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MIMAROPA Region

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84th RDC Full Council Meeting
01 December 2023 (Friday) – 9:00 a.m.
Pasay City

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The Heritage Hotel Manila

Pasay City

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Time	Agenda Item	Action Required	Presenter/Discussant	Tab
8:00-9:00	Registration		RDC Secretariat	
9:00-10:00	I. Preliminaries <ul style="list-style-type: none">National AnthemInvocationMIMAROPA Hymn Welcome Program for DICT Secretary Ivan John E. Uy as MIMAROPA Cabinet Officer for Regional Development and Security (CORDS)	(Separate Program)	RDC Secretariat RDC Secretariat	
10:00-10:30	Call to Order Roll Call Opening Remarks Messages		RDC Chairperson RDC Secretary Gov. Jose R. Riano RDC Chairperson and Governor, Province of Romblon Gov. Humerlito A. Dolor Province of Oriental Mindoro Gov. Eduardo B. Gadiano Province of Occidental Mindoro Gov. Dennis M. Socrates Province of Palawan Gov. Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr. Province of Marinduque	
10:30-10:40	II. Meeting Proper 1) Provisional Agenda 2) Minutes of Previous Meeting	For approval	Gov. Jose R. Riano RDC Chairperson	A
10:40-10:50	3) Matters Arising from the Minutes of Previous Meeting	For notation	RDC Secretary	B
	New Business			
10:50-11:10	4) Updated MIMAROPA RDIP 2023-2028 and FY 2025 AIP	For approval/ adoption	Mr. Bernardino A. Atienza, Jr. PDIPBD Chief, NEDA MIMAROPA	C
11:10-11:30	5) 2023 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR)	For approval	Engr. Amalia F. Santiago PMED OIC-Chief, NEDA MIMAROPA	D
11:30-11:40	6) Updated MIMAROPA Regional Government Center Master Plan	For approval/ adoption	Mayor Marilou F. Morillo DAC Chairperson	E

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11:40-11:50	7) Revitalized Pulis Barangay Act through the Passage of HB 7651 filed in the 19 th Congress of the Philippines	For support	Mayor Marilou F. Morillo DAC Chairperson	F
11:50-12:00	8) Tamaraw Conservation and Management Action Plan 2021-2030	For adoption	Mayor Armi D.C. Carrion EDC Chairperson	G
12:00-12:10	9) Rehabilitation/Improvement of Water System Project in Puerto Galera	For endorsement	Gov. Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr. IDC Chairperson	H
12:10-12:20	10) Regional Share of ER 1-94 Funds	For approval	- do -	I
12:20-12:30	11) Request the Office of the President to review/repeal PD 2022-016, "Deferring Acceptance of New Applications for Reclamation Projects".	For endorsement	- do -	J
12:30- 1:30	HEALTH BREAK			
1:30-1:40	12) Membership of PSR Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez in the SDC	For approval	Mayor Elegio A. Malaluan SDC Chairperson	L
1:40-1:50	13) Establishment of Local Population Development Offices in all Provinces, Cities, and Municipalities through the Amendment of Section 488 (A) of RA 7160	For endorsement	- do -	M
1:50-2:00	14) Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action 2023-2028	For adoption	Dir. Reynaldo O. Wong CPD MIMAROPA	O
2:00-2:10	15) Priority Commodities and R&D Projects of the RIIM	For endorsement	Dir. Ma. Josefina P. Abilay RRDIC Chairperson	P
2:10-2:20	16) Members of the MIMAROPA Resource Pool of GAD Resource Persons (RPGRP)	For confirmation	Dir. Marie Grace T. Pascua RGADC Chairperson	Q
2:20-2:30	17) Schedule of CY 2024 RDC Meetings	For approval	ARD Apollo Edwin S. Pagano RDC Secretary	R
2:30-2:40	18) Power and Energy Summit	For information	RD Agustin C. Mendoza RDC Vice Chairperson	S
2:40-2:50	19) Regional Economic Situationer	For information	Mr. Emerson Kim J. Lineses DRD Chief, NEDA MIMAROPA	T
2:50-3:00	20) Project Monitoring Report	For information	Engr. Amalia F. Santiago PMED OIC-Chief, NEDA MIMAROPA	U
3:00-3:10	21) Status of RDC Endorsed Projects	For information	Mr. Bernardino A. Atienza. Jr. PDIPBD Chief, NEDA MIMAROPA	V
3:10-3:30	III. Other Matters			
3:30-3:40	22) Birthday Celebrants	AVP	RDC Secretariat	
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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year To All !!!

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Item No. 1: Provisional Agenda
2: Minutes of Previous Meeting

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01 September 2023 – 9:00 AM Pasay City

MINUTES OF MEETING

ATTENDANCE

Present

Represented by

RDC Officers

1. Gov. Jose R. Riano	RDC Chairperson
2. Rev. Fr. Arvin Anthony J. Madla	RDC Co-Chairperson (via Zoom)
3. Dir. Agustin C. Mendoza	RDC Vice Chairperson
4. Mr. Bernardino A. Atienza, Jr.	Acting RDC Secretary

Governors

5. Gov. Humerlito A. Dolor	Oriental Mindoro	EnP Muneca S. Melgar (via Zoom)
6. Gov. Eduardo B. Gadiano	Occidental Mindoro	Mr. John Paul C. Ramos
7. Gov. Victorino Dennis M. Socrates	Palawan	EnP Sharlene D. Vilches
8. Gov. Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr.	Marinduque	EnP Marian M. Cunanan (via Zoom)

City Mayors

9. Mayor Lucilo R. Bayron	Puerto Princesa City	Ms. Jovenee Sagun
10. Mayor Marilou F. Morillo	Calapan City	Atty. Reymund Al F. Ussam

Mayors of Capital Towns

11. Mayor Armi D.C. Carrion	Boac, Marinduque
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League of Municipalities

12. Mayor Angelina F. Tria	Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
13. Mayor Elegio A. Malaluan	Bongabong, Oriental Mindoro (via Zoom)

Regional Directors of National Government Agencies

14. Dir. Ma. Josefina P. Abilay (via Zoom)	DOST	
15. Atty. Joselito C. Alisuag	CHED	Mr. Dionisio O. Camato
16. Atty. Marvin V. Bernal	DAR	Ms. Josefina M. Lopez
17. Atty. Tomas J. Cariño, Jr. (via Zoom)	BSP 4	
18. Dir. Ricky L. Sanchez (via Zoom)	DBM	
19. Dir. Naomi Lyn C. Abellana	DOLE	Ms. Rosemarie C. Hupanda
20. Dir. Gerald A. Pacanan	DPWH	Engr. Montrexis T. Tamayo
21. RED Felix S. Mirasol, Jr.	DENR	Ms. Donna M. Gordove
22. Dr. Mario S. Baquilod	DOH	ARD Vilma V. Diez
23. Dir. Angelina M. Carreon	TESDA	ARD Zoraida V. Amper
24. Dir. Leonardo C. Reynoso	DSWD	
25. Dir. Nicolas T. Capulong	DepED	

52	26. Engr. Maria Christine C. Inting	DA	Mr. Nex D. Basi
53	27. Dir. Rodolfo J. Mariposque	DTI	
54	28. EnP Peter Daniel G. Friginal	DHSUD	Atty. Anne B. Ortega
55	29. Dir. Michael O. Sinocruz	DOE	Mr. Michael Leabres
56	30. Dir. Marilou Q. Cañete	BLGF	
57	31. Dir. Cheryl C. Ortega	DICT	Engr. Fernando Gatdula
58	32. Dir. Alberto A. Sabarias	CDA	
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60	Private Sector Representatives		
61	33. Mr. Raymundo D. Cometa	Roadbook Centre, Inc.	
62	34. Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez	Mangyan Mission, Inc.	
63	35. Ms. Nanette M. Geronimo (via Zoom)	Rotary Club of Downtown Calapan	
64	36. Engr. Ana Margarita Lustre-Malijan	Puerto Princesa Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Inc.	
65	37. Mr. Delfin M. Natal, Jr.	Philippine Rural Reconstruction Movement	
66	38. Ms. Gemma M. Parcia	Ministries Without Border Philippines, Inc.	
67	39. Ms. Maria Milagros G. Quieng	Palawan Aid International-KVSI	
68	40. Mr. Aristotle G. Ramos	Council for Restoration of Filipino Values	
69	41. Ms. Juvelyn V. Gumal-in	Pampamayanang Mangyan Ugnayan, Inc.	
70	42. Mr. Solomon C. Rosario (via Zoom)	Taw Kabui for a Child, Inc.	
71			
72	Special Non-Voting Members		
73	43. Dir. Marie Grace T. Pascua	NCIP	
74	44. Dir. Eugene G. Cabrera	OCD	Mr. Marc Rembrant P. Victore
75	45. Dir. Luis T. Cueto (via Zoom)	PIA	
76	46. Engr. Felizardo A. Gacad, Jr.	MGB	Mr. Deniel B. Salvador
77	47. Dir. Emmanuel H. Asis	BFAR	Mr. Patrick Jun Lorque
78	48. Dir. Joe Amil M. Salino (via Zoom)	EMB	
79	49. PBGen Joel B. Doria	PNP	PLTCOL Cornelio Tadena, Jr.
80	50. Dir. Leni S. Rioflorido (via Zoom)	PSA	
81	51. Engr. Ronillo M. Cervantes	NIA	
82	52. RNPC Ma. Eileen B. Blanco	NNC	
83	53. Dir. Reynaldo O. Wong	CPD	
84	54. Dir. Eduardo C. De Guzman	LTO	Ms. Ma. Sherelyn R. Mallorca
85	55. MGen Roberto S. Capulong	AFP-PA 2ID	Maj Michael O. Malacad (INF) PA
86	VAdm Alberto B. Carlos PN	AFP-WESCOM	CDR Ariel Tero PN
87	56. Dr. Diosdado P. Zulueta (via Zoom)	MSC	
88	57. Dr. Levy B. Arago	MinSU	
89	58. Dr. Elbert C. Edaniol	OMSC	
90	59. Dr. Ramon M. Docto	PSU	Engr. Jerico M. Padrones
91	60. Dr. Merian C. Mani	RSU	
92	61. Dir. Jonathan A. Gerodias	DMW	
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94	Absent		
95	62. Mayor Gerard S. Montojo	Romblon, Romblon	
96	63. Mayor Amy Roa Alvarez	San Vicente, Palawan	
97	64. Mayor Ernesto C. Pablo, Jr.	Rizal, Occidental Mindoro	
98	65. Mayor Rolando O. Tolentino	Gasán, Marinduque	
99	66. USec Mark Cristeo R. Gimenez	PMS	
100	67. USec Timothy John R. Batan	DOTr	
101	68. Dir. Karl Caesar R. Rimando	DILG	
102	69. Dir. Roberto P. Alabado III	DOT	

103	70. Ms. Carolina A. Constantino	DFA, Head Consular
104	71. Atty. Homelo V. Estoque	Philippine Adventist Medical Aviation Services, Inc.
105	72. Mr. Rodne R. Galicha	Bayay Sibuyanon, Inc.
106	73. Mr. Darius M. Guerrero	Philippine Trade and General Workers Organization
107	74. Admin Antonio Mariano C. Almeda	NEA
108	75. Dir. Bibiano C. Concibido, Jr.	PCA 4
109	76. Atty. Jay Daniel R. Santiago	PPA
110	77. Engr. Riza J. Victoria	MARINA 4
111	78. Dir. Oscar G. Casaysay	NCCA
112	79. Dir. Ariel T. Perlado	NICA
113	80. Dir. Gil Cesario P. Castro	PDEA
114	81. Sec. Robert E.A. Borje	CCC
115	82. Dir. Niño Rey C. Estoya	PCSD
116	83. Atty. Joselito C. Alisuag	WPU

Guests

119	84. ASec Francis C. de Guzman	Department of Migrant Workers
120	85. Mr. Aaronn Joseph C. Riano	Romblon
121	86. Mr. Adren C. Riano	Romblon
122	87. Ms. Myla F. Villegas	Romblon
123	88. Ms. Kathleen Aisa E. Estacio	Palawan
124	89. Ms. Emelita Malabute	Boac, Marinduque
125	90. Mr. Raul Eviota	Boac, Marinduque
126	91. Mr. Rommel Parapisa	Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
127	92. Mr. Allan Gallano	Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
128	93. Ms. Sarah Tria	Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
129	94. Mr. Bernard Sombillo	Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
130	95. Engr. Maria Teresa B. Carido	DA
131	96. Engr. Jean E. Tirante	DA
132	97. Mr. William L. Lucero	DA
133	98. Ms. Maria Siena M. De Luna	EMB
134	99. Mr. Christian Arjay M. Faina	NCIP
135	100. Mr. Norman Garcia	DICT
136	101. Mr. Eufemio T. Miranda	CPD
137	102. Mr. Florius De Uno Anies	NNC
138	103. Mr. Jerrel S. Reyes	MinSU
139	104. Mr. Ernesto G. Antonio, Jr.	OMSC
140	105. Mr. Joseph Torres	OMSC
141	106. Atty. Glenn Niño Sartillo	RSU
142	107. Mr. Allan C. De Venecia	RSU

RDC Secretariat

145	108. Ms. Sheryll B. Sarabia	NEDA
146	109. Mr. Emerson Kim J. Lineses	NEDA
147	110. Ms. Amalia F. Santiago	NEDA
148	111. Ms. Beltsezara A. Garcia	NEDA
149	112. Ms. Jobelle M. Cruzado	NEDA
150	113. Ms. Judy Mae V. Masangkay	NEDA
151	114. Mr. Joel M. Paule	NEDA
152	115. Mr. Jojo R. Datinguino	NEDA
153	116. Ms. Maria Victoria S. Marcos	NEDA

154	117. Ms. Angelus G. Genterola	NEDA
155	118. Ms. Kenneth Joy T. Arteza	NEDA
156	119. Mr. Dean M. Baja	NEDA
157	120. Mr. Wilson D. Garcia	NEDA
158	121. Mr. Wilfred Anthony P. Dela Cruz	NEDA
159	122. Mr. Joel L. Tobias	NEDA
160	123. Mr. Walter S. Balancio	NEDA
161	124. Mr. Reyson G. Luceriano	NEDA

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163 I. PRELIMINARIES

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

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168 Oath Taking of Special Non-Voting Members of the RDC

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170 The RDC Chairperson administered the oath of additional special non-voting members of the
171 RDC MIMAROPA, namely: a) Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) Regional Director
172 Jonathan A. Gerodias; b) Mindoro State University (MinSU) President Levy B. Arago, Jr.; c)
173 Occidental Mindoro State College (OMSC) President Elbert C. Edaniol; d) Romblon State
174 University (RSU) President Merian C. Mani; and e) Marinduque State College (MSC)
175 President Diosdado P. Zulueta.

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177 Birthday Greetings

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179 The RDC secretariat played an audio-visual presentation of birthday greetings for the RDC
180 official and members who celebrated their birthday during the third quarter of the year.

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182 The official and members who were present during the meeting include: a) Gov. Jose R.
183 Riano (Romblon); b) Mayor Angelina F. Tria (Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro); c) PSR
184 Gemma M. Parcia (MWBPI); and d) EnP Jovenee Sagun (CPDO, Puerto Princesa City).

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186 II. MEETING PROPER

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188 A. Declaration of Quorum

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190 The RDC Chairperson, Governor Jose R. Riano of the Provincial Government of Romblon
191 called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Acting RDC Secretary, Mr. Bernardino A. Atienza,
192 Jr., Chief of the Project Development Investment Programming and Budgeting Division
193 (PDIPBD) of NEDA MIMAROPA called the roll, acknowledged the guests, and informed the
194 presence of quorum. Of the 53 regular members, 24 were present and 17 were represented,
195 constituting 77 percent attendance. Among the 29 special non-voting members, 11 were
196 present and eight were represented, registering 66 percent attendance.

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198 B. State of the MIMAROPA Region Address

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200 In his second term as RDC MIMAROPA Chairperson, Governor Riano delivered the State of
201 the Region Address (SORA) highlighting the region's impressive 6.3 percent GRDP growth
202 rate in 2022, which marked MIMAROPA's recovery and surpassed the highest pre-pandemic
203 level in 2019 by PhP 6 billion.

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MIMAROPA aims to achieve consistent economic growth of 7 percent per year from 2023 to 2028. Stable population level of the region will lead to a higher GRDP per capita and a higher budget share per capita. The SORA focused on the achievement of the goals and targets of the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028, which include: a) ending hunger by 2028; b) eradicating poverty by 2039; and c) doubling of GRDP by 2032-2040.

Governor Riano ended his message with the following key points: a) the pandemic taught MIMAROPA economic resilience and social vulnerabilities; b) maintain the momentum to complete economic recovery; c) sustain high economic growth, control externalities, and strengthen governance; and d) prioritize strategic infrastructure projects to pursue connectivity and create agglomeration economies.

C. Messages from the MIMAROPA Governors

EnP. Sharlene D. Vilches, the newly appointed Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator of the Provincial Government of Palawan, delivered the message of Palawan Governor Victorino Dennis M. Socrates. The message highlighted his unwavering support to the development initiatives of the RDC in making the MIMAROPA region “*The Destination of Choice*”, particularly on the strategic infrastructure development projects, which include the Busuanga Airport Development Project, Coron-Culion Inter-Island Bridges, Puerto Princesa Viaduct, improvement of transportation system, tourism program, and livelihood projects in the province of Palawan and the rest of the region.

Likewise, Mr. John Paul C. Ramos, representative of Occidental Mindoro Governor Eduardo B. Gadiano read his message. In his message, Governor Gadiano congratulated the RDC for all the hard work, dedication, and perseverance which produced good results. As highlighted in the SORA of the RDC Chairperson, the region’s development is a collaborative undertaking of all the various stakeholders. He encouraged everyone to do more and contribute to nation building despite all the challenges.

Moreover, EnP. Marian Cunanan, Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator of the Provincial Government of Marinduque, relayed the message of Marinduque Governor Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr., to continuously work hand in hand for a better and brighter future for all the MIMAROPAns. The snapshot of the region’s state and prospects not only shows substantial contributions but also lays the groundwork for addressing the anticipated long term development of the MIMAROPA region.

D. Proposed Agenda

The RDC Vice Chairperson and NEDA MIMAROPA Regional Director Agustin C. Mendoza presented the provisional agenda with the following modification: a) agenda items number 14, and 15, will be discussed first as requested by the RRDIC Chairperson and DOST Regional Director Ma. Josefina P. Abilay; b) followed by agenda items under the economic development committee (EDC), which will be presented by the EDC Chairperson, Boac Mayor Armi D.C. Carrion and the EDC Secretary, Mr. Bernardino A. Atienza, Jr., and c) agenda items under the development administration committee, which will be presented by the RDC Vice Chairperson.

On a motion duly seconded, the provisional agenda was approved and adopted.

Similarly, the Council also agreed and approved the inclusion of the following agenda items as part of the other matters, namely: a) Update on the status of establishment of additional (or mobile) emission testing centers in Marinduque by LTO and DOTr; b) Update on the status of

projects proposed by indigenous peoples of Occidental and Oriental Mindoro; and c) Update on the issue of Batangas Port affecting passengers of Romblon, Oriental Mindoro, and Occidental Mindoro.

E. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Regional Director Ricky L. Sanchez of DBM MIMAROPA moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 82nd RDC full council meeting held on 02 June 2023 since copies of the reference folder were transmitted to all the members before the meeting.

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

F. Matters Arising from the Minutes of Previous Meeting

Acting Secretary Atienza informed the Council that all matters discussed during the previous RDC meeting were favorably and affirmatively acted upon, except on the concern of passengers in Batangas Port which will be tackled in the next SRNH inter-agency committee meeting in November. He also reported on the status of ten resolutions passed and provided updates on the transmittal of project endorsements to the concerned national and regional agencies, local government units and other concerned entities.

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

G. Matters for Approval/Endorsement/Confirmation

NEW BUSINESS

- **RESEED Program: Establishment of MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINET)**

The Regional Research, Development and Innovation Committee (RRDIC) Chairperson, Regional Director Ma. Josefina P. Abilay of DOST MIMAROPA, presented the Regional Startup Enablers for Ecosystem Development (RESEED) Program: Establishment of MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINET). The project intends to establish the regional startup ecosystem consortium towards a stronger Philippine startup ecosystem. It aims to: a) organize a regional startup ecosystem consortium; b) create, establish, and implement a regional startup development program; c) implement a skills enhancement program for the technology business incubator (TBI) team and other startup enablers; d) establish a pool of mentors and conduct membership programs; e) develop strategies to promote the startup programs of various funding agencies; and f) implement collaborative programs/activities.

Director Abilay mentioned that the MVINET consortium is envisioned as one large single MIMAROPA network of incubators, facilities, and ecosystem which shall be composed of startup enablers, such as TBIs, academic institutions, government institutions, local government units, other potential partners/investors/funders, and international networks.

She added that the RRDIC members, as the initial startup enablers of the MVINET consortium, fully supported the establishment of the MVINET and the implementation of its proposed activities.

The RRDIC, during its third quarter meeting in Makati, passed RRDIC Resolution No. 12, s. 2023 favorably recommending RDC approval of the said proposal.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution strengthening the Startup Ecosystem in MIMAROPA through the RESEED Program: Establishment of the MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINET) was approved.

- **Establishment of Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center**

Director Abilay presented the proposed establishment of Center for Upstream Petroleum Engineering Research, Development, Innovation, and Sustainability in the province of Palawan.

The establishment of Petroleum Engineering R&D Innovation and Sustainability center in the region intends to: a) establish an enhanced petroleum exploration workflow from basin evaluation, petroleum system, exploration play fairways mapping through prospect maturation, and drilling; b) develop an enhanced reservoir characterization workflow using hybrid methods; c) produce some oil and gas industry-standard proppants through waste upcycling and utilization; and d) yield waste-derived nano-absorbents for oil spill remediation and recovery. The center will be a great boost not only in the Petroleum Engineering Research Development Extension of Palawan State University (PSU), but also in the industry as a whole.

Director Abilay further said that the creation of the center is aligned with the MIMAROPA Regional Research and Development Agenda (MRDA) 2023-2025, which was approved by the RDC through Resolution No. 2022-080-1111. She added that the establishment of the center will be part of the Niche Centers in the Region (NICER), one of the sub-programs of Science for Change Program (S4CP) Bill or House Bill 4581, which was also supported by the RDC through Resolution No. 2021-076-1012.

The RRDIC, during its second quarter meeting held on 03 May 2023 in Makati City, passed RRDIC Resolution No. 10, s. 2023 favorably recommending RDC approval of the said proposed project.

On a motion duly seconded, the establishment of Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the province of Palawan was approved.

- **Proposed Pang-Agraryong Tulay Para Sa Bagong Bayanihan Ng Mga Magsasaka (PBBM) Bridges Project**

The EDC Chairperson, Mayor Armi D.C. Carrion of Boac, Marinduque presented the MIMAROPA component of the proposed PBBM Bridges project. Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) MIMAROPA requested RDC endorsement of the project to the NEDA Investment Coordination Committee (ICC). PBBM Bridges is a nationwide project to be implemented in five years from 2024 until 2028, with an estimated total project cost of PhP 28.24 billion, 85 percent of which is proposed for ODA funding.

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. It will also respond to the rising needs of 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.

For MIMAROPA, there are 34 bridges included amounting to PhP 3.02 billion, with the following provincial distribution: a) Marinduque, 10 bridges with a total of 325 linear meter amounting to PhP 874.16 million; b) Occidental Mindoro, 5 bridges with a total of 119 linear meter amounting to PhP 320.09 million; c) Oriental Mindoro, 2 bridges with a total of 50 linear meter amounting to PhP 134.49 million; d) Palawan, 14 bridges with a total of 513 linear meter amounting to PhP 1.42 billion; and e) Romblon, 3 bridges with a total of 104 linear meter amounting to PhP 279.74 million.

Mayor Carrion reported that DAR MIMAROPA already submitted the necessary documents to the Secretariat, such as SP/PDC resolution of all the MIMAROPA provinces, and the duly accomplished validation forms, wherein gender-disaggregated data relative to the agrarian reform beneficiaries were provided. The EDC during its third quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023 reviewed and favorably recommended RDC endorsement of the proposed PBBM bridges project of DAR.

Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez of the Mangyan Mission, Inc. requested the inclusion of bridge in Barangay Palhi, Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro, while Boac Mayor Carrion requested additional bridges in the Municipality of Boac in the list of priority bridges to be constructed under the PBBM project. DAR MIMAROPA will validate the inclusion of the requested additional bridges.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution favorably endorsing the MIMAROPA component of the proposed PBBM Bridges of the DAR to the NEDA ICC was approved.

• **Proposed Inclusion of the Verde Island Passage in the Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System (ENIPAS).**

The EDC Chairperson presented the Verde Island Passage (VIP) to be included in the ENIPAS. VIP is part of the Coral Triangle and is regarded by experts as the *Center of the center of marine shore fish biodiversity* with the highest concentration of more than 1,736 species of fish, 338 species of corals, and thousands of other marine species. It is located in the coastal areas, islands, and waters within the five provinces of Oriental Mindoro, Occidental Mindoro, Marinduque, Romblon, and Batangas.

The proposed inclusion of VIP in the ENIPAS, shall adhere to the process under RA 11038 or ENIPAS Act, a policy to protect and conserve the area. The overall objective of protection under the ENIPAS Act is to secure the perpetual existence of native plants and animals for the present and future generations.

Mayor Carrion said that the management of VIP shall require the formulation of a general management planning strategy and zoning such as: a) strict protection zones; b) buffer zones; c) habitat conservation and rehabilitation; d) biodiversity management; e) cultural zones; f) community organizing; and g) socioeconomic and scientific research zones.

She added that the EDC, during its third quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023, reviewed and favorably recommended RDC endorsement of the proposed inclusion of the VIP in the ENIPAS. Likewise, the Committee recommended the following: a) the infrastructure facilities such as those major programs and projects identified in the Public Investment Program (PIP), Regional Development Plan (RDP), Regional Development Investment Program (RDIP), and Luzon Spatial Development Framework (LSDF) be allowed under special uses category; b) the agriculture, tourism, extraction activities, and other livelihood activities be allowed in the

settlement, traditional, and agricultural areas; and c) RDC MIMAROPA will be included in the consultation process to be undertaken relative to the inclusion of the VIP in the ENIPAS.

Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez of the Mangyan Mission, Inc. requested to remove specifically the phrase “extraction activities” in the resolution as it contradicts the purpose of the VIP.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution favorably endorsing the inclusion of the Verde Island Passage (VIP) as part of the ENIPAs was approved.

• **MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan (RPFP) 2021-2050 Planning Committees**

On behalf of the DAC Chairperson Mayor Marilou F. Morillo and DAC Co-Chairperson Mr. Darius M. Guerrero, the RDC Vice Chairperson and NEDA MIMAROPA Regional Director Agustin C. Mendoza presented the proposed creation of MIMAROPA RPFP 2021-2050 Planning Committees.

RD Mendoza mentioned the two legal basis of the RPFP: 1) Letter of Instruction No. 1350, s.1983, “*Providing for the Institutional Framework for National Physical Planning*”; 2) Executive Order No. 770, s. 2008 (Section 6), “*Reorganization of the Regional Land Use Committee in accordance with the Institutional Framework for National Physical Planning*”. The RPFP offers a strategic and long-term perspective on the development of the region within the next three decades. It contains policies to guide decisions on the best use of land and natural resources for the people.

The MIMAROPA RPFP is aligned with the National Physical Framework Plan (NPFP), Luzon Spatial Development Framework (LSDF), and Visayas Spatial Development Framework (VSDF). It shall integrate the MIMAROPA Regional Spatial Strategy contained in the MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028 to guide the provinces in the formulation of their respective provincial spatial strategies, physical frameworks, and other local development plans.

The proposed RPFP Planning Committees are: a) Development Administration Committee (land use/physical/institutional development), to be chaired by Calapan City Mayor Marilou F. Morillo; b) Economic Development Committee (economic/environmental management), to be chaired by Boac Mayor Armi D.C. Carrion; c) Social Development Committee (settlement/social development), to be chaired by Bongabong Mayor Elegio A. Malaluan; and d) Infrastructure Development Committee (infrastructure development), to be chaired by Marinduque Governor Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr.

The RDC Secretariat shall assist the Planning Committees in data collection, situational analysis, and strategy formulation for the four land uses, namely: a) settlements; b) production; c) protection; and d) infrastructure.

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 RPFP 2021-2050 planning committees.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution approving the creation of MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan 2021-2050 Planning Committees was approved.

• **Amendment of EO 325, series of 1996**

RD Mendoza presented the proposed amendment of Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996, *“Reorganization of the Regional Development Councils (RDCs)”*.

Article X Section 14 of the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines provides that the President shall create 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.

RDCs were created to decentralize the administration of the regions, strengthen the autonomy of the local government units, and accelerate socio-economic development of the regions.

The establishment of RDCs in all regions was through the 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. EO 325, s. 1996 was the latest issuance for the reorganization of the RDCs.

The Regional Development Group (RDG) of the NEDA initiated the crafting of proposed amendments as among the contents of a draft EO repealing EO 325, s. 1996. The proposed amendment seeks to rationalize the structure and operations of the RDC relative to laws and executive issuances issued after EO 325, s. 1996 and to further reorganize and strengthen the RDCs.

The proposed amendments are the following: a) Section 1- (f) Regular Members, inclusion of CHED, DOE, DOF-BLGF, DHSUD, DMW, CDA, NCIP and other agencies that the RDCs deem critical to the development of their respective regions; b) Section 3.c, Provision of Honoraria for the PSRs; c) Section 11, Creation of other Committees, as the RDC may deem necessary or as may be prescribed by laws; d) Section 14- Meetings, the RDC may adopt its own rules on constituting quorum; e) Section 21, Vacancy and Succession of the RDC Chairperson and Co-Chairperson; e) Section 24, the IRR; f) Section 25, Manual of Operations; and g) Section 7, Feedback Mechanism on RDC endorsed PAPs.

RD Mendoza said that the RDC sectoral committees, during the third quarter meetings held on 03-04 August 2023, reviewed the proposed amendments of EO 325, s. 1996, and favorably recommended RDC support.

RD Ricky L. Sanchez of Department of Budget and Management (DBM) MIMAROPA suggested to seek the position of the DBM particularly on the provision of honoraria for the private sector representatives.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution supporting the proposed amendments of EO 325, series of 1996 was approved.

• **PAMANA Projects of Occidental Mindoro**

The Payapa at Masaganang Pamayanan (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.

RD Mendoza reported that Mayor Walter B. Marquez of the Municipality of Sablayan in Occidental Mindoro requested RDC endorsement of the following six proposed projects

amounting to PhP 136.8 million to the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU) for funding under the PAMANA Program, namely: 1) Concreting of Calamansian Farm to Market Road in Brgy. San Agustin, amounting to PhP 53.0 million; 2) Solar-Powered Potable Water System in Brgy. Batongbuhay, amounting to PhP 5.30 million; 3) Solar-Powered Potable Water System in Brgy. Tuban, amounting to PhP 5.30 million; 4) Solar-Powered Potable Water Expansion in Brgy. Pag-asa, amounting to PhP 5.0 million; 5) Solar-Powered Irrigation System in Brgy. Burgos, amounting to PhP 35.0 million; and 6) Solar-Powered Irrigation System in Brgy. Ligaya, amounting to PhP 35.0 million.

The proposed projects are consistent with the strategies set in the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028 and MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan 2023-2028.

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 favorably recommended RDC endorsement to OPAPRU for funding under the PAMANA Program.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution favorably endorsing the proposed PAMANA projects of the Municipality of Sablayan in Occidental Mindoro was approved.

• **MIMAROPA Top 30 Priority Programs and Projects**

Mr. Bernardino A. Atienza, Jr., Chief of the Project Development Investment Programming and Budgeting Division (PDIPBD) of NEDA MIMAROPA, presented the region's top 30 priority programs and projects.

As a backgrounder, Mr. Atienza stated that on 13 June 2023, NEDA issued a memorandum regarding the conduct of the Regional-National Investment Programming (RNIP) Dialogue. The Dialogue aims to facilitate the alignment of priority regional programs and projects (PAPs) to the national priorities, specifically, priority PAPs from the Regional Development Investment Program (RDIP) will be included in the updated Public Investment Program (PIP). The inclusion of priority PAPs in the PIP would strengthen its inclusion in the National Expenditure Program (NEP), and subsequently to ensure budget allocation in the General Appropriation Act (GAA).

A total of 35 priority PAPs were identified for the MIMAROPA region, 14 PAPs are for regionwide implementation, and two PAPs will be implemented in the whole province of Palawan. The 35 priority PAPs has a total investment requirements of PhP 70.73 billion. The infrastructure sector got the highest investment requirements amounting to PhP 36.91 billion; followed by the social sector with PhP 24.94 billion; economic sector with PhP 8.81 billion; and the development administration sector with PhP 72.94 million.

Mr. Atienza mentioned that the top five agencies with the highest total investment requirements are the following: a) DPWH, with eight PAPs, amounting to PhP 10.81 billion; b) DSWD, with three PAPs, amounting to PhP 14.94 billion; c) DOTr, with two PAPs, amounting to PhP 14.09 billion; d) DA, with five PAPs, amounting to PhP 8.16 billion; and e) DepED, with three PAPs, amounting to PhP 6.36 billion.

He added that the EDC, during its third quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023, reviewed and favorably recommended RDC endorsement of MIMAROPA Top 30 Priority Programs and Projects.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution favorably endorsing the top 30 priority programs and projects of MIMAROPA region was approved.

- **Renewable Energy Exploration**

On behalf of the IDC Chairperson, Marinduque Governor Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr., the RDC Vice Chairperson presented the proposed Renewable Energy Exploitation and Suitability Assessment (REESA) Project for the MIMAROPA region.

RD Mendoza reported that the Romblon State University (RSU) through the Regional Research, Development and Innovation Committee (RRDIC) submitted a project proposal titled: *“Renewable Energy Resource Explorations and Suitability Assessment (REESA) Project in MIMAROPA Region”*.

The proposal intends to: a) analyze the topographical suitability characteristics of solar and wind power resources using Geographical Information System-Multicriteria Decision Analysis (GIS-MCDA) and Analytical Hierarchy Process (APH) Technique; and b) 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.

The estimated total project cost of the proposal is at PhP 25.19 million, proposed for funding through the Philippine Council for Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Research and Development (PCCIERD) of the Department of Science and Technology, and target implementation is within two years.

RD Mendoza stated that once the project is implemented, it would: a) evaluate the potential for renewable energy generation in the region and helps determine the feasibility and practicality of renewable energy projects; b) evaluate the physical characteristics and features of the land surface to identify areas suitable for energy resource exploitation; c) ensure that energy resources are optimally utilized; and d) determine the most suitable areas for energy production.

He added that the project would also: a) increase capacity in renewable energy sources in the region; b) reduce cost in the conduct of exploration and feasibility studies; c) increase energy mix from mostly sourced diesel-fired power plants; and d) foster institutional partnership that will facilitate investments and development of the renewable energy resources.

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

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution approving and adopting Renewable Energy Exploitation and Suitability Assessment (REESA) Project for MIMAROPA and favorably endorsing it to DOST-PCIEERD for funding support was approved.

- **OPT Plus Implementation for High Prevalence Malnutrition**

The SDC Chairperson, Mayor Elegio A. Malaluan of Bongabong, Oriental Mindoro, presented the proposal to enjoin local government units in MIMAROPA to provide the prescribed anthropometric measurement tools for Operation Timbang (OPT) Plus and enhance the capacity of barangay nutrition scholars and members of the OPT Plus Team.

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

Mayor Malaluan said that the National Nutrition Council (NNC) Governing Board has issued guidelines on OPT+ implementation, including the fabrication, verification, and maintenance of height boards. 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.

He further said that the recommended weighing scales and length/height boards for the conduct of the OPT Plus are a) hanging infant weighing scale; b) hanging digital scale; c) digital scale; d) digital taring scale; e) mechanical column scale; and f) length/height board. The stadiometer, microtoise, mobile measuring mat, and MUAC tapes are also used to measure the upper arm of children.

The RNC, during its joint meeting with the TWG, passed a resolution enjoining all the local government units in MIMAROPA to provide prescribed anthropometric measurement tools for use in the Operation Timbang Plus and capacitate the barangay nutrition scholars including the members of the operation OPT plus team. Likewise, the SDC, during its third quarter meeting held on 04 August 2023, reviewed the said proposal and favorably recommended RDC approval on the passage of a parallel resolution.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution enjoining local government units in MIMAROPA to provide the prescribed anthropometric measurement tools for Operation Timbang (OPT) plus and enhance the capacity of barangay nutrition scholars and members of the OPT plus team was approved.

• **PNVSCA Key Programs, Activities and Projects (PAPs)**

The SDC Chairperson presented the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) key programs, activities, and projects (PAPs) in the MIMAROPA region.

The PNVSCA is further mandated by the Volunteer Act of 2007 to be the government agency responsible for promoting and coordinating volunteerism in the Philippines. It is one of the agencies attached to the NEDA. The agency 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.

Mayor Malaluan mentioned that among the notable programs and initiatives of PNVSCA are the a) National Volunteer Month; b) Search for Outstanding Volunteers; c) designation of volunteerism focal person in local government units; and d) 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.

He further stated that the SDC, during its third quarter meeting on 04 August 2023, reviewed the key PAPs of PNVSCA and favorably recommended RDC approval to institutionalize volunteerism as a development strategy by local government units, regional line agencies, state universities and colleges, and stakeholders in the MIMAROPA region.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution enjoining the local government units, regional line agencies, state universities and colleges to institutionalize volunteerism as a development strategy in the MIMAROPA region was approved.

- **Magna Carta for Child Development Workers**

The SDC Chairperson presented the proposed support to the Magna Carta of Child Development Workers.

Article II, Section 13, of the 1987 Constitution mandates the State to promote and protect the well-being of children. Several laws mandate the establishment of daycare centers and the provision of consultative services for children. Daycare workers ensure the safety, health, and well-being of young children in their care by implementing laws and regulations related to childcare and creating nurturing environments for children.

Mayor Malaluan reported that RDC Region I, during its third 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." He said that the daycare workers face several challenges, including low salaries, lack of benefits, and limited opportunities for professional development, especially those from the geographically isolated and disadvantage areas (GIDAs).

He added that the Magna Carta of 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. Several key strategies in the MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028 from both the education and social protection chapters focus on the well-being of children, which the Magna Carta of Day Care Workers would help address by recognizing the importance of providing quality early childhood education to all children in the region.

The SDC, during its third quarter meeting on 04 August 2023, reviewed and favorably recommended RDC support of the said proposal.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution supporting the Magna Carta for Child Development Workers was approved.

- **Chairperson of RGADC MIMAROPA**

The RDC Vice Chairperson presented the confirmation of the election of Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua of the NCIP MIMAROPA as the Chairperson of the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) MIMAROPA.

RD Mendoza stated that the RDC approved the creation of the RGADC through a resolution during its first quarter full council meeting held on 20 March 2018. Furthermore, during its

third quarter meeting on 03 September 2021, the RDC passed a resolution confirming the members of the RGADC pursuant to the Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2016-01 of NEDA and the PCW in the selection of members of the RGADC MIMAROPA. Based on the JMC, 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.

The RGADC during its third quarter meeting held on 23 September 2022, Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua of the NCIP MIMAROPA was elected as Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA and favorably recommended RDC confirmation.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution confirming the election of Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua of the NCIP MIMAROPA as the Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA was approved.

- **Co-Chairperson of RGADC MIMAROPA**

The RGADC Chairperson, NCIP MIMAROPA Regional Director Marie Grace T. Pascua, presented the confirmation of the election of Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso of the DSWD MIMAROPA as the Co-Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA.

RD Pascua said that the RDC approved the creation of the RGADC through a resolution during its first quarter full council meeting held on 20 March 2018. Furthermore, the RDC, during its third quarter meeting on 03 September 2021, passed a resolution confirming the members of the RGADC MIMAROPA pursuant to the Joint Memorandum Circular of NEDA and the PCW in the selection of members of the RGADC MIMAROPA. Based on the JMC, 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.

She further cited that during the RGADC 3rd quarter meeting held on 23 September 2022, WPU President Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina was elected as Co-Chairperson. However, the position of RGADC Co-Chairperson was declared vacant upon the retirement of President Evina on 01 June 2023.

She added that the RGADC during its special meeting held on 23 August 2023 via video conference, Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso of the DSWD MIMAROPA was elected as the new Co-Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA and favorably recommended RDC confirmation.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution confirming the election of Regional Director Leonardo C. Reynoso of the DSWD MIMAROPA as the Co-Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA was approved.

- **Chairperson of RPGRP Screening Committee**

The RGADC Chairperson presented the confirmation of the election of Regional Director Reynaldo O. Wong of the CPD MIMAROPA (formerly POPCOM) as the Chairperson of the Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons (RPGRP) Screening Committee of the RGADC.

The Screening Committee of the RPGRP was created on 03 September 2021, through RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1015. The RPGRP Screening Committee leads the process of application, shortlisting, and levelling session of applicants. The certification of the 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.

RD Pascua said that upon the retirement of RPGRP Screening Committee Chairperson and WPU President Julie Hope Timotea P. Evina, the position of RPGRP Screening Committee Chairperson was vacant effective 01 June 2023.

She added that the RGADC during its 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 favorably recommended RDC confirmation.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution confirming the election of Regional Director Reynaldo O. Wong of the CPD MIMAROPA as the Chairperson of the of the Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons (RPGRP) Screening Committee of the RGADC MIMAROPA was approved.

- **RGADC MIMAROPA and PCW Partnership Agreement**

The RGADC Chairperson presented the Partnership Agreement made and entered into by and between the RGADC MIMAROPA and the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW).

As a backgrounder, the RDC approved the creation of the RGADC during its first quarter full council meeting held on 20 March 2018. Furthermore, the RDC approved the partnership agreement by and between the PCW and the RGADC MIMAROPA in the implementation of gender and development mainstreaming activities in the region through an RDC resolution on 06 September 2019. The three-year partnership agreement was approved to facilitate the collaboration between PCW and RGADC MIMAROPA in promoting the region's GAD mainstreaming efforts. The agreement expired on 27 December 2022.

On 25 May 2023, an assessment meeting was conducted to evaluate the possibility of renewing the partnership between the parties and share learning experiences on the implementation of the annual work plans. During the said meeting, the PCW also presented the accomplishments and best practices of the RGADC MIMAROPA. The RGADC during its third quarter meeting held on 28 July 2023 approved the partnership agreement by and between the PCW and RGADC MIMAROPA and favorably recommended RDC confirmation of the said agreement.

On a motion duly seconded, a resolution confirming the partnership agreement made and entered into by and between the RGADC MIMAROPA and the PCW was approved.

- **2023 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report Guidelines**

Engr. Amalia F. Santiago, OIC-Chief of the Project Monitoring and Evaluation Division (PMED) of NEDA MIMAROPA presented the 2023 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR) Guidelines.

The MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028 will be implemented through policies, programs, projects and activities as contained in the Regional Development

Investment Program (RDIP) 2023-2028. The monitoring of the plan will be done annually through the Regional Development Report (RDR). Results matrices in each chapter of the RDP provides for the monitoring and evaluation of the plan in a given period. The indicators with targets are assessed on how they contribute to the overall achievement of the Plan.

Engr. Santiago said that the MIMAROPA RDR together with the RPMES provides for the monitoring and evaluation of the plan within its six-year implementation period. It also provides strategic and policy direction to refocus priorities and/or catch-up with targets, as may be necessary. The bases in the evaluation of the performance of the region for the beginning of plan target and its transition to the current President Marcos administration are the accomplishment reports and other sectoral inputs of agency regional offices (AROs), state universities and colleges (SUCs), government owned and controlled corporations (GOCCs), local government units (LGUs), and private sector representatives (PSRs).

The 2023 RDR preparation guidelines shall undergo early preparation to capture the latest developments, trends, and data relevant to the region. It shall be prepared using the most recent available data from the first three quarters of 2023. In the final/fourth quarter of 2023, the report shall be vetted by relevant approving bodies for verification, validation, and approval. Consistent with the Socio-Economic Report (SER) and the MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028, the 2023 MIMAROPA RDR shall contain 17 chapters. Inputs/reports from the agencies concerned and stakeholders will also be used in the preparation of the RDR.

Engr. Santiago also presented the schedule of activities in preparation of the report which includes: a) submission of inputs from the concerned agencies; b) conduct of technical workshop; c) presentation to the sectoral committee meetings for any additional comments/inputs; and d) final draft for approval of the RDC on 01 December 2023. She added that the target date for dissemination of the said report will be on February 2024 to coincide with the Budget Review.

The sectoral committees of the RDC MIMAROPA during their third quarter meetings held on 03-04 August reviewed and favorably recommended RDC approval of the proposed guidelines.

On a motion duly seconded, the 2023 Regional Development Report Preparation Guidelines was approved.

H. Matters for Information

• Effects of El Niño and its Mitigating Measures

Engr. Maria Teresa B. Carido, representative of DA MIMAROPA Regional Director Maria Christine C. Inting, briefly presented the strategies to mitigate the effects of El Niño in the region.

For the vulnerable rice and corn areas, the following activities were conducted: a) reactivation of El Niño Task Force; b) conduct of Regional Coordination Meetings; c) Information Awareness Campaign; d) provision of water pumps and engines; and e) buffer stocking of rice and corn seeds. To maximize the production in non-vulnerable areas, the following activities were also conducted: a) provision of seeds and planting materials; b) provision of fertilizers and soil ameliorants; c) provision of pumps and engine sets; and d) provision of flower inducers.

Engr. Carido also reported the Fuel Assistance to Farmers (FAF) Project and the Rice Farmers Financial Assistance (RFFA) of DA. The FAF project aims to provide fuel assistance to eligible beneficiaries who own or rent agricultural machineries used for crop production. Each farmer-recipient will receive a DA Intervention Monitoring Card with fuel assistance amounting to PhP 3,000.00. The project will be implemented in partnership with the Development Bank of the Philippine (DBP) and its accredited FinTech partners. On the other hand, the RFFA aims to provide cash assistance to smallholder RSBSA-registered rice farmers tilling rice lands of two hectares and below. Each eligible recipient will receive cash assistance of PhP 5,000.00. This will be implemented together with the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) and its conduit USMI (Western Union).

• **Regional Economic Situationer**

The RDC Vice Chairperson presented the 2023 Second Quarter Regional Economic Situationer (QRES) of the region. The report aims to provide a comprehensive assessment of the economic performance of the region. It serves as a valuable tool for policymakers, government agencies, businesses, and other stakeholders in understanding the current state of the region's economy.

The Second QRES report contains the following: a) macroeconomy; b) peace and order; c) natural disasters and other calamities; d) agriculture and fisheries; e) industry; and f) services.

He reported that the region's economy grew to 6.3 percent in 2022, which translated to PhP 393 billion economic performance. MIMAROPA remains a service-oriented region. It is envisioned to achieve economic growth at a steady 7% growth per annum from 2023 to 2028. MIMAROPA's average inflation increased to 7.4 percent in the second quarter. All commodity groups registered upward price movements, except transport, food, and non-alcoholic beverages, education services, and financial services, compared to previous year's index levels. Unemployment rate in the region is targeted to decline to 4.9% by 2028 in order to bounce back from the highest recorded annual average estimate of 8.13% in 2020.

RD Mendoza mentioned that the full reopening of the economy and the lifting of the public health emergency will positively impact MIMAROPA's economic performance in the coming years. The implementation of key strategies, programs, and projects outlined in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028 will contribute to economic growth and recovery from health crises and other challenges. Inflation rate in MIMAROPA is expected to ease further in the next quarters, with the government focusing on managing inflation and mitigating the effects of rising commodity prices. The employment rate in the region is expected to increase as the economy fully reopens, contributing to a high growth trajectory.

With regard to peace and order situation of the region, RD Mendoza further cited that there was a significant decreased in total crime volume, cleared crimes, and solved crimes compared to previous quarters. The average monthly crime rate in the region decreased by 2.51 percentage points during this period. The statistics indicate an improvement in public safety and a decrease in criminal activities within the MIMAROPA region.

On natural disasters and other calamities, PAGASA's Advisory No. 2 indicates that a weak El Niño is present and may strengthen to moderate to strong level. Climate models suggest its persistence into early 2024. Marinduque, Romblon, and Palawan will experience a dry spell, while Mindoro anticipates drought by January 2024. Agricultural production is set to be

significantly affected. MIMAROPA has distinct climatic conditions that contribute to its agricultural resiliency.

On agriculture and fisheries, the region witnessed marginal growth in its agricultural and fisheries production, reaching a total of 360,000 metric tons. This demonstrated an improvement compared to the output recorded during the same period in 2022. There were notable increases in livestock, poultry, and fisheries production during this quarter. The region may also experience shortage in tilapia from third quarter of 2023 to the third quarter of 2024, as tilapia production is expected to decline due to El Niño.

He added that the region is a rice-secure region with or without El Niño. The surplus of the previous quarter can roll over several quarters. There will be a deficit in the third quarter of 2023, but since rice inventory is a product of rollover harvest, the region still has sufficient rice supply. The region's population is projected to be around 3.39 million, but harvest can feed 3.40 million people. If all will be sold in MIMAROPA, the inventory will be enough to feed the population in 9 months, or three quarters.

RD Mendoza ended his report with the following recommendations for the agriculture sector: a) expand irrigation coverage; b) diversify irrigation systems; c) use water-efficient technologies; and d) practice crop diversification.

• **Project Monitoring Report**

Engr. Amalia F. Santiago of NEDA MIMAROPA presented the Second Quarter CY 2023 Project Monitoring Report.

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.

In terms of implementation status by cost, Engr. Santiago reported that of the total project cost of PhP 32.4 billion, 5 percent or PhP 1.69 billion were completed; 4 percent or PhP 1.23 billion were on schedule; 39 percent or PhP 12.71 billion were ahead of schedule; and 52 percent or PhP 16.76 billion encountered problems in implementation. In terms of implementation status by quantity, Engr. Santiago added that of the total 405 projects, 115 projects or 28.40 percent were completed; 64 projects or 40.49 percent were ahead of schedule; 38 projects or 9.38 percent were on schedule; and 88 projects or 22 percent encountered problems in implementation.

She said that some of the issues encountered in project implementation include right-of-way acquisition, securing of environmental compliance certificate, delayed delivery of construction materials, variation order and unworkable site due to inclement weather conditions. Among the projects that faced implementation challenges are: a) Yolanda Housing Projects in Palawan; b) Tablas Circumferential Road in Romblon; c) Mindoro Island Circumferential Road; and d) Mindoro Cross Island Road.

The major infrastructure projects visited by the Regional Project Monitoring Team were the following: a) Marinduque Airport Development Project, with a total project cost of PhP 220 million. The upgrading of the runway from 1,400 meters to 1,535 meters will service turboprop aircraft (ATR 72). It will also improve the ride quality, reduce noise levels, and reduce the full life cycle costs of the runway surface; b) Odiongan East West Road, with a

total project of PhP 98.42 million. The diversion and bypass road projects, once completed, will shorten the travel time from Sta. Maria to Odiongan (vice versa) from 1 ½ hours to 20 minutes; and c) Construction of Balabac Military Runway, with a total project cost of PhP 1.1 billion. The project faced challenges on right-of-way acquisition due to land claimed as an Islam Cemetery by the indigenous peoples. To address the issue, DPWH will collaborate with the provincial government of Palawan, conduct information dissemination and project briefing within the community.

I. Other Matters

The RDC secretariat shared on screen the following agenda items, under other matters of the meeting, namely: a) Update on the status of establishment of additional emission testing centers in Marinduque by LTO and DOTr; b) Update on the status of projects proposed by indigenous peoples (IPs) of Occidental and Oriental Mindoro; and c) Update on the issue of Batangas Port affecting passengers of Romblon, Oriental Mindoro, and Occidental Mindoro.

RD Mendoza reported that for the status of establishment of additional emission testing centers in Marinduque by LTO and DOTr, which was raised during the PSR National Convention, the said concern will be included in the agenda item of the next IDC meeting in November.

On the status of proposed IPs project in Occidental and Oriental Mindoro, which was submitted by PSR Gumal-in during the first quarter IDC meeting, he said that there was a bilateral meeting with President Levy B. Arago, Jr., of Mindoro State University (MinSU), PSR Juvelyn V. Gumal-in, and NEDA MIMAROPA Regional Director. The agreements during the meeting are: a) MinSU will prepare the project proposals; b) the funding of the proposal will be sourced from the Department of Energy (DOE) ER 1-94 under the Development Livelihood Fund (DLF); and c) coordination with the Community Relation Officers (CROs) of various power plants will be done to expedite the release of funds for the proposed projects.

For the update on the issue of Batangas Port affecting passengers of Romblon, Oriental Mindoro, and Occidental Mindoro, the said concern will be included in the agenda item of the Strong Republic Nautical Highway (SRNH) committee meeting in November.

J. Adjournment

With no other matters to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

ATTESTED:

BERNARDINO A. ATIENZA, JR.
Acting RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
Vice Chairperson
Regional Director, NEDA MIMAROPA

APPROVED:

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

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

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

Agenda Items/ Issues and Concerns	Agreements	Status
1) Proposed PBBM Bridges Project	DAR MIMAROPA to validate the inclusion of requested additional bridges in Barangay Palhi, Calapan City and in the Municipality of Boac, Marinduque as requested by Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez and Mayor Armi D.C. Carrion, respectively.	DAR MIMAROPA reported that the proposed additional bridges in Boac, Marinduque were included in the list of proposed PBBM Bridges Project in MIMAROPA. However, the proposed bridge in Barangay Palhi, Calapan City did not meet the criteria for selection and prioritization for the PBBM Bridges.
2) Amendment of EO 325 series of 1996	Section 3.c. Provision on honoraria of PSRs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seek the position of the DBM on the provision of honoraria to PSRs. Honoraria is a form of compensation given as a token of appreciation. It does not include travelling expenses. 	The suggestion of DBM Regional Director Ricky L. Sanchez was included in the comments/inputs on the draft executive order repealing EO 325, s. 1996 submitted to NEDA-RDG on 21 September 2023 for consideration.
3) Establishment of additional emission testing centers in the province of Marinduque	To be included in the agenda item of the next IDC meeting in November.	Updates and status report on the establishment of emission testing centers in MIMAROPA were presented during the 4 th quarter IDC meeting held on 10 November 2023 in Quezon City. Mr. Reejay Condez of LTO MIMAROPA presented the report. Based on the LTO's report, there is one active and operating PETC in the province of Marinduque being operated by GTZ Emission Testing Center.
4) Issue on Batangas Port affecting passengers of Romblon, Occidental Mindoro and Oriental Mindoro	To be included in the agenda item of the SRNH meeting in November.	Updates on Batangas Port issues affecting passengers of Romblon, Occidental Mindoro, and Oriental Mindoro were discussed during the 2 nd Semester SRNH Inter-Regional Committee meeting held on 24

		<p>November 2023 via Zoom videoconference.</p> <p>Mr. Rosalio S. Ferrer, Jr. of Philippine Ports Authority-Port Management Office-Batangas, reported that the designated parking area where passengers disembark is outside the premises of the port and is presently under the control of the Provincial Government of Batangas.</p> <p>Mr. Ferrer informed the body that PPA Batangas has an existing contract of lease with the Provincial Government of Batangas until 2028, wherein one of the terms in the contract stipulates “safety environment and control of the area”. The area specified in the contract refers to the parking for loading and unloading of passengers for non-RoRo buses.</p> <p>SRNH Secretariat to formally communicate with DOTR Secretary to raise the concerns of passengers passing through Batangas Port, citing the specific provision of Section 31 of National Transport Policy, “Establishment of Seamless, Intermodal Transport Logistics Network”, and to propose for the Development of a Multi-Level Terminal with Park and Sail Facilities.</p>
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Resolution No.	Title	Status
2023-083-1187	Approving the Creation of MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan (RPFP) 2021-2050 Planning Committees.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-083-1188	Supporting the Proposed Amendments to Executive Order No. 325, Series of 1996.	Copies of the resolution and proposed amendments were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members and NEDA-RDG on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-083-1189	Favorably Endorsing the Proposed PAMANA Projects of the Municipality of Sablayan in Occidental Mindoro.	Copy of the resolution was transmitted to the Office of Secretary Carlito G. Galvez, Jr., of OPAPRU on 04 October 2023; copy furnished Office of the Municipal Mayor Walter B. Marquez of Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro.
2023-083-1190	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 ICC.	Copy of the resolution was transmitted to the Office of Director Hazel Iris S. Baliatan, NEDA-PIS on 05 October 2023; copy furnished DAR-MIMAROPA. The PBBM Bridges Project was approved by the NEDA Board last 09 November 2023.
2023-083-1191	Favorably Endorsing the Inclusion of the Verde Island Passage (VIP) as part of the Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System (ENIPAS).	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to DENR MIMAROPA, NEDA CALABARZON, and to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023.
2023-083-1192	Favorably Endorsing the Top 30 Priority Programs and Projects of MIMAROPA Region.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to the Office of Department Secretaries of DA, DENR, DepED, DHSUD, DICT, DILG, DOE, DOH, DOST, DOTr, DPWH, DSWD, and to the NEDA-PIS on 04 October 2023; copy furnished agency regional offices (AROs) of the respective Department. Based on the agencies' submission in the Public Investment Program Online System (PIPOL), 22 out of the 30 Priority PAPs were endorsed by the respective agencies in the Public Investment Program Online (PIPOL) System as of 23 November 2023.

Resolution No.	Title	Status
2023-083-1193	Approving and Adopting the Renewable Energy Exploration and Sustainability Assessment (REESA) Project for MIMAROPA and Favorably Endorsing it to DOST-PCIEERD for funding support.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to the Office of PCIEERD Executive Director, DOST MIMAROPA and RSU on 04 October 2023.
2023-083-1194	Enjoining Local Government Units in MIMAROPA to Provide the Prescribed Anthropometric Measurement Tools for OPT+ and Enhance the Capacity of Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS) and Members of the OPT+ Team.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-083-1195	Enjoining the Local Government Units, Regional Line Agencies, and State Universities and Colleges to Institutionalize Volunteerism as a Development Strategy in the MIMAROPA Region.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-083-1196	Supporting the Magna Carta for Child Development Workers.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-083-1197	Approving the Strengthening of the Startup Ecosystem in MIMAROPA Through the RESEED Program: Establishment of the MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINET).	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-083-1198	Favorably Endorsing the Establishment of Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the Province of Palawan.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-083-1199	Confirming the Election of RD Marie Grace T. Pascua of the NCIP MIMAROPA as the Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-083-1200	Confirming the Election of RD Leonardo C. Reynoso of the DSWD MIMAROPA as the Co-Chairperson of the RGADC MIMAROPA.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.
2023-083-1201	Confirming the Election of RD Reynaldo O. Wong of the CPD MIMAROPA as the Chairperson of the Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons (RPGRP) Screening Committee of the RGADC MIMAROPA.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.

Resolution No.	Title	Status
2023-083-1202	Confirming the Partnership Agreement made and entered into by and between the RGADC MIMAROPA and the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW).	<p>The PCW signed and transmitted the Partnership Agreement to the RDC Secretariat on 24 October 2023. The RGADC approved the CY 2024 Work Plan, which is an attached document to the Partnership Agreement on 24 November 2023.</p> <p>Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC members and the PCW on 28 November 2023.</p>
2023-083-1203	Approving the 2023 Regional Development Report Preparation Guidelines.	Copies of the resolution were transmitted to all RDC MIMAROPA members on 06 October 2023; acknowledged by the members.

Item No. 4: Updated MIMAROPA RDIP 2023-2028
and FY 2025 AIP

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Updated MIMAROPA RDIP 2023-2028 and AIP FY 2025

1. Section 4 of the Executive Order (EO) 325, s. 1996 mandates the Regional Development Council (RDC) 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.
2. EO No. 14, s. 2023 directed all government entities to align and commit their support in the implementation of the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028 while prioritizing their programs and projects (PAPs) through the Public Investment Program (PIP) 2023-2028. Section 3 of EO 14 also states that the PIP 2023-2028 shall be updated annually or when deemed necessary by NEDA.
3. The Regional Development Investment Program (RDIP) 2023-2028 is the counterpart document of the PIP at the regional level that contains the region's six-year investment portfolio that translates the goals, objectives, and strategies stipulated in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan into specific and viable programs and projects.
4. The updating of the RDIP 2023-2028 consists of six stages including the generation and lobbying of new PAPs, submission of RDIP forms, PAPs review and validation, consultation workshop, and presentation of updated RDIP 2023-2028 and FY 2025 Annual Investment Program (AIP).
5. On 20 October 2023, a consultation was conducted to firm up the list of PAPs for inclusion in the updated RDIP 2023-2028 and identify the priority PAPs for FY 2025.
6. The updated MIMAROPA RDIP 2023-2028 and AIP FY 2025 were presented to, reviewed, and endorsed by the Development Administration Committee (DAC), Economic Development Committee (EDC), Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC), and Social Development Committee (SDC) during their fourth quarter meetings held on 09-10 November 2023 in Quezon City.
7. The RDC Vice Chairperson will present the highlights of the updated MIMAROPA RDIP 2023-2028 and AIP FY 2025.
8. Action requested: For approval and adoption.



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IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE UPDATED MIMAROPA REGIONAL
DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT PROGRAM (RDIP) 2023-2028 AND
FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2025 ANNUAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM (AIP)

WHEREAS, Section 4 of the Executive Order (EO) 325, s. 1996 mandates the Regional Development Council (RDC) 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, EO No. 14, s. 2023 directed all government entities to align and commit their support in the implementation of the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028 and prioritize programs and projects (PAPs) through the Public Investment Program (PIP) 2023-2028;

WHEREAS, based on Section 3 of EO 14, the PIP 2023-2028 shall be updated annually or when deemed necessary by NEDA;

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA Regional Development Investment Program (RDIP) is the counterpart document of the PIP at the regional level that contains the region's six-year investment portfolio that translates the goals, objectives, and strategies stipulated in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan into specific and viable programs and projects;

WHEREAS, on 20 October 2023, the list of ongoing and proposed PAPs for inclusion in the updated RDIP 2023-2028 was reviewed and validated during a consultation workshop for the updating of the MIMAROPA RDIP 2023-2028 and the preparation of the AIP FY 2025;

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA RDIP 2023-2028 and FY 2025 AIP were endorsed by the Development Administration Committee (DAC), Economic Development Committee (EDC), Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC), and Social Development Committee (SDC) during their fourth quarter meetings held on 09-10 November 2023;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Regional Development Council MIMAROPA approves and adopts the Updated MIMAROPA Regional Development Investment Program (RDIP) 2023-2028 and Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Annual Investment Program (AIP);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Updated MIMAROPA RDIP 2023-2028 be considered by all regional line agencies, government-owned and controlled corporations, state universities and colleges, and all government entities in the preparation of their FY 2025 agency budget proposals;

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
RDC Chairperson

Item No. 5: 2023 MIMAROPA Regional
Development Report (RDR)

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023, Pasay City

Brief from the RDC Secretariat

Subject: 2023 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report

1. The 2023 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR) serves as the first annual plan assessment of the implementation of the 2023-2028 MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP).
2. The report aims to provide a timely, useful, and relevant evaluation of the progress in implementing the strategies indicated in the plan.
3. The MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC), during its 3rd quarter Full Council Meeting held on 01 September 2023, passed RDC Resolution No. 2023-083-1203, "Approving the 2023 RDR Preparation Guidelines".
4. The MIMAROPA RDC members submitted to the secretariat the statistical data and reports on their respective annual agency accomplishments for the chapter results matrix (RMs).
5. The MIMAROPA Development Administration, Economic, Infrastructure and Social Development Committees during the fourth Quarter Sectoral Committee Meetings held last 09-10 November 2023, passed resolutions, favorably endorsing the 2023 RDR.
6. The report focuses on the accomplishments during the first three quarters of 2023 laying the groundwork for the full implementation of the strategies indicated in the RDP. The status of implementation of the major Programs, Project and Activities (PAPs), their alignment with the RDP, and recommendations for succeeding years are presented in the RDR 2023.
7. The RMs of the Chapters/Subchapters were updated using latest data as of September 2023 which were vetted by concerned agencies.
8. The report is written using gender-fair language (GFL).
9. The 2023 RDR will be presented for approval.
10. Action requested: For approval.



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RDC Resolution No. _____

APPROVING THE 2023 MIMAROPA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
REPORT (RDR)

WHEREAS, the 2023 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR) serves as the first annual plan assessment of the implementation of the 2023-2028 MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan (RDP);

WHEREAS, the report aims to provide a timely, useful, and relevant evaluation of the progress in implementing the strategies indicated in the plan;

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) during its 3rd quarter Full Council Meeting held last 01 September 2023, passed RDC Resolution No. 2023-083-1203, "Approving the 2023 RDR Preparation Guidelines";

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA RDC members submitted to the secretariat the statistical data and reports on their respective annual agency accomplishments for the chapter results matrix (RMs);

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA Development Administration, Economic, Infrastructure and Social Development Committees during the 4th Quarter Sectoral Committee Meetings held last 09-10 November 2023, passed resolutions, favorably endorsing the 2023 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR);

WHEREAS, the report focuses on the accomplishments during the first three quarters of 2023 laying the groundwork for the full implementation of the strategies indicated in the RDP;

WHEREAS, the status of implementation of the major Programs, Project and Activities (PAPs), their alignment with the RDP, and recommendations for succeeding years are presented in the RDR 2023;

WHEREAS, the Results Matrix (RM) of the Chapters/Subchapters were updated using latest data as of September 2023;

WHEREAS, the report is written using gender-fair language (GFL);

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC approves the 2023 MIMAROPA Regional Development Report (RDR);

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
RDC Chairperson

Item No. 6: Updated MIMAROPA Regional
Government Center Master Plan

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Updated MIMAROPA Regional Government Center (RGC) Master Plan

1. RDC MIMAROPA, during its first quarter full council meeting held on 03 March 2017, created MIMAROPA Regional Government Center Management Committee (RGCMC) pursuant to Republic Act No. 10879, s. 2016 or the MIMAROPA Act.
2. RDC MIMAROPA, during its second quarter full council meeting held on 02 June 2017, approved the proposed MIMAROPA RGC site – a five-hectare land located at Brgy. Sta. Isabel in Calapan City owned by the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro – that will be used under a usufruct agreement.
3. RDC MIMAROPA, during its first quarter full council meeting held on 20 March 2018, approved the usufruct agreement between RDC MIMAROPA and Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro for the establishment of MIMAROPA RGC in Calapan City, which shall apply for a period of 50 years and subject to automatic renewal without political intervention.
4. RDC MIMAROPA, during its fourth quarter full council meeting held on 06 December 2018, approved the MIMAROPA RGC Master Plan and Architectural Schematics.
5. Since the approval of the usufruct agreement, DPWH MIMAROPA has consistently requested funds for the preparation of Detailed Architectural and Engineering Design (DAED), backfilling, and construction of perimeter fence for the MIMAROPA RGC, which were all favorably endorsed by RDC MIMAROPA to DPWH Central Office.
6. The site development of the MIMAROPA RGC is currently ongoing (partial implementation) given the Php 50 million allocation for the backfilling and construction of perimeter fence under the FY 2022 GAA of DPWH MIMAROPA.
7. The required funds for the preparation of DAED and completion of the backfilling and construction of perimeter fence, however, was proposed for inclusion in the FY 2024 budget of DPWH.
8. The preparation of MIMAROPA RGC DAED, despite its inclusion in the RDC MIMAROPA Top 30 Priority Programs and Projects (PAPs), was excluded in the list of priority PAPs of DPWH Central Office as

presented during the Regional-National Investment Programming Dialogue on 25 August 2023.

9. RDC MIMAROPA recognizes the need to update the existing MIMAROPA RGC the architectural and engineering design of various regional government offices that will transfer to the MMIMAROPA RGC in Calapan City is hinged on the completion of the DAED.

10. In a letter to MIMAROPA RGCMC dated 18 October 2023, Oriental Mindoro Governor Humerlito A. Dolor requested the allocation of 5,000 square meters land covered by the usufruct agreement for the construction and establishment of Oriental Mindoro Integrated Transport Stop.

11. The proposed Mindoro Integrated Transport Stop will serve as pivotal hub for various modes of transportation and foster convenience and accessibility for employees in MIMAROPA RGC and other adjacent government offices.

12. Governor Dolor committed to provide additional land, approximately 15,000 square meters, in lieu of the requested 5,000 square meters and to present a revised MIMAROPA RGC site development plan that will reflect the proposed utilization of land.

13. MIMAROPA RGCMC, during its fourth quarter meeting held on 16 November 2023, reviewed the updated MIMAROPA RGC master plan prepared by the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro and favorably recommended RDC approval and adoption.

14. Action requested: For RDC approval and adoption.



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RDC Resolution No. _____

APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE UPDATED MIMAROPA REGIONAL
GOVERNMENT CENTER (RGC) MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, RDC MIMAROPA, during its first quarter full council meeting held on 03 March 2017, created MIMAROPA Regional Government Center Management Committee (RGC MC) pursuant to Republic Act No. 10879, s. 2016 or the MIMAROPA Act;

WHEREAS, RDC MIMAROPA, during its second quarter full council meeting held on 02 June 2017, approved the proposed MIMAROPA RGC site – a five-hectare land located at Brgy. Sta. Isabel in Calapan City owned by the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro – that will be used under a usufruct agreement;

WHEREAS, RDC MIMAROPA, during its first quarter full council meeting held on 20 March 2018, approved the usufruct agreement between RDC MIMAROPA and Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro for the establishment of MIMAROPA RGC in Calapan City, which shall apply for a period of 50 years and subject to automatic renewal without political intervention;

WHEREAS, RDC MIMAROPA, during its fourth quarter full council meeting held on 06 December 2018, approved the MIMAROPA RGC Master Plan and Architectural Schematics;

WHEREAS, since the approval of the usufruct agreement, DPWH MIMAROPA has consistently requested funds for the preparation of Detailed Architectural and Engineering Design (DAED), backfilling, and construction of perimeter fence for the MIMAROPA RGC, which were all favorably endorsed by RDC MIMAROPA to DPWH Central Office;

WHEREAS, the site development of the MIMAROPA RGC is currently ongoing (partial implementation) given the Php 50 million allocation for the backfilling and construction of perimeter fence under the FY 2022 GAA of DPWH MIMAROPA;

WHEREAS, the required funds for the preparation of DAED and completion of the backfilling and construction of perimeter fence, however, was proposed for inclusion in the FY 2024 budget of DPWH;

WHEREAS, the preparation of MIMAROPA RGC DAED, despite its inclusion in the RDC MIMAROPA Top 30 Priority Programs and Projects (PAPs), was excluded in the list of priority PAPs of DPWH Central Office as presented during the Regional-National Investment Programming Dialogue on 25 August 2023;

WHEREAS, RDC MIMAROPA recognizes the need to update the existing MIMAROPA RGC the architectural and engineering design of various regional government offices that will transfer to the MMIMAROPA RGC in Calapan City is hinged on the completion of the DAED;

WHEREAS, in a letter to MIMAROPA RGCMC dated 18 October 2023, Oriental Mindoro Governor Humerlito A. Dolor requested the allocation of 5,000 square meters land covered by the usufruct agreement for the construction and establishment of Oriental Mindoro Integrated Transport Stop;

WHEREAS, the proposed Mindoro Integrated Transport Stop will serve as pivotal hub for various modes of transportation and foster convenience and accessibility for employees in MIMAROPA RGC and other adjacent government offices;

WHEREAS, Governor Dolor committed to provide additional land, approximately 15,000 square meters, in lieu of the requested 5,000 square meters and to present a revised MIMAROPA RGC site development plan that will reflect the proposed utilization of land;

WHEREAS, MIMAROPA RGCMC, during its fourth quarter meeting held on 16 November 2023, reviewed the updated MIMAROPA RGC master plan, including the proposed Mindoro Integrated Transport Stop, prepared by the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro and favorably recommended RDC approval and adoption;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council approves and adopts the updated MIMAROPA RGC master plan;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the updated MIMAROPA RGC master plan shall include the following components: transport master plan; additional land area of approximately 15,000 square meters; and DAED preparation;

RESOLVED FURTHER; That the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro, together with MIMAROPA RGCMC, shall explore the possibility of acquiring additional land, approximately 15,000 square meters, for final integration in the updated MIMAROPA RGC master plan;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro will lead the formulation of DAED for the MIMAROPA RGC;

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

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Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
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Item No. 7: Revitalized Pulis Barangay Act through
the Passage of HB 7651 filed in the
19th Congress of the Philippines

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Support to House Bill No. 7651

1. On August 11, 2020, House Bill No. 7348 entitled “An Act Institutionalizing the Revitalized Barangay Police Program of the Philippine National Police and Appropriating Funds Therefore” was filed before the 18th Congress.
2. The Regional Development Council (RDC) Region XI, during its fourth quarter full council meeting held on December 07, 2020, passed Resolution No. 145, s. 2020 supporting the passage of HB 7348.
3. The Development Administration Committee, during its third quarter meeting on 05 August 2021, reviewed the comments and recommendations of the concerned agencies regarding the institutionalization of Revitalized Barangay Police Program and recommended RDC support to RDC XI Resolution No. 145, s. 2020 supporting the passage of HB 7348.
4. The RDC MIMAROPA, during its third quarter full council meeting on 03 September 2021, passed Resolution No. 2021-076-1008 supporting HB 7348 entitled “An Act Institutionalizing the Revitalized Barangay Police Program of the Philippine National Police and Appropriating Funds Therefore.”
5. House Bill No. 7651, otherwise known as the “Revitalized Pulis Barangay Act,” was filed before the 19th Congress to reinforce HB 7348.
6. On 26 June 2023, RDC XI passed Resolution No. 74, s. 2023 supporting the passage of HB 7651 entitled “An Act Institutionalizing the Revitalized Police sa Barangay Program of the Philippine National Police and Appropriating Funds Therefor.”
7. The RDC XI, through a memorandum dated 12 July 2023, solicited support from all RDCs regarding the passage of HB 7651.
8. RDC II, RDC CAR, RDC IV-A, RDC CARAGA, and RDC X have issued resolutions supporting the passage of HB No. 7651.
9. The institutionalization of HB 7651 is deemed responsive to the government’s whole-of-nation approach in attaining inclusive and sustainable peace in the country.
10. The Development Administration Committee, during its fourth quarter meeting held on 09 November 2023 in Quezon City, favorably recommended RDC support to the passage of HB 7651.
11. Action requested: For RDC support.



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IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7651 ENTITLED
“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE REVITALIZED POLICE SA
BARANGAY PROGRAM OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE”

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2020, House Bill No. 7348 entitled “An Act Institutionalizing the Revitalized Barangay Police Program of the Philippine National Police and Appropriating Funds Therefore” was filed before the 18th Congress;

WHEREAS, Regional Development Council (RDC) Region XI, during its fourth quarter full council meeting held on December 07, 2020, passed Resolution No. 145, s. 2020 supporting the passage of HB No. 7348;

WHEREAS, the Development Administration Committee, during its third quarter meeting held on 05 August 2021, reviewed the comments and recommendations of the concerned agencies regarding the institutionalization of Revitalized Barangay Police Program and recommend RDC support to RDC XI Resolution No. 145, s. 2020 supporting the passage of HB 7348;

WHEREAS, RDC MIMAROPA, during its third quarter full council meeting held on 03 September 2021, passed Resolution No. 2021-076-1008 supporting HB 7348 entitled “An Act Institutionalizing the Revitalized Barangay Police Program of the Philippine National Police and Appropriating Funds Therefore;”

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 7651, otherwise known as the “Revitalized Pulis Barangay Act,” was filed before the 19th Congress to reinforce HB 7348;

WHEREAS, on 26 June 2023, RDC XI passed Resolution No. 74, s. 2023 supporting the passage of HB 7651 entitled “An Act Institutionalizing the Revitalized Police sa Barangay Program of the Philippine National Police and Appropriating Funds Therefor;”

WHEREAS, the institutionalization of HB 7651 is deemed responsive to the government's whole-of-nation approach in attaining inclusive and sustainable peace in the country;

WHEREAS, the Development Administration Committee, during its fourth quarter meeting held on 09 November 2023 in Quezon City, favorably recommended RDC support to the passage of HB 7651;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council supports the passage of House Bill No. 7651 entitled "An Act Institutionalizing the Revitalized Police sa Barangay Program of the Philippine National Police and Appropriating Funds Therefor;"

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 8: Tamaraw Conservation and Management Action Plan

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Tamaraw Conservation and Management Action Plan 2021-2030

1. Presidential Proclamation No. 273, s. 2002 declares October of every year as a “Special Month for the Conservation and Protection of the Tamaraw in Mindoro”. The Proclamation urges all government offices, agencies, and instrumentalities in the whole island of Mindoro to implement activities relative to the conservation and protection of the Tamaraw (*Bubalus mindorensis*) and its habitats.
2. The Tamaraw, also known as dwarf water buffalo, is the largest native land mammal in the Philippines. The buffalo species is currently classified as critically endangered under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Administrative Order No. 2004-151 and on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List of Threatened Species.
3. In 2021, the DENR, in collaboration with the IUCN Asian Wild Cattle Specialist Groups (AWCSG), crafted the Tamaraw Conservation and Management Action Plan (TCMAP) 2021-2030. The Plan serves as a guide in the implementation of the Tamaraw Conservation Program (TCP) aimed at protecting, conserving, and increasing the Tamaraw population in Mindoro.
4. The TCMAP 2021-2030 envisions that by 2050, Tamaraw are a source of national pride and a flagship for Mindoro’s natural and cultural heritage. It also envisions that Tamaraw thrive in well-managed habitats, in populations that co-exist with Indigenous Peoples, and are valued by local communities across Mindoro. Among the strategies identified under the plan include: a) increase space for Tamaraw in Mt. Iglit-Baco Natural Park; b) support growth in the Upper Amnay Tamaraw population; c) re-establish Aruyan-Malati as a Tamaraw site; and d) re-establish Mt. Calavite and/or other potential Tamaraw sites.
5. The Economic Development Committee (EDC), during its fourth quarter meeting on 09 November 2023, endorsed the TCMAP for RDC adoption.
6. The EDC Chairperson will present the salient features of the Plan including the issues and concerns on the conservation of Tamaraw.
7. Action requested: For adoption.



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RDC Resolution No. _____

ADOPTING THE TAMARAW CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT
ACTION PLAN (TCMAP) 2021-2030

WHEREAS, Presidential Proclamation No. 273, s. 2002 declares October of every year as a “Special Month for the Conservation and Protection of the Tamaraw in Mindoro”;

WHEREAS, the Proclamation urges all government offices, agencies, and instrumentalities in the whole island of Mindoro to implement activities geared toward the conservation of the Tamaraw (*Bubalus mindorensis*), and its habitats;

WHEREAS, the Tamaraw, the largest native land mammal found in Mindoro, is classified as critically endangered species under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Administrative Order No. 2004-151 and on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List of Threatened Species;

WHEREAS, the DENR, in collaboration with IUCN Asian Wild Cattle and Conservation Planning Specialist Groups (AWCSG), crafted the Tamaraw Conservation and Management Action Plan (TCMAP) 2021-2030;

WHEREAS, the plan serves as a guide in the implementation of the Tamaraw Conservation Program (TCP) aimed to protect, conserve, and increase the Tamaraw population in Mindoro Island;

WHEREAS, the Plan envisions Tamaraw to thrive in well-managed habitats, coexist with Indigenous Peoples, and be valued by the local communities across Mindoro;

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee (EDC), during its fourth quarter meeting on 09 November 2023, endorsed the adoption of the TCMAP 2021-2030 to the RDC given its importance in the preservation and strengthening of the region’s biodiversity;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Regional Development Council MIMAROPA adopts the Tamaraw Conservation and Management Action Plan (TCMAP) 2021-2030;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the TCMAP 2021-2030 be considered and integrated into the respective plans and programs of concerned local government units (LGUs), regional line agencies (RLAs), and protected area management boards (PAMBs);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the TCMAP 2021-2023 be included in the region's research agenda and future research activities of the state universities and colleges (SUCs) in Mindoro;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That copies of this resolution be provided to all concerned LGUs, RLAs, PAMBs, and SUCs;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
RDC Chairperson

Item No. 9: Rehabilitation/Improvement of Water
System Project in Puerto Galera

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Proposed Rehabilitation/Improvement of Water Supply System in
Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro

1. Water has been one of the important resources and the basic necessity for community's survival. It is vital to support the economic and social development of the municipality as health, food, jobs and all other socio-economic services depend on it.
2. For the past decades, the Municipality of Puerto Galera has been experiencing intermittent supply of water brought by aggravating effect of El Nino, increase in local population and the influx of tourists. The increase in demand requires increase in basic services needed by the locality. As a tourism-dependent municipality, Puerto Galera is in dire need of water supply for its everyday operation , domestic needs, local business operations to name a few.
3. The existing water supply system in Puerto Galera provides an average of 3,100 cubic meters daily to 4,900 consumer connections.
4. To meet the growing demands of its residents and tourists, Puerto Galera will need 6,919 cubic meters of water by 2029 and 9,658 cubic meters by 2024.
5. The rehabilitation/improvement of the water system in Puerto Galera will provide adequate water supply in the years to come.
6. The Local Government of Puerto Galera has requested funding support from MIMAROPA Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (RDRRMC) for the Rehabilitation/Improvement of Water Supply System with an initial amount of Php 150 million pesos out Php 250 million pesos total project cost.
7. The RDRRMC MIMAROPA during its third quarter meeting on 22 September 2023 passed Resolution No. 02, s. 2023 endorsing the request of the Municipality of Puerto Galera for the Construction of Deep Well System (Level II) to National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) and MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC).
8. The Development Administration Committee (DAC) during its fourth quarter meeting on 09 November 2023 recommended the endorsement of the proposed project to the Infrastructure Development Committee

for review and recommendation for RDC endorsement for funding by appropriate agencies.

9. The IDC secretariat reviewed the proposal and provided the following recommendations for consideration of the proponent:
 - a. The Municipality of Puerto Galera to prepare a comprehensive water supply development plan taking into consideration the following:
 - Historical (past five years) and projected (next 20 years) demand
 - Current water supply sources
 - Identify future water sources including aquifer recharge rate, extraction capacity, and development timeline
 - Explore alternative sources of water (e.g., rain water harvesting, desalination, surface water, etc.)
 - b. The Municipality of Puerto Galera should comply with the regulatory requirements specified in the ***Amended Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Water Code of the Philippines***.
 - c. The Municipality of Puerto Galera should comply with the water supply operation requirements specified under Sec 3.3 and Sec. 3.4 of the ***Supplemental Implementing Rules and Regulations of Chapter II – “Water Supply” of The Code On Sanitation Of The Philippines (P.D. 856)***
 - d. The Municipality of Puerto Galera should establish the Local Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Committee as prescribed under Sec.3.5 of the ***Implementing Rules and Regulations of Chapter II – “Water Supply” of The Code On Sanitation Of The Philippines (P.D. 856)*** and Sec 3.7 of the ***Supplemental Implementing Rules and Regulations of Chapter II – “Water Supply” of The Code On Sanitation Of The Philippines (P.D. 856)***.
 - e. The Municipality of Puerto Galera should comply with the Water Code of the Philippines in the use of water for municipal purposes and secure the necessary permit/authority from the National Water Resources Board in the event of amendment of existing permit.
 - f. The Municipality of Puerto Galera as the distributor of the water supply is mandated to provide the sewerage facilities, coordinate with DPWH on the establishment of sewage and/or septage treatment facilities and raise funds for its operations and maintenance as stated in DAO2005-10-Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004 (RA No. 9275).

- g. The water supplied by the Municipality of Puerto Galera should conform with the ***Philippine National Standards for Drinking Water***.
 - h. The Municipality of Puerto Galera should comply with the testing requirements and sampling frequency for mandatory parameters as specified under DOH Administrative Order (AO) No. 2017-0010.
10. Action requested: RDC endorsement of the project to NDRRMC, DPWH, LWUA, and NWRB.



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**Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and
Management Council**
MIMAROPA

**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 3RD QUARTER RDRRMC FULL
COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2023 IN QUEZON CITY**

RDRRMC MIMAROPA Resolution No. 02, s. 2023

**ENDORSEMENT TO THE NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND
MANAGEMENT COUNCIL AND TO THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
OF MIMAROPA, THE REQUEST OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF PUERTO GALERA
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF DEEP WELL SYSTEM (LEVEL II) TO ADDRESS
THE CURRENT WATER CRISIS**

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Puerto Galera, located in the Northwestern part of the Province of Oriental Mindoro, is composed of 10,918 households, with a total population of 45,732 (based on the 2023 Projected Population of the Municipal Development and Planning Office);

WHEREAS, per DOST-PAGASA El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO) Alert System Status, El Niño is currently present in the tropical Pacific and will persist until the first quarter of 2024, showing signs of strengthening in the coming months;

WHEREAS, El Niño increases the likelihood of below-normal rainfall conditions, which could bring negative impacts, such as dry spell and drought;

WHEREAS, MIMAROPA Region is likely to experience below normal rainfall condition starting October of 2023;

WHEREAS, Section 5.1.7 of NDRRMC Memorandum Circular No. 110, s. 2021, dated 23 September 2021, states that the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund (NDRRMF) shall be used for projects which employs DRRM measures such as "Build Back Better" and shall contribute to building resilience of vulnerable communities, and for priority prevention, mitigation and preparedness projects which are directly linked to the achievement of the NDRRM Plan outcomes as identified by the NDRRMC;

WHEREAS, the said Municipality is currently suffering from insufficient water supply, which is expected to be exacerbated by the El Niño Southern Oscillation on the 4th Quarter of 2023 which will bring adverse impacts to the residents, and the tourism industry;

WHEREAS, based on the study conducted by the Local Government Unit of Puerto Galera, although there is sufficient water supply from January to February of 2023, there

is a significant increase in the demand and decrease in water supply during the months of March to May 2023, considering the number of local and projected tourist population, there will be a monthly shortage of 55,036.85 m³ in the Municipality;

WHEREAS, currently, there are 4,900 (63.92%) water supply connections, with an additional 2,766 (36.08%) connections required, to address the water supply demand in the said Municipality;


WHEREAS, the Local Government of Puerto Galera has taken several initiatives, including the installation of additional water lines, and water rationing in the Barangays, in coordination with the BFP, even with the abovementioned initiatives, there is still a need to identify and install additional water systems, to address the current water crisis;


WHEREAS, the Local Government of Puerto Galera has requested funding support from the Regional DRRM Council of MIMAROPA for the Construction of Deep Well System (Level II) to address the water crisis in the Municipality, amounting to One Hundred and Fifty Million Pesos (P150,000,000.00);

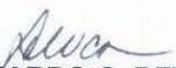
NOW THEREFORE, on motion duly seconded, **BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that the request of the Municipality of Puerto Galera for the Construction of Deep Well Systems (Level II) be respectfully endorsed to the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) and the Regional Development Council (RDC) of MIMAROPA for consideration and possible funding support.


SIGNED, this 22nd day of September 2023, during the RDRRMC MIMAROPA 3rd Quarter Meeting held at Madison 101 Hotel, Aurora Boulevard, Quezon City.

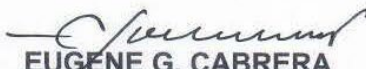
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PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

FAVORABLY ENDORSING THE REHABILITATION/IMPROVEMENT OF
WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM IN PUERTO GALERA TO NDRRMC, DPWH,
AND LWUA, FOR FUNDING

WHEREAS, water has been one of the important resources and the basic necessity for community's survival. It is vital to support the economic and social development of the municipality as health, food, jobs and all other socio-economic services depend on it;

WHEREAS, for the past decades, the Municipality of Puerto Galera has been experiencing intermittent supply of water brought by aggravating effect of El Nino, increase in local population and the influx of tourists;

WHEREAS, the existing water supply system in Puerto Galera provides an average of 3,100 cubic meters daily to 4,900 consumer connections;

WHEREAS, to meet the growing demands of its residents and tourists, Puerto Galera will need 6,919 cubic meters of water by 2029 and 9,658 cubic meters by 2044;

WHEREAS, the rehabilitation/improvement of the water system in Puerto Galera aims to provide adequate water supply to meet the future demand;

WHEREAS, the Local Government of Puerto Galera has requested funding support from Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (RDRRMC) MIMAROPA for the Rehabilitation/Improvement of Water Supply System with an initial amount of Php 150 million out of the estimated Php 250 million total project cost;

WHEREAS, the RDRRMC MIMAROPA during its third quarter meeting on 22 September 2023 passed Resolution No. 02, s. 2023 endorsing the request of the Municipality of Puerto Galera for the Construction of Deep Well System (Level II) to National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) and Regional Development Council (RDC) MIMAROPA;

WHEREAS, the Infrastructure Development Committee during its 4th quarter meeting held on 10 November 2023 recommended for RDC endorsement of the Rehabilitation/Improvement of Water Supply System project to NDRRMC, DPWH, and LWUA;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council favorably endorses the rehabilitation/improvement of water supply system in Puerto Galera for funding by NDRRMC, DPWH, and LWUA;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Local Government Unit of Puerto Galera complies with the Water Code of the Philippines in the use of water for municipal purposes and secure the necessary permit/authority from the National Water Resources Board in the event of amendment of existing permit;

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, That the LGU of Puerto Galera as the distributor of the water supply is mandated to provide the sewerage facilities, coordinate with DPWH on the establishment of sewage and/or septage treatment facilities and raise funds for its operations and maintenance;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That copies of this resolution be furnished to NDRRMC, DPWH, LWUA, and NWRB for appropriate action.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

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

DIR. AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
Vice Chairperson and
Regional Director
NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
Chairperson
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Item No. 10: ER 1-94 Funds

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023, Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Regional Share of Energy Regulations (ER) No. 1-94 Fund

1. Section 5 (i) of Republic Act No. 7638 (R.A. No. 7638), otherwise known as the "Department of Energy Act of 1992" mandates the Department of Energy (DOE) to devise ways and means of giving direct benefits to the province, city or municipality, especially the community and people affected and equitable and preferential to the region that hosts the energy resource and/or the energy-generating facility.
2. Energy Regulation No. 1-94 (ER 1-94) was promulgated by the DOE on 01 August 1994 to operationalize the implementation of section 5 (i) of R.A. No. 7638, which provides the granting of financial benefits to the host communities of the energy-generation company and/or energy resources.
3. Section 66 of R. A. No. 9136, otherwise known as the "Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001" and Rule 29(A) of its Implementing Rules and Regulations (EPIRA-IRR) require all energy generation companies (GenCos) and/or energy resource developers (ERDs) to provide financial benefits equivalent to one centavo per kilowatt-hour (P0.01/kwh) of the total electricity sales of the generation facility to the region, province, city or municipality and barangay that hosts the generation facility and energy resource facility, as well as the establishment of corresponding trust accounts and the administration thereof by the DOE.
4. The collected funds can then be used by local government units (LGUs) for various projects such as development and livelihood, reforestation, watershed management, and health and environment enhancement.
5. On 07 August 2018, DOE issued DC2018-08-0021 entitled, "Providing for the Amendments to Rule 29 Part (A) of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9136" or "Benefits to Host Communities, where in Section 6.2 of the said DC states that

For the regional share, the Regional Development Council (RDC) shall identify its Beneficiaries, which may be a Host or non-Host LGU, within the region. The allocated share for the identified Beneficiary shall then be remitted by the Genco and/or Energy Resource Developer to the trust or general account/s of the identified LGU.

6. Section C.5 of the 2nd Advisory for The Implementation of DC2018-08-0021 and its Supplemental Policy Issuances states that a MOA between the concerned RDC and GenCo and/or ERD will be executed to establish an agreement on the procedures to facilitate the allocation and remittance of the Regional Share to the identified LGUs.
7. Section 13 of Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996 provides that the NEDA Regional Director shall manage the technical, administrative and financial operations of the RDC and shall be accountable for the funds and properties of the RDC.
8. The IDC during its fourth quarter meeting held on 10 November 2023 passed a resolution recommending RDC to authorize NEDA Regional Director and RDC Vice Chairperson Agustin C. Mendoza to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with concerned GenCos to establish an agreement on the procedures to facilitate the allocation and remittance of the Regional Share to the identified beneficiaries.
9. Action requested. RDC to authorize NEDA Regional Director and RDC Vice Chairperson Agustin C. Mendoza to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with concerned GenCos.



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RDC Resolution No. _____

AUTHORIZING RDC VICE CHAIRPERSON AND NEDA REGIONAL DIRECTOR AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH CONCERNED ENERGY GENERATION COMPANIES ON THE ER 1-94 REGIONAL SHARE OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, section 5 (i) of Republic Act No. 7638 (R.A. No. 7638), otherwise known as the "Department of Energy Act of 1992" mandates the Department of Energy (DOE) to devise ways and means of giving direct benefits to the province, city or municipality, especially the community and people affected and equitable and preferential to the region that hosts the energy resource and/or the energy-generating facility;

WHEREAS, Energy Regulation No. 1-94 (ER 1-94) was promulgated by the DOE on 01 August 1994 to operationalize the implementation of section 5 (i) of R.A. No. 7638, which provides the granting of financial benefits to the host communities of the energy-generation company and/or energy resources;

WHEREAS, Section 66 of R. A. No. 9136, otherwise known as the "Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001" and Rule 29(A) of its Implementing Rules and Regulations (EPIRA-IRR) require all energy generation companies (GenCos) and/or energy resource developers (ERDs) to provide financial benefits equivalent to one centavo per kilowatt-hour (P0.01/kwh) of the total electricity sales of the generation facility to the region, province, city or municipality and barangay that hosts the generation facility and energy resource facility, as well as the establishment of corresponding trust accounts and the administration thereof by the DOE;

WHEREAS, the collected funds can then be used by local government units (LGUs) for various projects such as development and livelihood,

reforestation, watershed management, and health and environment enhancement;

WHEREAS, On 07 August 2018, DOE issued DC2018-08-0021 entitled, "Providing for the Amendments to Rule 29 Part (A) of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9136" or "Benefits to Host Communities, where in Section 6.2 of the said DC states that, "For the regional share, the Regional Development Council (RDC) shall identify its Beneficiaries, which may be a Host or non-Host LGU, within the region. The allocated share for the identified Beneficiary shall then be remitted by the Genco and/or Energy Resource Developer to the trust or general account/s of the identified LGU";

WHEREAS, Section C.5 of the 2nd Advisory for The Implementation of DC2018-08-0021 and its Supplemental Policy Issuances states that a MOA between the concerned RDC and GenCo and/or ERD will be executed to establish an agreement on the procedures to facilitate the allocation and remittance of the Regional Share to the identified LGUs;

WHEREAS, Section 13 of Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996 provides that the NEDA Regional Director shall manage the technical, administrative and financial operations of the RDC and shall be accountable for the funds and properties of the RDC;

WHEREAS, the Infrastructure Development Committee during its fourth quarter meeting held on 10 November 2023 passed a resolution recommending RDC to authorize NEDA Regional Director and RDC Vice Chairperson Agustin C. Mendoza to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with concerned GenCos to establish an agreement on the procedures to facilitate the allocation and remittance of the Regional Share to the identified beneficiaries;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC authorizes RDC Vice Chairperson and NEDA Regional Director Agustin C. Mendoza to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with concerned GenCos on the ER 1-94 Regional Share of Funds;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That copies of this resolution be furnished to all concerned GenCos and the Department of Energy.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
RDC Chairperson

Item No. 11: Request the Office of the President to suspend the implementation of PD 2022-016, "Deferring Acceptance of New Applications for Reclamation Projects".

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Requesting the Office of the President to Review/Repeal Presidential Directive 2022-016 Titled “Deferring Acceptance of New Applications for Reclamation Projects”

1. Executive Order (EO) No. 525 s. 1979 designated the Philippine Estates Authority (PEA) as the agency primarily responsible for integrating, directing and coordinating all reclamation projects for and on behalf of the National Government and mandated that all reclamation projects shall be approved by the President upon the recommendation of the PEA.
2. EO No. 153 s. 1999 authorizes the utilization of offshore areas not covered by approved mining permits and contracts as sources of dredgefill materials for government reclamation projects and for other purposes. The EO was promulgated to properly delineate the functions and responsibilities of the government agencies to conform with RA No. 7942¹. PRA shall be responsible for the approval of bids or awards for contracts of work for Government Reclamation Projects and shall also be responsible for the identification of borrow areas as sources of dredgefill materials for all government reclamation projects. All related mining operations in borrow areas of PRA shall be subject to monitoring by the DENR, for compliance with RA No. 7942, PD No. 1152², PD No. 1586³, RA No. 7586⁴, United Nations Convention on the Law of Sea and all their implementing rules and regulations.
3. EO No. 380-A s. 2006 renamed the PEA as the Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA), and EO No. 543 s. 2006 delegated to the PRA, through its Governing Board, the President’s power to approve reclamation projects.

¹ *An Act Instituting a New System of Mineral Resources Exploration, Development, Utilization and Conservation*

² *Philippine Environmental Code*

³ *Establishing an Environmental Impact Statement System, Including Other Environmental Management Related Measures and for Other Purposes*

⁴ *An Act Providing for the Establishment and Management of National Integrated Protected Areas System, Defining its Scope and Coverage, and for Other Purposes*

4. EO No. 74 was issued on 01 February 2019, repealing EO No. 798 (s.2009) and EO 146 (s. 2013), transferring the PRA to the Office of the President, delegating to the PRA Governing Board the power of the President to approve reclamation projects, and for other purposes.
5. Section 7 of EO 74 states that PRA, in coordination with the DENR, NEDA and affected local government units (LGUs), shall craft a National and/or Regional Reclamation and Development Plan (RDP) which take into consideration environmental, social and economic impacts of proposed reclamation projects. All RDPs shall undergo public consultation and shall be consistent with the greater public interest.
6. Presidential Directive No. 2022-016 titled “Deferring Acceptance of New Applications for Reclamation Projects” was issued. The directive states that “the President directed the DENR and PRA to put on hold the acceptance of all new applications for reclamation projects in the country; and ensure that the pending applications strictly comply with all legal requirements”.
7. During the fourth quarter MIMAROPA Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC) meeting held on 10 November 2023, the PRA presented its National and Regional Reclamation Development Plan (RDP) and the status of reclamation projects in the MIMAROPA region, and appealed support for their development undertakings.
8. The IDC concurred with the reclamation projects being proposed and implemented in the region and agreed to request the Office of the President to review and/or repeal the Presidential Directive 2022-016. The IDC also acknowledged the need for the government to proceed with its acceptance of reclamation project proposals subject for review and compliance with legal requirements, permits and clearances being issued by the State.
9. Action requested: For endorsement.



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IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT TO REVIEW/REPEAL
PRESIDENTIAL DIRECTIVE 2022-016 TITLED “DEFERRING
ACCEPTANCE OF NEW APPLICATIONS FOR RECLAMATION
PROJECTS”

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 525, s. 1979 designated the Philippine Estates Authority (PEA) as the agency primarily responsible for integrating, directing and coordinating all reclamation projects for and on behalf of the National Government and mandated that all reclamation projects shall be approved by the President upon the recommendation of the PEA;

WHEREAS, EO No. 153, s. 1999 authorizes the utilization of offshore areas not covered by approved mining permits and contracts as sources of dredgefill materials for government reclamation projects and for other purposes;

WHEREAS, EO No. 380-A, s. 2006 renamed the PEA as the Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA), and EO No. 543, s. 2006 delegated to the PRA, through its Governing Board, the President’s power to approve reclamation projects;

WHEREAS, EO No. 74 was issued on 01 February 2019, repealing EO No. 798 (s.2009) and EO 146 (s. 2013), transferring the PRA to the Office of the President, delegating to the PRA Governing Board the power of the President to approve reclamation projects, and for other purposes;

WHEREAS, Section 7 of EO 74 states that PRA, in coordination with the DENR, NEDA and affected local government units (LGUs), shall craft a National and/or Regional Reclamation and Development Plan (RDP) which take into consideration environmental, social and

economic impacts of proposed reclamation projects. All RDPs shall undergo public consultation and shall be consistent with the greater public interest;

WHEREAS, Presidential Directive No. 2022-016 titled “Deferring Acceptance of New Applications for Reclamation Projects” directed the DENR and PRA to put on hold the acceptance of all new applications for reclamation projects in the country, and ensure that the pending applications strictly comply with all legal requirements;

WHEREAS, the PRA presented its National and Regional Reclamation Development Plan (RDP) and the status of reclamation projects in the MIMAROPA region, and appealed support for their development undertakings during the fourth quarter MIMAROPA Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC) meeting held on 10 November 2023;

WHEREAS, the IDC concurred with the reclamation projects being proposed and implemented in the region and agreed to request the Office of the President to review and/or repeal the Presidential Directive 2022-016, in view of the need for the government to proceed with its acceptance of reclamation project proposals subject for review and compliance with legal requirements, permits and clearances being issued by the State;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council requests the Office of the President to review/repeal Presidential Directive 2022-016 titled “Deferring Acceptance of New Applications for Reclamation Projects”;

RESOVED FINALLY, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Office of the President, DENR, and PRA.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO

Secretary and
Assistant Regional Director
NEDA MIMAROPA

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA

Vice Chairperson and
Regional Director
NEDA MIMAROPA

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO

Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 13: Membership of PSR Fr. Edwin A.
Gariguez in the SDC

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Fourth Quarter Meeting
1 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Membership of Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez of the Mangyan Mission, Inc., to the Social Development Committee (SDC)

1. During the third quarter meeting of the Development Administration Committee (DAC) on 03 August 2023 in Quezon City, Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez of Mangyan Mission, Inc., private sector representative at the Committee, requested a transfer of his membership to another Regional Development Council (RDC) sectoral committee.
2. Through a letter dated 08 August 2023, DAC requested Fr. Gariguez to formally express his request to the DAC Chairperson stating the request and to specify which committee he preferred to transfer to.
3. Fr. Gariguez sent an email dated 17 August 2023 requesting his transfer from DAC to the Social Development Committee (SDC).
4. NEDA MIMAROPA, as the Secretariat of the RDC, endorsed the request to SDC Chairperson, Mayor Elegio A. Malaluan, through a letter dated 03 October 2023.
5. During its Fourth Quarter Meeting on 10 November 2023 in Quezon City, SDC recommended RDC approval of the membership of Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez of the Mangyan Mission, Inc., to the SDC.
6. Action requested: For approval.



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PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

APPROVING THE MEMBERSHIP OF FR. EDWIN A. GARIGUEZ OF THE
MANGYAN MISSION, INC., AS A PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE
TO THE SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, during the third quarter meeting of the Development Administration Committee (DAC) on 03 August 2023 in Quezon City, Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez of Mangyan Mission, Inc., private sector representative at the Committee, requested a transfer of his membership to another Regional Development Council (RDC) sectoral committee;

WHEREAS, through a letter dated 08 August 2023, DAC requested Fr. Gariguez to formally express his request to the DAC Chairperson stating the request and to specify which committee he preferred to transfer to;

WHEREAS, Fr. Gariguez sent an email dated 17 August 2023 requesting his transfer from DAC to the Social Development Committee (SDC);

WHEREAS, NEDA MIMAROPA, as the Secretariat of the RDC, endorsed the request to SDC Chairperson, Mayor Elegio A. Malaluan, through a letter dated 03 October 2023;

WHEREAS, during its Fourth Quarter Meeting on 10 November 2023 in Quezon City, SDC recommended RDC approval of the membership of Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez of the Mangyan Mission, Inc., to the SDC;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC MIMAROPA approves the membership of Fr. Edwin A. Gariguez of the Mangyan Mission, Inc., as a PSR to the SDC;

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
RDC Chairperson

Item No. 14: Establishment of Local Population
Development Offices in all Provinces, Cities,
and Municipalities through the Amendment
of Section 488 (A) of RA 7160

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Fourth Quarter Meeting
1 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Amendment of Section 488 (A) of Republic Act No. 7160, or the “The Local Government Code of 1991,” to mandate the establishment of population offices in all provinces, cities, and municipalities

1. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) approved the Devolution Transition Plan (DTP) of the Commission on Population and Development (CPD) to devolve functions, services, facilities, program projects, and activities along three basic services: responsible parenthood-family planning, population and development, and program for the welfare of children and adolescents.
2. The DTP prescribes the establishment of the structure in all LGUs, which shall be known as Local Population and Development Office (LPDO), to assume and continue the provision of quality services and information.
3. However, despite the prioritization of these basic services, a majority of LGUs are reluctant to establish population offices due to the provision in the Local Government Code (LGC) that such office is optional.
4. The establishment of Population Offices at the local level has been included in the Seal of Local Good Governance starting CY 2023. Therefore, amending Republic Act No. 7160 to mandate all provinces, cities, and municipalities to establish a Population Office in their localities will lead to the realization of the tasks and visions for the provision of population and development and the achievement of the goal of the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action (PPD-POA), which is to optimize demographic opportunities and address persistent population issues and challenges to reap demographic dividends and accelerate sustainable and inclusive development at all levels
5. For the plan of action to be actualized on the ground, strong and appropriately funded structures need to be established, including the mandatory establishment of LPDOs and the institutionalization of Barangay Population Workers (BPWs).
6. The Regional Population Executive Board (RPEB) Caraga passed Resolution No. 05, series of 2023, “Requesting the Amendment of Section 488 (A) of Republic Act No. 7160, Otherwise Known as the Local Government Code of 1991, to mandate the establishment of population offices in all provinces, cities, and municipalities,” during its meeting on 14 September 2023 in Butuan City, Caraga Region.

7. RPEB Caraga requested the MIMAROPA Regional Development Council to consider and endorse the RPEB Caraga Resolution No. 05, series of 2023, through a letter dated 20 September 2023.
8. During its Fourth Quarter Meeting on 10 November 2023 in Quezon City, SDC recommended RDC support to the amendment of Section 488 (A) of Republic Act No. 7160, or the “The Local Government Code of 1991,” to mandate the establishment of population offices in all provinces, cities, and municipalities.
9. Action requested: For endorsement and support.



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PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

SUPPORTING AMENDMENT OF SECTION 488 (A) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO.
7160, OR THE "THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991," TO MANDATE
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF POPULATION OFFICES IN ALL PROVINCES,
CITIES, AND MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) approved the Devolution Transition Plan (DTP) of the Commission on Population and Development (CPD) to devolve functions, services, facilities, program projects, and activities along three basic services: responsible parenthood-family planning, population and development, and program for the welfare of children and adolescents;

WHEREAS, the DTP prescribes the establishment of the structure in all LGUs, which shall be known as Local Population and Development Office (LPDO), to assume and continue the provision of quality services and information, however, a majority of LGUs are reluctant to establish Population Offices due to the provision in the Local Government Code (LGC) that such office is optional;

WHEREAS, the establishment of LPDOs has been included in the Seal of Local Good Governance starting CY 2023, therefore, amending Republic Act No. 7160 to mandate all provinces, cities, and municipalities to establish a LPDOs in their localities will lead to the realization of the goal of the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action (PPD-POA), which is to optimize demographic opportunities and address persistent population issues and challenges to reap demographic dividends and accelerate sustainable and inclusive development at all levels;

WHEREAS, for the plan of action to be actualized on the ground, strong and appropriately funded structures need to be established, including the mandatory establishment of local population and development offices and the institutionalization of Barangay Population Workers (BPWs);

WHEREAS, the Regional Population Executive Board (RPEB) CARAGA passed Resolution No. 05, series of 2023, "Requesting the Amendment of Section 488 (A) of Republic Act No. 7160, Otherwise Known as the Local Government Code of 1991, to mandate the establishment of population offices in all provinces, cities, and municipalities," during its meeting on 14 September 2023 in Butuan City, Caraga Region;

WHEREAS, RPEB Caraga requested RDC MIMAROPA to consider and endorse the RPEB Caraga Resolution No. 05, series of 2023, through a letter dated 20 September 2023;

WHEREAS, during its Fourth Quarter Meeting held on 10 November 2023 in Quezon City, SDC recommended RDC support to the amendment of Section 488(A) of Republic Act No. 7160, also known as "The Local Government Code of 1991," to mandate the establishment of population offices in all provinces, cities, and municipalities.

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC MIMAROPA supports the amendment of Section 488 (A) of Republic Act No. 7160, or the "The Local Government Code of 1991" to mandate the establishment of population offices in all provinces, cities, and municipalities, thereby for the aforementioned section to read as follows:

"Article XVIII. The Population Officer
"Section 488. Qualifications, Power and Duties. – (a)
x x x.
"The appointment of a population office shall be
[optional] MANDATORY in the local government unit:
Provided, however, That provinces, [~~and~~] cities **AND
MUNICIPALITIES** which have existing population
offices shall continue to maintain such offices [~~for a~~
~~period of five (5) years from the date of effectivity of~~
~~this code, after which said officers shall become~~
~~optional~~].
"X x x."

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
RDC Chairperson

Item No. 16: Philippine Population and Development
Plan of Action 2023-2028

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Fourth Quarter Meeting
1 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action 2023-2028

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1. The Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action (PPD-POA) for 2023-2028 serves as the country's roadmap for optimizing demographic opportunities and addressing persistent issues and challenges related to the Philippines' population profile.
 2. Aligned with the strategies contained in the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2023-2028, the PPD-POA aims to accelerate the attainment of the country's medium-term goals and targets while fostering people-centered interventions for local development.
 3. The plan sets a collective agenda towards empowering individuals, families, and institutions in achieving their development and societal goals. It also establishes a platform for collaboration and partnership between national and regional government agencies, local government units, private sectors, and civil society organizations in pursuing a collective effort to empower Filipino families and communities.
 4. In support of the PPD-POA, the Regional Population Executive Board (RPEB) Caraga passed Resolution No. 06, series of 2023, "Adopting and Supporting the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action (PPD-POA) for 2023-2028" during its meeting on 14 September 2023 in Butuan City.
 5. To further strengthen the support, RPEB Caraga, through a letter dated 20 September 2023, requested the Regional Development Council MIMAROPA to consider and endorse the RPEB Caraga Resolution No. 06, series of 2023.
 6. During the Social Development Committee (SDC) Fourth Quarter Meeting on 10 November 2023 in Quezon City, CPD discussed the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action 2023-2028.
 7. SDC requested CPD MIMAROPA to present the salient features of the action plan during the 4th Quarter RDC Full Council meeting for better appreciation of and support by the RDC members.
 8. Action requested: For support and adoption.



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PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. _____

ADOPTING AND SUPPORTING THE PHILIPPINE POPULATION AND
DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF ACTION 2023-2028

WHEREAS, the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action (PPD-POA) for 2023-2028 serves as the country's roadmap for optimizing demographic opportunities and addressing persistent issues and challenges related to the Philippines' population profile;

WHEREAS, aligned with the strategies contained in the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2023-2028, the PPD-POA aims to accelerate the attainment of the country's medium-term goals and targets while fostering people-centered interventions for local development;

WHEREAS, the plan sets a collective agenda towards empowering individuals, families, and institutions in achieving their development and societal goals. It also establishes a platform for collaboration and partnership between national and regional government agencies, local government units, private sectors, and civil society organizations in pursuing a collective effort to empower Filipino families and communities;

WHEREAS, in support of the PPD-POA, the Regional Population Executive Board (RPEB) Caraga passed Resolution No. 06, series of 2023, "Adopting and Supporting the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action (PPD-POA) for 2023-2028" during its meeting on 14 September 2023 in Butuan City;

WHEREAS, to further strengthen the support, RPEB Caraga, through a letter dated 20 September 2023, requested the Regional Development Council (RDC) MIMAROPA to endorse the RPEB Caraga Resolution No. 06, series of 2023;

WHEREAS, during the Social Development Committee (SDC) Fourth Quarter Meeting on 10 November 2023 in Quezon City, CPD MIMAROPA discussed the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action 2023-2028;

WHEREAS, SDC requested CPD MIMAROPA to present the salient features of the action plan during the 4th Quarter RDC Full Council meeting for better appreciation of and support by the RDC members;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC MIMAROPA supports the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action 2023-2028;

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
RDC Chairperson

Item No. 17: Priority Commodities and R&D
Projects of the RIIM

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Identified Priority Commodities and Research and Development Projects during the Second LGU-Industry-Academe Consultation of the Regional Inclusive Innovation in MIMAROPA (RIIM)

1. The MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC), during its 81st Full Council Meeting held on 24 March 2023, passed Resolution No. 2023-081-1169, supporting the Implementation of the Regional Inclusive Innovation in MIMAROPA (RIIM).
2. The output of the 2nd Consultation Workshop with LGUs, Industry, and Academe organized by MIMAROPA Regional Research, Development, and Innovation Committee (RRDIC), which was presented during the fourth quarter RRDIC Regular Meeting on 08 November 2023 in Makati City, aimed to map another batch of priority collaborative research and development (R&D) endeavors per province with the corresponding Research and Development, and Innovation (RDI) needs and possible solutions.
3. The participants during the 2nd Consultation Workshop reviewed the priority commodities of each province, which were initially pinpointed during the provincial consultation workshop, including lobster of Palawan, seaweed of Romblon, arrowroot of Marinduque, saba banana of Oriental Mindoro, and tuna of Occidental Mindoro.
4. The SUCs, as hubs of innovation, expressed their commitment to the initiative by including the identified priority commodities and R&D projects to the SUC's 2024 R&D Projects on top of those identified under their respective R&D Agenda.
5. The provinces pledged to incorporate these initiatives into their physical and financial planning and provide initial funding for the R&D projects.
6. Representatives of the regional line agencies (RLAs) have expressed their support to the recently identified batch of priority commodities and indicated their willingness to collaborate with SUCs on related activities.
7. During its fourth quarter meeting on 08 November 2023 in Makati City, RRDIC recommended RDC approval and support to the Identified Priority Commodities and R&D Projects during the Second LGU-Industry-Academe Consultation of the Regional Inclusive Innovation in MIMAROPA.
8. Action requested: For endorsement.



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RDC Resolution No. _____

APPROVING AND SUPPORTING THE IDENTIFIED PRIORITY
COMMODITIES AND R&D PROJECTS DURING THE 2ND LGU-
INDUSTRY-ACADEME CONSULTATION OF THE REGIONAL INCLUSIVE
INNOVATION IN MIMAROPA

WHEREAS, The MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC), during its 81st Full Council Meeting held on 24 March 2023, passed Resolution No. 2023-081-1169, supporting the Implementation of the Regional Inclusive Innovation in MIMAROPA (RIIM);

WHEREAS, the output of the 2nd Consultation Workshop with LGUs, Industry, and Academe organized by MIMAROPA Regional Research, Development, and Innovation Committee (RRDIC), which was presented during the fourth quarter RRDIC Regular Meeting on 08 November 2023 in Makati City, aimed to map another batch of priority collaborative research and development (R&D) endeavours per province with the corresponding Research and Development, and Innovation (RDI) needs and possible solutions;

WHEREAS, the participants during the 2nd Consultation Workshop reviewed the priority commodities of each province, which were initially pinpointed during the provincial consultation workshop, including lobster of Palawan, seaweed of Romblon, arrowroot of Marinduque, saba banana of Oriental Mindoro, and tuna of Occidental Mindoro;

WHEREAS, the SUCs, as hubs of innovation, expressed their commitment to the initiative by including the identified priority commodities and R&D projects to the SUC's 2024 R&D Projects on top of those identified under their respective R&D Agenda;

WHEREAS, the provinces pledged to incorporate these initiatives into their physical and financial planning and provide initial funding for the R&D projects;

WHEREAS, representatives of the regional line agencies (RLAs) have expressed their support to the recently identified batch of priority commodities and indicated their willingness to collaborate with SUCs on related activities;

WHEREAS, during its fourth quarter meeting on 08 November 2023 in Makati City, RRDIC recommended RDC approval and support to the Identified Priority Commodities and R&D Projects during the 2nd LGU-Industry-Academe Consultation of the Regional Inclusive Innovation in MIMAROPA;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC MIMAROPA approves and supports the Identified Priority Commodities and Research and Development Projects during the 2nd LGU-Industry-Academe Consultation of the Regional Inclusive Innovation in MIMAROPA;

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
RDC Chairperson

Item No. 18: Members of the MIMAROPA Resource
Pool of GAD Resource Persons (RPGRP)

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Confirmation of the Members of the MIMAROPA Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons

1. The certification of the MIMAROPA RPGRP is one of the activities specified in the Strategic Plan 2020-2025 of the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) MIMAROPA and addresses the issue of the limited number of GAD experts in the region.
2. The Regional Development Council (RDC), during its first quarter meeting on 05 March 2021, via video conference, passed RDC Resolution No. 2021-074-987, approving and adopting the guidelines on the certification of the Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons (RPGRP).
3. The guidelines specify the processes of application, shortlisting, and certification of GAD resource persons, which also include the terms of reference, GAD technical assistance referral process, and the roles of the RGADC and Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) in the certification of the GAD pools of experts.
4. Through Resolution No. 2021-076-1015 dated 03 September 2021, RDC MIMAROPA approved the creation of the screening committee for the certification of MIMAROPA RPGRP applicants, which shall lead the process of application, shortlisting, and levelling session of applicants to the RPGRP and confirmed the chairperson and members of the committee;
5. The Screening Committee announced the call for application for MIMAROPA RPGRP on 29 October 2021, through the assistance of the RGADC Secretariat, Department of the Interior and Local Government MIMAROPA, and the Commission on Higher Education MIMAROPA.
6. The Screening Committee, together with the RGADC secretariat and the PCW, conducted the written examinations from 22 July to 05 August 2022. Nine shortlisted applicants took the examination in the provinces of Palawan, Romblon, and Occidental Mindoro and in the city of Calapan.
7. The PCW conducted the Levelling Session for Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons on 19-22 October 2022. The RGADC MIMAROPA endorsed seven applicants to the said levelling session. On 23 January 2023, the PCW reported that five participants had passed the levelling session.

8. A two-day GAD Training was conducted by the Marinduque State College on 16-17 November 2023 which served as the venue for the return demonstration for the RPGRP shortlisted applicants. Five shortlisted applicants served as resource persons during the activity.

9. The Screening Committee, after its thorough review and evaluation of the applications based on the parameters set forth in the approved guidelines, recommended to the RGADC the following individuals to become members of the MIMAROPA RPGRP:

1. Atty. Estrella C. Baltazar, Commission on Human Rights (CHR) Oriental Mindoro Field Office;
2. EnP. Cidney Pamela M. Bejasa, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) MIMAROPA;
3. Ms. Lovelyn L. Chen, Commission on Higher Education (CHED) MIMAROPA;
4. Atty. Anne Marie Sheryll L. Decosto, Philippine Ports Authority (PPA); and
5. Ms. Juliet V. Yara, City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) of Puerto Princesa City.

10. During its Fourth Quarter Meeting on 24 November 2023 via Zoom video conference, RGADC recommended to the RDC the confirmation of the aforementioned individuals to become members of the RPGRP.

11. Action requested: For RDC confirmation of the members of the MIMAROPA RPGRP.



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

RDC Resolution No. _____

CONFIRMING THE MEMBERS OF THE MIMAROPA REGIONAL POOL
OF GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT RESOURCE PERSONS

WHEREAS, one of the activities specified in the Strategic Plan 2020-2025 of the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) MIMAROPA is the certification of the MIMAROPA Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons (RPGRP) to address the issue on the limited number of GAD experts in the region;

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Council (RDC), during its first quarter meeting on 05 March 2021, via video conference, passed RDC Resolution No. 2021-074-987, approving and adopting the guidelines on the certification of the RPGRP;

WHEREAS, the guidelines specify the processes of application, shortlisting, and certification of GAD resource persons, which also include the terms of reference, GAD technical assistance referral process, and the roles of the RGADC and Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) in the certification of the GAD pools of experts;

WHEREAS, through Resolution No. 2021-076-1015 dated 03 September 2021, RDC MIMAROPA approved the creation of the screening committee for the certification of MIMAROPA RPGRP applicants, which shall lead the process of application, shortlisting, and levelling session of applicants to the RPGRP and confirmed the chairperson and members of the committee;

WHEREAS, the Screening Committee spearheaded the conduct of certification activities which included the preliminary assessment, written examination, levelling session, and return demonstration;

WHEREAS, the Screening Committee, after its thorough review and evaluation of the applications based on the parameters set forth in the approved guidelines, recommended to the RGADC the following individuals to become members of the MIMAROPA RPGRP:

1. Atty. Estrella C. Baltazar, Commission on Human Rights (CHR) Oriental Mindoro Field Office;
2. EnP. Cidney Pamela M. Bejasa, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) MIMAROPA;
3. Ms. Lovelyn L. Chen, Commission on Higher Education (CHED) MIMAROPA;
4. Atty. Anne Marie Sheryll L. Decosto, Philippine Ports Authority (PPA); and
5. Ms. Juliet V. Yara, City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) of Puerto Princesa City;

WHEREAS, the Regional Gender and Development Committee, during its Fourth Quarter Meeting on 24 November 2023 via Zoom video conference, recommended to the RDC the confirmation of the aforementioned individuals to become members of the RPGRP;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the RDC MIMAROPA confirms the members of the MIMAROPA Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons;

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
RDC Chairperson

Item No. 19: Schedule of CY 2024 RDC Meetings

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Proposed Schedule of CY 2024 RDC Meetings

1. Article X, Section 14 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides the creation of regional development councils (RDC) and other similar bodies composed of local government officials, regional heads of departments, and other government officers, and representatives from non-government organizations within the region for purposes of administrative decentralization to strengthen autonomy and to accelerate regional economic and social development.
2. To assist RDC MIMAROPA in its functions, the following sectoral committees were created; Development Administration Committee (DAC), Economic Development Committee (EDC), Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC), and Social Development Committee (SDC).
3. Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996 provides that the RDC Full Council shall meet at least once every quarter and may adopt its own rules on constituting quorum.
4. RDC Executive Committee shall meet whenever the need arises while the RDC Advisory Committee may be conducted in May.
5. The RDC recognizes the need to prepare and propose a set of schedule of all RDC meetings, as well as its committees, to avoid overlapping activities in the region.
6. The RDC sectoral committees, during the fourth quarter meetings held on 09-10 November 2023 in Quezon City, reviewed the proposed schedule and favorably recommended RDC approval and adoption.
7. The proposed schedule of CY 2024 RDC meetings is attached for review.
8. Action requested: For RDC approval.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
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Schedule of CY 2024 RDC Full Council Meetings
and its Sectoral Committees

FULL COUNCIL

Meeting	Date
First Quarter	March 01 (Friday)
Second Quarter	June 07 (Friday)
Third Quarter	September 06 (Friday)
Fourth Quarter	December 06 (Friday)

SECTORAL COMMITTEES

	Date	Committee
First Quarter	February 06 (Tuesday)	Development Administration
	February 07 (Wednesday)	Economic Development
	February 08 (Thursday)	Social Development
	February 09 (Friday)	Infrastructure Development
Second Quarter	May 09 (Thursday) AM PM	Development Administration Economic Development
	May 10 (Friday) AM PM	Infrastructure Development Social Development
	August 01 (Thursday) AM PM	Development Administration Economic Development
	August 02 (Friday) AM PM	Infrastructure Development Social Development
Third Quarter	November 07 (Thursday) AM PM	Development Administration Economic Development
	November 08 (Friday) AM PM	Infrastructure Development Social Development
	February 06 (Tuesday)	Development Administration
	February 07 (Wednesday)	Economic Development
Fourth Quarter	February 08 (Thursday)	Social Development
	February 09 (Friday)	Infrastructure Development
	May 09 (Thursday) AM PM	Development Administration Economic Development
	May 10 (Friday) AM PM	Infrastructure Development Social Development

Notes:

- FY 2025 sectoral budget review will be conducted during the 1st quarter sectoral committee meetings.*
- RDC Executive Committee shall meet whenever the need arises.*
- RDC Advisory Committee meeting shall be conducted in May*



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RDC Resolution No. _____

APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE SCHEDULE OF CY 2024
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEETINGS

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 14 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides the creation of regional development councils (RDC) composed of local government officials, regional heads of departments, and other government officers, and representatives from non-government organizations within the region for purposes of administrative decentralization to strengthen autonomy and to accelerate regional economic and social development;

WHEREAS, to assist RDC MIMAROPA in its functions, the following sectoral committees were created; Development Administration Committee (DAC), Economic Development Committee (EDC), Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC), and Social Development Committee (SDC);

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 325, s. 1996 provides that the RDC Full Council shall meet at least once every quarter and may adopt its own rules on constituting quorum;

WHEREAS, RDC Executive Committee shall meet whenever the need arises while the RDC Advisory Committee may be conducted in May;

WHEREAS, the RDC recognizes the need to prepare and propose a set of schedule of all RDC meetings, as well as its committees, to avoid overlapping activities in the region;

WHEREAS, the RDC sectoral committees, during the fourth quarter meetings held on 09-10 November 2023 in Quezon City, reviewed the proposed schedule and favorably recommended RDC approval and adoption;

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council approves and adopts the schedule of CY 2024 RDC meetings;

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

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

Certified Correct:

Attested:

APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO
RDC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RDC Vice Chairperson

Approved:

JOSE R. RIANO
Chairperson
Governor, Province of Romblon

Item No. 20: Power and Energy Summit

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

Brief from the RDC Secretariat

Subject: MIMAROPA Power and Energy Summit

1. The Regional Development Council (RDC) MIMAROPA passed Resolution No. 2022-079-1095, approving the Creation of the MIMAROPA Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC) Power and Energy Technical Working Group (TWG) on 03 June 2022. Consequently, on 02 December 2022, the MIMAROPA RDC endorsed the conduct of MIMAROPA Multi-Sectoral Energy Summit through RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1114.
2. The conduct of the Power and Energy Summit is a vital initiative by the MIMAROPA Regional Development Council to address the immediate and long-term challenges while harnessing the region's potential for sustainable energy development.
3. The NEDA MIMAROPA in partnership with the Department of Energy (DOE) and National Electrification Administration (NEA) conducted the first ever MIMAROPA Power and Energy Summit on 14 November 2023 in Quezon City. With the theme, "Affordable, Accessible, and Reliable Energy for MIMAROPAns", the summit aims to bring together key stakeholders, experts, and decision-makers to discuss and collaborate on strategies and priority investments on power and energy.
4. The Summit was attended by key government power sector agencies, local government units, electric cooperatives, power distribution utilities, power producers, civil society organization, and the academe.
5. The MIMAROPA Power and Energy Summit underscored the engagement of participants in constructive and informative dialogue and shared perspectives to champion resilient energy landscape in the region. The strategic conference catalyzed partnership, knowledge exchange, and actionable solutions on the most pressing challenges in MIMAROPA region's power and energy security.
6. The highlights of the MIMAROPA Power and Energy is attached.
7. Action requested. For information.

MIMAROPA Power and Energy Summit

14 November 2024 Quezon City

The power and energy sector is a fundamental enabler of economic growth for MIMAROPA region as it fuels businesses, strengthens the delivery of public services, and ushers the initiatives towards sustainable development, poverty reduction and even climate action.

The MIMAROPA region has immense potential for power and energy development with its abundant natural resources and growing energy demand. However, there are challenges related to sustainable energy generation, distribution, and utilization. Adequate, affordable, and reliable power supply in the region remains a major concern due to generation cost and frequent power outages being experienced in the MIMAROPA provinces.

As response to these challenges, and to strengthen collaboration among the energy agencies and players in the region, the Regional Development Council (RDC) MIMAROPA passed Resolution No. 2022-079-1095, approving the Creation of the MIMAROPA Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC) Power and Energy Technical Working Group (TWG) on 03 June 2022. Consequently, on 02 December 2022, the MIMAROPA RDC endorsed the conduct of MIMAROPA Multi-Sectoral Energy Summit through RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1114.

The conduct of the Power and Energy Summit is a vital initiative by the MIMAROPA Regional Development Council to address the immediate and long-term challenges while harnessing the region's potential for sustainable energy development.

The NEDA MIMAROPA together with the Department of Energy conducted the initial coordination meeting on the preparation for the conduct of the summit. It was followed by series of meeting with the key stakeholders such as with the National Electrification Administration (NEA), Electric Cooperatives (ECs), National Power Corporation (NPC), Transmission Corporation (TransCo), and PNOC Renewables Corporation, in April, May, and July, 2023.

A two-day focus group discussion (FGD) was conducted on 17-18 October to discuss the plans, projects, and challenges that the Electric Cooperatives (ECs) in the Region are facing. The output and recommendations of the concluded FGDs were presented during the summit conducted on 14 November 2023 in NEA Auditorium, Quezon City.

The first ever MIMAROPA Power and Energy Summit was conducted in partnership with the DOE and NEA on 14 November 2023 in NEA Auditorium, Quezon City. With the theme, “Affordable, Accessible, and Reliable Energy for MIMAROPAns”, the summit brought

together the NEA Administrator, DOE Assistant Secretary, Directors and representatives of Regional Line Agencies, Local Government Units (LGUs), General Managers of Electric Cooperatives (ECs), technology providers and investors, and Private Sector Representative (PSR) in the region.

Infrastructure Development Committee (IDC) MIMAROPA Chairperson and Governor of Province of Marinduque, Gov. Presbitero J. Velasco, Jr. emphasized that the summit is a crucial response to the increasing demand in energy sector. He asserted that through the initiative of the Regional Development Council (RDC), strategies are crafted in transforming MIMAROPA's energy landscape through exploration of potential investments and asserting Renewable Energy (RE) as sustainable energy source.

Assistant Secretary Mario C. Marasigan of DOE highlighted that sufficiency, reliability, and affordability of energy supply remained the major concern for MIMAROPA; hence, the summit is a well-timed opportunity to forge collaborative and reinforced modernization and hybridization programs, confront issues head on, and identify action plan and interventions crucial to securing the regions energy future.

As a national agency commissioned to promote sustainable development in the rural areas through electrification, NEA Administrator Antonio Mariano C. Almeda professed that the agency's ambitious target of total electrification by 2028 would entail an investment of Php 70 Billion. He encouraged all Electric Cooperatives to prepare an efficient planning program on Renewable Energy (RE) as rural electrification is transitioning to a clean energy. Further, Administrator Almeda assured that NEA will be at the forefront of much deserved energy service that consumers in MIMAROPA, as an area of windows of tourism development, deserves.

RDC Vice-Chairperson and NRO MIMAROPA Regional Director Agustin C. Mendoza accentuated the power and energy strategy framework designed to connect MIMAROPA region with the main Luzon power grid. RD Mendoza stressed the pivotal role of stabilizing power interconnection projects and RE development as permanent solutions to the power crisis among the island provinces of the region.

Updates on the major transmission projects in the region was reported by the National Grid Corporation in the Philippines (NGCP). Primarily, the Batangas – Mindoro interconnection project which is targeted to be completed by September of 2027 will be fast-tracked until the last quarter of 2025, as DOE suggested to NGCP. Similarly, NGCP expressed that upon completion of the 230kv line from Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro to San Jose, Occidental Mindoro will reduce dependency of the Province of Occidental Mindoro to voltage regulated power plants.

As mandated by DOE to serve as the Off-grid System Operator (SO) in Mindoro and Palawan provinces as the two provinces are not yet connected to Luzon main grid, the National Transmission Corporation (TransCo) presented its activities in the harmonization and fine-tuning of its dispatch program, and the finalization of procedures and protocols in both provinces to improve the quality of electricity service in both island provinces. TransCo stated its commitment to carry out Protection Assessments and SCADA Monitoring for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 in both provinces, and set to establish Automated System Operation in Mindoro province for FY 2025.

Policies for off-grid power development was featured by DOE, highlighting the Philippine off-grid power system and missionary electrification, and the rationalization of Universal Charge for Missionary Electrification (UCME) graduation.

The Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC), as key regulatory agency deliberated on the guidelines and policies in the competitive selection process (CSP), and the status of Power Supply Agreements (PSA). The ERC presented the UCME subsidy applications as well as the pending petitions filed before the Commission and enumerated numerous Energy Projects Applications of ECs in the region.

DOE set forth its commitment in developing renewable energy (RE) as a major key towards resilient and sustainable energy systems. Expounding on the massive impact of RE to climate change mitigation activities, and as a viable solution to supply 24/7 of electricity in off-grid areas, DOE also advocates RE as mechanism to the eventual graduation to UCME subsidies as the cost of electricity will reduce in competitive and reasonable level.

In addition, considering MIMAROPA region has a potentially huge resource base for renewable energy, DOE exhibited their readily assistance to ECs in their proposals for hydroelectric and wind turbine projects, as well as, in the procurement of embedded generation from renewable sources.

Further, the National Power Corporation (NPC) discussed its modernization and accelerated hybridization programs via installation of solar plants with energy storage system which will operate in parallel to diesel gensets. For the next four years, NPC stated that 14 hybridization projects will be implemented in the island provinces of the region which are intended to accelerate development of RE in off-grid areas.

The MIMAROPA Power and Energy Summit underscored the engagement of participants in constructive and informative dialogue and shared perspectives to champion resilient energy landscape in the region. The strategic conference catalyzed partnership, knowledge exchange, and actionable solutions on the most pressing challenges in MIMAROPA region's power and energy security.

Item No. 21: Regional Economic Situationer

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

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

1. The MIMAROPA Quarterly Regional Economic Situationer is a report that aims to provide a comprehensive assessment of the economic performance of the region. It serves as a valuable tool for policymakers, government agencies, businesses, and other stakeholders in understanding the current state of the region's economy.
2. Inflation in MIMAROPA eased to 6.2 percent in July to September from previous year's 7.3 percent. Further, all commodity groups registered upward price movements, except transport, compared to previous year's index levels.
3. The region's employment rate increased from 94.8 percent in July 2022 to 95.7 percent in July 2023, while the unemployment rate of 4.3 percent was lower than the national average unemployment rate of 4.8 percent.
4. The total agriculture and fisheries production of the region improved by almost 11 percent, from 272,984.18 metric tons (MT) in the third quarter of 2022 to 302,146.28 MT in the same period of 2023. Increases in livestock, poultry, and fisheries production were recorded during the quarter.
5. The total value of minerals produced and/or processed within the MIMAROPA region expanded by 15.33 percent during the third quarter of 2023 compared to the same period last year.
6. There was a significant growth in the number of MSMEs assisted and registered businesses, with increases of 31.47 percent and 57.35 percent, respectively. However, MSMEs experienced a decline in employment generation (26.12%), investments received (59.45%), and sales generated (57.14%).
7. Tourism in the region experienced significant year-on-year growth, with increases in tourist arrivals (39.74%), tourism receipts (39.71%), the number of hotel rooms (15.19%), and hotel occupancy rates (40.91%).
8. The number of registered motor vehicles in the region increased by 31 percent in the third quarter of 2023. Similarly, passenger traffic (24.75%), container port traffic (24.41%), cargo throughput

(20.96%), and RORO traffic (7.54%) witnessed year-on-year growth. Aircraft movements (18.62%), passenger traffic (30.65%), and air cargoes (25.93%) showed year-on-year increase in the third quarter of 2023.

9. Total crime volume in MIMAROPA decreased by 36.15 percent in July to September 2023 from previous year's 1,126 incidents to 719 incidents.
10. The third quarter regional economic situationer will be distributed to the members for information.
11. Action requested: For information.

Item No. 22: Project Monitoring Report

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Third 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 323 projects in the third quarter CY 2023 RPMES report, 45 (13.93 percent) were Major Capital Projects amounting to Php 12.203 billion, and 278 (86.07 percent) were Non-Major Capital Projects amounting to Php 5.997 billion.
4. Presented below is the implementation summary of projects being monitored by RPMC MIMAROPA as of third quarter of CY 2023:

Status/Description	Quantity	% share	Cost (Php billion)	% share
Completed	117	36.22	1.351	7.43
On Schedule	20	6.19	0.654	3.59
Ahead of Schedule	104	32.20	9.653	53.04
With Implementation concerns	82	25.39	6.541	35.94
Total	323	100	18.201	100

5. A total of 82 projects amounting to Php 6.541 billion (35.94 percent) funded under General Appropriations Act (GAA) 2018-2023, 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)
2018	1	32.05
2019	5	158.5
2020	10	1,499.5
2021	9	641.6
2022	13	260.72
2023	44	3,949.32
Total	82	6,541.69

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

Item No. 23: Status of RDC Endorsed Projects

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Fourth Quarter Meeting
01 December 2023 Pasay City

BRIEF FROM THE RDC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Status of RDC endorsed programs and projects (PAPs)

1. The Regional Development Council (RDC) is mandated to initiate and coordinate the development, funding, and implementation of regional and special development projects such as those involving several agencies or local government units.
2. The RDC-endorsed programs and projects are monitored regularly by RDC Secretariat. This include updates on the status of RDC projects, action taken by the proponent, and issues that delay the commencement of the project. There are also some projects that are on-going its implementation while others are suspended due to non-availability of fund. The Secretariat reports to the RDC the updates on the programs/projects endorsed by RDC every semester.
3. Attached is the status of the proposed projects endorsed by the RDC from CY 2011 to CY 2023, for reference.
4. Action requested: For information.

STATUS OF RDC-ENDORSED PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS (PAPs)

Project Title/Description/ RDC Resolution	Proponent	Cost (₱ Million)	Source of Fund	Status (as of November 2023)
A. DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION SECTOR				
Ten-Year Strategic Development Plan and Action Plan for the Kalayaan Island Group (RDC Resolution No. 2021-075-994)) The Inter-agency Task Force – KIG TWC led by PCSD developed a Ten-Year Strategic Development Plan and Action Plan for the nine Philippine-occupied features in the Kalayaan Island Group which was endorsed by the RDC on June 4, 2021.	IATF-KIG TWC chaired By PCSD		NTW West, DND, and concerned agencies	For the PAPs under Ten-Year SDPAP-KIG, the following are the status: 1) nine projects are completed; 2) 22 projects are ongoing: 13 MLGU projects (one MLGU-DICT-telecommunications company project, one BFAR project, and one MLGU-PGP-PPP project) and nine ongoing grant preparation with partners; and 3) three are continuing projects.
B. ECONOMIC SECTOR				
Environment and Natural Resources Information System (ENRIS) Spatial Decision Support for Palawan Island Eco-Region (RDC Resolution No. 2021-077-1022) The project, which was endorsed by the RDC on December 3, 2021, aims to establish a web-based ENRIS that will contribute to the efficient land-use, enhanced ecosystem conditions and services, water and food security, and climate change resilience under the Environmentally Critical Areas Network of the Strategic Environmental Plan for Palawan.	Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD)	₱484.00* (8.80 million USD) <i>* a conversion rate of ₱55.00 was applied</i>	ODA (KOICA) and GAA^ <i>^with counterpart funding from the Philippine National Government</i>	On 16-24 October 2023, representatives from the Korea International Cooperation Agency conducted an implementation survey to finalize the details of the project.
Establishment of Calamansi Research and Development Center under the Niche Center in the regions for R&D or NICER (RDC Resolution No. 2017-060-634) The project, which was endorsed on September 08, 2017, intends to uplift the calamansi industry in Oriental Mindoro by increasing production and improving fruit quality and its products through integrated and multidisciplinary research and development program.	MinSU		DOST	To date, MinSU has yet to provide updates on the proposal based on the evaluation from DOST-PCAARRD. MinSU facilitated the following activities regarding Calamansi research: 1) focus group discussions (FGD) on concerned stakeholders and benchmarking activities Nueva Vizcaya State University. Data gathering activities in Cebu City and Zamboanga City will also be done. The target completion of the study is on December 30, 2023.
Sustainable Tourism Development Project (STDP) in Coron and El Nido, Palawan (RDC Resolution No. 2020-073-914) The project, which was endorsed to the ICC last December 04, 2020, consists of three components namely: Component 1- Urban Services Infrastructure; Component 2- Ecosystem-based tourism site management; and Component 3- Enterprise and Skills Training Development.	DOT	5892.20	DOT, ADB, LGUs of Palawan, Coron, and El Nido	According to DOT-Office of Special Concerns, there will be changes in the project components for both El Nido and Coron due to changes in priorities. The DOT is currently revising the project documents based on the recommendations of ICC-TB.
Philippine Rural Development Project Second Additional Financing or PRDP-AF2 (RDC Resolution No. 2020-073-915) The retrofitting of US\$ 280 million in additional financing intends to provide interventions that will support the economic recovery efforts consistent with DA's food security framework.	DA	18040.00	WB – ODA and EU grant	Out of the nine I-BUILD subprojects, 1) three are ongoing implementation with 75.91 percent, 63.16 percent, and 60.40 percent of physical progress; 2) one subproject awarded and waiting for the issuance of Notice to Proceed (NTP); 3) one subproject for awarding of contract to the winning bidder; 4) one subproject under procurement and for awarding; and 5) three two are under procurement and waiting for issuance of Social and Environmental Safeguards (SES) clearance. Also, a total of eight I-REAP sub-projects were funded under the PRDP-AF2 with total obligations estimated at Php 375.16 million. Out of the eight subprojects, one is ongoing implementation with 1.94% physical progress, one is under procurement and with SES concern i.e. land title, two are for compliance of revised project documents, and four are for downloading of funds.
Carindan Ecotourism Biodiversity Project (RDC Resolution No. 2015-053-442) The RDC endorsed the project on December 04, 2015 through Resolution No. 2015-053-442: Endorsing Tourism Projects of Occidental Mindoro to TIEZA for funding and/or implementation.	Sta. Cruz, Occidental Mindoro	10.00	TIEZA	The project was renamed as Carindan Lake EcoTourism Project. The TIEZA Board approved the appropriate fund for the said project and the MOA between the proponent LGU, DOT, and TIEZA was already signed. PLGU Occidental Mindoro is waiting for the schedule of the project inauguration so the project can commence.
Estrella Falls Park Development Project (RDC Resolution No. 2015-053-452) The project, which was endorsed to TIEZA on December 04, 2015, includes the construction of cottages, swimming pool, administration building and other amenities.	Narra, Palawan	10.00	TIEZA	The project was not approved by the TIEZA Board and the proponent was encouraged to repackaging the proposals based on the requirements of the amendment guidelines for the selection of tourism infrastructure projects.
Development of Garing Falls in Odiongan, Romblon (RDC Resolution No. 2015-053-458) The project, which was approved on December 04, 2015, includes the construction of four cottages, swimming pool, road development, and other amenities.	Odiongan, Romblon	90.00	TIEZA	TIEZA continuously accepts project proposals but only for evaluation purposes. Once funding is available as determined by TIEZA board, priority will be given to suspended projects and other

Development of Bato-Bato Hot Spring (RDC Resolution No. 2016-055-519) The proposed project, which was approved on June 02, 2016, aims to upgrade the existing facilities in the Bato-Bato Hot Spring Resort to accommodate demand from local and foreign tourists, especially during weekends and holidays.	Narra, Palawan	10.00	TIEZA	infrastructure projects that geared towards the recovery of the tourism sector.
Sabang Wharf Terminal Complex (RDC Resolution No. 2015-053-451) The proposed Terminal Complex is a multi-transport hub project that will serve as a gateway to the Underground River and support facilities for the Puerto Princesa Subterranean River National Park (PPSRNP)	Puerto Princesa City	450.00	TIEZA	On November 14, 2022, the Architectural and Engineering Services Sector (AESS) of TIEZA reported sending a letter to Puerto Princesa City Mayor Bayron to confirm their interest to pursue the project given the long delay on the completion of Detailed Architectural and Engineering Design (DAED). TIEZA is still awaiting confirmation from the LGU.
Laylay Magnetic Station Historico-Cultural Tourism Development (RDC Resolution No. 2017-059-624) The proposed project, which was endorsed by the RDC on June 02, 2017, has two phases: Phase 1, covers the development of Laylay Port site and Phase 2, covers the construction of a beach promenade along Laylay beach at the site of the Laylay magnetic station.	Boac, Marinduque	54.00	TIEZA	No new updates. The project was approved by the TIEZA Board on December 14, 2018. The project was suspended due to realignment of TIEZA funds for the Bayanihan Act. A letter was sent to LGU on January 26, 2022 to inform the said suspension and reiterate the submission of the revised detailed engineering design based on the results of their evaluation on 2021.
Upgrading of Magapua-Malayak Farm-to-Market Road in Mogpog, Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2020-072-898) The project will cover the concreting of 2,592 kilometer road wiith 6.10 meter width and 0.230 meter thick portland cement concrete pavement.	Municipal Government of Mogpog, Marinduque	47.12	DA	The concreting of Brgy. Magapua-Malayak FMR was completed under GAA 2022. The concreting of Brgy. Magapua to Brgy. Malayak FMR Phase II is still on-going, funded under GAA 2023 amounting to Php 45 Million and implemented by DPWH.
Opening of Road in Brgy. Libjo to Banal na Krus (RDC Resolution No. 2021-074-984) The opening of road in Brgy. Libjo to Banal na Krus in Sta. Cruz, Marinduque will provide access to tourism site, and provide linkage/connectivity of farmers to trading centers, public market, health facilities, schools, and other institutions.	Municipal Government of Sta. Cruz, Marinduque	60.00	DPWH	Awaiting the inputs from the proponent/concerned agencies.
Construction/Improvement of Lusok-Kamandungan Farm-to-Market Road in Sta. Cruz, Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2022-079-1092) The proposed project aims to improve access in Sta. Cruz, Marinduque has an estimated cost of Php 35 million.	Provincial Government of Marinduque	35.00	DA and DPWH	The Construction/Improvement of Lusok-Kamandungan FMR is included in the FY 2025 AIP of DA.
Construction of Lapote-Mangyan-Mababad Farm-to-Market Road in Mogpog, Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2021-074-981) The proposed involves the construction of 1.8 kilometers to establish a road network that will connect Brgy. Mangyan-Mababad to trading centers and public market to improve agricultural productivity.	Provincial Government of Marinduque	21.00	DA and DPWH	The Lapote-Mangyan-Mababad Farm-to-Market Road in Mogpog, Marinduque was funded through GAA 2023 DA-FMRDP amounting to Php 20 Million. The Opening and Concreting of Brgy. Sumangga to Brgy. Mangyan-Mababad FMR is still ongoing.
Construction of Lapote-Candahon-Bintakay Farm-to-Market Road in Mogpog, Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2021-074-982) The project amounting involves the concreting of 3 kilometers x 5 meters width x 0.20 meters thick road including the construction of drainage structure, slope protection, and other miscellaneous structure.	Provincial Government of Marinduque	35.00	DA and DPWH	The construction of Lapote-Candahon-Bintakay Farm-to-Market Road in Mogpog, was funded through GAA 2021 amounting Php 28 million. The construction of the said FMR is still ongoing. Said project is included in the FY 2025 AIP of DA.
Rehabilitation and Concreting of the Farm-to-Market Road projects of Corcuera, Romblon (RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1006) The project covers the construction/concreting of FMR from Barangay San Agustin to Barangay Ambulong and Rehabilitation/Concreting of FMR with an estimated costs of Php 10 million each.	Provincial Government of Romblon	35.00	DA and DPWH	The project covers the farm-to-market roads in Brgys. San Roque and San Agustin to Ambulong in Corcuera, Romblon with estimated project cost of Php 10 million each. The project is not funded under GAA DA-FMRDP.
MIMAROPA Component of the Fisheries and Coastal Resiliency (FishCoRe) Project (RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1005) The proposed project, which was endorsed by the RDC on September 3, 2021, aims to increase fisherfolk household income through improved management of coastal fishery resources and strengthened fishery value chains. Phase I of the project includes the municipalities of Lubang and Looc in Occidental Mindoro for MIMAROPA.	DA		BFAR MIMAROPA	The project is ongoing. The FishCoRe is among the three newest projects of the Department of Agriculture in partnership with the World Bank which was launched on 06 November 2023.
Development of Lake Lamao in San Fernando, Romblon (RDC Resolution No. 2022-079-1089) The proposed development of Lake Lamao and establishment of tourism circuit in San Fernando, Romblon is envisioned to boost Sibuyan Island's tourism and economic activities.	Municipal Government of San Fernando, Romblon		DA, DOT, and BFAR	The DOT is awaiting the submission of FS, environmental impact assessment, and local endorsements to support their proposal.

Construction/Improvement of Daykitin Port in Buenavista, Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2022-079-1090) The Construction/Improvement of Daykitin Port in Buenavista aims to improve unloading of fish, processing, storage, and marketing, as well as maintaining and servicing the fishing vessels and community.	Provincial Government of Marinduque		DOTr, DPWH, and PFDA	DOTr encouraged the proponent to coordinate with the DBM Regional Office on the process and requirements to avail the Local Government Support Funds-Financial Assistance to LGUs (LGSF-FA to LGUs) in the FY 2023 GAA, RA No. 11465, subject to the ongoing study and anticipated amendment of Executive Order No. 138 (Devolution) by the Office of the President.
Construction/Improvement of Suha Port in Torrijos, Marinduque The proposed Construction/Improvement of Suha Port in Torrijos, Marinduque aims to improve unloading of fish, processing, storage, and marketing, as well as maintaining and servicing the fishing boats and fisherfolks in the area.	Provincial Government of Marinduque	82.00	DOTr, DPWH, and PFDA	Upon coordination with PFDA, said port projects were endorsed to Office of Port Manager-Lucena Fish Port Complex for appropriate action.
Construction of Naujan Lake Wetland Center in Oriental Mindoro (RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1003) The construction of Naujan Lake Wetland Center in a 2,500 sq mtr land area aims to boost ecotourism in Naujan Lake National Park, generate income, and create employment opportunities.	Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro	20.00	DENR, DOT, TIEZA	<p>The Construction of Naujan Lake Wetland Center was included in the FY 2024 Budget Proposal under Tier 2 of the Protected Areas, Caves, and Wetlands Development Management Sub-program of DENR. To facilitate its implementation, the LGU shall work on the following documentary requirements: 1) Justification for the construction of building and other structures; 2) Proof of ownership and/or tenurial instrument for the use of Land (where the building or structure will be built; 3) Scope of Works/ Bill of Quantities/ Floor Plan/ Structure- Building Design (compliant to the latest standards and costing set by the Department of Public Works and Highways); and 4. Geo-hazard Clearance issued by the DENR - Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB).</p> <p>The Naujan Lake Wetland Center was selected as one of the three projects in MIMAROPA which will be pursued as part of the 2023 Tourism Champion Challenge (TCC) . Appropriate fund shall be provided upon the approval of the TIEZA Board through the official signing of a MOA between the proponent LGU, DOT, and TIEZA, for the swift facilitation of the project inauguration and turnover of the implemented project to the LGU.</p>
MIMAROPA Coconut Farmers and Industry Development Plan (RDC Resolution No. 2021-076-1018) The CFIDO includes a national program for: a) community-based enterprises; b) social protection; c) coconut farmers organization and development; d) innovative research projects and their practical application; and e) integrated processing of coconut and downstream products.			DA-PCA	The 3rd Regional Interagency Technical Meeting for the CFIDP was conducted last June 07, 2023 in Batangas City. Despite issues identified, the PCA being the CFIDP lead agency reported major accomplishments in the following thematic programs: 1) Social Protection (Crop Insurance, Scholarship, Health and Medical and Trainings); 2) Coconut Farmers Organization Welfare through Cooperatives; 3) Coconut Hybridization Program; 4) Farm Enterprise Development; 5) Shared Processing Facility including 1) Establishment of Integrated Coconut Processing Center in Marinduque and 2) White Copra Processing and RBD Oil Production ; and 6) Other Support Services (Credit Facility, Infrastructure and Market, Research and Promotion).
Establishment of Integrated Coconut Processing Center in Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2023-081-1163) The proposed Establishment of Integrated Coconut Processing Center in Boac, Marinduque seeks to process and convert raw coconuts into value-added food and non-food products for implementation from FY 2024-2025 under the Coconut Farmers and Industry Trust Fund of the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA).	Provincial Government of Marinduque	320.27	PCA	<p>The initial approved budget for the project is Php 25M for Phase I through the CFIDP.</p> <p>Groundbreaking and awarding ceremony was conducted on June 21,2023 in Brgy. Pawa, Boac, Marinduque which was participated in by implementing agencies under CFIDP. The construction of building by DPWH shall commence in 2024 to be operated by PLGU-Marinduque, while the equipment has already been bid out by PhilMech.</p>
Priority Development Projects of the Province of Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2023-081-1162) The priority development projects of the Province of Marinduque include: 1) Barangay Linkages and Road Projects, 2) Agricultural Development and Post Harvest Facilities, and 3) Port development projects.	Provincial Government of Marinduque	1304.00	DA, PFDA, DOTr	<p>For the Construction of Alobo and Marlangga Ports, DOTr encouraged the LGUs of Sta. Cruz and LGU Torrijos to coordinate with the DBM Regional Office on the process and requirements to avail the Local Government Support Funds-Financial Assistance to LGUs (LGSF-FA to LGUs) in the FY 2023 GAA, RA No. 11465.</p> <p>Of the 12 proposals endorsed to DA MIMAROPA, eight of which were included in the proposed projects under PRDP Scale Up in MIMAROPA. These include six farm-to-market roads and two post-harvest facilities (cold storage facility and Double A slaughterhouse).</p>

<p>Proposed Philippine Rural Development Project (PRDP) Scale-Up (MIMAROPA Component) of the Department of Agriculture (RDC Resolution No. 2023-082-1179)</p> <p>The proposed PRDP Scale Up covers the original PRDP components: I-PLAN, I-BUILD, I-REAP, and I-SUPPORT within 16 regions and 82 provinces with an estimated cost of USD 818.4 million to be implemented for six years from 2024-2029.</p>	DA	7,780,000.00	DA	<p>As of this date, there are nine proposals for PRDP Scale-Up which include the following FMR and bridge projects:</p> <p>A. <u>Four in Oriental Mindoro</u> - 1) Concreting of Centro - Panluan - Balite, Hagan FMR; 2) Concreting of Merit - Concepcion, Victoria - Ma. Concepcion - Happy Valley - Bugtong naTuog, Socorro FMR with Bridge; 3) Rehabilitation/Construction/Concreting of Rosacara FMR with Bridges; and 4) Concreting and Upgrading of Brgy. Del Razon - Brgy. Malaya FMR with Bridge.</p> <p>B. <u>Three in Palawan</u>: 1) Construction & Upgrading of Antonino - Taradungan FMR with Bridge; 2) Construction and Upgrading of Aramaywan to Cacarigan FMR; and 3) Rehabilitation/Improvement of Sandoval-Silanga FMR.</p> <p>C. <u>One in Occidental Mindoro</u>: 1) Upgrading of Brgy. Manoot Farm to Market Road and Construction of Manoot Bridge.</p> <p>D. <u>One in Romblon</u>: 1) Construction of Surong Bridge and Upgrading of Brgy. Aguas FMR</p>
<p>Proposed Improvement/Upgrading of the Marinduque Provincial Tourism and Agriculture Development Center (RDC Resolution No. 2023-082-1181)</p> <p>The proposed Improvement/Upgrading of the Marinduque Provincial Tourism and Agriculture Development Center (PTADC) which will cover a 14 hectares of land aims to showcase a place, food, and culture tourism, generate revenue, and provide jobs and livelihood opportunities to the local community. The improvement and upgrading of the facilities, amenities, and services of the Center shall be implemented from FYs 2023-2025 from TIEZA fund.</p>	Provincial Government of Marinduque	50.00	DOT-TIEZA	<p>No new updates. On June 13, 2023, copy of the resolution was sent to TIEZA COO Mark Lapid, copy furnished DOT MIMAROPA Regional Director and the Governor of Marinduque.</p> <p>TIEZA provided the documentary requirements to PLGU Marinduque for further evaluation. Currently, PLGU Marinduque is preparing the design, program and works (POW), costing, and complete the following documentary requirements: 1) Letter request; 2) DOT Endorsement; 3) BDC Endorsement; 4) Sanggunian Bayan/ Panlalawigan endorsement; 5) Project Proposal; 6) Conceptual Plan; and 7) Proof of Government Ownership.</p>
C. INFRASTRUCTURE SECTOR				
<p>Mindoro-Batangas Super Bridge (RDC Resolution 051-388-2015)</p> <p>The project involves the construction of a 15-kilometer, 2-lane or 4-lane floating bridge traversing 10-meter to 300-meter depths of water and will also provide pedestrian lanes, as well as a gate/high bridge for ship passage.</p>	Oriental Mindoro	\$1.8 Billion (estimated project cost)	PPP under Buid-Operate-Transfer (BOT) contractual arrangement	Currently, there are no major updates on the Mindoro Batangas Super Bridge. DPWH is still finalizing the terms of reference for consultant selection as it moves the project via solicited PPP.
<p>Upgrading of airstrip in Roxas, Palawan (RDC Resolution No. 2017-058-613)</p> <p>The proposed project, which is expected to support the growing tourism activities in Northern Palawan, has an estimated project cost of ₱50 million.</p>	Roxas, Palawan	50.00	DOTr	<p>A feasibility study (FS) and master plan (MP) study is proposed to determine the development and viability of Roxas Airport Project. Allocation for the FS and MP will be included in the preparation of the succeeding budget proposal.</p> <p>As per DOTr, there is no funding allocation in the CY 2024 National Expenditure Program (NEP). For inclusion in the succeeding budget proposal subject to the review of DBM.</p>
<p>Completion of Gasan Airport (RDC Resolution No. 10-050-2005)</p> <p>The completion of Gasan Airport involves the extension of the runway which will impact on the safety and reliability of flights.</p>	Provincial Government of Marinduque		DOTr	<p>Php 300 million was allocated for the completion of the Gasan Airport. As of October 24, 2023, the project is 68 percent completed.</p> <p>For the Site Acquisition, an additional Php 184 million for land acquisition was downloaded to Provincial Government of Marinduque on 04 April 2023.</p>
<p>Romblon Flood Control Projects (RDC Resolution No. 2017-059-626)</p> <p>The project involves lay-outing and excavation of footings/foundations, fabrication and installation of reinforcement steel bars to protect the slope, installation of steel sheet piles, and concreting along the slopes of the rivers.</p>	Odiongan, Romblon	321.26	DPWH	<p>No new updates. Out of the six flood control projects, three projects amounting to ₱105.26M were already completed, one project (Construction of Pili Flood Control Structure (Phase 1), Looc, Romblon) was funded under the FY 2021 GAA (For Later Release) amounting to ₱90M. Same project (Construction of Pili Flood Control Structure (Phase 2), Looc, Romblon) amounting to ₱120M is ongoing with a physical accomplishment of 85% as of October 31, 2022.</p> <p>The two remaining projects were not considered in the approved FY 2022 GAA of DPWH MIMAROPA but were included in the agency proposed FY 2023 budget. These are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Construction of Jun Carlo Flood Control, San Andres, Romblon; Project Cost: ₱50 Million; 2. Construction of Liwanag Flood Control, Odiongan, Romblon; Project Cost: ₱50M

Maritime Safety Enhancement Project (MSEP) of DOTr-PCG (RDC Resolution No. 2020-070-826) The project includes the establishment of buoy base in Romblon, Romblon	DOTr-PCG	6.177 B	KEXIM-EDCF	Due to the overlapping of the project site in Cebu, the procurement for the consulting services is yet to start as the project's feasibility study needs to be updated for possible changes in cost and scope. The supplementary feasibility study of the project on October 23, 2023. The submitted documents are being reviewed by the DOTr and PCG. On the other hand, DOF has already officially endorsed with KEXIM-EDCF the extension of the procurement period from September 9, 2023, to September 9, 2024, through a letter dated August 31, 2023.
Mega Bridge Connecting Marinduque and Quezon Province/Marinduque-Quezon Link Expressway (MQLEX) (RDC Resolution No. 2020-072-900) The RDC endorsed the proposed construction of the MQLEX by the Provincial Government of Marinduque on September 04, 2020.	Marinduque	757.944 B	DPWH	DPWH recommended the conduct of field reconnaissance to validate and confirm the data, information, and assumptions of the preliminary research. This serves as the basis in estimating the F/S cost given certain factors, e.g., number of traffic survey sites, field surveys, required man-power, project duration, etc., vis-a-vis the cost provided in the proposal of the provincial government of Marinduque. DPWH has not yet provided budget for the said project.
Hydropower Development Project (HDP) in Boac, Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2020-072-903) The RDC endorsed the proposed HDP in Boac, Marinduque by the Provincial Government of Marinduque on September 04, 2020.	Marinduque		PPP Center	Currently, there is no major update on the HDP. The Municipality of Boac has yet to provide the relevant data and information, as well as submit the accomplished rapid assessment form to the PPP Center.
Flood Control Project in Gasan, Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2020-072-905) The RDC endorsed the proposed flood control project in Gasan, Marinduque on September 04, 2020.	Gasan, Marinduque	18.67	DPWH MIMAROPA	This project was completed last March 2023.
Laylay Light Station Restoration and Development Project (LLSRDP) (RDC Resolution No. 2020-072-906) The RDC endorsed the proposed LLSRDP by the Municipal Government of Boac, Marinduque on September 04, 2020 Endorsing the conduct of a feasibility study (F/S) and implementation of the proposed LLSRDP to the Department of Transportation.	Boac, Marinduque	20.00	DOTr	Currently, the project is ongoing and is already 30 percent completed. DOTr has endorsed the said project to PCG for inclusion in their agency budget proposal.
Port City Development Strategy in MIMAROPA Region (RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1107) The proposed city development master planning in MIMAROPA region will facilitate integration of port-related activities, operations, and services. Occidental and Oriental Mindoro with 22 ports shall be the pilot provinces for the development of port cities.	MIMAROPA and CALABARZON IDC		DOTr	DOTr is waiting for the feedback from MARINA and PPA.
MIMAROPA Power Interconnection Projects (RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1108) This shall include the proposed Batangas-Mindoro, Quezon-Marinduque, Mindoro to Palawan, and the additional Romblon-Panay power interconnection projects. The conduct of feasibility studies and securing of the necessary permits and clearances for the proposed interconnection projects shall also be undertaken.	MIMAROPA and CALABARZON IDC		DOE, TransCo, NGCP, and ERC	Based from NGCP's September 2023 Transmission Project Status Report and the respective applications of each project in ERC, below are the updates of the following MIMAROPA Power Interconnection Projects: <u>Batangas-Mindoro Interconnection Project (BMIP)</u> ERC approved the project on 23 November 2022 through ERC Case No. 2021-051 RC. The revised Estimated Time of Completion (ETC) of the project is on September 2027. <u>Quezon-Marinduque Interconnection Project (QMIP)</u> NGCP filed an application to the ERC on 08 July 2021 dated 18 June 2021 through ERC Case No. 2021-049 RC. The project is still awaiting ERC approval. The ETC of the project is by December 2030. <u>Palawan-Mindoro Interconnection Project (PMIP)</u> On 18 March 2019, NGCP filed the application for the Stage 1 of the PMIP to the ERC dated 14 March 2019 through ERC Case No. 2019-022 RC. The Stage 1 of the Project is still awaiting ERC approval, with an ETC of February 2033. <u>Romblon-Panay Interconnection Project</u> The Romblon-Panay Interconnection Project is currently not included in NGCP's potential island interconnection projects.

<p>Integrated Intermodal Transport Terminal with Point-to-Point (P2P) Transport Services and Trading Center (ITT-P2P-BCC) (Resolution No. 2022-080-1109)</p> <p>The project is part of the RDC-approved Calapan City Master Plan for Sustainable Urban Infrastructure Development (MPSUID).</p>	MIMAROPA and CALABARZON IDC		DOTr, PGOM, CGC	<p>Currently, the City Government of Calapan is processing the acquisition of the one hectare lot for the transport terminal as the four hectare lot requirement is not possible due to fund constraints. Once the land is acquired, site development will immediately follow.</p> <p>As per DOTr report, the project was not included in the their FY 2024 budget as House Bill No. 8980 or the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 General Appropriations Act (GAA) has already been approved and is on the third and final reading last 27 September 2023. However, as deemed important by the LGU, it is encouraged that the LGU coordinate with the concerned DBM Region Office on the process and requirements to avail the Local Government Support Fund- Financial Assistance to the Local Government Units (LGSF-FA to LGUs) in pursuance to the Executive Order No. 138.</p>
<p>Balogo Port Development Project Phase 2 (RDC Resolution No. 2022-079-1098)</p> <p>The development of the Balogo Port is among the priority infrastructure projects of the Provincial Government of Marinduque which aims to convert the existing marine facilities into an international port to cater foreign container vessels as well as domestic general cargo vessels and as service port for the proposed Sta. Cruz Freeport and Economic Zone.</p>	Provincial Government of Marinduque	600.00	DOTR	<p>Upon the inspection conducted by DENR Regional Office last 18 April 2023, the application for Gratuitous Special Use Permit (GSUP) was approved and, and awaiting the result before proceeding with the construction.</p> <p>Also, an amount of Php 100 million was proposed under FY 2025, subject to the actual implementation and accomplishment progress of the Balogo Port Development Project Phase I.</p> <p>The DOTr would like to request for a copy of a Balogo Port Development Masterplan to determine future development.</p>
<p>Gasan Port Development Project (RDC Resolution No. 2022-079-1097)</p> <p>The rehabilitation/improvement of Gasan port aims to establish trade and commerce between the neighboring islands of Marinduque and to accommodate more passenger boats and other modes of sea transport.</p>	Provincial Government of Marinduque	50.00	DOTr, DPWH, and PFDA	<p>The project was not included in the FY 2024 NEP. The project was considered in the FY 2025 AIP of DOTr.</p>
<p>Azagra Airport Development Project (RDC Resolution No. 2022-079-1099)</p> <p>The development of the Azagra Airport would strengthen the transportation linkages of the Municipality of San Fernando, Sibuyan Island in Romblon to its surrounding regional and sub-regional centers in MIMAROPA.</p>	Municipal Government of San Fernando, Romblon	1.141 B	DOTr	<p>DOTr is reviewing the project proposal. The project is not included in the FY 2024 National Expenditure Program (NEP). For inclusion in the succeeding budget proposal subject to the review of DBM.</p>
<p>Infrastructure Projects of Sta. Cruz, Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2021-074-983)</p> <p>The Municipal Government of Sta. Cruz proposed eight infrastructure projects: public market, river control projects, road opening, construction of circumferential road, and rehabilitation/concreting of roads.</p>	Municipal Government of Sta. Cruz, Marinduque	575.00	DPWH	<p>No updates.</p>
<p>Expressway Development and Strong Republic National Highway System Projects (RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1106)</p> <p>The conduct of feasibility studies and securing of the necessary permits and clearances for the proposed interconnection projects shall be undertaken. The project shall be composed of the following: a) expressways or high standard highways which include multi-lane divided toll roads which are privately maintained under concession from the government; and provide a high level of traffic services; and b) the Strong Republic Nautical Highway (SRNH).</p>	MIMAROPA and CALABARZON IDC		DPWH	<p>No new updates. Copies of the resolution were transmitted/disseminated to NEDA/RDC CALABARZON on 07 February 2023 and to all RDC members on 03 February 2023.</p>
<p>Rehabilitation of Poblacion Water Distribution Line in Sta. Cruz, Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2021-074-985)</p> <p>The project intends to: upgrade the water distribution line of the municipal water system; replace the old and deteriorated pipelines; minimize water losses, improve water distribution; minimize adverse effect of climate change; and improve water service to increase economic productivity.</p>	Municipal Government of Sta. Cruz	20.00	LWUA	<p>No updates.</p>

Proposed Port Development Projects in the Province of Marinduque (RDC Resolution No. 2023-081-1165) The proposed Alobo Port Development Project with total project cost of Php 150 million aims to provide for a passenger terminal, fishlanding, and boat landing facility while the Marlangga Port Development Project with total project cost of Php 100 million aims to provide safe and resilient port facility for fishermen and residents of Brgy. Marlangga, Torrijos and nearby barangays.	Provincial Government of Marinduque	150.00	DOTr	For the Construction of Alobo and Marlangga Ports, DOTr encouraged LGU Sta. Cruz and LGU Torrijos to coordinate with the DBM Regional Office on the process and requirements to avail the Local Government Support Funds-Financial Assistance to LGUs (LGSF-FA to LGUs) in the FY 2023 GAA, RA No. 11465.
Proposed New Busuanga Airport Development Project (NBADP) (RDC Resolution No. 2023-082-1182) The proposed NBADP with total project cost of Php 17. 382 billion aims to improve and expand the capacity of the existing Busuanga Airport to comply with the domestic and international standards for operational safety and efficiency.	LGU Palawan	17.382 B	DOTr	The proposal on the New Busuanga Airport Development Project will be submitted to NEDA-ICC on 1st quarter of CY 2024.
Romblon Wind Turbine Project (RDC Resolution No. 2023-082-1183) The proposed Romblon Wind Turbine Project aims to provide an additional source of energy for the 1,231 households in the municipality of Concepcion by installing 10 units of SD6 (6kW) wind turbines, resulting in a total rated capacity of 60kW.	National Electrification Administration (NEA)	¥205,000,000	Government of Japan ¥190,000,000 and NEA ¥15,000,000	As of this date, there is no major update but preparatory activities are conducted in preparation for the Romblon Turbine Project.
D. SOCIAL SECTOR				
Establishment of TESDA MIMAROPA Regional Training Center (RTC) (RDC Resolution No. 2017-058-608) The training center will provide technical-vocational training and skills development programs to students from low income families and out of school youth in the MIMAROPA region and will serve as regional competency assessment center for acquired competencies in technical vocational skills in MIMAROPA region.	Sta. Cruz, Occidental Mindoro	75.00	TESDA	As of this date, there is no approved budget for the establishment of TESDA MIMAROPA Regional Center.
Establishment of provincial training centers in the five (5) provinces of MIMAROPA (RDC Resolution No. 2017-058-614) The establishment of provincial training centers will provide area-based and sector specific skills development requirements and program interventions as well as the province's competency assessment center for acquired competencies in technical vocational skills.	All provinces of MIMAROPA	250.00 (allotted for the five provincial training centers)	TESDA	There are five Provincial Training Centers (PTCs) established in the region. These PTCs are located in San Teodoro, Oriental Mindoro; Mogpog, Marinduque; Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro; Magdiwang, Romblon; and Roxas, Palawan. The MOOE of the said PTCs are sourced out from TESDA MIMAROPA's budget.
Regional StartUp Enablers for Ecosystem Development (ReSEED) Program: Establishment of the MIMAROPA Ventures and Innovation Network (MVINet) (RDC Resolution No. 2023-083-1197) The project generally intends to strengthen the regional startup ecosystem and provide funding support to the 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 the consortium towards a stronger Philippine start up ecosystem.	DOST MIMAROPA		DOST	The Project MVINet was approved for funding by the Governing Council of DOST-PCIEERD last September 14, 2023. As of October 23, 2023, DOST-MIMAROPA is awaiting for the PCIEERD Director signed and notarized Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).
Establishment of a Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in the Province of Palawan (RDC Resolution No. 2023-083-1198) The establishment of the Center will be part of Niche Centers in the Regions (NICER), one of the subprograms of HB 4581 or Science for Change Program (S4CP). The Center shall be a great boost only in the Petroleum Engineering Research Development Extension of Palawan State University (PSU) but the whole industry.	PSU		DOST	As of this date, there is no major update but preparatory activities are conducted in preparation for the Establishment of a Petroleum Engineering Research and Development Center in Palawan.