

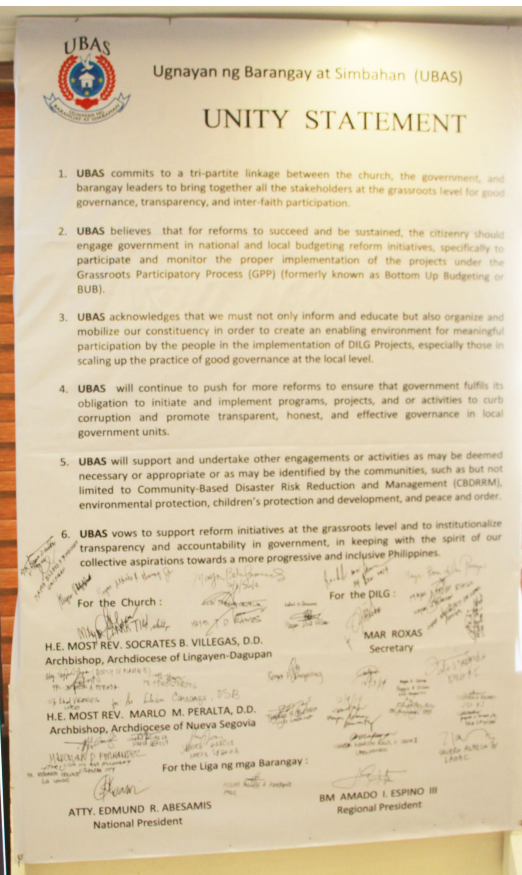


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DILG R1 launches UBAS for good governance

In support to the Department's efforts to strengthen good governance and harness community participation in project implementation, the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) conducted the Regional and Pangasinan Provincial Launching and Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Signing for the Ugnayan ng Barangay at Simbahan (UBAS) Program on December 4, 2014 at the Parish Hall, St. John Cathedral, Dagupan City.

The MOA Signing institutionalized the active participation of various stakeholders in the campaign to eradicate corruption through the monitoring of government programs at the grassroots level. Signatories to the MOA were the Ecclesiastical Province of Lingayen-Dagupan represented by His Excellency Most Reverend Socrates B. Villegas, Ecclesiastical Province of Nueva Segovia represented by His Excellency Most Reverend Marlo M. Peralta, D.D., Liga ng mga Barangay ng Pilipinas represented by Atty. Edmund R. Abesamis, Liga ng mga Barangay Region 1 Chapter represented by Hon. Amado I. Espino III, *(continued at page 3)*



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DILG R1 equips Tourism Development Areas on LIIC Formulation



A three-day Writeshop on the Formulation / Updating of the Local Investments and Incentives Code (LIIC) was conducted to six (6) Tourism Development Areas (TDAs) of Region 1 last November 25-27, 2014 at the Hotel Salcedo de Vigan, Vigan City, Ilocos Sur. It was participated in by the City / Municipal Planning and Development Coordinators (C/MPDCs), Local Economic and Investments Promotion Officers (LEIPOs), City / Municipal Local Government Operations Officers (C/MLGOOs), and Secretary to the Sanggunian of the participating Local Government Units (LGUs).



The DILG R1 Training Management was assisted by Trade and Industry Development Specialists (TIDS) from the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Region 1 in revisiting the LIIC Framework, answering queries, and actual preparation of the LGU LIICs. The activity was in line with the Department's thrust in building business-friendly and competitive LGUs and in preparation for the ASEAN Economic Integration.



There are eight (8) TDAs in Region 1, namely: Santa, Candon City, and Vigan City of Ilocos Sur, and Bangui, Burgos, Pagudpud, Batac City, and Laoag City of Ilocos Norte. The investment priorities of Laoag City, however, is still the same and Burgos, Ilocos Norte has recently updated its LIIC, thus, only six (6) LGUs were invited to the writeshop. An orientation on LGU Business Planning was also conducted by the Bureau of Local Government Development (BLGD).

At the end of the activity, the participants were able to formulate their draft LIICs for further enhancement, finalization and approval. *(LGOO II Antonia Darisay V. Mendoza)*

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and the DILG represented by Secretary of the Interior and Local Government (SILG) Mar Roxas.

In her Welcome Address, Dagupan City Mayor Belen Fernandez stated that “UBAS is for good governance as it gives importance to value formation. It aims to have a more transparent, participative and accountable governance that will guide leaders in doing their tasks.”

This was supported by National Barangay Operations Office (NBOO) Director Leocadio T. Trovela’s message, in behalf of the SILG, citing that “UBAS is a vehicle that will reach the unreachable and that it is a journey toward good governance”. In the same note, Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) President and Lingayen-Dagupan Archbishop His Excellency Most Reverend Socrates B. Villegas’ message emphasized UBAS’ benefits to the country’s 3Ps (People, Peace and Progress).

An important highlight of the event was the turn over of the list of Bottom-Up Budgeting (BuB) projects in the provinces of La Union and Pangasinan to Archbishop Socrates B. Villegas and to Sis. Lilian Carranza, in behalf of His Excellency Most Reverend Marlo M. Peralta for the projects in Ilocos Norte and Ilocos Sur. These will be the basis for the monitoring of BuB projects in the provinces.

The UBAS launching and MOA Signing was participated in by representatives from the Archdioceses of Lingayen-Dagupan and Nueva Segovia; Local Chief Executives and representatives from the Provincial Government of Pangasinan and its component Cities and Municipalities, representatives from Philippine National Police (PNP), National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM), Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP), and Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP); National, Regional, and Provincial Liga ng Barangay (LnB) Presidents; National UBAS Technical Working Group (TWG); National and Local Media; DILG Central Office Representatives, staff support from the NBOO; key personnel from DILG R1 headed by OIC-RD Julie J. Daquioag, Ph. D., CESO IV; and DILG Pangasinan headed by Acting PD Reggie R. Colisao, CESE.



After the event, NBOO Dir. Leocadio T. Trovela presided over the TWG meeting for inputs, suggestions, and strategies on the implementation of the program in the region for CY 2015.

The UBAS Program is a tri-partite linkage between the government, church and barangay leaders encouraging people’s participation in all aspects of good governance, such as monitoring the projects under the Bottom Up Budgeting (BUB) Program. (LGOO II Antonia Darisay V. Mendoza)

DILG R1 orients key players on Comprehensive Local Integration Program

The Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1), in partnership with the four (4) DILG Provincial Offices, oriented key players on the Comprehensive Local Integration Program (CLIP) pursuant to Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 2014-01 dated May 15, 2014 by the DILG and the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace Process (OPAPP) institutionalizing the CLIP implementation for Former New People's Army (NPA) rebels.

The orientation emphasized the roles of the Local Government Units (LGUs) in the implementation of the CLIP, which are (1) information dissemination, (2) initial contact and discussion of the CLIP in case a Former Rebel (FR) surfaces at their level, and (3) monitoring and provision of assistance in case FR decides to reside in the LGU and is turned-over by the CLIP Committee.

All the four (4) Provincial Offices conducted a two-day orientation participated in by DILG Field Officers, Local Social Welfare and Development Officers and Local Chiefs of Police. In addition to Local Government Monitoring and Evaluation Division (LGMED) Chief Corazon G. Salindong, Provincial Directors, and Provincial Focal Persons on CLIP, Resource Speakers were invited from the Philippine National Police (PNP), Philippine Navy and Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office (PSWDO).

Topics discussed during the orientation include Organizational Structure, Salient Features of CLIP JMC 2014-01, Government's Thrust on the Peace Process and Administration, Processing of Financial Assistance to Former Rebels, Pertinent Accounting Rules and Regulations and Sharing of Good Practices.

The CLIP is an effort of the government to integrate FRs back into the society. Former rebels are assisted by authorized personnel from the PNP and City / Municipal Social Welfare Offices. The program has three (3) phases (Pre-surfacing Phase, Actual Surfacing Phase, and the Implementation Phase)

which FRs need to undergo in order to avail of the monetary benefits and other livelihood programs.

The benefits for the FRs under the CLIP are Php 15,000.00 immediate assistance, Php 50,000.00 livelihood assistance, training and skills activities, assistance in acquiring identification cards, PhilHealth enrollment, education, legal and medical assistance, and psychological and spiritual interventions when necessary. The DILG will release the financial components of the immediate and livelihood assistance. Remuneration for surrendered firearms will also be provided based on the valuation of the PNP. *(PO III Sheila Marie G. Andales with reports from LGOO VI Lily Ann O. Colisao, LGOO V Charis O. Garma, and LGOO II Blesilda R. Domagas)*



94% of LGUs in Region 1 conferred with Seal of Child Friendly Local Governance

Ninety-four percent (94%) or 119 Local Government Units (LGUs) in Region 1, composed of 20 (100%) LGUs of La Union, 34 (100%) of Ilocos Sur, 23 (95.83%) of Ilocos Norte, and 42 (87.50%) of Pangasinan, were conferred with the Seal of Child-Friendly Local Governance by the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC).

The said LGUs were passers of the Child Friendly Local Governance Audit conducted by the Inter-Agency Monitoring Task Force organized at the City, Municipal, Provincial, and Regional Levels to determine LGU compliance to the 12 indicators on health, nutrition, education, and child participation.

The indicators included in the assessment are the following:

- 1) Percentage reduction in the deaths among children below five years old;
- 2) Percentage reduction in the number of children under six with below normal weights;
- 3) Percentage increase in the number of 3 to 4 year-old children attending center-based day care services;
- 4) Completion rate for elementary schooling;
- 5) Absence of child labor or percentage reduction in child labor cases;
- 6) Percentage reduction in the number of children victims of violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation;
- 7) Safety measures for children in the community and schools;
- 8) Extent of mainstreaming of children's rights to survival, development, protection and participation in the core development agenda of LGUs;
- 9) Presence of ordinance establishing Barangay Violence Against Women and their Children (VAW/C) Desks;
- 10) 2013 Philhealth accreditation in its main health facility or Rural Health Unit for Maternal Care Services and Primary Care;
- 11) Presence of Local School Board (LSB) Plan for CY 2013 that is aligned with the School Improvement Plan (SIP); and
- 12) Completion of at least 70% of its LSB Plan for 2013.

With the exemption of Vigan City, Ilocos Sur which is already a Hall of Fame Awardee and adjudged as Community of Practice (CoP), those awarded with the Seal qualify for



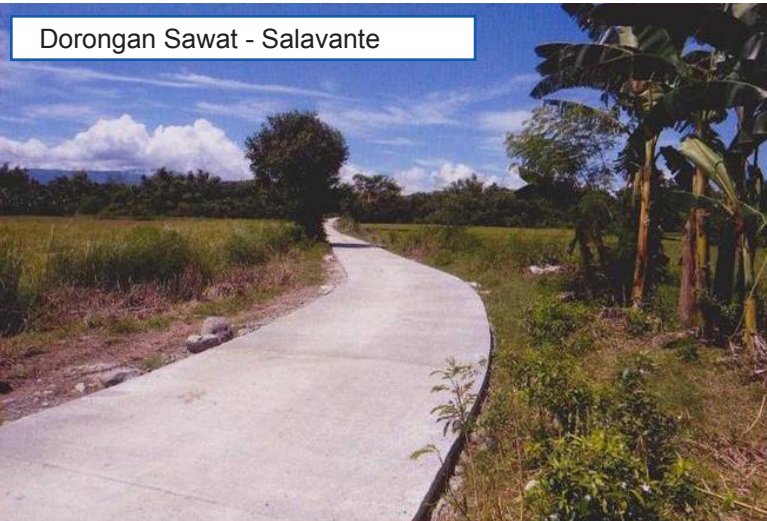
the Presidential Award for Child-Friendly Cities and Municipalities. Three (3) of the 119 LGUs were shortlisted by the CWC as National Contenders to the 2014 Presidential Award for Child-Friendly LGUs:

1. Dagupan City (Independent Component City Category),
2. Bacnotan, La Union (1st-3rd Income Class Category), and
3. Dumalneg, Ilocos Norte (4th-6th Income Class Category).

The Seal of Child-Friendly Local Governance provides the enabling mechanisms for the creation of a true child-friendly society that is sensitive to the needs of the child, where all sectors interact and cooperate to produce holistic, integrated and sustainable strategies that promote child rights. (PO III Sheila Marie G. Andales with reports from LGOO VI Lily Ann O. Colisao, LGOO IV Hope E. Ordoño, LGOO II Ana Belle A. Ibañez)

CY 2014 Bottom-Up Budgeting Local Access Road Completed Projects

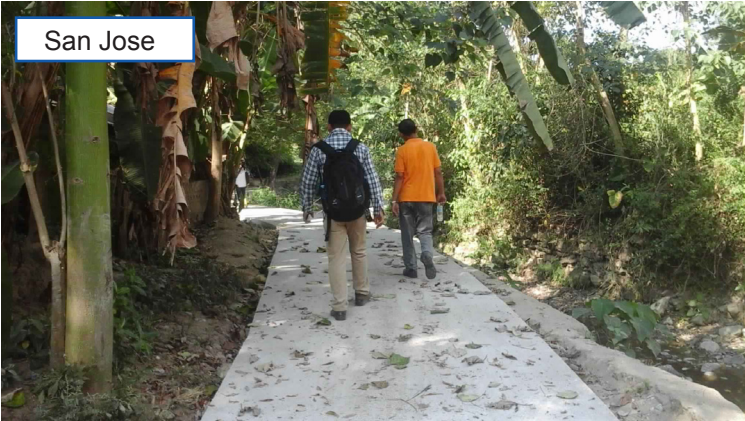
Mangatarem, Pangasinan



Caba, La Union



Liquicia



San Jose



San Cornelio

Bautista, Pangasinan



Pogo



Villanueva



Artacho



Nibaliw Norte

Bottom-Up Budgeting Potable Water Supply - Level II Completed Projects

Aguilar, Pangasinan



Naguilian, La Union



Luna, La Union



Tubao, La Union



CY 2012 SALINTUBIG Potable Water Supply Completed Projects



Adams, Ilocos Norte
RHU



Banna, Ilocos Norte
Level II



Magsingal, Ilocos Sur
Level II

DILG-LU to continue 3-part Blueprint towards a better approach in 2015



The thirty - seven (37) personnel of DILG La Union will continue to stretch, jump and dance this 2015, as the office will continue to implement its human resource development program dubbed as “Three - Part Blueprint towards a Better DILG La Union”.

Part 1 of the Blueprint is the Health, Sports, Fitness and Cultural Program, which aims to achieve healthy and strong body and culturally - aware personnel. Among the strategies employed to implement Part 1 in 2014 were zumba dancercises, stretching, walking and jogging during field conferences, evaluations and celebrations.

Part 2 of the approach is the Continuing Knowledge and Skills - Enhancement Training Program, which will continually equip the DILG La Union of the programs, projects and activities of the Department. Part 3, on the other hand, which will complete the development of a “sound mind, body and spirit,” is the Moral Recovery Program, where Values Orientation Workshops and reflections and meditations will be conducted in 2015 to achieve its objective.

The Provincial Management believes that the Three - Part Blueprint will result to more positive, happy and productive DILG La Union Team. (LGOO VI Lily Ann O. Colisao)

Tagudin, Ilocos Sur and Sagada, Mountain Province seal Twinning Agreement

The Municipalities of Tagudin, Ilocos Sur and Sagada, Mountain Province entered into a Twinning Relationship on January 5, 2015 by virtue of both Local Government Units' Sangguniang Bayan Joint Resolution No. 01, Series of 2015, “Establishing a Twinning Relationship”.

Mayor Jose V. Bunoan, Jr. of Tagudin, Ilocos Sur and Mayor Eduardo T. Latawan, Jr. of Sagada, Mt. Province signed the Agreement that paved the way for the strengthening of lasting tie of friendship and mutual understanding among the people of Sagada and Tagudin through exchanges on Science and Technology, Culture and the Arts, Tourism Development, Commerce / Trade and Industry, Education and Sports Development, Environmental Protection, Public Health and Social Services, among others of common concern.

The significant event coincided with the 429th Foundation Anniversary of Tagudin and the 1st Calamansi Festival of the Town highlighting its One Town One Product (OTOP). The activities include the conduct of flag raising ceremony followed by a short program participated in by the local officials of Sagada, Mt. Province, Tagudin Municipal and Barangay Officials, Municipal employees, National Line Agencies, students, pupils and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs). (LGOO V Fema B. Manabeng)

DILG RO1 personnel oriented on Magna Carta of Women and Senior Citizens Act



The Management of the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) recognized the need to provide its personnel with information on gender-related issues they encounter at home and at work; hence, an orientation on the Magna Carta of Women, as well as on Senior Citizens Act was conducted last December 18, 2014 at the DILG R1 Training Hall, City of San Fernando, La Union. The activity was participated in by all Regional Office personnel. The Resource Speakers during said activity were OIC-RD Rommel P. Daguiol from the Commission of Human Rights Regional Office 1 and Social Welfare Office II Edwina C. Masi, DSWD R1.

DILG R1 conducts CSIS Utilization Conference for Dagupan City



In line with the Department's effort to ensure transparency, accountability, and effective delivery of basic services at the local levels, the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) conducted the Citizen Satisfaction Index System (CSIS) Utilization Conference for Dagupan City last December 18, 2014 at Hotel Le Duc, Dagupan City.

During the activity, the Lyceum Northwestern University (LNU) Project Team, which conducted the data gathering and prepared the Citizen Satisfaction Report containing the results and recommendations, presented the CSIS survey results to local officials, functionaries and representatives from Civil Society Organizations (CSOs).

In her Opening Message, DILG OIC-ARD Victoria H. Ramos emphasized that the Department is always seeking means to scale-up the performance of Local Government Units (LGUs) in the delivery of basic services. She also pointed out that in order to become more effective, responsive, and efficient, LGUs should value citizens' feedback which will supply information on the importance of public services and citizens' level of satisfaction.

"While the Department looks into the internal organizational capacities of LGUs, it also considers the perceptions of citizens as the ultimate customers or beneficiaries of public services, hence, the implementation of the CSIS", she added.



The Utilization Conference provided an avenue for the formulation of the Citizens' Priority Action Plan (CPAP) by local functionaries, representatives from CSOs, and other stakeholders. The CPAP contained the needed interventions to address critical priority areas for action which were identified using the CSIS results.

City Mayor Belen T. Fernandez also expressed her gratitude to the DILG for the implementation of the CSIS in Dagupan City. She recognized the important role of feedbacks in the improvement of local government operations and performance. She said that since she took oath as the City Mayor of Dagupan, she always adhered to the advocacy of the present administration for transparency, accountability, and inclusive growth as reflected in her efforts to improve the different public services in the City.

The CSIS is an assessment tool that aims to examine the availability, accessibility, quality and impact of basic services provided by LGUs. It measures the awareness, availment, and satisfaction of constituents along the eight (8) service areas, namely: Basic Education, Health Services, Social Welfare, Governance and Response, Public Works and Infrastructure, Environmental Management, Agricultural Support, and Tourism Promotion. Dagupan City is one of the three (3) target-cities for 2014 CSIS implementation. (PO III Sheila Marie G. Andales)

13 Barangay IPMRs in Pugo affirmed, the first in La Union



Thirteen (13) Barangay Indigenous Peoples Mandatory Representatives (IPMR) in Thirteen (13) IP barangays of the Municipality of Pugo, La Union were affirmed by the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) Regional Office I and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Pugo Municipal Local Government Operations Office. Ms. Marife M. Doculan, OIC-MLGOO and Ms. Buena Adela F. Nengasca, NCIP Technical Officer awarded the Certificates of Affirmation to the Barangay IPMRs. Hon. Orlando B. Balloguing, Municipal Mayor administered the Oath Taking.

The Barangay IPMRs who were affirmed were: Benjamin O. Til-adan (Brgy. Ambalite), Ponciano S. Somao-i (Brgy. Ambangonan), Renato D. Panasan (Brgy. Cares), Panfilo L. Balliao (Brgy. Cuenca), Rogelio Y. Labsan (Brgy. Duplas), Maria J. Madriaga (Brgy. Maoasoas Norte), Imelda F. Abellera (Brgy. Maoasoas Sur), Jemina T. Boado (Brgy. Palina), Felicidad A. Vargas (Brgy. Poblacion East), Arnulfo G. Omaoeng (Brgy. Poblacion West), Ronald P. Gumpad (Brgy. San Luis), Alejandro C. Datayan (Brgy. Saytan), and Crispin B. Boado (Brgy. Tavora Proper).

Of the 14 barangays in the municipality, 13 were identified as IP barangays. Barangay Tavora East is the only barangay not certified as an IP barangay.

Also present during the activity were Vice Mayor Marino M. Tagabeng, Municipal IPMR Gregorio B. Orine, Sangguniang Bayan Members Ma. Corazon Leprozo and Romulo Tavares, Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member Robert B. Madarang Jr., technical staff from NCIP, LGU staff, friends and relatives of the Barangay IPMRs, and other guests.

The affirmation of the 13 Barangay IPMRs is the first in the Province of La Union. These IPMRs, having awarded with their Certificates of Affirmation, will now serve as the 8th Sangguniang Barangay Member in their respective barangays. (LG00 II Marife M. Doculan)

Batac City paves way for RS4LG



“We embrace simplicity”, these are the words of City Mayor Jeffrey Jubal C. Nalupta during the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Signing and Orientation-Briefing on the Regulatory Simplification Program for Local Governments (RS4LG) held last November 7, 2014 at the City Hall Lobby.

The said event was attended by City Officials, Department Heads, and representatives from the Bureau of Fire Protection, business sectors and non-government organizations. The activity was also graced by Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) OIC-RD Julie J. Daquioag, Ph. D., CESO IV, Atty. Joseph Apolonio, LGOO V Benedicta Barnachea and DILG Ilocos Norte OIC-PD Roger P. Daquioag.

The forging of the MOA on the implementation of the RS4LG provides for the realization of the program’s objectives and the city’s responsibilities. In his message, Mayor Nalupta emphasized the practices of the City of Batac in their quest for a business-friendly and economically competitive city such as the one-stop-shop and the 3-step e-Business Permits and Licensing System (BPLS). He welcomed the introduction of the reform for processing of permits for new business through RS4LG. He said that the introduction of the RS4LG will enhance the city’s business regulatory systems to further promote the city’s economic growth in the locality.

The orientation-briefing for the Simplification Management Team (SMT) and Simplification Project Team (SPT), on the other hand, was facilitated by LGOO V Benedicta Barnachea, DILG R1 Focal Person on RS4LG. The two teams were oriented on their specific roles and tasks in order to develop a simplified process that is unique and applicable to the city.

RS4LG is a program of the DILG through the Local Government Academy (LGA) that support Local Government Units (LGUs) in improving their regulatory systems and processes. It complements the BPLS Program by providing an in-depth analysis of the LGUs regulatory network. (AdA VI Michelle Ann Ratuila)

MSWMB leads Waste Analysis and Characterization Survey in San Emilio, Ilocos Sur

As a result of constant reiteration from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the Department of the Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) on the formulation of the 10-year Solid Waste Management Plan, the Municipality of San Emilio conducted an orientation briefing on Waste Analysis and Characterization Survey (WACS) for its Municipal Solid Waste Management Board on September 29 to October 1, 2014 at the Covered Court, Barangay Cabaroan in the said Municipality

The activity was supervised by Mr. Cesar Belloza, Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator (MPDC) / Municipal Environmental and Natural Resource Officer (MENRO)-Designate together with Sangguniang Bayan Member Perlito Lao-at, Committee Chair on Environment, and Engr. Johnny Lagansi, Municipal Engineer, as members of the MSWMB.

A preliminary briefing for the members of the MSWMB was also provided by Ms. Jerenette M. Dario, staff of the Municipal Planning and Development Office on September 10, 2014 at the 3rd Floor, Municipal Hall, San Emilio, Ilocos Sur. During said briefing, the sample barangays identified for WACS were Barangays Paltoc, Tiagan, and Cabaroan. The sample barangays were told to identify 10% of households as the source of wastes for the data collection. The sample households were further subdivided into three to represent households with high income, middle income, and low income. Garbage bags were distributed to the sample households on the 26th of September and collected on September 29, 2014. (LGOO V Kay Legrand R. Digay)

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BAGULIN, LA UNION is one of the DILG's SALINTUBIG Program Beneficiaries



A team from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Regional and La Union Provincial Offices, with the local government units' representatives and locals, trekked for three (3) hours to validate a water source in Cardiz, Bagulin, La Union, for a proposed Level II Water Supply System Project under the Department's Sagana at Ligtas na Tubig Para sa Lahat (SaLinTubig) Program.

It was found that there is an existing concrete reservoir and that the water volume is enough to sustain the water needs of the identified beneficiaries. Under the project, it is proposed that the reservoir be improved to preserve water purity and ensure proper distribution to the beneficiaries. The households of Barangays Suyo and Dagup of the same Municipality will be the direct beneficiaries of the Project.

The DILG will release a total amount of PhP 9M to the local government unit for the completion of the said Project. The LGU also allotted a PhP900,000.00 counterpart. (LGOO II Olivia Mae De Guzman with Report from LGOO VI Lily Ann O. Colisao)

LEGAL OPINION

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Issue: Can the Sangguniang Bayan implement projects?

The answer is in the negative. The Office of the Mayor has the bounded duty to implement all approved policies, programs, projects, services and activities of the municipality. Also, it is the duty of the Mayor to enforce all the laws and ordinances relative to the operation of the municipality.

The local Sanggunian does not have the power to implement programs or projects of the municipality nor enforce the law or ordinance for the operation thereof. The local Sanggunian has the power to pass, enact, amend and repeal ordinances and resolutions which shall be implemented by the Local Executive.

Allowing the Sangguniang Bayan to implement projects would obliterate the separation of powers between the Local Legislative and the Local Executive. And it would also affect the principle of Check and Balance being observed among the different department of the Municipal Government.

Issue: Can the Sangguniang Bayan issue an Executive Order transferring the appropriations for trainings, office supplies, membership dues to another item in the Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE)?

The answer is in the negative. The Sangguniang Bayan has no power to transfer appropriations already approved through appropriation ordinance. Any alteration, modification or changes in the appropriation ordinance shall be done in the process provided by law, which is by way of passage of another ordinance.

In short, the augmentation should be done by way of an ordinance, not an executive order. There must also be savings in other items in the approved annual budget within the same expense class for augmentation to become valid. The Sanggunian cannot augment or transfer any item in the approved appropriation by mere executive order since the law requires an ordinance.

RPRAT reviews initial list of BuB 2016 proposed projects

In line with the implementation of the Government's Bottom-up Budgeting (BuB), the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) reviewed the initial list of BuB 2016 Proposed projects during its 4th Quarter Regional Poverty Reduction Action Team (RPRAT) Meeting last December 17, 2014 at Oasis Country Resort, City of San Fernando, La Union.

The activity was attended by 13 National Government Agency members of the RPRAT, namely: Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Department of Health (DOH), Department of Agriculture (DA), National Irrigation Authority (NIA), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR), Department of Education (DepEd), Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), Department of Tourism (DOT), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), and National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC). It was also attended by representatives from the Provincial Planning and Development Office of La Union and Pangasinan, as well as key personnel from the DILG Provincial Offices.



The meeting was called for the agencies to present and review the initial list of proposed projects for BuB 2016 identified by the Local Poverty Reduction Action Teams (LPRATs) of the nine (9) cities and 116 municipalities in the Region. Issues raised during the LPRAT Orientations were presented and each implementing agency updated the participants on the status of BuB 2014 projects.

The DILG discussed the next critical steps after the review of the projects. It was agreed that major revisions on the Local Poverty Reduction Action Plans (LPRAP) will be done during the LPRAP Cliniquing. The initial LPRAPs integrating minor revisions were forwarded to the DILG Central Office for the National Poverty Reduction Action Team (NPRAT) review. (POIII Sheila Marie G. Andales with reports from LGOO II Nicollette May O. Amon)

DILG R1 trains 14 Local Government Units on Geographic Information System

Seventy-one (71) participants from 14 Local Government Units (LGUs) in the Region attended the Training on Geographic Information System (GIS) on Climate Change and Disaster Risk and Vulnerability Reduction last December 9-12, 2014 at Pangasinan Regency Hotel, Calasiao, Pangasinan.

The training aims to inform participants of the importance of GIS and its uses and benefits in planning, decision-making and risk assessment. Outputs of the training include hazard maps for flooding, landslides, earthquakes, storm surge and others; database of elements at risk such as buildings or infrastructures; analysis of vulnerability of the elements at risk; cost estimation of the elements at risk on the buildings and their contents; and multi-hazard risk assessment.

Quantum Geographic Information System is a free and open source software that enables the user to visualize, manage, edit and analyze data, as well as compose printable maps. This can be used by LGUs in making land-related decisions which shape the way the environment is managed. The success of the GIS is not determined by technical choices alone but also on organizational and institutional capacities of the LGUs.

The participants were composed of the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officers (DRRMOs), Local Government Operations Officers (LGOOs), Planning and Development Officers (PDOs) and Information Technology (IT) Staff from the Provincial Government of Ilocos Norte; Municipality of Agoo, La Union and 12 Major River Basin-LGUs of Pangasinan (Alcala, Balungao, Bautista, Bayambang, Natividad, Rosales, San Nicolas, San Quintin, Sta. Maria, Sto. Tomas, Tayug, Umingan).

Resource Speakers during the training were Regional Trainers LGOO IV Rhodalyn S. Licudine, LGOO II Nicolette May O. Amon, and AdA VI Prayandleo E. Cahiga and Provincial Trainer LGOO II Blesilda M. Domagas (*LGOO IV Rhodalyn s. Licudine*)



DILG R1 4th Quarter 2014 Financial Report

P/P/A ALLOTMENT OF CLASS OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE	ALLOTMENT RECEIVED	OBLIGATIONS INCURRED		UNOBLIGATED BALANCE OF ALLOTMENT
		THIS REPORT	TO DATE	
CURRENT				
REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS				
PS	132,249,318.00	19,938,563.20	131,433,976.46	815,341.54
SARO-BMB-D-14-0027117	3,707,318.00			
MODE	17,587,682.00	3,347,049.84	15,466,867.31	2,120,814.69
SARO-BMB-D-14-0027117	(3,707,318.00)			
PEACE AND ORDER	445,000.00	26,000.00	76,981.75	368,018.25
CAPITAL OUTLAY	3,000,000.00	2,534,595.95	2,990,000.00	10,000.00
POTABLE WATER SUPPLY (BUB)	178,435,000.00	54,964,168.50	146,641,291.50	31,793,708.50
POTABLE WATER SUPPLY	23,000,000.00	-	-	23,000,000.00
SUB-TOTAL, REGULAR APPRO.	354,717,000.00	80,810,377.49	296,609,117.02	58,107,882.98
MPBF				
PS				
SUB-TOTAL, MPBF				
RLIP				
REGULAR	12,523,000.00	980,440.73	11,794,051.24	728,948.76
TOTAL, RLIP	12,523,000.00	980,440.73	11,794,051.24	728,948.76
CONTINUING Appropriations				
POC	268,162.40		164,162.40	104,000.00
SA 2013-033 RPRAT	296,765.42	237,691.00	238,385.00	58,380.42
SA 2013-087 LPRAT	216,377.70	12,265.00	128,259.00	88,118.70
SA 2013-116 BUB	3,000.00		3,000.00	
SA 2013-269 BDRMPPT	8,325.00	6,531.55	8,325.00	
SA 2013-358 Local Monitoring Eval.	5,420.00			5,420.00
SA 2013-340 Consultancy services	213,318.00		213,318.00	
SA 2013-378 BUB Reroofing	53,530.00	16,872.90	37,388.90	16,141.10
SA 2013-617 RPRAP	14,062.00		14,062.00	
SA 2013-948 LPRAP Facilitators/Consultants	206.00		206.00	
SA 2013-648 GIS for CDRVR	30,238.00		30,238.00	
SA 2013-670 Local Water Governance	7,870.00			7,870.00
SA 2013-624 Consultation on SK	10,000.00			10,000.00
SA 2013-659 Multi-Hazard Maps	19,354.30		19,354.30	
SA 2013-781 Citizen Satisfaction Index System	18,548.00		17,611.30	936.70
SA 2013-725 Human Rights Based Local Gov. Trng.	32,300.00			32,300.00
SA 2013-494 WATSAN Hubs	1,860.00		1,860.00	
SA 2013-817 Water Supply System	7,922.00		3,860.00	4,062.00
SA 2013-888 Mgt of Water Supply Facilities	2,387.00			2,387.00
SA 2013-889 Mgt of Water Supply Facilities	464,500.00		464,500.00	
SA 2013-830 LCCAP	3,805.00		3,805.00	
SA 2013-847 Watsan Hubs	9,000.00			9,000.00
SA 2014-183 CSOs Partnership Program	3,000.00		2,252.00	748.00
SA 2014-502 Monitoring on GPB Project	122,400.00		122,400.00	
SA 2014-570 GPB	3,100.00		3,100.00	
SA 2014-698 For RCs Citizen's Monitoring on GPB	2,000.00		2,000.00	
SA 2014-361 Salintubig	430,900.00	6,512.00	417,622.00	13,278.00
SA 2014-392 Salintubig for Thematic Areas	318,400.00		306,652.15	11,747.85
SA 2014-553 TE for Salintubig	18,000.00		16,608.00	1,392.00
SA 2014-313 CCA/DRMF	619,200.00		619,200.00	
SA 2014-480 GIS	369,510.00	42,697.30	355,017.30	14,492.70
SA 2014-569 SGLG	232,200.00		232,200.00	
SA 2014-1324 GIS	376,320.00	330,999.15	376,320.00	
SA 2014-283 PCF Reg'l. Trng., Monitoring, Eval. & Attendance to Workshops/Seminars	275,400.00	58,261.00	184,206.00	91,194.00
SA 2014-431 CFLGA	32,250.00		30,578.60	1,671.40
SA 2014-774 Magna Carta for Women Orientation	71,300.00		67,835.45	3,464.55
SA 2014-897 PCF Monitoring & Validation	20,000.00		18,300.00	1,700.00
SA 2014-939 NAPC NGO Assembly	29,400.00		26,900.00	2,500.00
SA 2014-766 Monitoring of GPB	183,600.00		144,491.15	39,108.85
SA 2014-691 CSIS	126,910.00	11,421.98	120,268.00	16,642.00
SA 2014-1012 Trng. on HRBA Watsan	358,800.00	27,422.00	254,415.00	104,384.00
SA 2014-1023 Communication & Mobilization Fund	55,160.00		55,160.00	
SA 2014-1049 RSCWC	5,000.00	3,000.00	4,000.00	1,000.00
SA 2014-1128 Ubas	2,500.00		2,500.00	
SA 2014-962 CSIS	23,800.00	9,690.00	23,800.00	
SA 2014-1380 Bus. Planning for Water Facilities	2,500.00			2,500.00
SA 2014-1362 Info Design & Data Visualization	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
SA 2014-1463 DE Prep	491,200.00	313,496.30	313,496.30	177,703.70
SA 2014-1450 Watsan Salintubig 2013	394,000.00	295,800.35	295,800.35	98,199.65
SA 2014-1548 Nationwide Simultaneous Assmt. Of POC	83,100.00	83,100.00	83,100.00	
SA 2014-1657 Support for BUB Process	1,830,625.00			1,830,625.00
SA 2014-1512 CSIS	1,600.00	1,290.00	1,290.00	310.00

P/P/A ALLOTMENT OF CLASS OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE	ALLOTMENT RECEIVED	OBLIGATIONS INCURRED		UNOBLIGATED BALANCE OF ALLOTMENT
		THIS REPORT	TO DATE	
SUB-TOTAL, Continuing Appropriations	8,173,125.82	1,461,050.53	4,982,220.20	3,234,905.62
TOTAL	375,413,125.82	83,251,868.75	313,341,388.46	62,071,737.36
OTHER RELEASES				
SA 2014-001 Lupong Tagapamayapa	20,000.00		17,974.00	2,026.00
SA 2014-621 Lupong Tagapamayapa Awards	150,000.00		150,000.00	
SA 2014-1072 LTIA	20,000.00		20,000.00	
SA 2014-453 CSIS	7,200.00		7,200.00	
SA 2014-1111 CSIS	47,200.00		39,458.00	7,742.00
SA 2014-1203 CSIS	795,780.00	13,393.02	511,140.27	284,639.73
SA 2014-1543 CSIS	76,250.00		76,250.00	
SA 2014-061 (BUB) Empowerment Fund	19,000.00			19,000.00
SA 2014-078 CSO Seminars	222,000.00		222,000.00	
SA 2014-122 Support for BUB	20,000.00			20,000.00
SA 2014-163 Salaries for LPRAP Facilitators	669,000.00		669,000.00	
SA 2014-917 Formation Of Local Partnership (BUB)	187,076.00			187,076.00
SA 2014-881 GPB TE of Key Personnel to CO	4,000.00		4,000.00	
SA 2014-101 Monthly Meeting (BUB)	262,500.00		262,500.00	
SA 2014-866 Salaries of CMs & RC for July-Sept.	1,174,000.00	25,000.00	1,174,000.00	
SA 2014-513 Command Conferences	24,000.00		22,676.00	1,324.00
SA 2014-235 Capacity Bldg. of Gender &	16,200.00			16,200.00
SA 2014-529 Salary of LPRAP Facilitator	33,000.00		33,000.00	
SA 2014-585 Salaries of LPRAP Facilitators	150,000.00		150,000.00	
SA 2014-645 Salaries of LPRAP Facilitators	358,000.00		358,000.00	
SA 2014-837 Salary of LPRAP Facilitator	25,000.00		25,000.00	
SA 2014-1095 Salary of LPRAP Facilitators	2,874,500.00	62,988.50	1,374,288.50	1,497,211.50
SA 2014-989 M&E	177,300.00		114,549.45	62,750.55
SA 2014-978 GPP-PMO	4,400.00		3,932.00	468.00
SA 2014-1233 CSO Assemblies	3,750,000.00		3,750,000.00	
SA 2014-1241 CBMS	16,200.00		9,712.00	6,488.00
SA 2014-252 Salaries for 2 Engineers	60,948.00		60,948.00	
SA 2014-216 Provision for Potable Water	635,000.00		260,034.75	374,965.25
SA 2014-347 TE on Workshop for 2014 Salintubig	8,000.00		7,331.00	669.00
SA 2014-017 Water Assessment for BUB	899,450.00		686,652.00	212,798.00
SA 2014-200 Monitoring & Eval. For Water Supply	635,000.00			635,000.00
SA 2014-1177 Detailed Eng'g. Preparation	727,400.00	419,203.00	513,471.45	213,928.55
SA 2014-1248 GPP Local Access Projects	340,634.00			340,634.00
SA 2014-036 Death Claim	222,000.00		222,000.00	
SA 2014-268 Death Claim	102,000.00		102,000.00	
SA 2014-333 Death Claim	598,000.00		574,000.00	24,000.00
SA 2014-1216 Death Claim	106,000.00		106,000.00	
SA 2014-1283 Death Claim	82,000.00		82,000.00	
SA 2014-1674 Death Claim	116,000.00	116,000.00	116,000.00	
SA 2014-1473 Death Claim	116,000.00	116,000.00	116,000.00	
SA 2014-611 SPMS	77,400.00		77,400.00	
SA 2014-652 Death Claim	270,000.00		270,000.00	
SA 2014-592 CLIP	41,080.00	11,814.00	20,210.00	20,870.00
SA 2014-1308 CLIP	779,575.00	700,200.00	700,200.00	79,375.00
SA 2014-674 Salaries of Engrs. April-Dec., 2014	609,462.00	101,577.00	224,751.15	384,710.85
SA 2014-1146 GED Tagging	221,000.00			221,000.00
SA 2014-824 Death Claim	384,000.00		384,000.00	
SA 2014-798 Salaries of LPRAP Facilitators	333,000.00		333,000.00	
SA 2014-804 LCCAP	713,160.00	395,410.00	524,572.50	188,587.50
SA 2014-1103 LIC	297,600.00	106,260.00	120,500.00	177,100.00
SA 2014-1407 POC Year end assessment	144,000.00			144,000.00
SA 2014-715 Trng. Of Trainers on Bus. Plan	8,000.00			8,000.00
SA 2014-1341 STAG-1G	10,000.00			10,000.00
SA 2014-1396 Salaries of CMs & RC Oct.-Dec.	1,456,955.00	891,000.00	1,431,954.54	25,000.46
SA 2014-1499 GPB PMO Meeting	2,000.00			2,000.00
SA 2014-1434 GAD	18,750.00			18,750.00
SA 2014-1594 GPB PMO-RC Meeting	187,691.00			187,691.00
SARO-BMB-D-14-0021294 PEI	1,360,000.00	1,345,000.00	1,345,000.00	15,000.00
SARO-BMB-D-14-0023480 PBB FY 2013	4,385,000.00	4,385,000.00	4,385,000.00	
SARO-BMB-D-14-0020011 For Monetization	7,891,009.00	7,891,009.00	7,891,009.00	
SA 2014-1562 UBAS MOA Signing & Launching	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	
SA 2014-1570 DRP/CCA	17,000.00			17,000.00
SA 2014-1637 Preparedness Manuals-Wemboree	983,830.00			983,830.00
SA 2014-1641 Preparedness Manuals- Dialogue	442,963.00			442,963.00
SA 2014-1604 Preparedness Manuals- Planning	1,037,850.00			1,037,850.00
Sub-Total, Other Releases	37,519,363.00	16,679,854.52	29,572,464.61	7,946,898.39
GRAND TOTAL	412,932,488.82	99,931,723.27	342,913,853.07	70,018,635.75