorably
410 recommended RDC approval and strengthen its composition through bottom-up approach,
411 which includes the participation of Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) and other
412 local civil service organizations.
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414 On the composition and membership of the CAAC, PSR Edwin A. Gariguez of the Mangyan
415 Mission, Inc., requested the inclusion of two representatives from the civil society
416 organization (CSO) and indigenous peoples mandatory representation (IPMR) both for the
417 provinces of Occidental and Oriental Mindoro. While PSR Galicha suggested the inclusion
418 of state universities and colleges (SUCs) of both provinces in the membership of CAAC.
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420 Director Mendoza manifested that there was a deliberation in the Economic Development
421 Committee (EDC) meeting on the expansion of membership of the CAAC, and it was fully
422 recognized that CAAC on its organizational meeting or operations will decide whether to
423 expand its membership based on the needs and as provided in the Operations Manual of the
424 RDC. He further suggested to hand over the matter to the Committee.
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426 On a motion duly seconded, the creation of the Corridor Alliance Advisory Committee (CAAC)
427 for the Mindoro Biodiversity Corridor Project was approved.
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429 • **Marinduque Provincial Tourism and Agriculture Development Center**
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431 The EDC Chairperson reported that the Provincial Government of Marinduque requested
432 favorable endorsement of the RDC on the proposed improvement/upgrading of Provincial
433 Tourism and Agriculture Development Center (PTADC).
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435 The proposed project aims to showcase a place, food and culture tourism, generate revenue,
436 and provide jobs and livelihood opportunities to the local community. It covers an area of 14
437 hectares of land, with an estimated project cost of ₱50 million for the improvement and
438 upgrading of the facilities, amenities, and services of the Center to be implemented from FYs
439 2023-2025 and is proposed for funding from the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone
440 Authority (TIEZA). The proposed PTADC is located in the municipality of Sta. Cruz,
441 Marinduque with the following key features: a) a model organic farm; b) training center; and
442 c) tourism and adventure facilities.
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444 Mayor Carrion added that the Economic Development Committee, during its second quarter
445 meeting held on 04 May 2023 in Manila, reviewed and favorably recommended RDC
446 endorsement of the proposed improvement/upgrading of Marinduque Provincial Tourism and
447 Agriculture Development Center (PTADC).
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449 Aside from tourism purposes, which is the primary function of the center, the RDC Co-
450 Chairperson, Rev. Fr. Arvin Anthony J. Madla suggested that the improvement/upgrading of
451 the facility could also be used for educational purposes in line with agriculture, and for
452 academic laboratory of the agricultural students in the province. This is to integrate tourism
453 with the development of agriculture, which is anchored on the research and development
454 spearheaded by the Marinduque State University. The new Regional Director Roberto P.
455 Alabado of DOT MIMAROPA fully supported the proposed project and agreed on the
456 suggestion of the RDC Co-Chairperson.
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458 On a motion duly seconded, favorably endorsing the proposed improvement/ upgrading of
459 the Marinduque Provincial Tourism and Agriculture Development Center (PTADC) to the
460 Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) was approved.
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462 • **New Busuanga Airport Development Project**
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464 The IDC Chairperson, Marinduque Governor Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr. reported that the
465 Department of Transportation (DOTr) requested the RDC MIMAROPA to facilitate the review

466 and endorsement of the New Busuanga Airport Development Project (NBADP) to the
467 Investment Coordination Committee (ICC) of the NEDA Board.
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469 The proposed project aims to improve and expand the capacity of the existing Busuanga
470 airport and to comply with the domestic and international standards for operational safety and
471 efficiency. It is envisioned to accommodate the increasing number of tourists visiting the
472 Calamian Group of Islands Tourism Cluster. The old airport was originally approved by the
473 NEDA Board in 2015 with a project cost of PhP 4.067 Billion.
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475 Governor Velasco mentioned that the proposed NBADP has a total land area of 282.5
476 hectares and includes the construction of a 2,400-m new runway, apron, and passenger
477 terminal building (PTB) to accommodate jet aircraft such as Airbus A320/321. The estimated
478 total project cost of the proposed project is PhP 17,382.02 Million, which will be funded
479 through GAA (National Government Funds, Department of Transportation). He further cited
480 that the project was favorably endorsed by the Municipal Development Council of Coron and
481 the Provincial Development Council of Palawan.
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483 The Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC) during its second quarter meeting held on
484 05 May 2023 in Manila, reviewed and favorably recommended RDC endorsement of the New
485 Busuanga Airport Development Project (NBADP).
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487 On a motion duly seconded, a resolution was approved endorsing the New Busuanga Airport
488 Development Project (NBADP) to the Investment Coordination Committee (ICC) of the NEDA
489 Board.
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491 • **Romblon's Wind Turbine Project**
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493 Governor Velasco reported that the National Electrification Administration (NEA) submitted a
494 proposal for a Small Wind Turbine Energy Project in the municipality of Concepcion, Romblon
495 and for potential grant assistance from the Government of Japan (GOJ) through the Non-
496 Project Grant Aid (NPGA).
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498 The proposed project aims to provide an additional source of energy for the 1,231 households
499 in the Municipality of Concepcion, which is classified as a Geographically Isolated and
500 Disadvantaged Area (GIDA), by installing 10 units of SD6 (6kW) wind turbines, resulting in a
501 total rated capacity of 60kW.
502

503 The estimated total project cost is ¥190,000,000 proposed for grant assistance from the
504 Government of Japan and NEA counterpart of ¥15,000,000. The proposed implementation
505 period is within eight months starting from the approval and endorsement of NEDA to the
506 Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA).
507

508 Governor Velasco mentioned that the utilization of wind energy can substantially reduce the
509 current cost of NPC-SPUG diesel generators by 60 percent and the subsidy from the
510 Universal Charge on Missionary Electrification (UCME). He added that the proposed project
511 will also enhance the distribution system in the island municipality (under Romblon Electric
512 Cooperative, Inc. (ROMELCO) franchise) through the conversion of single phase to a 3-
513 phase for the connection of the proposed generation plant.
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515 The IDC, during its second quarter meeting held on 05 May 2023 in Manila, reviewed and
516 favorably recommended RDC endorsement of the proposed project to the Government of
517 Japan (GOJ) through the Non-Project Grant Aid (NPGA).

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519 On a motion duly seconded, a resolution was approved endorsing the Romblon Wind Turbine
520 Project for Grant Assistance under the Non-Project Grant Aid of the Government of Japan.
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522 • **MIMAROPA State Colleges and Universities (SUCs) Membership to the RDC**
523 **MIMAROPA**

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525 The SDC Co-Chairperson, PSR Maria Milagros G. Quieng of the Palawan Aid International-
526 Kabatangan View Schools, Inc., reported that the Social Development Committee (SDC)
527 recognizes that education plays a very important role in the socioeconomic growth and
528 development of the region.

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530 The involvement of the state universities and colleges (SUCs) in the RDC activities serve as
531 change agents in shaping the whole education system into a better state and provide
532 advance higher education and quality instructions and research towards a globally
533 competitive nation.

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535 PSR Quieng stated that to ensure greater participation on matters relative to research and
536 development and higher educational system, the following SUCs are proposed to be the
537 special non-voting members (SNVMs) of the RDC MIMAROPA for the period CY 2022-2025:
538 a) Marinduque State College (MSC); b) Mindoro State University (MinSU); c) Occidental
539 Mindoro State College (OMSC); d) Palawan State University (PSU); e) Romblon State
540 University (RSU); and f) Western Philippines University (WPU).

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542 The SDC, during its second quarter meeting held on 05 May 2023 in Manila, reviewed and
543 favorably recommended RDC approval of the six MIMAROPA SUCs as SNVMs of the RDC.
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545 On a motion duly seconded, the special non-voting membership of the six MIMAROPA SUCs
546 to the RDC was approved.

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548 • **Membership of the Department of Migrant Workers to the Social Development**
549 **Committee and RDC MIMAROPA**

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551 The SDC Co-Chairperson reported that on 30 December 2021, President Rodrigo R. Duterte
552 signed into law Republic Act No. 11641, creating the Department of Migrant Workers (DMW),
553 which is tasked to protect the rights and promote the welfare of Overseas Filipino Workers
554 (OFWs) and their families by providing timely and responsive services to address their needs.
555 Likewise, the Social Development Committee (SDC) of the NEDA Board passed Resolution
556 No. 01, s. 2014, "Approving the Creation of a Sub-Committee on International Migration and
557 Development" and requested the regions to create the same. The SDC of RDC MIMAROPA
558 serves as the Regional Sub-Committee on International Migration and Development.

559
560 PSR Quieng mentioned that the SDC recognizes the need to include DMW as member of
561 the committee to ensure greater participation in protecting the rights of migrant workers and
562 OFWs while taking into consideration the regional strategies on safe and orderly overseas
563 migration. She added that the DMW is expected to establish, operate, and maintain a regional
564 office in the administrative regions, including MIMAROPA, pursuant to Section 11 of the
565 Department of Migrant Workers Act (RA 11641).

566
567 The SDC, during its second quarter meeting held on 05 May 2023 in Manila, reviewed and
568 favorably recommended RDC confirmation of the Department of Migrant Workers as a

569 regular member of the SDC and RDC approval of its membership as a special non-voting
570 member of the RDC.

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572 On a motion duly seconded, a resolution was approved confirming the Department Migrant
573 Workers as regular member of the SDC and approving its membership as special non-voting
574 member of the RDC.

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576 • **2022 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report**

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578 Mr. Roy A. Dimayuga, Chief of the Project Monitoring and Evaluation Division (PMED) of
579 NEDA MIMAROPA reported that the 2022 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR)
580 is the end of plan assessment of the performance of the region for 2017-2022 Updated
581 MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP) and its accompanying Results Matrix (RM).
582 The assessment was prepared based on the statistical data, annual accomplishment reports,
583 and other sectoral inputs of the regional line agencies (RLAs), state universities and colleges
584 (SUCs), government and controlled corporations (GOCCs), local government units (LGUs),
585 and private sector representatives (PSRs).

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587 Mr. Dimayuga added a presentation on some of the major indicators that are in the four pillars
588 of the region's vision, namely: a) empowered citizens and communities; b) food security; c)
589 environmental integrity; and d) unified and interdependent island provinces. He reported that
590 based on the 2022 regional accounts released by the Philippines Statistics Authority (PSA),
591 the region's economy grew by 3.0 percentage points from 3.3 percent in 2021 to 6.3 percent
592 in 2022, which translated to an economic gain of ₱23.24 billion from ₱ 369.73 billion economic
593 performance in 2021. The 2022's target growth rate was achieved, which was set at a range
594 of 6.2 percent to 7.2 percent. However, the growth rate was lower by 1.3 percentage points
595 than the national average of 7.6 percent in 2022. The poverty incidence among the population
596 increased from 19.30% in 2021 to 20.80% in 2022. The region failed to achieve the end of
597 plan target of 13%.

598
599 In terms of food security, Mr. Dimayuga reported that the growth in agriculture and fisheries
600 sector contracted by 2.4 percent in 2022 gross regional domestic product (GRDP), which is
601 in sharp contrast to its positive growth rate of 5.2 percent achieved in 2021 GRDP. The
602 agriculture, forestry and fishing (AFF) has significantly contributed about 18 percent or ₱70.7
603 billion to the regional economy. He added that the agricultural sector has made significant
604 progress in achieving self-sufficiency targets for rice, banana, mango, onion and meat
605 products. The self-sufficiency ratio of rice increased by 0.96 percentage points from 2021 to
606 reach a level above the 2022 RDP target of 180.13 percent.

607
608 He mentioned that the region has seen significant improvements in the percentage of paved
609 secondary and tertiary roads over the years, from 84.67 percent and 77.13 percent in 2016
610 to 99.44 percent and 98.81 percent in 2022, respectively. Although there has been a slight
611 increase from 2021 to 2022, the paved secondary and tertiary roads have yet to meet the
612 100 percent end of plan target. He further cited that there were successes and misses in the
613 MIMAROPA RDP targets in attaining a healthy and balanced environment. Sustained efforts
614 are needed in the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of environmental laws.

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616 He added that the end of plan targets of the RDP 2017-2022 has not been fully achieved due
617 to the economic disruption brought about by the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.
618 However, the RDP 2023-2028 provides the strategies in harnessing the development
619 potentials of the MIMAROPA and gives the directions for the region to navigate the
620 increasingly challenging path to economic recovery and high growth trajectory.

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622 On a motion duly seconded, the 2022 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR) was
623 approved.

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625 **G. Matters for Information**

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627 • **Salient Features of PMDP**

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629 VP Nanette C. Caparros of the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP) presented the
630 salient features of the Public Management Development Program (PMDP).

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632 VP Caparros stated that under the current administration of President Ferdinand R. Marcos,
633 Jr., the new Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2023-2028 Overall Strategic Framework,
634 supports PMDP to further improve the efficiency and competence of public service as stated
635 in Chapter 14: Practice Good Governance and Improve Bureaucratic Efficiency. The Public
636 Management Development Program (PMDP) is an intensive program that provides
637 comprehensive and multi-modal learning opportunities for public managers. It is the
638 Philippine government's response to the need for a corps of ethical, committed and
639 development-oriented officials in the bureaucracy who will drive performance in the agencies
640 and push the agenda for change and sustained progress.

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642 The PMDP has the following objectives: a) develop a keen appreciation of the vital role
643 government executives play in the overall development process; b) foster a spirit of kinship,
644 mutual support, and harmony among government leaders working for the common goal of
645 good life for all; c) produce competent government leaders committed to the welfare of their
646 constituents and the country's progress; d) deepen the bench of successors to the incumbent
647 government office executives to ensure smooth transition in case of promotions or vacancies;
648 and e) enhance the image of the Philippine Government as institution imbued with
649 professionalism, integrity and honesty.

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651 VP Caparros enumerated the target of the PMDP, which include the different levels of the
652 national government bureaucracy, such as: a) phronetic leadership class; b) senior
653 executives' class; c) middle managers' class; and d) local government executives and
654 managers' class. The curriculum program of the middle managers class is holistic,
655 programmatic and purposive. It has three learning areas, namely: 1) governance and
656 development; 2) strategic public management; and 3) personal efficacy and leadership. The
657 senior executives' class has a foreign study mission under the International Governance and
658 Policy Innovations Module, for the purpose of benchmarking on the best practices as well as
659 sharing our own experiences with other Asian countries. The phronetic leadership class runs
660 for ten days only. Five days residential training in DAP, Tagaytay City, and five days foreign
661 study mission in Tokyo, Japan. The program modality for the local government executives
662 and managers class are a) combination of online and in-person sessions for three months;
663 b) three-to-four-hour online lectures and discussions on a livestream (synchronous); and c)
664 uses of G-Suite/Google Classroom and Zoom platforms. The target scholars are the local
665 chief executives and department heads (50 years old and below), at least a bachelor's degree
666 holder; and in good health.

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668 VP Caparros further stated that to date, the program has reached 1,501 alumni; 240
669 participating agencies from all over the country; 824 capstone projects implemented; and 205
670 capstone papers endorsed to agency. The schedule of classes, admission process,
671 requirements, and other conditions of the program were also presented.

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673 Undersecretary Carlos Bernardo O. Abad Santos of NEDA and RD Ma. Josefina P. Abilay of
674 DOST MIMAROPA fully supported the program and encouraged everyone to join the PMDP.
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677 • **Report on the 14th RDC-PSR National Convention 2023**

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679 The RDC Co-Chairperson, Rev. Fr. Arvin Anthony J. Madla, reported the participation of the
680 RDC MIMAROPA private sector representatives (PSRs) in the 14th RDC-PSR National
681 Convention held on 26-28 April 2023 at the Iloilo Convention Center, Iloilo City.

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683 PSR Madla said that the annual convention, which has resumed its in-person activities since
684 the pandemic broke out, was graced by NEDA Secretary Arsenio M. Balisacan. With the
685 theme “Festival of HOPE: Harnessing Opportunities, Participation, and Empowerment,” the
686 convention served as a platform for the PSRs to celebrate the power of joy, commit to
687 hope, and empower one another towards a brighter Philippines. It also featured the colorful
688 and lively festivals in the region and other cultural performances and a guided tour of Iloilo
689 City.

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691 Cognizant of the various issues and concerns that cut across the regions, PSR Madla
692 reported that the delegates from the RDC MIMAROPA proposed and passed two resolutions
693 during the national convention. These are a) Urging the National Grid Corporation of the
694 Philippines to hasten the implementation of its sub-marine cable interconnection projects in
695 Batangas-Mindoro, Marinduque-Quezon, Romblon-Panay, and Mindoro-Palawan and (b)
696 Banning of single-use plastics and styros in RDC and PSR activities. He added that in 2024
697 and 2025, Zamboanga Peninsula and CALABARZON RDCs will host the 15th and 16th RDC-
698 PSRs National Conventions, respectively. An audio-visual presentation of the event was
699 played for the information of the Council.

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701 • **2022 MIMAROPA GRDP**

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703 Ms. Liezel L. Magbojos of the PSA MIMAROPA presented the 2022 economic performance
704 of the MIMAROPA region. She reported that at constant 2018 prices, MIMAROPA’s economy
705 further accelerated to a 6.3 percent growth in 2022 from a growth of 3.3 percent in 2021. The
706 regional economy was estimated at ₱393.0 billion in 2022 from ₱369.7 billion in 2021
707 translating into an economic gain of ₱23.2 billion. Compared with a pre-pandemic level of
708 ₱386.8 billion in 2019, the region has surpassed its economic performance by ₱6.2 billion in
709 2022. This means that the region has already recovered from the COVID-19 pandemic.

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711 Out of the 6.3 percent growth in 2022 of the regional economy by major industries, Services
712 had a share of 5.3 percentage points; Industry, with 1.4 percentage points; and Agriculture,
713 Forestry and Fishing (AFF) contributed -0.5 percentage points. Among the industries,
714 transportation and storage posted the fastest growth with 41.3 percent; followed by
715 accommodation and food service activities and construction with 38.2 percent and 13.5
716 percent, respectively. Mining and quarrying registered the highest decline with -5.1 percent;
717 followed by agriculture, forestry and fishing with -2.4 decline; and financial and insurance
718 activities with 2.5 percent slowdown. Among the three major economic industries, Services
719 accounted for a 47.9 percent, or ₱188.4 billion of the region’s economy; Industry, with 34.1
720 percent, or ₱133.9 billion; and Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing, with 18.0 percent, or ₱70.7
721 billion.

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723 Ms. Magbojos further cited that the MIMAROPA per capita GRDP in 2022 increased by 5.1
724 percent from ₱115,100 in 2021 to ₱120,997 in 2022. Among the 17 regions in the country,
nine regions registered a higher growth than the national average, while eight regions

725 exhibited lower growth. Western Visayas registered the fastest growth with 9.3 percent,
726 followed by CAR with 8.7 percent, the regions of Central Luzon, Bicol and Davao each
727 recorded an 8.1 percent growth, and MIMAROPA region recorded a 6.3 percent. In terms of
728 the structure of regional economies in 2022, 16 regions are predominantly Services-based,
729 including the MIMAROPA region. CALABARZON is predominantly industrial, while none of
730 the region is predominantly agricultural.

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732 She added that for per capita GRDP, MIMAROPA region recorded at ₱120,997 in 2022, about
733 32.3 percent lower than the ₱178,751 national per capital GDP. NCR posted the highest per
734 capita GRDP of ₱443,782.

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736 • **Regional Economic Situationer**

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738 Mr. Emerson Kim J. Lineses, Chief of the Development Research Division (DRD) of NEDA
739 MIMAROPA, presented the 2023 First Quarter Regional Economic Situationer (QRES) of the
740 region. The QRES provides a preliminary and indicative assessment of the economic
741 performance of the region using proxy indicators. It does not replace the assessment of the
742 regional economy based on the complete statistical data from official sources.

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744 He reported that MIMAROPA's average inflation increased to 8.9 percent in January to March
745 2023 from the previous year's 3.1 percent. This was higher than that of the previous quarter,
746 which is 8.7 percent. All MIMAROPA provinces registered higher inflation rates in January to
747 March 2023 compared to the same period last year.

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749 In terms of employment, he continued, the region's working age population increased by 0.8
750 percent from 2.1 million in January 2022 to 2.116 million in January 2023. Labor force
751 participation rate increased by 1.1 percentage points from 62.8 percent in January 2022 to
752 63.9 percent in January 2023. The employment rate increased by 1.9 percentage points from
753 93.5 percent in January 2022 to 95.4 percent in January 2023, which was higher by 0.2
754 percentage point compared to the national average employment rate of 95.2 percent. The
755 region's unemployment rate decreased by 1.9 percentage point from January 2022's 6.5
756 percent, which was lowered by 0.2 percentage point compared to the national average of 4.8
757 percent. The underemployment rate increased by 1.2 percentage point from 25.1 percent in
758 January 2022 to 26.3 percent in January 2023. This is significantly higher by 12.2 percent
759 compared to the national average underemployment rate of 14.1 percent.

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761 On agriculture and fisheries, Mr. Lineses reported that the production of the region's major
762 agriculture and fisheries commodities increased by 6.91 percent from 547,803.66 metric tons
763 in the first quarter of 2022 to 585,670.67 MT in the first quarter of 2023. The production
764 volume of major crops grew by 3.27 percent. On livestock and poultry, he further stated that
765 total livestock production in MIMAROPA increased by 7.56 percent, from 21,509.76 MT in
766 the first quarter of 2022 to 23,135.34 MT during the same period of 2023. Eighty-three percent
767 of the region's livestock outputs during the period were from hog production. It also recorded
768 an increase in production brought about by the increase in the demand for pork, particularly
769 in mainland Luzon. The total poultry production in MIMAROPA significantly increased by
770 39.64 percent, from 5,336.35 MT in January to March 2022 to 7,451.71 MT in the same period
771 of 2023.

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773 Mr. Lineses mentioned that the number of tourists arrival in the region almost tripled, from
774 176,031 tourists during the first quarter of 2022 to 505,612 tourists in the same period of
775 2023. This generated about ₱5.31 billion in income for the region's tourism industry. The
776 increase in visitor arrivals was due to the reopening of the region's economic activities, the

777 resumption of safe travel of both local and foreign, and the reopening of major tourist
778 destinations. In January 2023, the region's total export volume decreased to 407,000 metric
779 tons generating total export revenues of US\$31.13 million. This was 28 percent lower than
780 the recorded volume and value of exports during the same period in 2022. This performance
781 may be attributed to the decline in the volume of exported nickel ores and concentrates which
782 is the primary export product of the region.
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784 In terms of total crime volume, he stated that MIMAROPA region increased by 2.38 percent
785 in January to February 2023 from previous year's 1,175 incidents to 1,203 incidents. Cleared
786 crimes increased from last year by 4.00 percent, while solved crimes decreased by 3.86
787 percent. Both were lower than the recorded cleared and solved crimes in October to
788 December 2022 by 1.72 and 2.05 percent, respectively. The region's average monthly crime
789 rate in January to March 2023 increased by 0.27 percentage point from last year's 11.93
790 percent to 12.20 percent.
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792 He added that the whole region experienced way above normal amount of rainfall in January.
793 Below to normal amount of rainfall was experienced in most areas in February, except Puerto
794 Princesa City, which experienced way below normal amount of rainfall. In March, most parts
795 of the region experienced way below normal amount of rainfall, except northern Oriental
796 Mindoro, Romblon, and Northern Palawan, which experienced below normal amount of
797 rainfall.
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799 • **Project Monitoring Report**
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801 Mr. Roy A. Dimayuga, Chief of the Project Monitoring and Evaluation Division (PMED) of
802 NEDA MIMAROPA presented the project monitoring report. The RPMC secretariat tracked
803 the status of the implementation of on-going priority projects in the region through the
804 submission of reports from various government agencies to the Regional Project Monitoring
805 Committee (RPMC) using the "ProyekTanglaw" system.
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807 Mr. Dimayuga reported that for the first quarter of CY 2023, 18 Government Agencies
808 reported the status of 269 projects amounting to PhP 17.802 billion implemented in the
809 MIMAROPA region. These agencies were as follows: Department of Energy (DOE),
810 Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Science and Technology
811 (DOST), Department of Transportation (DOTr), Department of Social Welfare and
812 Development (DSWD), Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) MIMAROPA,
813 DPWH Mindoro Oriental District Engineering Office, DPWH Palawan 3rd District Engineering
814 Office, Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA), Marinduque State College (MSC),
815 Mindoro State University (MinSU), National Housing Authority (NHA), National Power
816 Corporation (NPC), Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro, Philippines Ports Authority
817 (PPA) - Port Management Office (PMO) Palawan, Palawan State University (PSU), Romblon
818 State University (RSU), and Western Philippine University (WPU). The said projects
819 employed 16,846 individuals, of which 7,418 (44.03%) are females, and 9,428 (55.97%) are
820 males.
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822 He mentioned that a total of 45 projects or 16.73 percent were completed, 17 projects or 6.32
823 percent were on schedule, while 107 projects or 39.78 percent were ahead of schedule. A
824 total of 100 projects (37.17 percent) encountered problems in implementation with the
825 following breakdown: DOE – two projects, DSWD – two projects, DPWH MIMAROPA – 33
826 projects, DPWH Mindoro Oriental DEO – four projects, DPWH Palawan III DEO – 18 projects,
827 MSC – three projects, NHA – four projects, NPC – eight projects, PPA PMO Palawan – one
828 project, PSU – 22 projects, RSU – one project, and WPU – two projects. Of the reported 269

829 projects, 265 (98.51 percent) were regular projects, and 4 projects (1.49 percent) were
830 rehabilitation and recovery projects (RRP). He added that some of the issues encountered in
831 project implementation include right-of-way acquisition, delayed delivery of construction
832 materials, variation order and unworkable site due to inclement weather conditions.

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834 • **Status of RDC Endorsed Projects**

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836 Mr. Bernardino A. Atienza, Jr., Chief of the Project Development Investment Programming
837 and Budgeting Division (PDIPBD) of NEDA MIMAROPA stated that the RDC is mandated
838 under Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996 to initiate and coordinate the development, funding,
839 and implementation of regional and special development projects such as those involving
840 several agencies or local government units. The secretariat regularly monitors the status of
841 proposed programs, activities, and projects (PAPs) endorsed by the RDC through a
842 resolution.

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844 He reported that out of the 37 RDC endorsed programs, activities and projects (PAPs), 51
845 percent, is in the economic sector; 43 percent, in the infrastructure sector; and five percent
846 each allocated to the social and development administration sectors amounting to
847 P904,826.47 million.

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849 He presented the status of the following big ticket PPAS and other PAPs with significant
850 reports for the quarter: a) *Fisheries and Coastal Resiliency (FishCoRe) Project*. The DA
851 PRMD FishCoRe Team provided DOF-IFG a scanned copy of the Forward Obligational
852 Authority (FOA) of the FishCoRe Project to merit assistance in facilitating the issuance of the
853 Special Authority (SA) from the Office of the President; b) *Sustainable Tourism Development*
854 *Project (STDP)*. The project is currently undergoing a re-assessment of the Department of
855 Tourism (DOT) Central Office to determine the financing arrangements of the said project; c)
856 *Philippine Rural Development Project Second Additional Financing (PRDP-AF2)*. Under **I-**
857 **BUILD subprojects**, ten were funded and eight were integrated into the PRDP Scale Up
858 proposal and eight **I-REAP subprojects** were funded; d) *Maritime Safety Enhancement*
859 *Project (MSEP) of DOTr-PCG*. The establishment of Buoy Base in Romblon is included and
860 awaiting financing for the ESIA study; e) *Mindoro-Batangas Super Bridge*, The DPWH intends
861 to pursue the solicited PPP Project and they are finalizing consultant selection and
862 considering using PDMF for project preparation and transaction advisory; f) *Mega Bridge*
863 *Connecting Marinduque and Quezon Province/Marinduque-Quezon Link Expressway*
864 *(MQLEX)*. The project is included in the MIMAROPA RDIP 2023-2028, amounting to
865 P757.944 billion. Based on the rapid assessment conducted by the Development Planning
866 Division of DPWH Central Office, the project is not viable thus, the proposal for Feasibility
867 Study was returned. Last March 15, 2023, LGU Marinduque presented the MQLEX project
868 to IDC-PDC Quezon to seek endorsement for its construction; g) *MIMAROPA Power*
869 *Interconnection Projects*. The project includes the proposed power interconnection of
870 Batangas-Mindoro, Quezon-Marinduque, Mindoro-Palawan, and Romblon-Panay. The RDC
871 resolution was transmitted to the agencies concerned. The NGCP is still awaiting the ERC
872 decision on Batangas-Mindoro Interconnection Project; h) *Hydropower Development Project*
873 *(HDP)*. The PPP Center suggested a rapid assessment of the project's initial viability and
874 potential for PPP. The LGU Boac is requested to furnish data and information as well as carry
875 out the rapid assessment; and i) *Azagra Airport Development Project*. The project
876 necessitates a feasibility and master plan studies.

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878 For the details of the report, Mr. Atienza referred the members to the reference folder for
879 information and review of the agencies concerned.

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- **Birthday Greetings**

The RDC secretariat played an audio-visual presentation of birthday greetings for the members who celebrated their birthday during the second quarter of the year.

H. Other Matters

The RDC secretariat shared on screen the following agenda items, under other matters of the meeting, namely: a) Issue on the port of Batangas affecting the passengers of Romblon, Oriental Mindoro and Occidental Mindoro; b) Alleged red-tagging of three individuals in the province of Romblon; and c) Status of inclusion of Verde Island Passage (VIP) in the ENIPAS and the reactivation of the VIP Task Force.

PSR Galicha enumerated the following issues and concerns affecting the passengers of Romblon, Oriental Mindoro and Occidental Mindoro in Batangas port. These are: a) way of unloading bus passengers going to the port; b) scam techniques of vendors within the port; and c) illegal collection of insurance fees from the passengers. He suggested to discuss the matter to the inter-agency committee meeting of the Strong Republic Nautical Highway (SRNH).

Moreover, on the alleged red-tagging of three individuals in the province of Romblon, PSR Galicha informed the Council that he and other individuals namely, Ms. Elizabeth R. Ibañez, a former RDC-PSR, and Ms. Nelly M. Taupo, a member of the Provincial Development Council of the Provincial Government of Romblon and a member of the regional body of the National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC) were allegedly red-tagged by the Philippine National Police (PNP).

Lt. Col. Noel Wamil of 2nd Infantry Division, AFP advised PSR Galicha to submit the names of the identified three individuals for verification purposes.

On the status of inclusion of Verde Island Passage (VIP) in the ENIPAS and the reactivation of the VIP Task Force, as proposed by PSR Edwin A. Gariguez, Director Mendoza suggested that the matter will be included in the agenda of the Economic Development Committee (EDC) meeting in August. He also informed the body that the RDC cannot unilaterally act on the VIP concerns because it is within the territory of Batangas (CALABARZON). A coordination meeting with RDC CALABARZON and recommended action will be reported in the next meeting of the RDC.

PSR Galicha suggested also to give commendation to a former DOT MIMAROPA Regional Director Azucena C. Pallugna for her invaluable contributions as active member of the EDC and RDC towards the development of the MIMAROPA region.

Director Mendoza responded that as per RDC Manual of Operations all resolutions passed and adopted by the Full Council should first emanate from the sectoral committees and he highly recommended to strictly follow the rule. Hence, the said concern will also be part of the agenda of the EDC in the next meeting.

933 **I. Adjournment**

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935 With no other matters to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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941 **APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO**

942 Secretary

943 Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

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950 **GOV. JOSE R. RIANO**

951 Chairperson

952 Governor, Province of Romblon

ATTESTED:

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA

Vice Chairperson

Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Item No. 3: Matters Arising from the Minutes of
Previous Meeting

82nd RDC MIMAROPA Full Council Meeting
02 June 2023 (Friday), 9:00 AM Pasay City

**UPDATES ON MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND
RDC RESOLUTIONS PASSED**

AGENDA ITEM/ ISSUE	AGREEMENTS	STATUS/UPDATES
a) Issue on Batangas Port affecting passengers of Romblon, Oriental Mindoro and Occidental Mindoro.	To be included in the agenda item of the SRNH.	<u>PENDING</u> The next SRNH inter-agency committee meeting will be on 17 November 2023.
b) PRDP Scale Up - Inclusion of CSO in the Regional Project Advisory Board (RPAB).	Discuss in the EDC/RPMC the proposed inclusion of the CSO/EDC Co-Chairperson in the RPAB; and Report back to the RDC on the final recommendation of the secretariat.	<u>FAVORABLY ACTED UPON</u> Per coordination with the DA, the CSO is already represented in the RPAB through the Regional Agricultural and Fishery Council (RAFC) Chairperson. Proposed changes in the composition of RPAB members shall be reviewed, assessed, and approved by the National Project Advisory Board (NPAB) based on the manual/criteria set at the national level.
c) Alleged red-tagging of three individuals in Romblon.	Secretariat to submit the names of three identified individuals to AFP-2ID for verification.	The Secretariat submitted the names of the three individuals that were allegedly linked to CTGs to AFP-2ID. Results of the investigation by AFP-2ID revealed no significant data that might lead to the direct affiliation of the three individuals to the CTG.
d) Inclusion of Verde Island Passage (VIP) in the ENIPAS.	To be included in the agenda item of the 3 rd quarter EDC meeting	Included in the agenda item of the 3 rd quarter RDC meeting on 01 September 2023, under matters for endorsement. The EDC favorably recommended approval of the RDC on the proposed inclusion of VIP in the ENIPAS.

RESOLUTION NO.	TITLE	STATUS/UPDATES
2023-082-1177	Enjoining the attendance of Regional Directors and Heads of Offices to the meetings of the RDC full council and its sectoral committees.	<u>FAVORABLY ACTED UPON</u> Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 24 July 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-082-1178	Supporting WesCom's initiative to invite and encourage local fisherfolks to fish in the waters of Kalayaan Island Group (KIG).	Copy of the resolution was transmitted to WesCom on 15 June 2023; copy furnished PCSD and the Provincial Government of Palawan. VADM Alberto B. Carlos of AFP-WesCom in his letter, dated 28 June 2023, informed the Office of the RDC Vice-Chairperson that they are currently coordinating with the BFAR in connection with the utilization of their vessels in WesCom Joint Operation Area, and for the availability of additional boats for the fisherfolks of Palawan and the Kalayaan Island Group (KIG) to include Pag asa Island.
2023-082-1179	Favorably endorsing the proposed Philippine Rural Development Project (PRDP) Scale-Up (MIMAROPA Component) of the DA to the NEDA-ICC.	DA MIMAROPA was provided a certified true xerox copy of the resolution during the meeting. Copies of the resolution were also provided to all local chief executives of the region on 15 June 2023; acknowledged the same.
2023-082-1180	Approving the creation of the Corridor Alliance Advisory Committee (CAAC) for the Mindoro Biodiversity Corridor Project.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to DENR MIMAROPA and CAAC members (Provinces of Romblon, Occidental and Oriental Mindoro, DA, NCIP, DILG, DHSUD, DOT, DTI, DOST, and LGUs of Rizal (Occidental Mindoro) and Bongabong (Oriental Mindoro) on 15 June 2023; acknowledged.
2023-082-1181	Favorably endorsing the proposed improvement/upgrading of the Marinduque Provincial Tourism and Agriculture Development Center (PTADC) to Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA).	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to TIEZA, DOT MIMAROPA and the Provincial Government of Marinduque on 15 June 2023; acknowledged.
2023-082-1182	Favorably endorsing the New Busuanga Airport Development Project (NBADP) to the Investment Coordination Committee (ICC) of the NEDA Board.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to DOTr, Provincial Government of Palawan, and the NEDA-ICC on 15 June 2023; acknowledged.

2023-082-1183	Favorably endorsing the Romblon Wind Turbine Project for Grant Assistance under the Non-Project Grant Aid of the Government of Japan.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to NEA, ROMELCO, Municipal Government of Concepcion, and the Provincial Government of Romblon on 15 June 2023; acknowledged.
2023-082-1184	Approving the special non-voting membership (SNVM) of the MIMAROPA SUCs to the RDC.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to MIMAROPA SUCs and RDC members on 15 June 2023; acknowledged. The oath taking of the MIMAROPA SUC Presidents/OICs will be held during the 3rd Quarter RDC full council meeting on 01 September 2023.
2023-082-1185	Confirming the Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) as regular member of the SDC and approving its membership as SNVM of the RDC.	Copy of the resolution was transmitted to DMW; copy furnished RDC members on 15 June 2023; acknowledged. The oath taking of the DWM OIC-RD will be held during the 3rd Quarter RDC full council meeting on 01 September 2023.
2023-082-1186	Approving the 2022 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR)	The resolution is form part of the 2022 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report which will be transmitted to all RDC members, NEDA Central Office/Regional Offices and various stakeholders of the region in September.

NO PENDING ITEMS

Item No. 4: MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework
Plan (RPFP) 2021-2050 Planning Committees

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Creation of MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan
2021-2050 Planning Committees

1. Letter of Instruction 1350, s. 1983 providing for the national framework for national physical planning seeks to synchronize and coordinate efforts toward the optimum utilization of the country's land and other related resources and provides for the formulation of a National Physical Framework Plan and a Regional Physical Framework Plan (RFPF) for each region in the country.
2. The RFPFs offer a strategic and long-term perspective on the development of the region within the next three decades. The RFPFs contain policies to guide decisions on the best use of land and natural resources for the people and serve as a blueprint to guide public and private investment decisions on the physical development of the region.
3. The MIMAROPA RFPF 2004-2030, crafted in 2003, is due for updating. The updating of the RFPF shall align the region's physical framework with the National Physical Framework Plan, Luzon Spatial Development Framework, and Visayas Spatial Development Framework.
4. The MIMAROPA RFPF 2021-2050 shall integrate the MIMAROPA Regional Spatial Strategy contained in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan 2023-2028 to guide the provinces in the formulation of their respective provincial spatial strategies, physical frameworks, and other local development plans.
5. The Regional Land Use Committee (RLUC) MIMAROPA, during its second quarter meeting on 17 May 2023, passed RLUC Resolution No. 01, s. 2023 creating the MIMAROPA RFPF 2021-2050 planning committees.
6. The composition of the MIMAROPA RFPF 2021-2050 planning committees (attached and forms part of this resolution) shall provide assistance in data collection, situational analysis, and strategy formulation for the four land uses, namely: (a) settlements; (b) production; (c) protection; and (d) infrastructure.
7. The creation of MIMAROPA RFPF 2021-2050 planning committees shall be presented for review.
8. Action requested: For RDC approval.



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(EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE THIRD QUARTER RDC
MIMAROPA FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 01 SEPTEMBER 2023 IN
PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

**APPROVING THE CREATION OF MIMAROPA REGIONAL PHYSICAL
FRAMEWORK PLAN 2021-2050 PLANNING COMMITTEES**

WHEREAS, Letter of Instruction 1350, s. 1983 providing for the national framework for national physical planning seeks to synchronize and coordinate efforts toward the optimum utilization of the country's land and other related resources and provides for the formulation of a National Physical Framework Plan and a Regional Physical Framework Plan (RPF) for each region in the country;

WHEREAS, the RPFs offer a strategic and long-term perspective on the development of the region within the next three decades;

WHEREAS, the RPFs contain policies to guide decisions on the best use of land and natural resources for the people and serve as a blueprint to guide public and private investment decisions on the physical development of the region;

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA RPF 2004-2030, crafted in 2003, is due for updating;

WHEREAS, the updating of the RPF shall align the region's physical framework with the National Physical Framework Plan, Luzon Spatial Development Framework, and Visayas Spatial Development Framework;

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA RPF 2021-2050 shall integrate the MIMAROPA Regional Spatial Strategy, contained in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan 2023-2028, to guide the provinces in the formulation of their respective provincial spatial strategies, physical frameworks, and other local development plans;

WHEREAS, the Regional Land Use Committee (RLUC) MIMAROPA, during its second quarter meeting on 17 May 2023, passed RLUC Resolution No. 01, s. 2023 creating the MIMAROPA RPF 2021-2050 planning committees;

WHEREAS, the composition of the MIMAROPA RPF 2021-2050 planning committees (attached and forms part of this resolution) shall provide assistance in data collection, situational analysis, and strategy formulation

for the four land uses, namely: (a) settlements; (b) production; (c) protection; and (d) infrastructure.

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council approves the creation of MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan 2021-2050 Planning Committees;

RESOLVE FURTHER, That copies of this resolution be furnished to all concerned;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
Secretary
Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO
Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Composition of the MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan (RFPF) 2021-2050 Planning Committees

A. Development Administration Committee

(Land Use/Physical/Institutional Development)

Chairperson: Mayor Marilou F. Morillo, *Calapan City*

Vice Chairperson: Dir. Agustin C. Mendoza, *NEDA MIMAROPA*

Secretary: EnP. Sheryll B. Sarabia, *NEDA MIMAROPA – PFPD*

Members:

- Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas – South Luzon Regional Office
- Bureau of Local Government Finance MIMAROPA
- Commission on Human Rights MIMAROPA
- Department of Budget and Management
- Department of the Interior and Local Government MIMAROPA*
- Department of Labor and Employment MIMAROPA
- National Police Commission MIMAROPA
- Office of the Civil Defense MIMAROPA
- Public Attorney's Office MIMAROPA
- Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency MIMAROPA
- Philippine Information Agency MIMAROPA
- Philippine Statistics Authority MIMAROPA
- Presidential Management Staff – Office for Regional Concerns
- Philippine National Police MIMAROPA
- Philippine Army - 2nd Infantry Battalion
- South Luzon Command – Armed Forces of the Philippines
- Western Command - Armed Forces of the Philippines
- Provincial/City Planning and Development Offices*
- Private Sector Representatives*

B. Economic Development Committee

(Economic Development/Environment Management)

Chairperson: Mayor Armi DC. Carreon, *Municipality of Boac*

Vice Chairperson: Dir. Agustin C. Mendoza, *NEDA MIMAROPA*

Secretary: Mr. Bernardino A. Atienza, *NEDA MIMAROPA – PDIPBD*

Members:

- Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas – South Luzon Regional Office
- Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources MIMAROPA*
- Climate Change Commission
- Cooperative Development Authority MIMAROPA
- Department of Agriculture MIMAROPA*
- Department Agrarian Reform MIMAROPA*
- Department of Environment and Natural Resources MIMAROPA*
- Department of Science and Technology MIMAROPA*
- Department of Tourism MIMAROPA*
- Department of Trade and Industry MIMAROPA*
- Environmental Management Bureau MIMAROPA*
- Food and Drug Administration Region 4
- Mines and Geosciences Bureau MIMAROPA*
- National Commission on Indigenous Peoples MIMAROPA*
- National Irrigation Administration MIMAROPA*

- National Food Authority MIMAROPA
- Palawan Council for Sustainable Development*
- Philippine Coconut Authority MIMAROPA
- Philippine Fiber Industry Development Authority Region 4
- Presidential Management Staff – Office for Regional Concerns
- Provincial/City Planning and Development Offices*
- Private Sector Representatives*

C. Social Development Committee

(Settlements/Social Development)

Chairperson: Mayor Elegio A. Malaluan, *Municipality of Bongabong*

Vice Chairperson: Dir. Agustin C. Mendoza, *NEDA MIMAROPA*

Secretary: Mr. Emerson Kim J. Lineses, *NEDA MIMAROPA – DRD*

Members:

- Commission on Higher Education MIMAROPA
- Commission on Population and Development MIMAROPA*
- Department of Education MIMAROPA
- Department of Health MIMAROPA
- Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development MIMAROPA*
- Department of Justice – Parole and Probation Administration*
- Department of Labor and Employment MIMAROPA*
- Department of Science and Technology*
- Department of Social Welfare and Development MIMAROPA
- National Commission on Indigenous Peoples MIMAROPA*
- National Nutrition Council MIMAROPA
- National Youth Commission
- Office of the Civil Defense MIMAROPA
- Technical Education and Skills Development Authority MIMAROPA
- National Commission for Culture and the Arts
- Provincial/City Planning and Development Offices*
- Private Sector Representatives*
- State Universities and Colleges

D. Infrastructure Development Committee

(Infrastructure Development)

Chairperson: Gov. Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr., *Province of Marinduque*

Vice Chairperson: Dir. Agustin C. Mendoza, *NEDA MIMAROPA*

Acting Secretary: Engr. Amalia F. Santiago, *NEDA MIMAROPA – PMED*

Members:

- Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines*
- Department of Energy*
- Department of Information and Communications Technology MIMAROPA*
- Department of Transportation*
- Department of Public Works and Highways MIMAROPA*
- Environmental Management Bureau MIMAROPA*
- Land Transportation Office MIMAROPA
- Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board MIMAROPA
- Local Water Utilities Administration
- Maritime Industry Authority Region 4*

- National Electrification Administration*
- National Irrigation Administration MIMAROPA*
- National Power Corporation*
- National Water Resources Board
- Philippine Coast Guard
- Philippine Ports Authority*
- Philippine Postal Corporation – South Luzon
- Provincial/City Planning and Development Offices*
- Private Sector Representatives*

* - *RLUC Technical Working Group Members*

Item No. 5: Amendment of EO 325 series of 1996

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Proposed Amendment of Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996

1. Article X Section 14 of the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines provides that the President shall create regional development councils (RDCs) and other similar bodies composed of local government officials, regional heads of departments and other government offices and representatives from non-governmental organizations within the regions.
2. The purposes for the creation of the RDCs are administrative decentralization to strengthen the autonomy of the local government units therein and to accelerate the socio-economic development of the regions.
3. The RDCs were first established in all administrative regions of the country by virtue of Letter of Implementation No. 22 issued on 31 December 1972. Thereafter, several executive orders were issued to improve the structure and functions of the RDCs.
4. Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996 provides for the reorganization of the Regional Development Councils repealing Executive Order No. 308, s. 1987, as amended by Executive Order Nos. 318 (s. 1988), 347 (s. 1989), 366 (s. 1989), 455 (s. 1991) and 505 (s. 1992).
5. The Regional Development Group of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) initiated the crafting of a draft executive order repealing EO 325, s. 1996.
6. The proposed amendment seeks to rationalize the structure and operations of the RDC to take into account laws and executive issuances issued after EO 325, s. 1996 and to further reorganize and strengthen the RDCs.
7. The RDC sectoral committees, during the third quarter meetings held on 03-04 August 2023, reviewed the proposed amendment of EO 325, s. 1996 and favorably recommended RDC support.
8. The draft EO repealing EO 325, s. 1996 will be presented along with the consolidated comments and inputs from the RDC and sectoral committee members for reference of the members.
9. Action requested: For RDC support.



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PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 325, S. 1996

WHEREAS, Article X Section 14 of the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines provides that the President shall create regional development councils (RDCs) and other similar bodies composed of local government officials, regional heads of departments and other government offices and representatives from non-governmental organizations within the regions;

WHEREAS, the purposes for the creation of the RDCs are administrative decentralization to strengthen the autonomy of the local government units therein and to accelerate the socio-economic development of the regions;

WHEREAS, the RDCs were first established in all administrative regions of the country by virtue of Letter of Implementation No. 22 issued on 31 December 1972;

WHEREAS, several executive orders were issued to improve the structure and functions of the RDCs;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996 provides for the reorganization of the Regional Development Councils repealing Executive Order No. 308, s. 1987, as amended by Executive Order Nos. 318 (s. 1988), 347 (s. 1989), 366 (s. 1989), 455 (s. 1991) and 505 (s. 1992);

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Group of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) initiated the crafting of a draft executive order repealing EO 325, s. 1996;

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment seeks to rationalize the structure and operations of the RDC to take into account laws and executive issuances issued after EO 325, s. 1996 and to further reorganize and strengthen the RDCs;

WHEREAS, the RDC sectoral committees, during the third quarter meetings held on 03-04 August 2023, reviewed the proposed amendment of EO 325, s. 1996 and favorably recommended RDC support;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council supports the proposed amendment of Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That copies of this resolution be furnished to all concerned;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
Secretary
Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO
Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 6: PAMANA Projects of Occidental Mindoro

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Proposed PAMANA Projects of the Municipality of Sablayan in Occidental Mindoro

1. The Payapa at Masaganang Pamayanan (PAMANA) Program was launched in 2011 as a priority program of the government that supports the peace negotiation track and contributes to the goal of attaining just and lasting peace.
2. PAMANA program is the government's peace and development convergence program, which extends development interventions to communities in isolated, hard-to-reach conflict-affected and conflict-vulnerable areas.
3. On 01 March 2023, Mayor Walter B. Marquez of the Municipality of Sablayan in Occidental Mindoro wrote a letter to RDC MIMAROPA requesting Regional Development Council (RDC) endorsement of the following proposed projects to the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU) for funding under the PAMANA Program:
 - a. Concreting of Calamansian Farm to Market Road in Brgy San Agustin amounting to ₱53.0 million;
 - b. Solar-Powered Potable Water System in Brgy. Batongbuhay amounting to ₱5.30 million;
 - c. Solar-Powered Potable Water System in Brgy. Tuban amounting to ₱5.30 million;
 - d. Solar-Powered Potable Water Expansion in Brgy. Pag-asa amounting to ₱5.0 million;
 - e. Solar-Powered Irrigation System in Brgy. Burgos amounting to ₱35.0 million; and
 - f. Solar-Powered Irrigation System in Brgy. Ligaya amounting to ₱35.0 million.
4. The proposed projects are consistent to the strategies set in the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028 and MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan 2023-2028.
5. The Development Administration Committee, during its third quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023, reviewed the proposed projects of the municipality of Sablayan in Occidental Mindoro and recommended RDC endorsement to OPAPRU for funding under the PAMANA Program.
6. Action requested: For RDC endorsement to OPAPRU for funding under the PAMANA Program.



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IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

**FAVORABLY ENDORSING THE PROPOSED PAMANA PROJECTS OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF SABLAYAN IN OCCIDENTAL MINDORO**

WHEREAS, the Payapa at Masaganang Pamayanan (PAMANA) Program was launched in 2011 as a priority program of the government that supports the peace negotiation track and contributes to the goal of attaining just and lasting peace;

WHEREAS, PAMANA program is the government's peace and development convergence program, which extends development interventions to communities in isolated, hard-to-reach conflict-affected and conflict-vulnerable areas;

WHEREAS, on 01 March 2023, Mayor Walter B. Marquez of the Municipality of Sablayan in Occidental Mindoro wrote a letter to RDC MIMAROPA requesting Regional Development Council (RDC) endorsement of the following proposed projects to the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU) for funding under the PAMANA Program;

WHEREAS, the proposed projects are consistent to the strategies set in the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028 and MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan 2023-2028;

WHEREAS, the Development Administration Committee, during its third quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023, reviewed the proposed projects of the municipality of Sablayan in Occidental Mindoro and recommended RDC endorsement to OPAPRU for funding under the PAMANA Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council favorably endorses the proposed PAMANA projects of the municipality of Sablayan in Occidental Mindoro;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That copies of this resolution be furnished to the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity and Office of the Municipal Mayor in Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO

Secretary
Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA

Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO

Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

**Proposed PAMANA Projects of the Municipality of Sablayan
in Occidental Mindoro**

No.	Project Title	Location	Project Cost
1	Concreting of Calamansian Farm to Market Road	Brgy. San Agustin	₱53.00 million
2	Solar-Powered Potable Water System	Brgy. Batongbuhay	₱5.30 million
3	Solar-Powered Potable Water System	Brgy. Tuban	₱5.30 million
4	Solar-Powered Potable Water Expansion	Brgy. Pag-asa	₱5.00 million
5	Solar-Powered Irrigation System	Brgy. Burgos	₱35.00 million
6	Solar-Powered Irrigation System	Brgy. Ligaya	₱35.0 million
	TOTAL		₱138.60 million

Item No. 7: Proposed PBBM Bridges Project

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: MIMAROPA Component of the Proposed Pang-Agraryong Tulay Para Sa Bagong Bayanihan Ng Mga Magsasaka (PBBM) Bridges Project

1. In a letter dated 29 June 2023, the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) MIMAROPA requested RDC endorsement of the proposed PBBM Bridges to the NEDA Investment Coordination Committee. The proposal is a five-year (2024-2028) nationwide project which aims to contribute to attaining food security, and inclusive development by providing better infrastructure services.

2. The PBBM Bridges Project aims to improve access of women and men to more efficient, safe, secured, and climate-resilient infrastructure services. Specifically, it aims to:

- a. Construct 350 well-designed permanent bridges within or near the agrarian reform communities (ARCs);
- b. Develop an information system and geo-map of 350 bridges in relation to agrarian reform beneficiary organizations (ARBO) - ARC agricultural activities to facilitate effective monitoring and reporting of accomplishments as well as in documentation of the completed and proposed bridge projects; and
- c. Link agricultural produce and socio-economic activities of various ARBOs and communities nationwide.

3. The estimated total cost of the project is Php 28.24 billion with the following financing details:

Funding Source	Cost (in Php Billion)	Percent Share
ODA Funding	24.13	85%
GOP Counterpart	4.11	15%
Total Project Cost	28.24	100%

4. The PBBM Bridges will adopt permanent modular steel bridges designed with simple climate-resilient structure but can carry the standard load requirements.¹ The estimated length of the double-lane bridges to be constructed under the proposed project ranges 20-50 linear meters, with a 50-100 meters approach on both sides.

5. Initially, a total of 29 bridges for MIMAROPA were proposed to be constructed under the project with the following provincial distribution:

Province	No. of Bridges	Proposed Length (in LM)	Estimated Cost (Php '000)
Marinduque	6	175	470,719.73
Occidental Mindoro	4	125	336,228.38
Oriental Mindoro	2	50	134,491.35
Romblon	3	104	279,742.00

¹ Project Proposal on PBBM Bridges (Updated Version)

Palawan	14	470	1,264,218.69
Total	29	924	2,485,400.15

6. The table below shows the summary status of favorable local endorsements secured by the DAR MIMAROPA.

LGU	Resolution Number	Status
Marinduque	PDC Resolution No. 51-2023	Approved on 14 July 2023
Occidental Mindoro	PDC Resolution No. 21, s. 2023	Approved on 29 March 2023
Oriental Mindoro		The request for the PDC endorsement is still on-going
Palawan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PDC Resolution No. 25, s. 2023 (Proposed Bridges Located in the Municipality of Roxas) • PDC Resolution No. 26, s. 2023 (Proposed Bridges Located in the Municipality of Coron) • PDC Resolution No. 27, s. 2023 (Proposed Bridges Located in the Municipality of Aborlan) • PDC Resolution No. 28, s. 2023 (Proposed Bridges Located in the Municipality of Brooke's Point) • PDC Resolution No. 29, s. 2023 (Proposed Bridges Located in the Municipality of Dumaran) 	<p>All PDC Resolutions were approved on 30 June 2023.</p> <p>Request for the PDC endorsement is still on-going for the following proposed bridges:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Macagua Bridge in the municipality of Brooke's Point 2. Pulot 2 Bridge and Cunanan St. – So. Dingli Bridge in the municipality of Sofronio Española 3. So. Catel, Malinao - So. Mariwara, Princess Urduja in the municipality of Narra
Romblon		The request for the PDC endorsement is still on-going

7. The Economic Development Committee (EDC), during its 3rd quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023, reviewed and recommended RDC endorsement of the proposed Pang-Agraryong Tulay Para Sa Bagong Bayanihan Ng Mga Magsasaka (PBBM) Bridges subject to the following:

- a. Include two steel bridges in Gasan and Boac, Marinduque in the project;
- b. Create a project map showing the agrarian reform communities (ARC), location of steel bridges, along with flood and other climate hazards;
- c. Provide a comparative unit cost analysis between steel bridges versus concrete bridges; and
- d. Provide the gender-disaggregated data for the project.

8. The EDC Chairperson will present the details of the project.

9. Action requested: For RDC endorsement.



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IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

FAVORABLY ENDORSING THE MIMAROPA COMPONENT OF THE PROPOSED PANG-AGRARYONG TULAY PARA SA BAGONG BAYANIHAN NG MGA MAGSASAKA (PBBM) BRIDGES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM (DAR) TO THE NEDA INVESTMENT COORDINATION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Council (RDC) is mandated to review and endorse programs/projects of national government agencies and local government units requiring national government financial exposure which may come in the form of guarantees, national government budget appropriations, or subsidies, among others;

WHEREAS, the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) MIMAROPA requested RDC endorsement of the proposed PBBM Bridges to be implemented nationwide for five years from 2024 to 2028;

WHEREAS, the estimated total cost of the project is Php 28.24 billion, 85 percent of which is proposed for ODA funding;

WHEREAS, the proposed project aims to construct 350 well-designed modular steel permanent bridges in the identified sites within or near the agrarian reform communities (ARCs) throughout the country;

WHEREAS, the DAR MIMAROPA has submitted the validated list of bridges in MIMAROPA that can be constructed under the PBBM Bridges (attached);

WHEREAS, the proposed PBBM Bridges will respond to the rising needs of agrarian reform communities (ARCs) for better, climate-resilient, and efficient transportation systems which can contribute to the attainment of food security, expansion of growth centers, and improvement of farmers' income and productivity;

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Council (EDC), during its 3rd quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023, reviewed and recommended RDC endorsement of the Pang-Agraryong Tulay Para Sa Bagong Bayanihan Ng Mga Magsasaka (PBBM) Bridges of the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR);

WHEREAS, the RDC recognizes the alignment of the project with the goals and strategies stipulated in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Nos. 2 (End hunger, achieve food security, and improve nutrition through sustainable agriculture), 8 (Decent Work

and Economic Growth), 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure), and 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities);

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council favorably endorses the MIMAROPA component of the proposed Pang-Agraryong Tulay Para Sa Bagong Bayanihan Ng Mga Magsasaka (PBBM) Bridges of the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) to the NEDA Investment Coordination Committee;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the proposed project be included in the investment program of the Department of Agrarian Reform and the Regional Development Investment Program 2023-2028;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That a copy of this resolution be provided to all concerned agencies;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

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Secretary
Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO
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List of Priority Bridges Proposed Under the PBBM Bridges Project

No.	Province	Name of Bridge	Location	Proposed Length (LM)
1	Marinduque	Tabionan Bridge	Brgy. Tabionan, Gasan	25
2	Marinduque	Manlibunan-Maharlika Bridge	Public Market, Brgy Manlibunan	30
3	Marinduque	Banogbog Bridge	Brgy. Manogbog	30
4	Marinduque	Baliis Bridge	Brgy. Baliis	30
5	Marinduque	Tambangan Bridge	Brgy. Tambangan	30
6	Marinduque	Libjo Road Bridge	Brgy. Libjo	30
7	Occidental Mindoro	Malugao	Brgy. Alipaoy, Paluan	50
8	Occidental Mindoro	Camburay-San Isidro	Magsimula-Cabay Arc, San Jose	30
9	Occidental Mindoro	Inanggihan	Brgy. Gapasan, Magsaysay	25
10	Occidental Mindoro	Lower Ticol	Brgy. Pitogo, Rizal	20
11	Oriental Mindoro	Naujan	Naujan	30
12	Oriental Mindoro	Cambunang	Cambunang, Bulalacao	20
13	Palawan	Iraan Bridge I	Brgy. Iraan, Roxas	30
14	Palawan	Sandoval Hanging	Sandoval, Roxas	50
15	Palawan	Itabiak-Subingao Bridge	Dumarao-Iraan, Roxas	40
16	Palawan	Upper Ilian-ilian Bridge	Dumarao-Iraan, Roxas	30
17	Palawan	Masaya II Bridge	Dumarao-Iraan, Roxas	25
18	Palawan	New Rizal Hanging Bridge	Dumarao-Iraan, Roxas	25
19	Palawan	Suspension Bridge in Purok Ilang-Ilang	Caramay, Roxas	30
20	Palawan	Tabok	San Nicolas, Coron	25
21	Palawan	Macagua	Saraza, Brooke's Point	20
22	Palawan	Imulnod Hanging	Imulnod, Brooke's Point	50
23	Palawan	Pulot 2	Pulot Interior, Sofronio Española	50
24	Palawan	Cunanan St. - So. Dingli	Pulot Center, Sofronio Española	50
25	Palawan	So. Catel, Malinao - So. Mariwara, Princess Urduja	Brgy. Malinao, Narra	25
26	Palawan	Bidiangao	Iraan - Barake, Aborlan	20
27	Romblon	Aglinggue	Brgy. Tampayan, Magdiwang	20
28	Romblon	Tampayan	Brgy. Tampayan, Magdiwang	34
29	Romblon	Dulangan	Brgy. Dulangan, Magdiwang	50

Item No. 8: Inclusion of Verde Island Passage (VIP)
in the ENIPAS

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

Brief from the RDC Secretariat

Subject: Proposed Inclusion of the Verde Island Passage (VIP) in the Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System (ENIPAS)

1. During the second quarter Economic Development Committee (EDC) on May 04, 2023, the protection of the Verde Island Passage was proposed through its inclusion in the Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System (ENIPAS).
2. The Economic Development Committee, during its 3rd quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023, reviewed and recommended RDC endorsement of the proposed inclusion of the Verde Island Passage in the Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System (ENIPAS).
3. The EDC recognizes that the inclusion of VIP under ENIPAs shall undertake the formulation of general management planning strategy and zoning such as strict protection zones; buffer zones; restoration zone; habitat conservation and rehabilitation; biodiversity management; cultural zones; community organizing; socioeconomic and scientific research zones; among others.
4. There is also a need to define other areas such as sustainable use zones, multiple use zones, recreational zones, and special use zones. Protected area management zoning should harmonized with the existing economic activities and strategic programs and projects of national significance identified in the Public Investment Program, Regional Development Plan, Luzon Spatial Development Framework Plan, and Regional Development Investment Program provided that a full-blown environmental impact assessment (EIA) is done and the required environmental compliance certificate (ECC) is secured.
5. The EDC Chairperson will present the details of the proposal.
6. Action requested: Recommend for RDC endorsement.



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RDC Resolution No. _____

**FAVORABLY ENDORSING THE INCLUSION OF THE VERDE ISLAND
PASSAGE (VIP) AS PART OF THE EXPANDED NATIONAL INTEGRATED
PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (ENIPAS)**

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Council (RDC) is mandated to coordinate the preparation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of short- and long-term regional development plans and investment programs, regional physical framework plan, and special development plans, including the formulation of policy recommendations;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 7586 established a National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS), which shall encompass outstandingly remarkable areas and biologically important public lands that are habitats of rare and endangered species of plants and animals, biogeographic zones and related ecosystems, whether terrestrial, wetland or marine, all of which shall be designated as “protected areas”;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 11038 or the Expanded NIPAS Act further established additional protected areas within the classification of national park pursuant to the Philippine Constitution;

WHEREAS, Section 6 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the ENIPAS Act states that, upon the recommendation of DENR, additional areas with unique physical features, anthropological significance, and high biological diversity may be proposed for inclusion as part of the NIPAS;

WHEREAS, the overall objective of protection under the NIPAS Law is to secure the perpetual existence of native plants and animals for the present and future generations;

WHEREAS, the management of VIP shall require the formulation of a general management planning strategy and zoning such as strict protection zones; buffer zones; habitat conservation and rehabilitation; biodiversity management; cultural zones; community organizing; socioeconomic and scientific research zones; among others;

WHEREAS, there is a need to define other areas such as sustainable use zones, multiple zones, recreational zones, and special use zones that will harmonize with the existing economic activities and strategic programs and projects of national significance identified in the Public Investment Program, Regional Development Plan, Regional Development Investment Program, and Luzon Spatial Development Framework within the VIP;

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee (EDC), during its 3rd quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023, reviewed and recommended RDC endorsement of the proposed inclusion of the VIP in the ENIPAS;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council favorably endorses the inclusion of the Verde Island Passage (VIP) as part of the Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System (ENIPAS);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That infrastructure facilities such as those major programs and projects identified in the Public Investment Program, Regional Development Plan, Regional Development Investment Program, and Luzon Spatial Development Framework be allowed under special uses category;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That agriculture, tourism, extraction activities, and other livelihood activities be allowed in the settlement, traditional, and agricultural areas;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the RDC MIMAROPA be included in the consultation process to be undertaken relative to the inclusion of the VIP in the ENIPAS;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That copies of this resolution be furnished to all concerned.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

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Item No. 9: MIMAROPA Top 30 Priority Programs
and Projects (PAPs)

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: MIMAROPA Top 30 Regional Priority Programs and
and Projects (PAPs)

1. The National Economic and Development Authority issued a memorandum dated 13 June 2023 on the conduct of the Regional-National Investment Programming (RNIP) Dialogue which aims to link the Regional Development Investment Program (RDIP) to the Public Investment Program (PIP) by aligning regional priorities with national/sectoral priorities.
2. Among the requirements of the RNIP Dialogue is the identification and submission of 30 priority programs and projects of the Regional Development Councils (RDCs) to the 12 pilot agency central offices (ACOs) for inclusion in their agency PIP.
3. On a letter dated 29 June 2023, the RDC MIMAROPA submitted the top 30 priority programs and projects (PAPs) for consideration of the 12 ACOs, namely: Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Department of Agriculture (DA), Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Department of Energy (DOE), Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), Department of Transportation (DOTr), Department of Education (DepEd), Department of Health (DOH), Department of Human Settlements, and Urban Development (DHSUD), and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD).
4. The priority PAPs were presented and reviewed according to sector during the RDC Sectoral Committee meetings last 03-04 August 2023. The representatives of the 12 ACOs were also invited to discuss and provide responses on the submitted priority PAPs. Among the agreements during the discussion was to update the list of PAPs submitted to DPWH and DOE.
5. Upon thorough review of the list of PAPs, the RDC sectoral committees recommended RDC endorsement of the region's priority PAPs to the concerned ACOs.
6. The RDC Secretariat will present the Priority PAPs of the MIMAROPA region (please refer to the attached list) with concurrence from their respective ACOs.
7. Action requested: For RDC endorsement.

MIMAROPA Top 30 Priority Programs and Projects (PAPs)

Project	Location	Responsible Agency
<i>Development Administration Committee (DAC)</i>		
Support for the Local Governance Program	Regionwide	DILG
Philippine Anti-Illegal Drugs Strategy	Regionwide	DILG
<i>Economic Development Committee(EDC)</i>		
Bagtingon Small Reservoir Irrigation Project	Marinduque	DA-NIA
Lipitan Small Reservoir Irrigation Project	Occidental Mindoro	DA-NIA
Ransang River Irrigation Project	Palawan	DA-NIA
Acquisition and Distribution of Reefer Vans	Regionwide	DA-BFAR
Establishment and Operationalization of Aquaculture Feed Mill	Oriental Mindoro and Palawan	DA-BFAR
Palawan Wildlife Management Program	Palawan	DENR-PCSD
Strengthening Palawan Landscape Governance Program for Recovery, Resiliency, and Self-sufficiency in the Age of Pandemics and Rapidly Changing Climate	Palawan	DENR-PCSD
Purchase of Portable Real-Time Water Quality Monitoring Equipment	Regionwide	DENR-EMB
Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP)	Regionwide	DOST
<i>Infrastructure Development Committee(IDC)</i>		
Supply and Installation of 69kV Transmission Line (T/L) Project in selected areas in Palawan and Marinduque	Palawan and Marinduque	DOE
Renewable Energy Projects in MIMAROPA (Solar and Battery Hybridization) ¹	Palawan	DOE
Free Wi-Fi Internet Access in Public Places	Regionwide	DICT
Widening of Sijeron Bridge along Tablas Circumferential Road in Romblon ²	Romblon	DPWH
Puerto Princesa City Viaduct	Palawan	DPWH
Mindoro Cross-Island Road	Occidental and Oriental Mindoro	DPWH
Bypass Road in Bulalacao	Oriental Mindoro	DPWH
Establishment of the MIMAROPA Regional Government Center	Oriental Mindoro	DPWH
Busuanga Airport Development Project	Palawan	DOTr
Project	Location	Responsible Agency

¹ Replacement for Sibuyan Power Development Project

² Replacement for the Coron-Culion bridge

Social Development Committee(SDC)		
School Based Feeding Program	Regionwide	DepEd
Alternative Learning System (ALS) Program and Indigenous People's Education Program (IPEd)	Regionwide	DepEd
Basic Education Facilities	Regionwide	DepEd
Conversion of Oriental Mindoro Central District Hospital to Oriental Mindoro Provincial Hospital	Oriental Mindoro	DOH
Culion Sanitarium and General Hospital	Palawan	DOH
Ospital ng Palawan	Palawan	DOH
Fisherfolks Settlements Development	Regionwide	DHSUD
Residential Care Program (MIMAROPA Youth Center)	Oriental Mindoro	DSWD
Supplementary Feeding Program	Regionwide	DSWD
Social Pension for Indigent Senior Citizens	Regionwide	DSWD

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MIMAROPA FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 01 SEPTEMBER 2023 IN
PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

**FAVORABLY ENDORSING THE MIMAROPA REGION'S TOP 30 PRIORITY
PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Council (RDC) is mandated to review and endorse programs/projects of national government agencies and local government units requiring national government financial exposure which may come in the form of guarantees, national government budget appropriations, or subsidies, among others;

WHEREAS, the National Economic and Development Authority issued a memorandum dated 13 June 2023 directing the Regional Development Councils to identify their top 30 priority programs and projects for submission and inclusion in the agency investment programs of the 12 pilot agency central offices (ACOs), namely: Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Department of Agriculture (DA), Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Department of Energy (DOE), Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), Department of Transportation (DOTr), Department of Education (DepEd), Department of Health (DOH), Department of Human Settlements, and Urban Development (DHSUD), and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD);

WHEREAS, on a letter dated 29 June 2023, the RDC MIMAROPA submitted the top 30 priority regional PAPs for consideration of the ACOs;

WHEREAS, during the third quarter RDC sectoral committee meetings held on 03-04 August 2023, the 30 priority PAPs were presented and reviewed according to sector wherein the ACO representatives provided inputs and responses on the said PAPs;

WHEREAS, upon thorough review and concurrence of the ACOs, the RDC sectoral committees recommended RDC endorsement of the 30 priority PAPs;

WHEREAS, the RDC recognizes the need for the immediate implementation of the priority PAPs vital to the achievement of the goals and objectives stipulated in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC favorably endorses the MIMAROPA region's top 30 priority programs and projects (please refer to the attached list);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the said programs and projects be included in the Public Investment Program 2023-2028 of the concerned agency central offices;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the copy of this resolution be provided to the concerned agency central offices for reference and timely submission of feedback on the actions taken on the resolution to the RDC Secretariat;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That the Public Investment Staff of the National Economic and Development Authority be furnished with this resolution for reference.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

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MIMAROPA Top 30 Priority Programs and Projects (PAPs)

Project	Location	Responsible Agency
Development Administration Committee (DAC)		
Support for the Local Governance Program	Regionwide	DILG
Philippine Anti-Illegal Drugs Strategy	Regionwide	DILG
Economic Development Committee(EDC)		
Bagtingon Small Reservoir Irrigation Project	Marinduque	DA-NIA
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Acquisition and Distribution of Reefer Vans	Regionwide	DA-BFAR
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Infrastructure Development Committee(IDC)		
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Puerto Princesa City Viaduct	Palawan	DPWH
Mindoro Cross-Island Road	Occidental and Oriental Mindoro	DPWH
Bypass Road in Bulalacao	Oriental Mindoro	DPWH
Establishment of the MIMAROPA Regional Government Center	Oriental Mindoro	DPWH
Busuanga Airport Development Project	Palawan	DOTr

* Additional PAPs by DOST

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² Replacement for the Coron-Culion bridge

Project	Location	Responsible Agency
Social Development Committee(SDC)		
School Based Feeding Program	Regionwide	DepEd
Alternative Learning System (ALS) Program and Indigenous People's Education Program (IPEd)	Regionwide	DepEd
Basic Education Facilities	Regionwide	DepEd
Conversion of Oriental Mindoro Central District Hospital to Oriental Mindoro Provincial Hospital	Oriental Mindoro	DOH
Culion Sanitarium and General Hospital	Palawan	DOH
Ospital ng Palawan	Palawan	DOH
Fisherfolks Settlements Development	Regionwide	DHSUD
Residential Care Program (MIMAROPA Youth Center)	Oriental Mindoro	DSWD
Supplementary Feeding Program	Regionwide	DSWD
Social Pension for Indigent Senior Citizens	Regionwide	DSWD

Item No. 10: Renewable Energy Exploration and
Sustainability Assessment (REESA)

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Renewable Energy Exploration and Sustainability Assessment (REESA) – MIMAROPA

1. The Project on Renewable Energy Exploration and Sustainability Assessment (REESA) – MIMAROPA intends to: 1) analyze the topographical suitability characteristics of solar power resources using Geographical Information System-Multicriteria Decision Analysis (GIS-MCDA) and Analytical Hierarchy Process (APH) Technique; 2) analyze the topographical suitability characteristics of wind power resources using GIS-MCDA and AHP Technique; and 3) analyze the existing power system and optimize available conventional and renewable resources using National Renewable Energy Laboratory's (NREL) Hybrid Optimization of Multiple Energy Resources (HOMER) Pro simulation software.
2. Project REESA would boost not only the MIMAROPA State Universities and Colleges' (SUCs) research and development effort, but also the industry as a whole.
3. The Project REESA is aligned with the MIMAROPA Regional R&D Agenda under Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Sector, which was approved by the RDC MIMAROPA through RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1111, "Approving and Adopting the MIMAROPA Research and Development Agenda 2023-2025" on 02 December 2022.
4. During the second quarter meeting of the Regional Research, Development and Innovation Committee (RRDIC) held on 03 May 2023, the committee recommended RDC approval of the Project REESA subject to the review of the Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC).
5. The IDC, during its third quarter meeting held on 04 August 2023 in Quezon City, reviewed the proposed REESA Project and recommend RDC approval and adoption. Further, the IDC recommended that the REESA Project be endorse to DOST PCCIERD for possible funding support.
6. Action requested: For RDC endorsement.



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PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

**APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE RENEWABLE ENERGY EXPLORATION
AND SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT (REESA) PROJECT FOR MIMAROPA
AND FAVORABLY ENDORSING IT TO DOST-PCIEERD FOR FUNDING
SUPPORT**

WHEREAS, the Project on Renewable Energy Exploration and Sustainability Assessment (REESA) – MIMAROPA intends to: 1) analyze the topographical suitability characteristics of solar power resources using Geographical Information System-Multicriteria Decision Analysis (GIS-MCDA) and Analytical Hierarchy Process (APH) Technique; 2) analyze the topographical suitability characteristics of wind power resources using GIS-MCDA and AHP Technique; and 3) analyze the existing power system and optimize available conventional and renewable resources using National Renewable Energy Laboratory's (NREL) Hybrid Optimization of Multiple Energy Resources (HOMER) Pro simulation software;

WHEREAS, the Project REESA would boost not only the MIMAROPA State Universities and Colleges' (SUCs) research and development effort, but also the industry as a whole;

WHEREAS, the Project REESA is aligned with the MIMAROPA Regional R&D Agenda under Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Sector, which was approved by the RDC MIMAROPA through RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1111, "Approving and Adopting the MIMAROPA Research and Development Agenda 2023-2025" on 02 December 2022;

WHEREAS, during the second quarter meeting of the Regional Research, Development and Innovation Committee (RRDIC) held on 03 May 2023, the committee recommended RDC approval of the Project REESA subject to the review of the Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC);

WHEREAS, the IDC, during its third quarter meeting held on 04 August 2023 in Quezon City, reviewed the proposed REESA Project and recommended RDC endorsement for funding support to DOST-Philippine Council for Industry, Energy and Emerging Technology Research and Development (PCIEERD);

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council approves and adopts the Renewable Energy Exploration and Sustainability Assessment (REESA) Project in MIMAROPA and favorably endorses it to the DOST-PCIEERD for possible funding support;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That DOST-PCIEERD, DOST MIMAROPA, and Romblon State University, be copied of this resolution.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
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AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
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Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO
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Item No. 11: OPT Plus Implementation for High
Prevalence Malnutrition

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting

01 September 2023

Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Enjoining local government units in MIMAROPA to provide the prescribed anthropometric measurement tools for OPT+ and enhance the capacity of Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BSNs) and members of the OPT+ Team

1. Operation Timbang Plus (OPT+) is an annual program that measures the weight, height, length, and Mid-upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) of all children aged 0 to 59 months in a community to identify and locate malnourished children and generate data for nutritional assessment, planning, management, and evaluation of local nutrition programs.
2. The OPT+ results are used to assess the nutritional status of children, identify families with malnourished children, determine priority areas for program planning, and monitor nutrition trends. To ensure accuracy, trained OPT+ teams should measure the anthropometric indicators.
3. The National Nutrition Council Governing Board has issued guidelines on OPT+ implementation, including the fabrication, verification, and maintenance of height boards. MIMAROPA Region faces high rates of stunting and underweight, and Barangay Nutrition Scholars should be regularly trained to monitor malnourished children.
4. To ensure the quality of collected data, anthropometric measurement tools should be calibrated every three years and verified annually. LGUs are encouraged to allocate local funds for OPT+ and overall nutrition improvement programs.
5. The Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC), during its joint meeting with the RNC Technical Working Group (TWG), held on 16 February 2023 in Quezon City passed RNC Resolution No. 01, s. 2023, enjoining all local government units (LGUs) in MIMAROPA Region to provide prescribed anthropometric measurement tools for use in the Operation Timbang Plus (OPT+) and capacitate the barangay nutrition scholars (BSNs) including the members of the operation OPT+ Team.
6. During the SDC 3rd Quarter Meeting on 04 August 2023 in Quezon City, a resolution was passed to endorse to the RDC the passage of a parallel resolution enjoining local government units in MIMAROPA to provide the prescribed anthropometric measurement tools for OPT+ and enhance the capacity of Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BSNs) and members of the OPT+ Team, instead of adopting a resolution supporting another resolution.
7. Action requested: For RDC approval.



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PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

**ENJOINING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS IN MIMAROPA TO PROVIDE
THE PRESCRIBED ANTHROPOMETRIC MEASUREMENT TOOLS FOR
OPT+ AND ENHANCE THE CAPACITY OF BARANGAY NUTRITION
SCHOLARS (BSNS) AND MEMBERS OF THE OPT+ TEAM**

WHEREAS, Operation Timbang Plus (OPT+) is an annual program that measures the weight, height, length, and Mid-upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) of all children aged 0 to 59 months in a community to identify and locate malnourished children and generate data for nutritional assessment, planning, management, and evaluation of local nutrition programs;

WHEREAS, the OPT+ results are used to assess the nutritional status of children, identify families with malnourished children, determine priority areas for program planning, and monitor nutrition trends; To ensure accuracy, trained OPT+ teams should measure the anthropometric indicators;

WHEREAS, the National Nutrition Council Governing Board has issued guidelines on OPT+ implementation, including the fabrication, verification, and maintenance of height boards. MIMAROPA Region faces high rates of stunting and underweight, and Barangay Nutrition Scholars should be regularly trained to monitor malnourished children;

WHEREAS, to ensure the quality of collected data, anthropometric measurement tools should be calibrated every three years and verified annually; LGUs are encouraged to allocate local funds for OPT+ and overall nutrition improvement programs;

WHEREAS, the Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC), during its joint meeting with the RNC Technical Working Group (TWG), held on 16 February 2023 in Quezon City passed RNC Resolution No. 01, s. 2023, enjoining all local government units (LGUs) in MIMAROPA Region to provide prescribed anthropometric measurement tools for use in the Operation Timbang Plus (OPT+) and capacitate the barangay nutrition scholars (BSNs) including the members of the operation OPT+ Team;

WHEREAS, during the SDC 3rd Quarter SDC Meeting on 04 August 2023 in Quezon City, a resolution was passed to endorse to the RDC the passage of a resolution enjoining local government units in MIMAROPA to provide the prescribed anthropometric measurement tools for OPT+ and enhance the capacity of Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BSNs) and members of the OPT+ Team, instead of adopting a resolution supporting another resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC MIMAROPA enjoins local government units in MIMAROPA to provide the prescribed anthropometric measurement tools for OPT+ and enhance the capacity of barangay nutrition scholars (BSNs) and members of the OPT+ Team;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That all the concerned regional line agencies, local government units, public and private higher education institutions, and non-government organizations be copied with this resolution for information and support;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
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Approved:

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Item No. 12: PNVSCA Key Programs, Activities,
and Projects (PAPs) for MIMAROPA

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: PNVSCA's key programs and activities and the Status of Volunteerism in MIMAROPA Region

1. The Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) was established by Executive Order No. 134, S. 1964, as amended, and further mandated by Republic Act No. 9418 to be the government agency responsible for promoting and coordinating volunteerism in the Philippines.
2. The PNVSCA, operating under the administrative supervision of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), collaborates with government and non-government organizations to ensure the alignment of volunteer efforts with national priorities. The PNVSCA prioritizes marginalized sectors and communities and plays a leading role in promoting and recognizing volunteer contributions to nation-building and international cooperation.
3. Among the notable programs and initiatives of PNVSCA are the National Volunteer Month, Search for Outstanding Volunteers, designation of volunteerism focal person in local government units, and Development Partnership Forum. These programs and activities are designed to recognize the contributions of volunteers, enhance the skills and knowledge of individuals and organizations, and facilitate partnerships between volunteers and communities in need of their services.
4. The SDC, during its third quarter meeting on 04 August 2023, endorsed to the Regional Development Council the recommendation to institutionalize volunteerism as a development strategy by local government units, regional line agencies, state universities and colleges, and stakeholders in the MIMAROPA region.
5. The SDC Chairperson will present the highlights of the PNVSCA's key programs and activities and the status of volunteerism in the region.
6. Action requested: RDC approval and support.



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IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

**INSTITUTIONALIZING VOLUNTEERISM AS A DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AND REGIONAL LINE
AGENCIES IN MIMAROPA REGION**

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) was established by Executive Order No. 134, S. 1964, as amended, and further mandated by Republic Act No. 9418 to be the government agency responsible for promoting and coordinating volunteerism in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the PNVSCA operates under the administrative supervision of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA);

WHEREAS, the PNVSCA collaborates with government and non-government organizations to ensure the alignment of volunteer efforts with national priorities, prioritizing marginalized sectors and communities, and takes the lead in promoting and recognizing the contributions of volunteers to nation-building and international cooperation;

WHEREAS, among the notable programs and initiatives of PNVSCA are the National Volunteer Month, Search for Outstanding Volunteers, designation of volunteerism focal person in local government units, and Development Partnership Forum;

WHEREAS, these programs and activities are designed to recognize the contributions of volunteers, enhance the skills and knowledge of individuals and organizations, and facilitate partnerships between volunteers and communities in need of their services; and,

WHEREAS, the SDC, during its third quarter meeting on 04 August 2023, endorsed to the RDC the institutionalization of volunteerism as a development strategy by local government units and regional line agencies in MIMAROPA region;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council enjoins the local government units, regional line agencies, state universities and colleges, and stakeholders in the region to institutionalize volunteerism as a development strategy in the MIMAROPA region;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Council supports the programs and activities initiated by the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) in the region; and,

RESOLVED FINALLY, That copies of this resolution be provided to all members of the Council, the PNVSCA, and all concerned;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

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Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO

Chairperson
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Item No. 13: Magna Carta for Child Development Workers

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Support to the Magna Carta for Child Development Workers

1. The Philippine government has a long history of supporting early childhood care and education. Article II, Section 13, of the 1987 Constitution mandates the State to promote and protect the well-being of children, while Republic Act No. 6972 and Republic Act No. 10410 mandate the establishment of daycare centers and the provision of consultative services for children.
2. Daycare workers ensure the safety, health, and well-being of young children in their care by implementing laws and regulations related to child care and creating nurturing environments for children.
3. The Regional Development Council (RDC) Region I, during its 3rd Quarter Full Council Meeting held on 28 September 2022, passed Resolution No. 70, s. 2022, supporting the immediate approval of House Bill 6550, "An Act Instituting the Magna Carta of Day Care Workers and Providing Funds Therefor."
4. Day care workers in the region face a number of challenges, including low salaries, lack of benefits, and limited opportunities for professional development especially on the geographically isolated and disadvantage areas (GIDAs).
5. The Magna Carta for Day Care Workers aims to promote and protect the welfare of day care workers who play a critical role in providing early childhood care and education to young children and outlines the rights and privileges of day care workers, including fair compensation, benefits, and opportunities for professional development.
6. The Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028 of MIMAROPA Region is a comprehensive plan that outlines the region's priorities for the next six years. Several key strategies in the current RDP from both the education and social protection chapters focus on the well-being of children, which the Magna Carta for Day Care Workers would help address by recognizing the importance of providing quality early childhood education to all children in the region.
7. During the Social Development Committee (SDC) Meeting held on 04 August 2023 in Quezon City, DSWD MIMAROPA Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso informed the committee that the term "day care worker" is no longer used and instead suggest to use "child development workers."

8. During the SDC 3rd Quarter Meeting on 04 August 2023 in Quezon City, a resolution was passed recommending the RDC MIMAROPA to support the Magna Carta for Child Development Workers.
9. The SDC Chairperson will present the key points of the proposed Magna Carta for Child Development Workers during the meeting.
10. Action requested: For RDC support.



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PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

SUPPORTING THE MAGNA CARTA FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT WORKERS

WHEREAS, the Philippine government has a long history of supporting early childhood care and education. Article II, Section 13, of the 1987 Constitution mandates the State to promote and protect the well-being of children, while Republic Act No. 6972 and Republic Act No. 10410 mandate the establishment of daycare centers and the provision of consultative services for children;

WHEREAS, daycare workers ensure the safety, health, and well-being of young children in their care by implementing laws and regulations related to child care and creating nurturing environments for children;

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Council (RDC) Region I, during its 3rd Quarter Full Council Meeting held on 28 September 2022, passed Resolution No. 70, s. 2022, supporting the immediate approval of House Bill 6550, "An Act Instituting the Magna Carta of Day Care Workers and Providing Funds Therefor;"

WHEREAS, day care workers in the region face a number of challenges, including low salaries, lack of benefits, and limited opportunities for professional development especially on the geographically isolated and disadvantage areas (GIDA);

WHEREAS, the Magna Carta for Day Care Workers aims to promote and protect the welfare of day care workers who play a critical role in providing early childhood care and education to young children and outlines the rights and privileges of day care workers, including fair compensation, benefits, and opportunities for professional development;

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028 of MIMAROPA Region is a comprehensive plan that outlines the region's priorities for the next six years. Several key strategies in the current RDP from both the education and social protection chapters focus on the well-being of children, which the Magna Carta for Day Care Workers would help address by recognizing the importance of providing quality early childhood education to all children in the region;

WHEREAS, during the Social Development Committee (SDC) Meeting held on 04 August 2023 in Quezon City, DSWD MIMAROPA Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso informed the committee that the term “day care worker” is no longer used and instead suggested to use “child development workers;” and,

WHEREAS, during the SDC 3rd Quarter Meeting on 04 August 2023 in Quezon City, a resolution was passed recommending the RDC to support the Magna Carta for Child Development Workers;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC MIMAROPA supports the Magna Carta for Child Development Workers;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That all the concerned regional line agencies, local government units, public and private higher education institutions, and non-government organizations be copied with this resolution for information and support;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
Secretary
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AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO
Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 14: RESEED Program: Establishment of
MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation
Network (MVINET)

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Third Quarter Meeting
September 1, 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Approving the Strengthening of the Startup Ecosystem in MIMAROPA through the Regional Startup Enablers for Ecosystem Development (RESEED) Program: Establishment of the MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINET)

1. The project titled HEIRIT ReSEED: Establishment of MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINet) was presented by Ms. Jelyn E. Doctor, Supervising Science Research Specialist of DOST-MIMAROPA, during the third quarter RRDIC Regular Meeting on 02 August 2023, in Makati City, and was proposed for funding under the ReSEED program.
2. The project aims to strengthen the startup ecosystem in the regions by providing funding support to Philippine Council for Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Research and Development (PCIEERD)-supported Technology Business Incubators (TBIs) or for DOST Regional Offices (ROs) to lead in establishing and formalizing a regional startup ecosystem consortium.
3. The project generally intends to establish the regional startup ecosystem consortium toward a stronger Philippine startup ecosystem and specifically aims to (1) organize a regional startup ecosystem consortium; (2) create, establish, and implement a regional startup development program; (3) implement a skills enhancement program for the TBI team and other startup enablers; (4) establish a pool of mentors and conduct membership programs; (5) develop strategies to promote the startup programs of various funding agencies; and (6) implement collaborative program/activities.
4. MIMAROPA's startup ecosystem is still at a nascent stage and that the establishment of MVINet consortium would hasten the cultivation of the startup ecosystem in the geographically challenged MIMAROPA Region and foster collaborative synergy among startup enablers that would lead to the the region's socio-economic growth and development.
5. MVINet Consortium is envisioned as a one large single MIMAROPA network of incubators, facilities, and ecosystem which shall be composed of the following startup enablers: (1) TBIs, (2) Academic Institutions, (3) Government Institutions, (4) LGUs, (5) Other Potential Partners/Investors/Funders, and (5) International Networks.
6. The RRDIC members, as the initial startup enablers of the MVINet consortium, resolved to provide full support to the establishment of the MVINet consortium and cooperation in the implementation of its proposed activities.

7. The RRDIC during its 3rd Quarter Regular Meeting in Makati passed a resolution recommending endorsement and approval of the Strengthening of the Startup Ecosystem in MIMAROPA through the Regional Startup Enablers for Ecosystem Development (RESEED) Program: Establishment of the MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINET) (*RRDIC Resolution No. 12, s. 2023*).

8. The RRDIC Chairperson will present the Strengthening of the Startup Ecosystem in MIMAROPA through the RESEED Program: Establishment of the MVINET.

9. Action Requested: For RDC approval.



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RDC Resolution No. _____

**APPROVING THE STRENGTHENING OF THE STARTUP ECOSYSTEM IN
MIMAROPA THROUGH THE REGIONAL STARTUP ENABLERS FOR
ECOSYSTEM DEVELOPMENT (RESEED) PROGRAM: ESTABLISHMENT OF
THE MIMAROPA VENTURES AND INNOVATION NETWORK (MVINET)**

WHEREAS, The project titled HEIRIT ReSEED: Establishment of MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINet) was presented by Ms. Jelyn E. Doctor, Supervising Science Research Specialist of DOST-MIMAROPA, during the third quarter RRDIC Regular Meeting on 02 August 2023, in Makati City, and was proposed for funding under the ReSEED program:

WHEREAS, The project aims to strengthen the startup ecosystem in the regions by providing funding support to Philippine Council for Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Research and Development (PCIEERD)-supported Technology Business Incubators (TBIs) or for DOST Regional Offices (ROs) to lead in establishing and formalizing a regional startup ecosystem consortium;

WHEREAS, The project generally intends to establish the regional startup ecosystem consortium towards a stronger Philippine startup ecosystem and specifically aims to (1) organize a regional startup ecosystem consortium; (2) create, establish, and implement a regional startup development program; (3) implement a skills enhancement program for the TBI team and other startup enablers; (4) establish a pool of mentors and conduct membership programs; (5) develop strategies to promote the startup programs of various funding agencies; and (6) implement collaborative program/activities;

WHEREAS, MIMAROPA's startup ecosystem is still at a nascent stage and that the establishment of MVINet consortium would hasten the cultivation of the startup ecosystem in the geographically challenged MIMAROPA Region and foster collaborative synergy among startup enablers that would lead to the region's socio-economic growth and development;

WHEREAS, MVINet Consortium is envisioned as a one large single MIMAROPA network of incubators, facilities, and ecosystem which shall be composed of the following startup enablers: (1) TBIs, (2) Academic Institutions, (3) Government Institutions, (4) LGUs, (5) Other Potential Partners/Investors/Funders, and (5) International Networks;

WHEREAS, The RRDIC members, as the initial startup enablers of the MVINet consortium, resolved to provide full support to the establishment of the MVINet consortium and cooperation in the implementation of its proposed activities; and,

WHEREAS, The RRDIC during its 3rd Quarter Regular Meeting in Makati passed a resolution recommending endorsement and approval of the Strengthening of the Startup Ecosystem in MIMAROPA through the Regional Startup Enablers for Ecosystem Development (RESEED) Program: Establishment of the MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINET) (RRDIC Resolution No. 12, s. 2023);

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That RDC MIMAROPA approves the strengthening of the Startup Ecosystem in MIMAROPA through the Regional Startup Enablers for Ecosystem Development (RESEED) Program: Establishment of the MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINET);

RESOLVED FINALLY, That all the concerned regional line agencies, local government units, public and private higher education institutions, and non-government organizations be copied with this resolution for information and support;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
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AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
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Approved:

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Item No. 15: Establishment of Petroleum Engineering
Research and Development Center

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Third Quarter Full Council Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Approving the Establishment of Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the Province of Palawan

1. The creation of Petroleum Engineering R&D Center in the region intends to (1) establish an enhanced petroleum exploration workflow from basin evaluation, petroleum system, exploration play fairways mapping through prospect maturation, and drilling; (2) develop an enhanced reservoir characterization workflow using hybrid methods; (3) produce some oil and gas industry-standard proppants through waste upcycling and utilization; and (4) yield waste-derived nano-absorbents for oil spill remediation and recovery.
2. The center will be a great boost not only in the Petroleum Engineering RDE of Palawan State University (PSU), but also in the industry as a whole.
3. The creation of the center is in alignment with the MIMAROPA Regional R&D Agenda under Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Sector, approved for adoption through the issuance of RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1111: Approving and Adopting the MIMAROPA Research and Development Agenda 2023-2025 last 02 December 2022.
4. MIMAROPA RDC expressed its strong support to the passage of DOST priority legislation bills particularly the House Bill 4581, or the Science for Change Program (S4CP) Bill, to Congress through RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1012, s. 2021, on 03 September 2021.
5. The establishment of the Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the Province of Palawan will be part of Niche Centers in the Regions (NICER), one of the sub-programs of S4CP.
6. During the RRDIC meeting held on 03 May 2023 in Makati City, PSU presented the proposed establishment of the center seeking endorsement to the RDC.
7. During the RRDIC 2nd Quarter Meeting held on 03 May 2023 in Makati City, a resolution was passed recommending the approval of the Establishment of Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the Province of Palawan to the RDC subject to the revision of the proposal following the comments of the RRDIC (*RRDIC Resolution No. 10, s. 2023*).
8. The RRDIC Chairperson will present the revised proposal of the establishment of Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the Province of Palawan.
9. Action Requested: For RDC approval.



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IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

**APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERING
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER IN THE PROVINCE OF
PALAWAN**

WHEREAS, the creation of Petroleum Engineering R&D Center in the region intends to (1) establish an enhanced petroleum exploration workflow from basin evaluation, petroleum system, exploration play fairways mapping through prospect maturation, and drilling; (2) develop an enhanced reservoir characterization workflow using hybrid methods; (3) produce some oil and gas industry-standard proppants through waste upcycling and utilization; and (4) yield waste-derived nano-absorbents for oil spill remediation and recovery;

WHEREAS, the Center will be a great boost not only in the Petroleum Engineering RDE of Palawan State University (PSU), but also in the industry as a whole;

WHEREAS, the creation of the Center is in alignment with the MIMAROPA Regional R&D Agenda under Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Sector, approved for adoption through the issuance of RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1111: Approving and Adopting the MIMAROPA Research and Development Agenda 2023-2025 last 02 December 2022;

WHEREAS, MIMAROPA RDC expressed their strong support to the passage of DOST priority legislation bills particularly the House Bill 4581 or Science for Change Program (S4CP) Bill to the Congress through the RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1012, s. 2021, last 03 September 2021;

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the Province of Palawan will be part of Niche Centers in the Regions (NICER), one of the sub-programs of S4CP;

WHEREAS, during the RRDIC meeting held on 03 May 2023 in Makati City, PSU presented the proposed establishment of the Center seeking endorsement to the RDC; and,

WHEREAS, during the RRDIC 2nd Quarter Meeting held on 03 May 2023 in Makati City, a resolution was passed recommending the approval of the Establishment of Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the Province of Palawan to the RDC subject to the revision of the proposal following the comments of the RRDIC (RRDIC Resolution No. 10, s. 2023);

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That RDC MIMAROPA approves the establishment of Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the Province of Palawan;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That all the concerned regional line agencies, local government units, public and private higher education institutions, and non-government organizations be copied with this resolution for information and support;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
Secretary
Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO
Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 16: Chairperson of RGADC MIMAROPA

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Confirmation of the Election of Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples MIMAROPA as the Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA

1. The MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) approved the creation of the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) through RDC Resolution No. 2018-062-694 during its first quarter full council meeting held on 20 March 2018 in Calapan City.
2. The MIMAROPA RDC, during its third quarter meeting on 03 September 2021, passed RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1016, s. 2021, confirming the members of the MIMAROPA RGADC pursuant to the Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) of National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) No. 2016-01 in the selection of members of the MIMAROPA RGADC.
3. Based on NEDA-PCW JMC 2016-01, which provides for the guidelines for the creation, strengthening, and institutionalization of an RGADC under the RDC, the Committee shall have a Chairperson and a Co-Chairperson as officers.
4. During the RGADC 3rd Quarter Meeting held on 23 September 2022, via video teleconferencing, National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) MIMAROPA, headed by Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua and Western Philippines University (WPU), headed by President Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina, were elected as Chairperson and Co-Chairperson, respectively.
5. Decisions made by the RGADC MIMAROPA are deemed approved and binding unless otherwise revoked by RDC Full Council.
6. The RDC Vice-Chairperson will present the background of the confirmation of the election of Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua of NCIP MIMAROPA as Chairperson of RGADC.
7. Action requested: For RDC confirmation.



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MIMAROPA FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 01 SEPTEMBER 2023
IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

CONFIRMING THE ELECTION OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR MARIE
GRACE T. PASCUA OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES (NCIP) MIMAROPA AS THE CHAIRPERSON
OF THE REGIONAL GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
(RGADC) MIMAROPA

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) approved the creation of the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) through RDC Resolution No. 2018-062-694 during its first quarter full council meeting held on 20 March 2018 in Calapan City;

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA RDC, during its third quarter meeting on 03 September 2021, passed RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1016, s. 2021, confirming the members of the MIMAROPA RGADC pursuant to the Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) of National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) No. 2016-01 in the selection of members of the MIMAROPA RGADC;

WHEREAS, based on NEDA-PCW JMC 2016-01, which provides for the guidelines for the creation, strengthening, and institutionalization of an RGADC under the RDC, the Committee shall have a Chairperson and a Co-Chairperson as officers;

WHEREAS, during the RGADC 3rd Quarter Meeting held on 23 September 2022, via video teleconferencing, National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) MIMAROPA, headed by Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua, and Western Philippines University (WPU), headed by President Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina, were elected as Chairperson and Co-Chairperson, respectively; and,

WHEREAS, decisions made by the RGADC MIMAROPA are deemed approved and binding unless otherwise revoked by RDC Full Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That RDC MIMAROPA confirms the election of Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples MIMAROPA as the Chairperson of RGADC MIMAROPA;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That all the concerned regional line agencies, local government units, state universities and colleges, private sector organizations of the Council, and the Philippine Commission on Women be copied with this resolution for information and support;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO

Secretary
Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA

Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO

Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 17: Co-Chairperson of RGADC MIMAROPA

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Confirmation of the Election of Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso of the Department of Social Welfare and Development MIMAROPA as the Co-Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA

1. The MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) approved the creation of the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) through RDC Resolution No. 2018-062-694 during its first quarter full council meeting held on 20 March 2018 in Calapan City.
2. The MIMAROPA RDC, during its third quarter meeting on 03 September 2021, passed RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1016, s. 2021, confirming the members of the MIMAROPA RGADC pursuant to the Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) of National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) No. 2016-01 in the selection of members of the RGADC.
3. Based on NEDA-PCW JMC 2016-01, which provides for the guidelines for the creation, strengthening, and institutionalization of an RGADC under the RDC, the Committee shall have a Chairperson and a Co-Chairperson as officers.
4. During the RGADC 3rd Quarter Meeting held on 23 September 2022, via video teleconferencing, National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) MIMAROPA, headed by Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua, and Western Philippines University (WPU), headed by President Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina, were elected as Chairperson and Co-Chairperson, respectively.
5. The position of RGADC Co-Chairperson became vacant upon the retirement of WPU President effective 01 June 2023.
6. The RGADC, during its Special Meeting held on 23 August 2023 via video conference, elected Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso of the Department of Social Welfare and Development MIMAROPA as the Co-Chairperson of the RGADC. The Committee also approved to endorse the election of the RGADC Co-Chairperson to the RDC for confirmation.
7. The RGADC Chairperson will present the background of the confirmation of the election of Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso of DSWD MIMAROPA as Co-Chairperson of RGADC.
8. Action requested: For RDC confirmation.



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IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

CONFIRMING THE ELECTION OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR
LEONARDO C. REYNOSO OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT (DSWD) MIMAROPA AS THE CO-
CHAIRPERSON OF THE REGIONAL GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE (RGADC) MIMAROPA

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) approved the creation of the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) through RDC Resolution No. 2018-062-694 during its first quarter full council meeting held on 20 March 2018 in Calapan City;

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA RDC, during its third quarter meeting on 03 September 2021, passed RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1016, s. 2021, confirming the members of the MIMAROPA RGADC pursuant to the Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) of National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) No. 2016-01 in the selection of members of the MIMAROPA RGADC;

WHEREAS, based on NEDA-PCW JMC 2016-01, which provides for the guidelines for the creation, strengthening, and institutionalization of an RGADC under the RDC, the Committee shall have a Chairperson and a Co-Chairperson as officers;

WHEREAS, during the RGADC 3rd Quarter Meeting held on 23 September 2022, via video teleconferencing, National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) MIMAROPA, headed by Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua, and Western Philippines University (WPU), headed by President Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina, were elected as Chairperson and Co-Chairperson, respectively;

WHEREAS, the position of RGADC Co-Chairperson was declared vacant upon the retirement of WPU President effective 01 June 2023;

WHEREAS, during the RGADC Special Meeting held on 23 August 2023 via video conference, Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso of the DSWD MIMAROPA was elected as the Co-Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA; and,

WHEREAS, decisions made by the RGADC MIMAROPA are deemed approved and binding unless otherwise revoked by RDC Full Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That RDC MIMAROPA confirms the election of Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso of the DSWD MIMAROPA as the Co-Chairperson of RGADC MIMAROPA;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That all the concerned regional line agencies, local government units, state universities and colleges, private sector organizations of the Council, and the Philippine Commission on Women be copied with this resolution for information and support;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO

Secretary
Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA

Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO

Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 18: Chairperson of Regional Pool of GAD Resource
Persons (RPGRP) Steering Committee

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Confirmation of the Election of Regional Director Reynaldo O. Wong of the Commission on Population and Development as Chairperson of the RPGRP Screening Committee of the RGADC

1. The MIMAROPA Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons (RPGRP) Screening Committee was created on 03 September 2021 through MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) Resolution No. 2021-076-1015.
2. The RPGRP Screening Committee leads in the process of application, shortlisting, and leveling session of applicants to the RPGRP. The certification of the MIMAROPA RPGRP is one of the activities specified in the Strategic Plan 2020-2025 of the RGADC MIMAROPA to address the issue on the limited number of GAD experts in the region.
3. Dr. Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina of the Western Philippines University (WPU) was elected as the Chairperson of the Screening Committee while the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) MIMAROPA, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) MIMAROPA, Mr. Rodne R. Galicha, Ms. Marvi R. Trudeau, and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) MIMAROPA were elected as members of the Committee.
4. There is a need to reorganize the RPGRP Screening Committee due to the retirement of its Chairperson, WPU President Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina. The position of RPGRP Screening Committee Chairperson became vacant upon the retirement of WPU President effective 01 June 2023.
5. During RGADC Special Meeting held on 23 August 2023 via video conference, Regional Director Reynaldo O. Wong of the Commission on Population and Development (CPD) MIMAROPA was elected as the Chairperson of the RPGRP Screening Committee.
6. Decisions made by the RGADC MIMAROPA are deemed approved and binding unless otherwise revoked by RDC Full Council.
7. The RGADC Chairperson will present the background of the confirmation of the election of Regional Director Reynaldo O. Wong of CPD MIMAROPA as Chairperson of RPGRP Screening Committee of the RGADC.
8. Action requested: For RDC confirmation.



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MIMAROPA FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 01 SEPTEMBER 2023
IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

CONFIRMING THE ELECTION OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR REYNALDO
O. WONG OF THE COMMISSION ON POPULATION AND
DEVELOPMENT MIMAROPA AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE
REGIONAL POOL OF GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT RESOURCE
PERSONS (RPGRP) SCREENING COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONAL
GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (RGADC) MIMAROPA

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons (RPGRP) Screening Committee was created on 03 September 2021 through MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) Resolution No. 2021-076-1015;

WHEREAS, the RPGRP Screening Committee leads in the process of application, shortlisting, and levelling session of applicants to the RPGRP; The certification of the MIMAROPA RPGRP is one of the activities specified in the Strategic Plan 2020-2025 of the RGADC MIMAROPA to addresses the issue on the limited number of GAD experts in the region;

WHEREAS, Dr. Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina of the Western Philippines University (WPU) was elected as the Chairperson of the Screening Committee while the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) MIMAROPA, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) MIMAROPA, Mr. Rodne R. Galicha, Ms. Marvi R. Trudeau, and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) MIMAROPA were elected as members of the Committee;

WHEREAS, there is a need to reorganize the RPGRP Screening Committee due to the retirement of its Chairperson, WPU President Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina. The position of RPGRP Screening Committee Chairperson became vacant upon the retirement of WPU President effective 01 June 2023;

WHEREAS, during the RGADC Special Meeting held on 23 August 2023 via video conference, Regional Director Reynaldo O. Wong of the

Commission on Population and Development (CPD) MIMAROPA was elected as Chairperson of the RPGRP Screening Committee; and,

WHEREAS, decisions made by the RGADC MIMAROPA are deemed approved and binding unless otherwise revoked by the RDC Full Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC MIMAROPA confirms the election of Regional Director Reynaldo O. Wong of the Commission on Population and Development MIMAROPA as the Chairperson of the RPGRP Screening Committee of the RGADC MIMAROPA;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That all the concerned regional line agencies, local government units, state universities and colleges, private sector organizations of the Council, and the Philippine Commission on Women be copied with this resolution for information and support;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO

Secretary
Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA

Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO

Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 19: RGADC MIMAROPA and Philippine
Commission on Women (PCW)
Partnership Agreement

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Confirming the Partnership Agreement Made and Entered Into By and Between the RGADC MIMAROPA and the Philippine Commission on Women

1. The MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) approved the partnership agreement (PA) by and between the PCW and the RGADC MIMAROPA in the implementation of gender and development (GAD) mainstreaming activities in the region through RDC Resolution No. 2019-068-801 during its third quarter full council meeting held on 06 September 2019 in Pasay City.
2. The three-year PA was approved to facilitate the collaboration between PCW and RGADC MIMAROPA in promoting the region's GAD mainstreaming efforts. The PA expired on 27 December 2022.
3. On 25 May 2023, the RGADC-PCW Partnership Agreement (PA) Assessment Meeting was conducted, which was participated in by the RGADC MIMAROPA Chairperson and NCIP MIMAROPA Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua, representatives from DEPED, DOH, DOST, NNC, POPCOM, and PSR Juvelyn V. Gumal-in, and six representatives from the Philippine Commission on Women, headed by Ms. Nharleen Santos-Millar.
4. The PA Assessment Meeting was conducted to jointly assess the PA between the PCW and RGADC MIMAROPA based on implementation of Annual Work Plans covering the years 2019-2022, evaluate the possibility of renewing the partnership between the parties, share learning experiences on the implementation of the Annual Work Plans, and present the proposed priority activities for the CY 2023 Work Plan, pending the decision to renew the PCW-RGADC MIMAROPA PA. During the meeting, PCW presented the accomplishments and best practices of the RGADC MIMAROPA under the PA.
5. The RGADC MIMAROPA, during its 3rd quarter meeting on 28 July 2023 via video conference, approved the Partnership Agreement made and entered into by and between the PCW and RGADC MIMAROPA.
6. The RGADC Chairperson will present the salient features of the Partnership Agreement made and entered into by and between the PCW and RGADC MIMAROPA.
7. Action requested: For RDC confirmation.



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RDC Resolution No. _____

CONFIRMING THE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT MADE AND ENTERED
INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE RGADC MIMAROPA AND THE
PHILIPPINE COMMISSION ON WOMEN

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) approved the partnership agreement (PA) by and between the PCW and the RGADC MIMAROPA in the implementation of gender and development (GAD) mainstreaming activities in the region through RDC Resolution No. 2019-068-801 during its third quarter full council meeting held on 06 September 2019 in Pasay City;

WHEREAS, the three-year PA was approved to facilitate the collaboration between PCW and RGADC MIMAROPA in promoting the region's GAD mainstreaming efforts. The PA expired on 27 December 2022;

WHEREAS, on 25 May 2023, the RGADC-PCW Partnership Agreement (PA) Assessment Meeting was conducted, which was participated in by the RGADC MIMAROPA Chairperson and NCIP MIMAROPA Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua, representatives from DEPED, DOH, DOST, NNC, POPCOM, and PSR Juvelyn V. Gumal-in, and six representatives from the Philippine Commission on Women;

WHEREAS, the PA Assessment Meeting was conducted to jointly assess the PA between the PCW and RGADC MIMAROPA based on implementation of Annual Work Plans covering the years 2019-2022, evaluate the possibility of renewing the partnership between the parties, share learning experiences on the implementation of the Annual Work Plans, and present the proposed priority activities for the CY 2023 Work Plan, pending the decision to renew the PCW-RGADC MIMAROPA PA;

WHEREAS, during said meeting, PCW presented the accomplishments and best practices of the RGADC MIMAROPA under the PA; and,

WHEREAS, the RGADC MIMAROPA, during its 3rd quarter meeting on 28 July 2023 via video conference, approved the Partnership Agreement between the PCW and RGADC MIMAROPA;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC MIMAROPA confirms the Partnership Agreement made and entered into by and between the Philippine Commission on Women and the Regional Gender and Development Committee MIMAROPA for 2023-2026;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Partnership Agreement (Annex A) forms an integral part of this resolution; and,

RESOLVED FINALLY, That all the concerned regional line agencies, local government units, state universities and colleges, private sector organizations of the Council, and the Philippine Commission on Women be copied with this resolution for information and support;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO

Secretary

Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA

Vice Chairperson

Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO

Chairperson

Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 20: 2023 MIMAROPA Regional Development
Report (RDR) Guidelines

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: 2023 Regional Development Report Guidelines

1. The MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR) provides an annual assessment of the implementation of the development objectives and targets as set forth in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP).
2. The MIMAROPA RDR contains an assessment of the performance of the region for a given year based on the targets in the MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028 and its accompanying Results Matrix (RM). It also provides strategic and policy direction to focus priorities with the target indicators.
3. The 2023 RDR preparation guidelines provides the standard procedures, data requirements, and schedule of activities.
4. The annual accomplishment reports and other sectoral inputs of the agency regional offices (AROs), state universities and colleges (SUCs), government-owned and-controlled corporations (GOCCs), local government units (LGUs), and private sector representatives (PSRs) will be used as bases in the evaluation of the performance of the region.
5. The 2023 MIMAROPA RDR shall be prepared using the most recent available data from at least the first three quarters of 2023 and be subsequently vetted by relevant approving bodies for verification, validation, and approval in the final quarter of 2023.
6. The schedule of preparatory activities for the 2023 MIMAROPA RDR will be compressed and conducted in an expeditious manner to deliver timely and up-to-date information and relevant data.
7. Gender-fair language (GFL) will be used in the writing of the regional development report. GFL aims to reduce gender stereotyping and discrimination in the documents and reports prepared by NEDA.
8. The RDC sectoral committees, during the third quarter meetings held on August 03-04 in Quezon City, reviewed the proposed guidelines and recommend RDC approval;
9. The secretariat will present the guidelines on the preparation of the 2023 MIMAROPA RDR for review and approval of the RDC.
10. Attached is the proposed 2023 MIMAROPA RDR preparation guidelines.
11. Action requested: For RDC approval.



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PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

APPROVING THE 2023 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT
PREPARATION GUIDELINES

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR) provides an annual assessment of the implementation of the development objectives and targets as set forth in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP);

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA RDR contains an assessment of the performance of the region for a given year based on the targets in the MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028 and its accompanying Results Matrix (RM). It also provides strategic and policy direction to focus priorities with the target indicators;

WHEREAS, the 2023 RDR preparation guidelines provides the standard procedures, data requirements, and schedule of activities;

WHEREAS, the annual accomplishment reports and other sectoral inputs of the agency regional offices (AROs), state universities and colleges (SUCs), government-owned and-controlled corporations (GOCCs), local government units (LGUs), and private sector representatives (PSRs) will be used as bases in the evaluation of the performance of the region;

WHEREAS, the 2023 MIMAROPA RDR shall be prepared using the most recent available data from at least the first three quarters of 2023 and be subsequently vetted by relevant approving bodies for verification, validation, and approval in the final quarter of 2023;

WHEREAS, the schedule of preparatory activities for the 2023 MIMAROPA RDR will be compressed and conducted in an expeditious manner to deliver timely and up-to-date information and relevant data;

WHEREAS, gender-fair language (GFL) will be used in the writing of the regional development report to reduce gender stereotyping and discrimination in the documents and reports prepared by NEDA;

WHEREAS, the RDC sectoral committees, during the third quarter meetings held on August 03-04 in Quezon City, reviewed the proposed guidelines and recommended RDC approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council approves the 2023 regional development report preparation guidelines;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That copies of this resolution be furnished to all concerned.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
Secretary
Assistant Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

GOV. JOSE R. RIANO
Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 21: Effects of El Niño and its Mitigating Measures

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Updates on the Interventions and Measures Relative to the Mitigation of Adverse Effects of El Niño on the Agriculture and Fisheries Sector in MIMAROPA

1. The warm phase of El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO), commonly known as El Niño, is characterized by unusually warmer than average sea surface temperatures (SSTs) in the central and eastern equatorial Pacific (CEEP).¹
2. The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) issued El Niño Advisory No. 1 on 04 July 2023, stating that the unusual warming of sea surface temperatures along the equatorial Pacific that was established in the first quarter of 2023 has further developed into a weak El Niño phenomenon. Moreover, PAGASA El Niño Advisory No. 2 stated that the phenomenon may strengthen into moderate to strong towards the latter part of 2023 and will likely persist until at least the first quarter of 2024.
3. El Niño increases the likelihood of below-normal rainfall conditions, which could bring negative impacts (such as dry spells and droughts) in some areas of the country. This may affect climate-sensitive sectors such as water resources, agriculture, energy, health, and public safety. PAGASA forecasted the occurrence of dry spell in the MIMAROPA provinces by the end of December 2023.
4. The RDC, during its 82nd RDC Full Council Meeting on 02 June 2023, requested the Department of Agriculture to organize the Regional El Niño Task Force to identify the necessary interventions and preparations to mitigate the possible effect of El Niño in the region.
5. DA MIMAROPA Regional Director Ma. Christine C. Inting, as the Chairperson of the Task Force, convened a meeting last 11 May 2023 to discuss the immediate interventions on the adverse impact of El Niño and to provide assistance to farmers, fisherfolk, and communities who will be affected by El Niño.
6. DA MIMAROPA will present updates on the interventions and measures identified to mitigate the effects of El Niño in the region.
7. Action requested: For information.

¹ Department of Science and Technology- Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (DOST-PAGASA) Press Statement dated March 23, 2023, "El Niño Watch"

Item No. 22: Regional Economic Situationer

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Third Quarter Meeting
01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: CY 2023 Second Quarter Regional Economic Situationer (QRES)

1. The MIMAROPA Quarterly Regional Economic Situationer provides a preliminary and indicative assessment of the economic performance of the region using proxy indicators. It does not replace the assessment of the regional economy based on the complete statistical data from official sources.
2. MIMAROPA's average inflation increased to 7.4 percent in April to June 2023 from previous year's 5.1 percent. However, this inflation rate was lower than previous quarter's 8.9 percent.
3. The region's working age population increased by 1.04 percent from 2,110,000 in April 2022 to 2,132,000 in April 2023. Labor force participation rate increased by 1.8 percentage points from 63.5 percent in April 2022 to 65.3 percent in April 2023.
4. The region's agriculture and fisheries production reached 360,169.73 metric tons (MT) during the second quarter of 2023, which was slightly higher compared to the 359,541.62 MT produced in the same quarter of 2022. There were also increases in the production of livestock, poultry, and fisheries during this period.
5. The region's total mineral production value increased by 18.76 percent during the second quarter of 2023 compared to the same period last year.
6. There was a decline in the total number of MSMEs supported, employment opportunities created by those MSMEs, investments received from those MSMEs, sales generated, and the total number of registered business names compared to the same quarter of the previous year.
7. The number of registered motor vehicles increased by 2.89 percent as compared to the same quarter of the previous year.
8. Shipcalls and passenger traffic witnessed year-on-year growth of 3.26 percent and 0.05 percent, respectively. However, container port traffic declined by 15.48 percent and the overall cargo volume handled at the ports in the region also experienced a year-on-year decrease of 28.56 percent.

9. Aircraft movements and passenger traffic showed year-on-year increase by 19.68 percent and 37.04 percent, respectively. On the other hand, air cargo recorded a slight decline of 0.16 percent.
10. The total crime volume in MIMAROPA decreased by 21.37 percent in April to June 2023 from previous year's 1,156 incidents to 909 incidents this year.
11. The second quarter regional economic situationer will be distributed to the members for information.
12. Action Requested: For information.

Item No. 23: Project Monitoring Report

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
 Third Quarter Meeting
 01 September 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Second Quarter CY 2023 Project Monitoring Report

1. The Regional Project Monitoring Committee (RPMC), as the monitoring arm of the RDC is tasked to operationalize the Regional Project Monitoring System (RPMES) to expedite project implementation and devolve project facilitation, problem-solving, monitoring and evaluation to the regions, particularly to the provincial and municipal levels.
2. Project monitoring is conducted in support of good governance, transparency, accountability, and evidence-based decision-making throughout a program/project's life cycle. Its goal is to keep track of the critical variables that could influence how successfully a project or program is implemented, and to provide reporting systems that enable timely correction or avoidance of implementation bottlenecks.
3. Out of the total 405 projects in the CY 2023 RPMES report, 14 (3.46 percent) were Major Capital Projects amounting to Php 11.84 billion, and 391 (96.54 percent) were Non-Major Capital Projects amounting to Php 20.56 billion.
4. Presented below is the implementation summary of projects being monitored by RPMC MIMAROPA as of second quarter of CY 2023:

Status/Description	Quantity	% share	Cost (Php billion)	% share
Completed	115	28.40	1.689	5.21
On Schedule	38	9.38	1.232	3.80
Ahead of Schedule	164	40.49	12.713	39.24
With Implementation concerns	88	21.73	16.762	51.74
Total	405	100	32.396	100

5. A total of 88 projects amounting to Php 16.76 billion (51.74) percent encountered problems in implementation such as, right-of-way acquisition, securing of environmental compliance certificate, delayed delivery of construction materials, and unworkable site due to inclement weather condition, with the following breakdown:

Funding Year (GAA)	Quantity	Cost (Php million)
2019	6	158.5
2020	11	1,588.05
2021	8	493.87
2022	7	187.15
2023	56	14,334.68
Total	88	16,762.25

6. The secretariat will present the summary of the project monitoring report.
7. Action requested: For information.