



REGION I

# 2023 ANNUAL REPORT



DILG Ilocos Region



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# REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

*In the middle of the year, I was presented with an opportunity to be part of one of the leading regions in implementing our department's plans and programs. I embraced this offer wholeheartedly, knowing that being matino, mahusay at maaasahan are fundamental values of the people in Region 1.*

*When Regional Director Agnes A. De Leon entrusted me with responsibilities in June 2023, I sensed her pride in our region's accomplishments for the first semester. This inspired us to continue and build upon her initiatives with outstanding results.*

*I am grateful for the warm welcome from the men and women of DILG Uno. Our seamless adjustment to one another enabled us to successfully meet the challenges of modern times while providing essential services to our local government units (LGUs). Notably, we introduced the innovation known as PANDAY Mambabatas, which has served as a genuine inspiration for our local legislators. Additionally, we recognized exceptional LGUs through our various awards and have identified performing DILG R1 personnel through the "Jewels of the North" for 2023.*

*As we progress in our service to Ilocos Region, let us remain committed to personal and professional growth. By continuously enhancing our skills and dedication, we can ensure that we deliver even greater quality and impact in our service to the general public.*

**JONATHAN PAUL M. LEUSEN JR., CESO III**  
**REGIONAL DIRECTOR**





## ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

As I reflect on my first year as Assistant Regional Director, I am filled with gratitude for the opportunity to serve Region 1. This position is both a privilege and a responsibility, and I am thankful for the trust placed in me by our department.

This past year has been marked by significant challenges, but together, we have risen to meet them head-on. I am continually inspired by the resilience and dedication exhibited by our team in both the field offices and our regional and provincial offices. The impressive results we've achieved speak volumes about our commitment to implementing effective programs and serving our local government units (LGUs).

This 2023, the department has launched the DILG Strategic Plan 2022-2028 which lays the foundation for our vision of a stable, comfortable, and secure life for all by 2040. This roadmap not only outlines our goals but also highlights the vital contributions each of you can make toward achieving them. I encourage you to engage deeply with this plan and reflect on your role in bringing it to fruition.

As we move forward, let us unite in our shared mission. By collaborating and supporting one another, we can fulfill our responsibilities with excellence and make a lasting positive impact on the lives of those we serve. Together, we can build a brighter future for Region 1.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment and hard work.

**PAULINO G. LALATA JR., CESO V**  
OIC - ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTOR



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# INTRODUCTION

The DILG Region 1 continues to play a crucial role in the successful implementation of the Department's comprehensive plans and programs, consistently upholding our commitment to deliver high-quality technical and administrative services. We take great pride in our responsibility to oversee Local Government Units (LGUs) while ensuring that they are motivated through our systems of rewards and incentives.

In 2023, the dedicated and collaborative efforts of our diverse team, comprising over 300 highly skilled personnel, have culminated in significant achievements that reflect our unwavering commitment to excellence. These accomplishments showcase the valuable contributions made by DILG Region 1 to the overall mission of the department. We are excited to share these highlights as we proudly present our 2023 Annual Report, illustrating our initiatives and the positive impact we've made in Ilocos Region.






# DILG REGION 1 MAJOR EVENTS







A series of remarkable events unfolded this year, each designed to strengthen community ties and foster active participation among citizens.

We kicked off our celebrations with the BIDA Fun Run, a lively event that marked our support to the Buhay Ingatan Droga'y Ayawan (BIDA) Program Initiative.

Following this, we embraced the essence of democracy and transparency during the DAGYAW - Open Governance Event. Here, citizens engaged in meaningful dialogues, sharing ideas and promoting a culture of openness between the government and the community.

The momentum continued with the National Youth Summit, where young minds gathered to voice their aspirations in the fight against Illegal-Drug Abuse.

As we focused on community well-being, the Barangay at Kalinisan Day encouraged collective efforts in promoting cleanliness and environmental stewardship. Residents came together, demonstrating their commitment to maintaining a clean and beautiful neighborhood.

Finally, we celebrated the launch of Halina't Magtanim ng Prutas at Gulay (HAPAG), a program of President Ferdinand Bongbong Marcos Jr. aimed at encouraging sustainable gardening practices. The initiative not only promoted healthy eating but also ignited a passion for gardening in our communities.

Through these impactful events, DILG Region 1 showcased the importance of unity, participation, and shared vision for a better future. Each gathering strengthened the bond within our communities, paving the way for continued growth and collaboration.





# BIDA FUN RUN



Over 12,000 runners from various sectors in the entire Ilocos Region joined the successful event – Buhay Ingatan, Droga’y Ayawan (BIDA) Bayanihan ng Mamamayan Fun Run in Dagupan City on April 30, 2023.





# DAGYAW



Another major event conducted in the region is the DAGYAW 2023 which was held in Vigan City, Ilocos Sur. More than 5,000 participants joined the public dialogue on the current status, outlook, opportunities and programs of the government and other development partners that address the food security and agriculture sector of the region.



# 2023 NATIONAL YOUTH SUMMIT





# **BARKADA**

## **Barangay at Kalikasan Day**



"BarKaDa: Barangay at Kalikasan Day" launched by the DILG R1 in San Juan, La Union led by RD Jonathan Paul M. Leusen Jr., OIC-ARD Paulino G. Latata, Jr., and PD Reggie R. Colisao with all DILG R1 and LUPO personnel, it is a community-based clean-up drive program focusing on proper solid waste management and promoting the spirit of "Bayanihan" is essential for maintaining a healthy and safe environment. BarKaDa was launched simultaneously nationwide. #BarKaDa



# HAPAG LAUNCHING

Halina't Magtanim ng Prutas at Gulay (HAPAG)  
sa Barangay Project







# DILG REGION 1 SMALL WINS





In 2023, DILG Region 1 celebrated a series of “small wins”, each reflecting the region’s commitment to excellence and effective program implementation. First and foremost, the region achieved the distinction of having **2<sup>nd</sup> HIGHEST NUMBER OF SGLG PASSERS**, a testament to the dedication of the field officers in providing technical and administrative assistance and guidance to the local government units in upholding good governance standards.

Further showcasing our excellence, DILG Region 1 was recognized as the **2<sup>nd</sup> PLACER at the SUBAYBAYANI NATIONAL AWARDING CEREMONY**. The recognition highlights our proactive approach to monitoring and ensuring effective project implementation of our LGUs.

Region 1 also got the **MOST NUMBER OF CHILD-FRIENDLY LOCAL GOVERNANCE AUDIT passers**. This achievement emphasizes our commitment to recreating nurturing environments for our youth.

Additionally, we proudly stood out as having the **MOST NUMBER OF 2023 ADAC NATIONAL AWARDEES**, reflecting the significant strides made in addressing drug abuse prevention efforts.

In a remarkable achievement for local governance, we attained a landmark of **100% FUNCTIONALITY RATE FOR PEACE AND ORDER COUNCILS (POCs)**. This ensures that every local government unit is actively working towards maintaining peace and security in our communities.

Further reinforcing our excellence in local governance, **40 LGUs** were recognized as **2022 CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES COMPETITIVENESS INDEX (CMCI) AWARDEES**.

Lastly, we celebrated the remarkable success of **78 LGUs awarded in the 23<sup>rd</sup> GAWAD KALASAG**, honoring the efforts in disaster risk reduction and management. This acknowledgment reflects the resilience and preparedness ingrained in our local governance framework.

Together, these achievements illustrate DILG Region 1's resolve to build a brighter future for its communities through dedication, innovation, and hard work. Each small win adds up to a significant impact, inspiring continued progress in the years to come.



# 2<sup>ND</sup> HIGHEST

## NUMBER OF SGLG PASSERS NATIONWIDE

### PROVINCES

Ilocos Norte  
Ilocos Sur

### CITIES

Alaminos City  
San Carlos City  
Urdaneta City  
City of San Fernando



### MUNICIPALITIES OF ILOCOS NORTE

Bacarra  
Marcos  
Pasuquin  
Pinili  
Solsona

### MUNICIPALITIES OF LA UNION

Agoo	Naguilian
Aringay	Rosario
Bacnotan	San Juan
Bagulin	Santo Tomas
Balaoan	Sudipen
Burgos	Tubao
Caba	

### MUNICIPALITIES OF ILOCOS SUR

Bantay	Santa Cruz
Cabugao	Santiago
Caoayan	Santo Domingo
Galimuyod	Suyo
Lidlidda	Tagudin
Magsingal	
Quirino	
San Emilio	
San Esteban	
San Ildefonso	
San Juan	
San Vicente	
Santa	
Santa Catalina	

### MUNICIPALITIES OF ILOCOS SUR

Aguilar	Rosales
Alcala	San Fabian
Anda	San Manuel
Asingan	San Nicolas
Balungao	Santa Barbara
Bani	Santa Maria
Basista	Tayug
Bugallon	Urbiztondo
Burgos	Villasis
Infanta	
Lingayen	
Malasiqui	
Mangatarem	
Mapandan	



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Placer

## SUBAYBAYANI NATIONAL AWARDING CEREMONY





# Seal of Child-Friendly Local Governance Audit

# 97

out of 125 LGUs

DILG Region 1 was again hailed as the region with **MOST NUMBER** of Child-Friendly Local Governance Audit passers!

**77.6% Passing Rate**

## Province of Ilocos Norte:

City of Batac	Pasauquin
Laoag City	Pinili
Adams	Vintar
Banguì	
Banna	
Burgos	
Dumalneg	
Marcos	
Nueva Era	
Pagudpud	

## Province of Ilocos Sur:

City of Vigan	Santa Cruz
City of Candon	Santa Lucia
Banayoyo	Santo Domingo
Bantay	Sigay
Burgos	Sinait
Cabugao	Suyo
Caoayan	Tagudin
Cervantes	
Galimuyod	
Gregorio Del Pilar	
Lidlidda	
Magsingal	
Salcedo	
San Emilio	
San Esteban	
Santiago	
San Juan	
San Ildefonso	
San Vicente	
Santa	
Santa Catalina	

## Province of La Union:

City of San Fernando	Luna
Agoo	Naguilian
Aringay	Pugo
Bacnotan	Rosario
Bagulin	San Gabriel
Balaoan	San Juan
Bangar	Santol
Bauang	Sudipen
Burgos	Tubao
Caba	

## Province of Pangasinan:

Dagupan City	Mangaldan
City of Alaminos	Mangatarem
San Carlos City	Natividad
City of Urdaneta	Pozorrubio
Aguilar	Rosales
Alcala	San Fabian
Anda	San Manuel
Asingan	San Quintin
Balungao	Santa Barbara
Bani	Santa Maria
Basista	Santo Tomas
Bayambang	Sual
Binalonan	Umingan
Bugallon	Urbiztondo
Burgos	Villasis
Calasiao	
Infanta	
Laoac	
Lingayen	
Malasiqui	
Manaoag	





# **MOST NUMBER OF 2023 ADAC NATIONAL AWARDEES**

**Province of Ilocos Norte:**

Banna  
Carasi  
Currimao  
Vintar

**Province of La Union:**

Bagulin  
Burgos  
Caba  
Santo Tomas  
Sudipen

**Province of Ilocos Sur:**

Banayoyo  
Cervantes  
Galimuyod  
Gregorio Del Pilar  
Lidlidda  
Nagbukel  
Quirino  
San Esteban  
San Ildefonso  
San Juan  
Sigay  
Sugpon  
Suyo  
Tagudin

**Province of Pangasinan:**

City of Alaminos  
Anda  
Basista  
Burgos  
Calasiao  
Malasiqui  
Mangatarem  
Mapandan  
San Manuel  
Santa Barbara  
Santa Maria  
Tayug  
Urbiztondo





# 100%

**Functional Peace and  
Order Councils**



# 2022 Cities and Municipalities Competitiveness Index (CMCI)

**Province of Ilocos Norte:**

Bacarra  
Bangui  
Pagudpud  
Paoay  
Pasuquin  
Solsona  
Provincial Government

**Province of Ilocos Sur:**

City of Candon  
Bantay  
Caoayan  
Nagbukel  
San Esteban  
San Vicente  
Santa Catalina  
Santo Domingo  
Tagudin

**Province of La Union:**

City of San Fernando  
Agoo  
Bacnotan  
Naguilian  
Rosario  
Santo Tomas  
Burgos  
Pugo  
Provincial Government

**Province of Pangasinan:**

Dagupan City  
San Carlos City  
Alcala  
Asingan  
Bani  
Basista  
Bayambang  
Dasol  
Lingayen  
Mangaldan  
Mangatarem  
Natividad  
Pozorrubio  
Sison  
Tayug





# 23<sup>RD</sup> Gawad KALASAG

Seal and Special Awards for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management and Humanitarian Assistance

## BEYOND COMPLIANT

### PROVINCE

Ilocos Sur

### CITIES & MUNICIPALITIES

Magsingal, Ilocos Sur  
City of San Fernando, La Union  
Agoo, La Union  
Alaminos City, Pangasinan  
Anda, Pangasinan  
San Fabian, Pangasinan

## FULLY COMPLIANT

### PROVINCE

La Union  
Pangasinan

### CITIES & MUNICIPALITIES

#### ILOCOS NORTE

Bacarra  
Bangui  
Burgos  
Dingras  
Dumalneg  
Marcos  
Paoay  
Pasuquin  
Pinili  
San Nicolas  
Solsona  
Vintar

#### ILOCOS SUR

Bantay  
Burgos  
Caoayan  
Cervantes  
Galimuyod  
Gregorio Del Pilar  
Lidlidda  
Quirino  
San Ildefonso  
San Vicente  
Santa Catalina  
Santa Lucia  
Santiago  
Santo Domingo  
Sugpon  
Suyo  
Tagudin  
Vigan City

#### LA UNION

Aringay  
Bacnotan  
Bagulin  
Balaoan  
Bangar  
Bauang  
Burgos  
Caba  
Luna  
Naguilian  
Rosario  
San Gabriel  
Santo Tomas  
Santol

#### PANGASINAN

Alcala  
Asingan  
Bani  
Bayamabang  
Bolinao  
Bugallon  
Calasiao  
Infanta  
Lingayen  
Malasiqui  
Mangaldan  
Mangatarem  
Mapandan  
Natividad  
Pozorrubio  
Rosales  
City of San Carlos  
San Nicolas  
San Manuel

Santa Barbara  
Tayug  
Umingan  
Urbiztondo  
Urdaneta City  
Villasis





# REGIONAL AWARDING CEREMONIES





DILG Region 1, in its desire to recognize the efforts of the local government units in the region, has established its localized awarding mechanisms.

One of the regional awarding ceremonies conducted is the **SUBAYBAYANI Awards** which give honor to LGUs who have demonstrated exemplary practices of good local governance particularly in the areas of local infrastructure provision, maintenance and sustainability.

Another Regional Awarding Ceremony conducted is the **LUPONG TAGAPAMAYAPA INCENTIVES AWARDS (LTIA)**. The Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Awards is an annual search which recognizes outstanding Lupong Tagapamayapa that adequately demonstrate the ability to judiciously and expeditiously resolve cases referred to them and demonstrate exemplary performance and commendable contribution in the promotion and implementation of Katarungang Pambarangay.

Next is the **Regional Anti-Drug Abuse Council Awarding Ceremony**. In order for the LGUs to be awarded, they must pass the various audit criteria and corresponding rules and regulations.

Lastly, the region held the **Regional Local Legislative Awards**. This award mechanism aims to accord official recognition to the Sangguniang Panlungsod and the Sangguniang Bayan that excel in legislative laws that ultimately contribute to the attainment of desirable socio-economic and environmental management outcomes.

As we move forward, we encourage all LGUs to continue striving for excellence, learning from one another, and building upon the successes celebrated during these ceremonies. Together, let us strengthen the foundations of good governance, ensuring that every community thrives and every citizen experiences the benefits of dedicated public service. The journey towards progress continues, and with each step, we are closer to achieving our goals for a prosperous region.





## LTIA & LLA







# OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS OVER LGUs







The oversight function over Local Government Units (LGUs) is a crucial mandate that ensures compliance with the DILG issuances and promotes the practice of good governance.

Our Local Government Monitoring and Evaluation Division (LGMED), Local Government Capability Development Division (LGCDD) and Project Development and Management Unit (PDMU) have played an essential role in this process.

Over the past year, our divisions have conducted various monitoring activities aimed at assessing the performance and compliance of LGUs with established standards and governance practices. These activities include regular assessments, on-site validations, and the analysis of reports submitted by LGUs through the DILG Field Officers.

In addition to compliance monitoring, PDMU actively supervises the implementation of various locally-funded projects under FALGU, SBDP, SAFPB.









### FLOOD CONTROL ALONG BUSILAC RIVER WITH DESILTING

₱ 5,000,000.00

📍 Bangar, La Union



### PURCHASE OF TWO (2) UNITS RESCUA VEHICLE WITH RESCUE EQUIPMENT & ACCESSORIES

₱ 5,000,000.00

📍 Santol, La Union









# PROVISION OF TECHNICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES







## **POLICY ROLLOUT OF SEAL OF GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE INCENTIVE FUND (SGLG IF)**



## **REGIONAL TRAINING ON THE FORMULATION AND UPDATING OF RISK-INFORMED COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLANS (CDPS) USING THE CDP+**







**SEMINAR-WORKSHOP ON ENGINEERING FOR  
NON-ENGINEERS FOR DILG FIELD OFFICERS/ PERSONNEL**



**"FIELD VALIDATION"**



**TRAINING ON RE-ENGINEERING OF LGU  
SYSTEMS AND PROCEDURES**







**Training on Local Development Planning and Local Budget Process for CSOs in Local Development Council**



**ORIENTATION ON THE ENHANCED GUIDELINES FOR THE OPERATIONALIZATION OF THE LCAT-VAWC AND BVAW DESK**







**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ON SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE  
ENHANCEMENT & DEVELOPMENT FOR BETTER  
IMPLEMENTATION**



**PILOT TRAINING FOR CSO DESK OFFICERS:  
STRENGTHENING CSO DESKS IN THE LGUs**







## TRAINING ON THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PLAN & LOCAL INVESTMENTS AND INCENTIVES CODE



## ENHANCING LOCAL PEOPLE'S COUNCIL: TRAINING FOR EFFECTIVE CIVIL SOCIETY COLLABORATION







**REFRESHER-WORKSHOP ON THE ENROLMENT OF LGU  
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN THE SUBAYBAYAN  
SYSTEM IN LINE WITH RLIP 2023**



**REFRESHER COURSE ON STREAMLINING BUILDING PERMITS  
AND CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY**







## TRAINING ON RATIONALIZATION OF FEES AND CHARGES BATCH 2



## TRAINING ON THE MANAGEMENT OF THE DEAD AND MISSING PERSONS







**TRAINING OF TRAINERS ON BARANGAY TANOD SKILLS ENHANCEMENT (BTSE) FOR PROVINCIAL AND ICC TRAINING TEAM**



**PRE-PLANNING CONFERENCE FOR THE CONDUCT OF NGA-LGU FORUM-PHASE III**







**PLANNING CONFERENCE FOR THE CONDUCT OF CAPDEV  
PROGRAM FOR CSOS IN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL IN  
5<sup>TH</sup> TO 6<sup>TH</sup> CLASS CITIES/ MUNICIPALITIES**



**LEVELLING-OFF MEETING WITH REGIONAL LINE AGENCIES,  
PARTNER CSOs AND CO-CONVENORS OF THE DAGYAW 2023  
OPEN GOVERNMENT TOWNHALL MEETING**











## DILG CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION 2023



## WORKSHOP ON CRITERIA OF SUBAYBAYANI AWARDING CY 2023 CUM 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER MEETING ON RBME AND LGSF PROJECTS







## REGIONAL ORIENTATION FOR THE 2023 LOCAL LEGISLATIVE AWARDS



## SUBAYBAYAN & RSSA SYSTEM RE-ORIENTATION, SYSTEM WALK THROUGH AND SIMULTANEOUS ENCODING







**REGIONAL ORIENTATION, ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVATION OF THE  
REGIONAL AWARD COMMITTEE FOR THE 2023 LOCAL LEGISLATIVE  
AWARD**



**COORDINATION MEETING & RE-ORIENTATION ON ENHANCED  
COMPREHENSIVE LOCAL INTEGRATION PROGRAM (E-CLIP)**







**REGIONAL NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY-LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT UNIT (NGA-LGU) FORUM PHASE II**



**ORIENTATION ON THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FUND**







### LPCng GUMAGALAW CARAVAN







**COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN (CDP) ASSESSMENT  
RETOOLING ACTIVITY**



**ONLINE TRAINING ON BUSINESS PERMITS AND CERTIFICATE  
OF OCCUPANCY (BPCO) ONLINE MONITORING SYSTEM**







# STRENGTHENING INTERNAL CAPACITY







## Turnover Ceremony

DILG Region 1 welcomes Regional Director Jonathan Paul M. Leusen, Jr., as they bid farewell to RD Agnes A. De Leon who will be assigned in DILG Region 2.

During the 2nd Quarter Regional Management Committee Meeting on, June 19, 2023, DILG Region 1 conducted the symbolic turnover ceremony at the Ynad's Place Hotel and Resort, City of San Fernando, La Union. The ceremony was presided by the Undersecretary for Local Government- USec Marlo Iringan and witnessed by the key officials of DILG Regions 1 and 2. Provincial staff and field officers entire region 1 also witnessed the event via Zoom platform.

In her farewell message, RD De Leon thanked USec. Iringan, retired regional directors James Fadrihan and Julie Daquioag, and all the workforce of the region for the inspiration and help during her 8 years stay in Region 1.

On the other hand, RD Leusen, Jr., expressed his gratitude for being appointed as the new Regional Director of DILG R1 as this will be a chance to serve the home region of his grandmother.





# Inauguration of Ilocos Norte Provincial Office

DILG Ilocos Norte inaugurated its Provincial Office Building at Barangay 2, Santa Joaquina, Laoag City, Ilocos Norte, July 10, 2023.

Said event was attended by DILG R1 Regional Director Jonathan Paul M. Leusen, Jr., CESO III, OIC-Assistant Regional Director Paulino G. Lalata Jr, Provincial Directors, Division Chiefs, Field Officers and all Provincial Office Personnel of DILG Ilocos Norte.

Also present were NAPOLCOM RD George Aplas Daskeo, INPPO PCOL Julius Suriben, BJMP Jail Inspector Sheila Marie Domingo Sapaden, Jail Warden Freddie Emiliano Villon, and Chief Inspector Elmer Acapuyan.

Also in attendance are Mayor Michael Marcos Keon, Vice-Mayor Rey Carlos Fariñas, Mayor Antonio Mariano, Mayor Rommel Labasan who expressed their support to the DILG.







## LGRRC ON-SITE MONITORING

The DILG Local Governance Regional Resource Center 1 (LGRRC-1), represented by its core members, facility heads, and secretariat, was assessed by the Local Government Academy during the LGRRC On-Site Monitoring held on November 16, 2023 at the DILG R1 Training Hall. The assessment targeted Capacity, Overall implementation of KM Initiatives and LGA PPAs, and Performance, evaluated by Ms. Haide H. Canalita and Ms. Roselle A. Buenaventura, both from the LGA.

Further, the evaluators also visited the LGU Bauang and DILG Pangasinan Resource Center, adding a practical dimension to their evaluation process.





## DILG REGION 1 UNDERGOES ASSESSMENT ON GAD SEAL CERTIFICATION

The DILG National Assessment Committee visited DILG Region 1 on August 17, 2023 for the assessment on the GAD Seal Certification, a program launched by the department in March 2023 at General Santos City.

Headed by Undersecretary for External, Legal and Legislative Affairs USec Juan Victor R. Llamas, the region was assessed on the following criteria based on RA 9710 otherwise known as the Magna Carta of Women:

- 01 Utilization of at least 5% of the total budget for GAD
- 02 Institutionalization of GAD Focal Point System (GFPS)
- 03 Establishment of GAD Database
- 04 Establishment of Committee on Decorum and Investigation (CODI)
- 05 GAD Corner
- 06 Provision of GAD-Related trainings or technical assistance
- 07 GAD-related initiatives and GAD Best Practices

After the preliminaries and discussion of the assessment process, the region presented its GAD accomplishments for CY 2022 and 2023. NAC began the assessment by verifying the uploaded documents/MOVs moved on to site-validation then ended with an exit conference. OIC-ARD Paulino G. Lalata, Jr., extended his thanks and appreciation to NAC on behalf of Regional Director Jonathan Paul M. Leusen, Jr. and the entire personnel DILG R1.

Based on the initial result, DILG Region 1 passed all the assessment criteria. Congratulations, Region 1 for a job well done!

Official results will come out after the deliberation of the NAC. National awarding of the GAD Seal is set in November, 2023.





## ARTA INSPECTION

The team of Atty. Darwin P. Marcos from the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) Northern Luzon Regional Field Office conducted spot check and inspection to the DILG REGIONAL OFFICE I for its compliance to the provisions of the Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Law; implementation of the Citizen's Charter (CC); designation/ functionality of the Committee on Anti-Red Tape (CART); and establishment of the Public Assistance and Complaints Desk (PACD).

The Regional Office is generally compliant with the requirements with some minor areas for improvement, per findings by the ARTA Inspection Team presented during the Exit Conference. The display of nameplates, wearing of nametags, awareness of the employees about the law and the CC, and the security protocols observed in the regional office were commended.

The ARTA Inspection Team was welcomed by OIC-ARD Paulino G. Lalata Jr., the DILG R1 CART members, and focal persons/ process owners of external services. The ARTA Inspection Team conducted interview, document review, and actual checking and validation.





## REGIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (RMC) MEETING

The DILG Region 1 conducted the Regional Management Committee (RMC) Meeting cum Gender and Development Focal Point System (GFPS) cum Human Resource Development Committee Meeting cum General Orientation on Quality Management System (QMS) Systems and Procedures on May 31, 2023.

PO III Alethea A. Cedo provided updates on QMS Systems and Procedures, as well as the deliverables for the upcoming GAD Seal. Meanwhile, AO V Mildred M. Malapit discussed matters on Learning and Development.

Also during the activity, LGMED was recognized for their relentless efforts and dedication in the implementation of the Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan (BIDA) Program, while LGCDD Chief Pedro D. Gonzales, AOV Mildred M. Malapit, LGOO II Jeslen B. Tesoro, ADA VI Romialyn F. Fernandez, and DbA Jericho F. De Castro were awarded for their exemplary performance and invaluable contribution to the operations of the office.















# BUDGET UTILIZATION RATE

**GRAND TOTAL**  
**99.05%**

TOTAL CURRENT YEAR  
APPROPRIATION  
**99.07%**

TOTAL CONTINUING  
APPROPRIATION  
**98.20%**

## REGULAR FUNDS

CURRENT YEAR  
APPROPRIATION  
**99.12%**

TOTAL CONTINUING  
APPROPRIATION  
**99.00%**

## CENTRALLY MANAGED

CURRENT YEAR  
APPROPRIATION  
**98.99%**

TOTAL CONTINUING  
APPROPRIATION  
**98.10%**



# Jewels of the North Awards: A Celebration of Excellence and Service

Another annual event that paid tribute to the exemplary provincial offices, and regional and provincial office personnel of the DILG Region I was held on December 6, 2023, at Santiago Cove, Santiago, Ilocos Sur. This prestigious occasion gave honor and commendation to their exceptional contributions in effectively implementing the diverse programs of the department.

The Jewels of the North Awards, now in its 5th year, surpasses mere recognition of the accomplishments of the DILG RI staff. It's a jubilation of their unwavering dedication, fervor, and commitment to serving the public and upholding the values of the department.

It's also a source of motivation, inspiring continued efforts to elevate the standards of public service while adapting to the ever-evolving challenges of our times.

The awards are based on a comprehensive set of criteria that gauge public servants' performance, efficiency, effectiveness, and quality of service. These criteria encompass the noteworthiness of innovations, Impact of performance, partnership, and collaboration, sustainability, consistency of performance, Leadership, Interpersonal relationships, the pursuit of professional and personal development, and high work standards.

This 2023, DILG Region I proudly presents to you the following awardees:

## ***Best-performing province***

- DILG Ilocos Sur Provincial Office

## ***Sunstone Award (Best Provincial Director/Cluster Head/Program Manager)***

- Cluster Leader Andres A. Vendiola

## ***Best-performing city or municipal local government operations officer***

- CLGOO Janette P. Duarte

## ***Best-performing technical staff***

- LGOO V Jeslen B. Tesoro

## ***Best-performing administrative staff***

- ADAS II Florado C. Apusen

*Congratulations, Jewels of the North  
CY2023!*





# KEY OFFICIALS



**JONATHAN PAUL M. LEUSEN, JR., CESO III**  
Regional Director



**PAULINO G. LALATA JR., CESO V**  
OIC-Assistant Regional Director

## DIVISION CHIEFS



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# MISSION

The Department shall ensure peace and order, public safety and security, uphold excellence in local governance and enable resilient and inclusive communities

# VISION

A highly trusted Department and Partner in nurturing local government units and sustaining peaceful, safe, progressive, resilient, and inclusive communities towards a comfortable and secure life for Filipinos by 2040

# SHARED VALUES

Ang DILG ay Matino, Mahusay at Maaasahan

# QUALITY POLICY

We, the DILG, imbued with the core values of integrity, Commitment, Teamwork and Responsiveness, commit to formulate sound policies on strengthening local government capacities, performing oversight function over LGUs, and providing rewards and incentives. We pledge to provide technical and administrative services to uphold excellence in local governance and enhance the service delivery of our Regional and Field Offices to become trusted partners in nurturing local governments and sustaining peaceful, safe, progressive, resilient, and inclusive communities.

We commit to continually improve the effectiveness of our Quality Management System compliant with applicable statutory and regulatory requirements and international standards gearing towards organizational efficiency in pursuing our mandate and achieving our client's satisfaction.

We commit to consistently demonstrate a "Matino, Mahusay at Maaasahang Kagawaran Para sa Mapagkalinga at Maunlad na Pamahalaang Lokal".