

### 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT 2020 (July-September)

The ending of the decades-long armed conflict and the attainment of a just and lasting peace through inclusive, enhanced and sustained peace and development efforts in Mindanao, remain as government's top priorities.

To accomplish these goals, government continues to pursue intensive efforts in accordance with the strategies laid out in the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2017-2022 and directed by the Six-Point Peace and Development Agenda of the Duterte Administration. The Secretary's Policy Guidance for FY 2020 was issued covering six (6) major programs under OPAPP: 1) Program 1: Meaningful Implementation of the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro (CAB) toward healing and reconciliation in the Bangsamoro; 2) Program 2: Completion of the Implementation of remaining commitments under the Government of the Philippines (GPH) – Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF); 3) Program 3: Effective implementation of the Whole-of-Nation Approach to address local communist armed conflict pursuant to EO 70 (Localized Peace Engagements); 4) Program 4: Immediate conclusion of the peace process with the RPM-P/RPA/ABB and the CBA-CPLA; 5) Program 5: Social Healing and Peacebuiding/ Programs on Preventing, Countering, and Transforming Violent Extremism; 6) Program 6: Implementation of peace-promoting catch-up socio-economic development in conflict-affected and conflict-vulnerable areas (PAyapa at MAsaganang PamayaNAn). An internal Program 7: General Suport Services (Internal systems and processes) is also targeted for improvement and enhancement by OPAPP.

The following presents the accomplishment and status of the Philippine comprehensive peace process for the third quarter of FY 2020, aligning to the two sub-sector outcomes as outlined in the PDP 2017-2022, Chapter 17 on Attaining Just and Lasting Peace: (1) Peace agreements with all internal armed conflict groups successfully negotiated and implemented; and, (2) Communities in conflict-affected and conflict-vulnerable areas protected and developed. In partnership with implementing agencies, local government units, peace partners and stakeholders, OPAPP is relentlessly working towards a just and lasting peace for the nation and for all Filipinos.

Furthermore, it also presents the OPAPP response to the threat of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

PART I.

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#### I. OUTCOME 1: PEACE AGREEMENTS WITH ALL INTERNAL ARMED CONFLICT GROUPS SUCCESSFULLY NEGOTIATED AND IMPLEMENTED

## A. Meaningful implementation of the agreement with the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) toward healing in the Bangsamoro

The implementation of the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro (CAB) has two main thrusts: the **political-legislative track** and the **normalization track**:

- The **political-legislative track** includes the passage of the Bangsamoro Organic Law (BOL), the enabling statute that, once ratified, will give rise to the creation of the Bangsamoro political entity that will replace the ARMM. With the establishment of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), OPAPP is now focusing on setting up governance mechanisms and structures to accompany the BARMM Government in its transition phase until 2022.
- The **normalization track** runs alongside and complemetary to the political-legislative work on the Bangsamoro. The normalization program under the CAB covers four aspects: security, socio-economic development, confidence-building measures, and transitional justice and reconciliation.

There is also the continuing monitoring of the 1997 GPH-MILF Agreement on General Cessation of Hostilities (AGCH) and the GPH-MILF Agreement on Peace and its Implementing Guidelines for the Security Aspect being carried out by established mechanisms such as the Coordinating Committee on the Cessation of Hostilities (CCCH) and the International Monitoring Team (IMT). These agreements and mechanisms contribute to monitoring and ensuring that the ceasefire agreement is observed between Government and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) while the political and normalization tracks are implemented. In addition, the Ad Hoc Joint Action Group (AHJAG) was formed in May 2002 for joint efforts of the GPH and MILF to interdict and isolate lawless elements that take refuge in or near MILF communities.

The CAB and its Annexes shall be implemented and monitored by the Government of the Philippines (GPH) and MILF Implementing Panels. An exit document between the Parties will be signed once all agreements have been fully complied with and its components fulfilled.

1. **Political-Legislative Track.** In line with its mandate to support the Government of the Philippines Peace Implementing Panel (GIP) and the peace process between the GPH and the MILF, the OPAPP through the GIP Secretariat facilitated the conduct of the following during this reporting period:

**a.** 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the GPH and MILF Peace Implementing Panels. The GPH and MILF Peace Implementing Panels, chaired by Usec. David B. Diciano and Mr. Mohagher Iqbal, convened for their 26th meeting on 03 September 2020 via videoconference. During the meeting, the Panels renewed the mandate of the

Civilian Protection Component (CPC) for а of period two years until 14 December 2021. Following the guidance of the principals, the Panels also agreed to designate Mr. Heino Marius as the Chair of the Third Partv Monitoring Team (TPMT).



- **b.** Support to the Inter-Governmental Relations (IGR). As part of the National Government Secretariat of the National Government Bangsamoro Government Intergovernmental Relations Body (IGRB), the OPAPP GIP-MILF Secretariat provides technical and administrative support to the IGRB and the other IGR mechanisms created by Republic Act No. 11054 or the Bangsamoro Organic Law (BOL).
  - *i. Third meeting of the IGRB, 28 August 2020 via videoconference*. The IGRB convened for its third meeting on 28 August 2020 via videoconference to discuss updates on its deliverables from its previous meetings. The IGRB also discussed the issues raised by the Bangsamoro Government, particularly on the provisions of the BOL that are yet to be implemented, including policing. The issue on the salaries of teachers and education sector employees in the 63 barangays in North Cotabato and in Cotabato City, which was raised during the 1<sup>st</sup> consultative meeting of the IGRB on 16 December 2019, was already deemed resolved, as the Bangsamoro Government will include the budget for the salaries in its annual appropriations starting 2021. The Terms of Reference of the IGRB, which was signed on 16 December 2020, provides that the IGRB shall regularly convene every 90 days.



- *ii. Meetings of the IGRB Co-Chairs.* For this quarter, the Co-Chairs of the IGRB, Finance Secretary Carlos G. Dominguez and Bangsamoro Education Minister Mohagher M. Iqbal, met twice via videoconference. On 06 July 2020, Sec. Dominguez and Minister Iqbal discussed how the National Government and the Bangsamoro Government will move forward in resolving the issues raised during the 1st consultative meeting of the IGRB and the 2nd meeting of the IGRB. On 28 August 2020, prior to the third meeting of the IGRB, the Co-Chairs went over the flow of discussions for the meeting.
- iii. Second meeting of the IGRB Joint Secretariat. The IGRB Joint Secretariat, co-headed by Asec. Wilben M. Mayor for the National Government and Atty. Sha Elijah B. Dumama-Alba for the Bangsamoro Government, met for the second time on 2020 18 August via videoconference to finalize



the agenda for the 3rd meeting of the IGRB and to discuss pertinent issues relative to the proposed agenda items. Based on its Terms of Reference, which was signed on 16 December 2020, the IGRB Joint Secretariat shall convene every 60 days.

- iv. Meeting of the ad hoc Joint Body. The ad hoc Joint Body, composed of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA), and representatives of the Bangsamoro Government, convened on 02 September 2020 via videoconference to pursue its mandate as provided by the BOL to delineate the Zones of Joint Cooperation in the Sulu Sea and the Moro Gulf. During the meeting, the NAMRIA presented its preliminary delineation survey. The National Government and the Bangsamoro Government agreed to exchange notes on the delineation survey.
- v. *Kickoff meeting of the Intergovernmental Energy Board (IEB).* The IEB, cochaired by Department of Energy Secretary Alfonso G. Cusi and Bangsamoro Environment, Natural Resources, and Energy Minister Abdulraof S. Macacua, held its kickoff meeting on 03 September 2020 via videoconference to thresh out the details of its proposed Terms of Reference. The IEB also formed technical working groups (TWGs) to tackle the issue of the Agus-Pulangi Hydroelectric Powerplant Complex and the joint exploration, development, and utilization of fossil fuels and uranium as stipulated in the BOL. The Terms of Reference of the IEB and its Joint Secretariat is currently being finalized and the IEB is set to hold another meeting in October 2020.

#### 2. Normalization Track

#### a. Normalization components

To strengthen and ensure collaborative efforts among normalization mechanisms, the Joint Normalization Committee (JNC) held a briefing and action planning sessions with the government representatives of the Task Force for Decommissioned Combatants and their Communities (TFDCC), Joint Task Force on Camps Transformation (JTFCT), and Joint Peace and Security Committee (JPSC) to discuss

important issues and updates regarding the implementation of normalization projects and activities.

#### i. Security Aspect

*Transitional Components of Normalization.* The JNC is mandated under the Annex on Normalization to establish a monitoring and evaluation system. The OPAPP, through the JNC Secretariat, engaged with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) to partner on this initiative. OPAPP and DICT held a number of high-level and technical meetings to finalize the details of the partnership agreement during this period. The GPH JNC Secretariat also submitted an Internal Assessment Report on the Implementation of the Normalization Program in the Bangsamoro to the Secretary, Deputy PAPRUs, GPH Implementing Panel, GPH JNC, and Assistant Secretary for Bangsamoro Operations.

As of this report, there are six JPSTs that are currently deployed – one team is stationed at the JPSC Operations Center in Datu Odin Sinsuat, Maguindanao; four teams are detailed at the Assembly and Processing Area (APA) for decommissioning in Sultan Kudarat, Maguindanao; and one team is manning the Secured Arms Storage Area in Barira, Maguindanao to provide security for the storage facility of decommissioned firearms.

In preparation for the deployment of additional JPSTs, the JPSC conducted the following activities:

- 1) The collection and inspection of 35 firearms with ammunitions, which will form part of the activities on the activation of the two JPSTs. They will be deployed in preparation for the Phase 3 decommissioning. These firearms will be reissued to the MILF members who are part of the two JPSTs that will be activated.
- 2) The JPSC programmed a Pre-Deployment Refresher Course for the JPSTs that will be set for field deployment. The first batch underwent the course from 25 to 27 August 2020, while the second batch of the refresher course was held from 17 to 19 September 2020.

The JPSC held a number of monitoring activities and visits in the sites of the JPST stations currently being constructed through the support of the Government of Japan. These activities aimed to resolve the issues pertaining to the construction of JPST stations since it has been affected by the recent security threats due to the escalation of local conflicts and the delays brought about by the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.



*Decommissioning of MILF Forces and Weapons.* The IDB, together with the TFDCC, conducted a series of site inspections of proposed APAs from 22 to 24 September and from 28 to 29 September 2020 in preparation for the Phase 3 verification process and needs assessment.

*Disbandment of Private Armed Groups.* Following the approval of the Implementing Rules and Regulations for the Memorandum Circular No. 83, s. 2015 that established the NTF-DPAGs, the Secretariat was operationalized, which is headed by the GPH JNC Co-Chair and composed of representatives from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), and Philippine National Police (PNP), and held a number of meetings in preparation for the convening of the NTF-DPAGs.

A small group meeting led by the DILG was held on 13 July 2020 to come up with an initial list and database of identified and / or existing private armed groups in the Bangsamoro and its adjacent regions.

*Management of Small Arms and Light Weapons.* On 01 September 2020, the GPH JNC met The Asia Foundation (TAF) to tackle the programs and plans on the management of small arms and light weapons under the Normalization Program in the Bangsamoro. The JNC previously tapped the TAF to hold a study and provide recommendations on this aspect. The program on small arms and light weapons is envisioned to move in parallel with the program on the disbandment of private armed groups.

#### ii. Socio-economic Development Programs

On 11 September 2020, a Ceremonial Signing of the Memoranda of Agreement between OPAPP and the DTI for the implementation of Peaceful Return and Aggressive Inclusion Social Entrepreneurship (PRAISE), and NIA for the construction/rehabilitation of irrigation systems in the Bangsamoro.

On 15 September 2020, a coordination meeting between OPAPP and selected provincial local government units in the BARMM and Regions IX, X, XI, and XII to introduce the Normalization Program, particularly the decommissioning and socioeconomic development aspect, and to coordinate the activities under the socioeconomic development component of the Normalization Program, such as the site survey for the Phase 3 verification process and needs assessment and reengagement process for the formulation of self-development plans of the decommissioned combatants.

The GPH TFDCC Secretariat held a number of coordination meetings with Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) for the case management operations for the decommissioned combatants, Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) for the implementation of skills and livelihood trainings for the decommissioned combatants and the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) for the cash-for-work for the decommissioned combatants and their families. These three agencies forged a partnership with OPAPP in 2019. Engagements were also being held with the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Department of Education (DEPED), Department of Health (DOH), and Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PHILHEALTH) for partnerships on other socioeconomic initiatives.

#### iii. Confidence-Building Measures

In view of the drafting of the Camps Transformation Plan for six previouslyacknowledged MILF camps, the JTFCT, in partnership with the Bangsamoro Planning and Development Authority (BPDA), held a series of activities for this endeavor towards transforming these areas into productive and peaceful communities:

- The JTFCT Camp Coordinators, together with the Camps Transformation Composite Team, participated in the series of Formulation Workshop from 03 to 11 August 2020, which sought to come up with a situational analysis, development framework, and priority strategies and programs or projects in each of the six MILF camps. The output of this workshop was a draft Camps Transformation Plan that defined the goals, objectives, strategies, and key activities of the plan.
- As follow through on the Formulation Workshop, the Composite Team, through the support of the Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue (CHD), held an Integration and Refinement Workshop from 17 to 18 August 2020 to consolidate the outputs and identify the priority needs and targets from the previous workshop.
- On 24 August 2020, the Composite Team held a Technical and Creative Writing Workshop to help them prepare the write-ups for each chapter of the Camps Transformation Plan.
- A series of workshops on investment planning from 01 to 03 September 2020 for Camps Abubakar, Bilal, and Bushra, and from 07 to 09 September 2020 for Camps Omar, Badre, and Rajamuda was conducted to finalize the proposed projects to be included in the investment program.

#### iv. Transitional Justice and Reconciliation Component

On 30 September 2020, the TWG-TJR convened for its first meeting to generate consensus in identifying key milestones in the TJR roadmap as basis for the development of a TJR program for eventual implementation as reflected in the Program for Normalization in the Bangsamoro.

A set of parameters was issued to assess and firm up the commitments of the member-agencies in supporting the implementation of a TJR program, especially in consideration of their priorities relative to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. Specifically, the review and mapping of priority programs, projects, and activities shall be guided by the following parameters:

- Relevance. This refers to key interventions of strategic value that can significantly contribute and respond to the measures of the TJR program;
- Importance. This refers to basic or prerequisite activities which shall lay the foundations of a sound TJR program;
- Urgency. This refers to quick-response or stop-gap measures needed to immediately address problems that may pose detrimental implications to the community at large and to the GPH-MILF peace process; and
- Doability. This refers to the PPAs that can realistically be implemented within the period of the Duterte Administration considering the priorities of the respective member-agencies.

The draft TJR roadmap formulated by the ICCMN-TJR contains a set of milestones that are proposed to be accomplished by the GPH. It was presented to the MILF during the first meeting of the TWG-TJR on 30 September 2020 and shall serve as

basis for the TJR roadmap that the TWG-TJR shall formulate for approval of the Peace Implementing Panels.

#### b. Inter-Cabinet Cluster Mechanism (ICCMN) activity

OPAPP signed memoranda of agreements with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and the National Irrigation Authority (NIA) for interventions such as irrigation facilities and key infrastructure that will benefit MILF combatants and communities. This is in support to the Normalization Program, particularly under the Inter-Cabinet Cluster Mechanism (ICCMN) socio-economic cluster. The OPAPP and DTI will carry out the P70 million Peaceful Return and Aggressive Inclusion Social Entrepreneurship (PRAISE) Program that aims to provide livelihood and entrepreneurial projects for the six previously acknowledged MILF camps into show windows of peace and development. The OPAPP and NIA P77 million project will carry out rehabilitation of major irrigation facilities which will boost agricultural productivity and economic development in the BARMM.



# **B.** Completion of the remaining commitments under the 1996 Final Peace Agreement (FPA) with the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF)

The Government is currently engaging the two factions of the MNLF, namely, the group under the leadership of Founding Chairman Nur Misuari and another headed by Yusop Jikiri to complete the remaining commitments of the 1996 Final Peace Agreement (FPA). The two remaining commitments resulting from the Tripartite Review Process (TRP) of the 1996 FPA are geared towards uplifting the socio-economic and security conditions of the MNLF combatants, their families and communities, especially for members who were not integrated into the AFP and PNP by virtue of the 1996 FPA.

1. Engagement with the Misuari Group. On 17 September 2020, a Joint GPH-MNLF Coordinating Committee Secretariat Meeting with the Misuari Group was held via videoconference. Discussions on the proposed transformation program was the highlight of the meeting. The MNLF committed to share a comprehensive database of MNLF communities to provide aid in the conduct of profiling MNLF combatants in connection to the implementation of the proposed transformation program. Relative to this, the creation of a Technical Working Group was also proposed. This TWG will be composed of the members of the coordinating committee and secretariats with the primary task to review and finalize the draft Transformation Program. Furthermore, parties recommended a series of information drive and community consultation activities for the transformation program. The details of the IEC are yet to be finalized and presented to respective principals of both Government and the MNLF. Lastly, parties agreed to identify the

availability of their principals to formally discuss and lay down the foundation of the transformation program in the next Government and MNLF Coordinating Committee (GMCC) meetings.

#### a. Confidence building intervention for the MNLF-Misuari group

*i.* Assistance to Persons Deprived of Liberty. Facilitated the request of the MNLF secretariat for issuance of plane tickets and travel authorities from Manila to Sulu and Zamboanga Sibugay of the five (5) MNLF members who were granted with plea bargain agreement and stranded in Manila since May 2020. The arrival of these MNLF in Zamboanga was assisted by the OPAPP ZamBaSulTa Area Management Office (AMO) on 08 July 2020.

In August 2020, the representative from the Department of Justice (DOJ) in charge of the criminal case of Chair Nur Misuari, requested for a briefer and latest update on the peace process with the MNLF-Misuari Group. The DOJ also requested OPAPP to provide guidance so they can advise the court on how to proceed with the case without affecting the peace process. With the guidance of the PAPRU and OPAPP Assistant Secretary of the Legal Affairs Department, the OPAPP provided the briefer on the status of the engagement with MNLF Founding Chair Misuari to the DOJ on 19 August 2020.

- *ii. Relief goods for the MNLF communities.* In this quarter, the OPAPP facilitated the delivery and distribution of humanitarian support in the form of food and non-food items for 490 families in the MNLF Camp Jabal Nur and to the 1,498 households in other areas in Lanao del Sur.
- 2. Engagement with the Jikiri Group. On 24 September 2020, another Joint GPH-MNLF Coordinating Committee Secretariat Meeting was held via videoconference, this time with the MNLF Jikiri Group. One of the highlights of this meeting was the recommendation from the MNLF to expedite the signing of the Terms of Reference (TOR) of the committee and for it to be included as the primary agenda in the next GMCC meeting. Likewise, the MNLF proposed that an in-depth discussion of the roles and responsibilities of all committees and sub-committees identified by the GMCC shall also be discussed in the next GMCC meeting. Moreover, the MNLF recommended physical or face-to-face meetings instead of through videoconference due to difficulties in internet access. The GPH Secretariat responded that this matter is subject for the approval of Secretary Galvez. Initial discussions on the transformation program were also conducted.
- 3. Provision of technical assistance in the conduct of PAMANA-related activities in Bangsamoro areas under the Support to Peace Building and Normalization (SPAN) Program of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). The OPAPP continuously coordinated with the implementing partners on the completion of the SPAN program. OPAPP directed the concerned OPAPP Area Management Offices in Western Mindanao, Northern Mindanao and South-Central Mindanao to coordinate with the partner Civil Society Organizations in their respective areas regarding project implementation under the program.

In September 2020, the OPAPP also released a letter to the three (3) implementing partner CSOs in the island provinces to fast track the completion of the program and to submit the physical and financial reports to the UNDP.

C. Peace Process with the Communist Party of the Philippines/ New Peoples Army/ National Democratic Front (CPP/NPA/NDF) and effective implementation of the Whole-of-Nation Approach to address local communist and other armed conflicts pursuant to EO 70.

**Implementation of Executive Order No. 70.** In support to the implementation of Executive Order (EO) No. 70 "*Institutionalizing the Whole-of-Nation Approach in Attaining Inclusive and Sustainable Peace, Creating a National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF-ELCAC), and Directing the Adoption of a National Peace Framework"* issued by the President on 04 December 2018, OPAPP closely coordinates with the NTF-ELCAC Secretariat and with the National Security Council (NSC) to ensure its meaningful and full support to the NTF-ELCAC.

Under EO 70, twelve (12) clusters or lines of efforts have been organized for the implementation of interventions. OPAPP co-chairs the Localized Peace Engagement (LPE) cluster with the DILG. The LPE will be implemented through a two-track approach: (1) conduct of community problem-solving sessions to address issues of unpeace; and, (2) conduct of local peace dialogues with local armed groups.

- 1. Orientation on LPE Guidelines (LPEG) and on Peacebuilding Approaches (PBA) and Action Planning. As Co-Lead Agency of the LPE Cluster, OPAPP is initiating the mainstreaming of LPE, in coordination with the DILG, through the conduct of three phases: (1) Orientation on the LPEG and PBA; (2) Crafting of the Provincial Task Force (PTF) LPE Action Plans; and, (3) Execution of the PTF LPE Action Plans. Towards this, the LPED (through the AMOs) has started Phase 1 of the mainstreaming work, including the presentation and discussion of the PTF LPE Action Plan template, which were conducted on the following dates:
  - September 17 for Regional Task Force (RTF) 1 and Ilocos Sur PTF
  - September 28 for RTF IVB with the following PTFs: Palawan, Mindoro Oriental, Mindoro Occidental
  - September 30 for RTF CAR with the following PTFs: Abra, Kalinga Apayao, Benguet, Mt. Province and Ifugao

These cascading sessions enabled OPAPP, in partnership with DILG, to roll out the LPEG and PBA which provided the opportunity to capacitate the RTFs and PTFs on the principles, guidelines, mechanisms and processes for localized peace engagement, and on peacebuilding approaches that will help them as local governance actors to integrate the peace lens in LPE work.

- 2. Provision of technical assistance to the Cabinet Officers for Regional Development and Security (CORDS). Sec. Carlito Galvez Jr was assigned as CORDS for Central Luzon (Region 3) to oversee and harmonize peace, development, and security efforts. He also presides over the quarterly meetings of the Regional Task Force 3 composed of the Regional Peace and Order Council (RPOC), and the Regional Development Council (RDC). The OPAPP initiated and coordinated with the RTF3 Secretariat (DILG 3 and NEDA 3) for the conduct of the following activities:
  - CORDS Core Group/ TWG/LPE Cluster Meetings via videoconference on 03 July, 13 July, 27 August and 10 September, which were conducted to discuss the status of implementation of the RTF3 Implementation Plan.
  - RTF 3 Meeting (Third Quarter) presided by CORDS 3 on 16 July via videoconference which resulted in the adoption of 3 Resolutions : (1) Adopting the RTF3 Assessment Report and Endorsing its Recommendations to the NTF ELCAC; (2) Commitment to Fully Support the NAP Against COVID-19, Phase 2; and (3) Adopting the AFP and PNP Programs as the RTF3 Enabling Programs in Support of EO 70.

• Situational Awareness and Knowledge Management and Local Peace Engagement (SAKM-LPE) Cluster Community Problem Solving Session and Consultative Meeting with Local Task Forces in Baler, Aurora on 16 September 2020. This whole day activity served as a venue for engagement with 85 former members of the Communist Terrorist Group (CTG) and militia group who withdrew their support to the CTG and pledged allegiance to the government. Among the issues raised by the group are Indigenous Peoples concerns, land ownership problems, unemployment, need for scholarship programs and health facilities, among others. The local government officials and DILG as Enhanced Comprehesnive Local Integration Program (E-CLIP) Cluster Head expressed their commitment to facilitate the implementation of affirmative measures to respond to said issues and concerns.

#### 3. Provision of assistance to IP community in Davao Del Norte

A peace village to benefit 125 Ata-Manobo families will be set up in Talaingod , Davao del Norte. The P11.25 million housing project will go to families rescued in the Haran facility and displaced by the armed conflict in the area. This is a collaborative effort with the provincial government of davao del Norte. Spearheaded by Governor Edwin Jubahib, the peace village is called "Bahay Pangkapayapaan". The housing units will include a bedroom, dining area and a comfort room. Plans are also underway to build a road and a potable water system in the area. The groundbreaking ceremony for the peace village construction was held on 29 September 2020, attended by OPAPP, the Davao del Norte LGU, the Eastern Mindanao Command and the 10<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division of the Armed Forces of the Philippines.



Groundbreaking ceremony for the "Bahay Pangkapayapaan", peace village in Talaingod, Davao Del Norte

#### D. Completion of the 2000 Peace Agreement with the Rebolusyonaryong Partido ng Manggagawa - Pilipinas/ Revolutionary Proletarian Army/ Alex Boncayao Brigade/ Tabara-Paduano Group/ Kapatiran (RPMP-P/RPA/ABB/TPG/ Kapatiran)

In line with President Rodrigo Roa Duterte's directive to implement all signed peace agreements, the Government is undertaking steps towards the completion of the 2000 Peace Agreement with the Rebolusyonaryong Partido ng Manggagawa-Pilipinas/Revolutionary Proletarian Army/Alex Boncayao Brigade-Tabara Paduano Group (RPM-P/RPA/ABB-TPG) or also known as Kapatiran Para sa Progresibong Lipunan (KAPATIRAN). The signing of the Clarificatory Implementing Document (CID) to the 2000 Peace Agreement between the Government and the RPM-P/RPA/ABB is the completion agreement signed on 19 July 2019.

## 1. Continued operationalization of the implementing mechanisms (JEMC, JB-DAF, and SCT)

- **a.** Joint Enforcement Monitoring Committee (JEMC). On 19 August 2020, a letter from DSWD Usec. Glen Paje (Chairperson of the Socio-Economic Reintegration Cluster (SERC), was transmitted to the Usec. Cesar Yano (Co-Chair of the JEMC) requesting to discuss the activities relative to the development of a guide for the case management of former rebels. On 26 August 2020 the JEMC met for the crafting of the Case Management Concept. The DSWD and JEMC agreed on the following:
  - Conduct of Focus Group Discussions and Key Informant Interviews;
  - DSWD to share related forms to OPAPP and the KAPATIRAN;
  - Mrs. Veronica Tabara to identify KAPATIRAN members for inclusion in the FGDs to be conducted via videoconference. Mrs. Tabara will endorse names to OPAPP;
  - OPAPP to share materials as reference in the production of the Case Management Guide; and,
  - DSWD Field Office VI to provide the schedule for the conduct of the FGDs.

On 20 September 2020, OPAPP transmitted to the offices of the Chief of Staff, AFP and Commander of 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division (3ID) of the Philippine Army a letter from JEMC Co-Chair Usec. Cesar Yano endorsing 91 Community Peace Dividends (CPD) barangays under the RPM-P/RPA/ABB peace process for inclusion in the priority list of Executive Order No. 70 areas for development support. These areas will be subject to AFP assessment and validation to determine the level of affectation. The formal endorsement is a follow-through from the discussion with 3ID last 7 September 2020 on the proposed inclusion of CPD barangays to the EO 70 focus areas.

#### b. Joint Body on the Disposition of Arms and Forces (JB-DAF).

- *i. Implementation of the Policy on Handling Demilitarized Materials.* The Philippine National Police (PNP) Peace Process and Development Center (PPDC) submitted a recommendation to build a peace monument or a memorial, or something similar in nature, using materials from the metal components of the demilitarized firearms and magazines. The JEMC is in the process of studying the recommendation of the PPDC.
- *ii. Support to the Operationalization of the Community Defense Units (CDU).* On 20 July 2020, OPAPP discussed with the AFP PDO on the need to start crafting the Transition Plan for CDUs. The assessment conducted last quarter was identified as the initial source for input to the draft. OPAPP will prepare the CSW on Security Arrangements and, AFP PDO will prepare Implementation Plan.
- c. Site Coordinating Teams (SCTs). The Provincial Government of Negros Occidental issued Executive Order No. 20-12 "Creation of the Site Coordinating Team to assist the Joint Enforcement Monitoring Committee in providing appropriate intervention to the Kapatiran under the three-year Normalization Plan from 2019 2021" on 29 July 2020. On the same day, OPAPP field staff met with SCT Negros Occidental Secretariat, Ms. Anna Marie Lucasan and staff to discuss the following: revisiting the WFP (result of SCT Planning/ Workshop conducted last Nov 2019), presentation of EO 20-12; Creating the Provincial SCT; formation of 6 Local SCTs in Negros Occidental; and action planning/prioritization of programs, activities and projects (PAPs) under the Provincial Peace and Order Council (PPOC) Fund amounting to PhP5M (preparation of project proposal).

On 24 September 2020, OPAPP field staff and members of the SCT secretariat finalized the agenda items for the  $3^{rd}$  Quarter SCT Aklan meeting. Agenda for the

meeting includes the presentation of the monitoring and evaluation templates and updates on the implementation of development interventions.

### 2. Implementation of programs for transformation of combatants, their families and communities into productive and peaceful lives

#### a. Disposition of Arms and Forces

*Operationalization of the Community Defense Units (CDUs).* To support and ensure the continued operationalization of the CDUs, the OPAPP undertook the following:

- Coordinated and monitored Janiuay LGU distribution of grocery items (3 sacks of rice, 2 boxes of noodles and 1 box of canned goods) for CDU members in Brgy. Caraudan, Janiuay, Iloilo.
- Participated in the Troop Information and Education meeting with the CDU members held at the settlement site in Aklan on 04 August 2020.
- Facilitated the processing and release of the additional supplemental allowance for CDU members, pursuant to Executive Order No. 94. The additional supplemental allowance was released to CDU members from 11 to 20 August 2020.
- A coordination meeting with TESDA VI RD Gaspar Gayona and TESDA Iloilo Province was organized to discuss TESDA commitments to the Kapatiran, which includes skills training for the CDU members and livelihood trainings for CDU wives last 24 September 2020. Followthrough meetings have been scheduled in October and November 2020 to finalize the skills/training offering.
- To further support the CDUs, and in observance of new normal policies due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a distribution of hygiene and first aid essentials was carried out by the OPAPP field office from 28-30 September 2020. The activity was also conducted as part of the celebration of the National Peace Consciousness Month 2020.
- The construction of the CDU barracks at the Aklan Settlement Site was regularly monitored.

#### b. Social and Economic Reintegration

- *i. Establishment of Settlement Sites.* For the establishment of settlement sites, the OPAPP conducted several coordination meetings and site monitoring visits to check on the status of the implementation; discuss and finalize details for new or additional interventions; and, address implementation concerns. Other activities concerning the settlement sites were the following:
  - OPAPP facilitated the conduct of a videoconference meeting with officers from the AFP on the implementation of projects for the settlement sites and the continued support for the CDUs on 1 July 2020. Present during the meeting were officers from the AFP PPDC, AFPTFID, and 53rd Engineering Brigade. Discussed during the meeting were the status of implementation of the PhP50.5M fund released by DBM last year as part of the Three Year Normalization Program (3YNP) for the KAPATIRAN; the timeline of the drafting and finalization of Memoranda of Agreement for the anticipated funds to be released by the DBM this 2020 as additional supplemental budget for the 3YNP; and the design approach for settlement sites in Cadiz and San Carlos, Negros Occidental, both protected areas.
  - The Land Use Certificate from the Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO) of Janiuay LGU was secured by OPAPP on 16 July 2020. This is part of the documentary requirements for the settlement site in Janiuay, Iloilo. In addition, the documents from the landowner were also

retrieved for submission to NHA. A meeting with NHA and the landowner was conducted on 20 July 2020 to discuss the mentioned requirements.

- On 28 July 2020, a meeting with the SCT Negros Occidental Secretariat was convened to discuss the status of 2014 DILG-PAMANA Funds/Projects. Details on the Provincial Peace and Order Council (PPOC) fund to support the KAPATIRAN (amounting to PhP5M) and upcoming activities of SCT Negros Occidental were also discussed. On the same day, OPAPP field staff met with the Iloilo Provincial Planning and Development Office (PPDO) and the Provincial Engineer's Office (PEO) resident engineers for the monitoring of projects (Water System and Road Concreting) in Brgy. Subog, Maasin, Iloilo in support of the development of the congregated site.
- On 28 July 2020, OPAPP field staff met with the landowner (EB Magalona Settlement Site), Kapatiran-EB Magalona Chapter President and LGU-EB Magalona to discuss the requirements of NHA for the acquisition of the land. The OPAPP field staff were accompanied by Cong. Stephen Paduano, KAPATIRAN member Gilbert Arsenal, and Engr. Erwin Poniado, Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator (MPDC) of EB Magalona.
- A meeting in Tanjay was convened on 30 July 2020 to discuss the implementation of the following: Water System Project (Level 3) in Tanjay PDC and construction of housing units and status of the site development plan of San Carlos and Cadiz. Present during the meeting were LTC Diomedes Balino (542nd ECB), MAJ Niel Joey Mina, CAPT Dominador Addun Jr., Engr. Chester Reyes (Tanjay LGU) and Mr. Francis Gorme of Gorme Construction.
- A coordination meeting with Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator (MPDC) of Kabankalan was held last 25 August 2020 to discuss details for the Area Development Plan (ADP) planning workshop. The initial activity design drafted during the meeting will be scheduled for finalization with the DENR-CENRO Kabankalan.
- A series of consultation meetings from August to September 2020 were conducted primarily with Ms. Fe Jamoyot (NHA Iloilo District Manager) relative to the issuance of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between NHA, Kapatiran and the landowner for the settlement site in Iloilo. The MOU is intended for the utilization of a certain portion of land area for production while in the process of acquisition.
- Additional meetings with NHA Central and Regional Offices were also conducted to discuss the NHA land acquisition process. On 21 September 2020, OPAPP field staff, NHA personnel, the landowner and KAPATIRAN members threshed out the different issues relating to the land acquisition. The latest videoconference was conducted on 29 September 2020, attended by Ms. Nerissa Subido, Engr. Jessa Consuegra, Ms. Fe Jamoyot, Atty. Arthur Solinap, Ms. Liezl Miquit and Ms. Virgie Ramos, all from NHA offices, to discuss concerns on the issuance of a MOA.
- In addition to meetings with NHA, meeting with the LGU of Janiuay, Iloilo regarding the landowner's outdated taxes was convened on 14 September 2020. Discussed during the meeting was the request of the landowner to settle the taxes after receiving payments from NHA for the land acquisition.
- For the settlement site in Aklan, Aklan PENRO Engr. John Kenneth Almalbis and PEO Engr. Edelzon Magalit were consulted on 12 August 2020 for the review of the site development map. A primary concern is the total number of floor/perimeter area per structure to meet the limited land area to qualify for exemption in the application of Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC).

• For the site in EB Magalona, OPAPP field staff met with Mr. Gilbert Arsenal (EB Magalona Chapter President) on 20 August 2020 to discuss the status of NHA requirements regarding land acquisition and to secure copies of the following documents: Transfer Certificate Title, Deed of Sale, Cancellation and Discharge of Mortgage, Tax Map, Tax Declaration of Real Property, Land Use Certificate (issued by the MPFC and Zoning Administrator), and Vicinity Map.



- *ii. Livelihood Settlement Grants.* The Livelihood Settlement Grant (LSG), amounting to PhP50,000.00 (per individual), aims to support the establishment or continuity of the KAPATIRAN members' livelihood or economic activities in their areas or communities. The following activities were conducted relative to the LSG:
  - OPAPP field staff participated in a pre-deployment orientation for DSWD Project Development Officers in Negros Occidental in partnership with DSWD on 10 July 2020, relative to the implementation of the KAPATIRAN Livelihood Settlement Grant (LSG) program.
  - On 16 July 2020, a discussion with DSWD PDO and Iloilo Chapter President and Secretary, and OPAPP was convened to discuss and finalize the Micro-Enterprise Development Monitoring Tool that shall be used for Livelihood Settlement Grant (LSG) LSG Project Monitoring.
  - The KAPATIRAN Aklan Chapter's Sloped Agricultural Land Tehnology (SALT) project for another cycle of vegetable production was visited and monitored on 16 July 2020.
  - Monitored the Livelihood Settlement Grant project of Laua-an Kapatiran Group in Brgy. San Antonio, Barbaza on 23 July 2020.
  - OPAPP led the site visit in the Kapatiran PDC on 24 July 2020 with PD Joel Villagracia of TESDA Negros Oriental to monitor the organic agriculture production training for the Kapatiran as complementary support to their LSG projects in So Ling-ab, Brgy. San Miguel, Tanjay City, Negros Occidental.
  - From 6 to 13 August 2020, OPAPP field staff met with KAPATIRAN Socio-Econ Committee members in Brgy. Talacdan, Cauayan; Brgy Locotan, Kabankalan City; Brgy. Bagonbon, San Carlos City; and Brgy. Celestino Villacin, Cadiz City, all in Negros Occidental, and DSWD SLP PDOs to discuss the following matters: monitoring tool, forms and liquidation process for KAPATIRAN projects, schedule of monitoring activities. A project site monitoring visit was conducted afterwards.
  - A meeting with Barangay Chairman Zharwrigley Dayon of Locotan, Kabankalan, Negros Occidental was arranged and convened on 12 August 2020 to provide updates on the monitoring of activities of the DSWD PDO and discuss possible assistance needed. A monitoring visit to the project

site was conducted afterwards with Ms. Daisy Navarro (DSWD PDO) and Ms. Gladys Diego (DSWD SLP Focal, LGU Kabankalan).

- On 20 August 2020, the Micro-Enterprise Development Training (MEDT) with KAPATIRAN Chapter Officers in Bukidnon was conducted. The training intends to equip the KAPATIRAN Chapter officers on fundamental knowledge on micro entrepreneurship, basic accounting, bookkeeping, and microenterprise feasibility study. The training was conducted by PDOs from DSWD Field Office 10 for 10 officers of Bukidnon Chapter.
- OPAPP participated in a videoconference meeting with DSWD to discuss the monitoring of LSG-Funded Projects on 20 August 2020. The meeting started off with a presentation of updates on LSG Monitoring, followed by a discussion on the proposed Technical Assistance Plan and ended with the discussion on other concerns. OPAPP staff were joined by DSWD Office of the Undersecretary for Inclusive and Sustainable Peace (OUSIP), Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP) - NPMO, and focal persons from DSWD Field Offices 4A, 6, 7 and 10.
- On 26 August 2020, OPAPP partnered with DSWD to convene a videoconference meeting with the JEMC on the Crafting of Case Management Concept and FGDs of KAPATIRAN. This included discussions on processes involved in the crafting of case management concept, including the conduct of FGDs and set of data needed to be collected; and, comments and recommendations of the JEMC on the proposed processes and procedures. The meeting was attended by the following: JEMC Co-Chair Usec Cesar B. Yano, JEMC Co-Chair Ms. Veronica Tabara, JEMC Members Milo Ibrado and Ramel Farrol; the JEMC Secretariat/OPAPP led by Dir. Susan Marcaida, with Marianila Fabul, and Jessica Banganan; DSWD personnel Rea Curray, Catherine Espedido (PMB), Elsie Malto-Gayo (OUISP), Ms. Judy Morebo (Resource Person) and Ms. Nancy Parreño.
- The OPAPP field staff met with Mr. Rudy Traso (Kapatiran Socio-Econ Committee Chair), Mr. Jose Alido, Ms. Emily Estopido, and Ms. Daisy Navarro (DSWD PDO) at the PDC Site, Sitio Mambinay, Brgy Locotan, Kabankalan, Negros Occidental on14 and 17-18 September 2020. The group reviewed the Chapter's project journal, records, financial statements; discussed the status of livelihood project implementation; and, identified solutions to issues and concerns in the implementation of the livelihood project. Livelihood projects of the KAPATIRAN in Negros Occidental are on mushroom production, eggplant production, native chicken breeding, native chicken fattening, rice trading, sweet pepper production.
- On 18 September 2020, OPAPP field staff convened a Site Visit and Kamustahan with Kapatiran Chapter in Cauayan, with the Kapatiran Socio-Econ Committee and Ms. Jolyn Tubongbanwa (DSWD PDO) at the Congregated Site, Sitio Binacay, Brgy Talacdan, Cauayan, Negros Occidental. The group reviewed the Chapter's project journal, records, financial statements; discussed the status of livelihood project implementation; and, identified solutions to issues and concerns in the implementation of the livelihood project. Livelihood projects of the KAPATIRAN in Negros Oriental are on ampalaya production, native chicken fattening, native chicken trading, native chicken breeding, organic fertilizer and community store.



- *iii. Complementary Support Programs.* Partnerships with regional and provincial offices resulted to the implementation of additional interventions, supporting the chosen livelihood projects of the KAPATIRAN.
  - OPAPP met with DOLE Negros Occidental Field Office on 27 July 2020 for the finalization of the work and financial plan for the KAPATIRAN livelihood project under DOLE Integrated Livelihood Project (DLIP).
  - On 30 July, a meeting with TESDA and Mayor Zayco of LGU Kabankalan was convened to discuss a training program offered to the Kapatiran chapter in Kabankalan. With OPAPP field staff were Mayor Isidro Zayco, LGU Kabankalan and staff, TESDA Provincial Director Beverly Insular and Ms. Jennie Notchite of TESDA.
  - Convened a meeting with DOLE Negros Occidental Field Office (NOFO) on 12 August 2020 to discuss the finalization of the KAPATIRAN project proposal and submission of other documentary requirements. Present during the meeting were Mr. Yule Salvarita and Ms. Rose Guillaran of DOLE NOFO.
  - Coordinated with CENRO Belison on the title assessment results of the proposed on-site housing of KAPATIRAN residing at Laua-an, Antique on 13 August 2020.
  - On 19 August 2020, OPAPP field staff coordinated with TESDA Aklan for the scheduled turnover of construction materials for the additional goat barn in the Ibajay, Aklan settlement site. Provincial Director Esther Babalo led the turnover ceremony with the KAPATIRAN on 24 August 2020.
  - Monitored the progress of the turnover of 2-unit water pumps from DA FO6 to KAPATIRAN in San Carlos, Negros Occidental and Iloilo. DA R6 officially turned over the water pumps to KAPATIRAN on 28 August 2020.
  - On 19 August 2020 the signing of MOA and Deed of Conditional Donation (water pump and engine set) was discussed with Mr. Devitt Dellosa (City Agriculturist), Mr. Marlon Maglayon of the City Agricultural and Fishery Council (CAFC) and Ms. Rhoditha Patron of the City Livelihood and Development Office (CLDO).
  - Mr. Daniel Dayono, from the Municipal Agriculturist Office of LGU Cauayan, was consulted on 25 August 2020 to submit the request of KAPATIRAN Cauayan Chapter for provision of organic fertilizers.
  - Monitored the breeding of chickens in the PDC production site at Ibajay, Aklan on 06 September 2020. These native chickens have been dispersed individually to the KAPATIRAN Ibajay Chapter members. The chickens were provided by the Department of Agriculture. On 06 September 2020, 29 goats were turned over to the KAPATIRAN Ibajay Chapter to complete the 50 from Jaime Ongpin Foundation. The transport was facilitated by the

12th IB, PA, through the leadership of LTC Joseph Estrada CO PA Libas, Banga, Aklan.

- On 24 September 2020, a coordination meeting with RD Gaspar Gayona (TESDA VI) and TESDA Iloilo Province was convened to discuss TESDA commitments to the KAPATIRAN, which includes skills training for the CDU members and livelihood trainings for CDU wives. The meeting was held at the TESDA Regional Office VI, Iloilo City. The proposal is undergoing finalization.
- **3. Transformation of the KAPATIRAN Members.** A meeting with KAPATIRAN San Carlos Chapter Officers in Brgy. Bagonbon, San Carlos City was convened on 19 August 2020 to secure original and signed copies of KAPATIRAN Constitution and By-Laws, KAPATIRAN-San Carlos Board Resolution, List of Officers, Election of Officers & Ratification of Constitution and By-Laws, Minutes of the Organizational Meeting and Certification as requirements for DOLE and local registration/accreditation.

On the same day, a review session with Mr. Marlon Maglayon of the City Agricultural and Fishery Council (CAFC) and Ms. Rhoditha Patron of the City Livelihood and Development Office (CLDO) was convened for KAPATIRAN's documentary requirements for DOLE and local registration/accreditation.

The Right to use Agreement between LGU-Kabankalan and KAPATIRAN Kabankalan Chapter was submitted for notarization on 20 August 2020. The document is one of the requirements of DOLE for the additional livelihood support of the KAPATIRAN in Kabankalan City.

**a. Release of Alleged Political Offenders (APOs).** The OPAPP initiated a discussion with DOJ on 22 July 2020 to find ways and means to know the physical conditions of the KAPATIRAN members incarcerated in Bilibid Prisons and to inquire if the DOJ is in the process of giving pardon to those convicted person and does it include KAPATIRAN members. This was followed by a consultation with the Bureau of Corrections on 27 July 2020 to find the ways and means to determine health condition of incarcerated KAPATIRAN members in Bilibid Prison. An additional inquiry was submitted to the Bureau of Corrections on 28 July 2020 how to obtain accurate data on the health condition of APOs and PPs, specifically those who are detained at the National Penitentiary.

On 6 August, OPAPP field staff met with Captain Reydian Corales of CIDG Bacolod City Field Unit (CFU) to discuss the arrest of 2 KAPATIRAN Members (for murder) and request for copies of the following documents: Warrant of Arrest, Spot Report/Police Report and, status of case.

#### b. Community Peace Dividends

- *i. Monitoring and assessment of active Sustainable Livelihood Program Associations* (*SLPAs*). Monitoring and the conduct of needs assessment was identified as an important undertaking to help craft a sustainability plan for the active SLPAs in the identified CPD areas. In line with this, the OPAPP undertook the following activities:
  - On 21 July 2020, OPAPP Participated in the Needs Assessment Analysis of Barangay Oyang, Libaca, Aklan, a PAMANA SLP 2017 recipient.
  - A Learning Session and Project Monitoring of 2018 PAMANA DSWD-SLP (Rice Retailing Store) in Barangay Tagukon, Camingawan and Oringao, Kabankalan City, Negros Occidental, was conducted on 22 July 2020.

- Participated in the Learning Session and Project Monitoring of 2018 PAMANA DSWD-SLP (Rice Retailing Store) in Barangay Salong, Kabankalan City, Negros Occidental. On 23 July 2020.
- On 17 September 2020, a site visit and Needs Assessment with Sustainable Livelihood Project Associations (SLPAs) was conducted in Barangay Yaoyao and Basak, Cauayan, Negros Occidental. Included in the agenda are the following: review of organizational structure, project management and by laws; review of records journal; and, other arising matters/concerns. Present during the activity were DSWD SLP Coordinators, LGU Cauayan Representatives, Brgy. Yaoyao and Basak SLPAs and OPAPP field staff.
- Convened a meeting with Ms. Anna Marie S. Delgado, Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP) Focal/MSWDO Oton (Iloilo) and Mr. Ronaldo Payda (Kapatiran Iloilo Chapter President) on 22 September 2020 to discuss the following: issues and concerns of SLPAs in 3 CPD Barangays of Oton; inquiry on the possible technical assistance/ support that can be provided of MSWDO Oton in the operationalization of SLPAs; and, linkage and endorsement Kapatiran Chapter Leader in MSWDO.
- During a meeting with DSWD SLP Field Office Negros Occidental, Ms. Emily Apostol (Provincial Coordinator), Ms. Argentina Basoy (Provincial Monitoring and Evaluation officer) on 22 September 2020, the schedule of SLP Monitoring was finalized and the monitoring sheet/tool and assessment tool and status of active SLPAs for projected for local accreditation was discussed.
- A project site visit and needs assessment for Sustainable Livelihood Project Associations (SLPAs) in Barangay Linao and Masaling, Cauayan, Negros Occidental was conducted on 25 September 2020. The organization structure, project management and by laws, records/journals of the SLPAs were discussed along with other matters. DSWD SLP Coordinators, LGY Cauayan representatives and Barangay Linaon and Masaling SLPAs participated in the activity.

#### E. Completion of the 2011 Memorandum of Agreement with the Cordillera Bodong Administration - Cordillera People's Liberation Army (CBA – CPLA)

The completion strategy for the CBA-CPLA Peace Process has a two-track approach:

- 1. Normalization process (5 years) for the CBA-CPLA members and identified communities, with the overall objective of transformation into active partners for a peaceful and developing Cordillera Region free from the CPP-NPA and other threats groups of the former CPLA combatants.
- 2. Provision of support to regional development advocacies towards helping the Cordillera Autonomy Bill be declared as a priority agenda of the Administration and be considered a common legislative agenda.

The main objective of the program is to contribute to inclusive regional growth in the Cordillera by ensuring that all 184 identified CBA-CPLA communities are free from the Communist Terrorist Group (CTG) threat and provide access to development programs to have CBA-CPLA members transitioned into legitimate, socio-civic and/or political organizations. All of these are geared towards the completion of the Government of the Philippines – Cordillera Bodong Administration-Cordillera People's Liberation Army (GPH-CBA-CPLA) peace process.

The proposed 5-year Normalization process of the CBA-CPLA members and identified communities, aims for the transformation of the CBA-CPLA into active partners for a peaceful

and developing Cordillera Region free from CPP-NPA and other threat groups guided by the following principles:

- (a) Transform support the transformation of the CBA-CPLA, building on gains since the 1986 Sipat. This will cover four levels of transformation: (i) individuals; (ii) CBA-CPLA as a former armed organization; (iii) communities supportive to the peace process; and (iv) their relationship with the Philippine Government and its instrumentalities. From leaders of war to leaders of development and influential advocates of peace; having meaningful participation in decision making processes in their communities;
- (b) *Sustain* sustain the gains of the Cordillera peace process by giving back to communities supportive to the CBA-CPLA;
- (c) *Include* in the spirit of the Mount Data Sipat, support inclusive regional growth by prioritizing tribal communities that have lagged behind due to conflict and geographic isolation.

The 5-Year Normalization Plan has the following components: (i) Security Component; (ii) Socio-Economic Reintegration Component; (iii) Transitional Justice Component; and (iv) Confidence Building Component.

The Joint Evaluation and Monitoring Committee (JEMC), created during the last quarter of 2019 will serve as the mechanism to collate, discuss, analyze and implement interventions of completing the commitments of the government for the CBA-CPLA Peace Process. It will be composed of an (i) Executive Committee; (ii) Secretariat (inter-agency, with OPAPP as the lead); and four (4) sub-clusters corresponding to each of the components. Government representatives to the JEMC come from the relevant regional line agencies in the Cordillera Administrative Region, AFP, and PNP. The CBA-CPLA representation comes from each of the factions/groups, and representatives from Civil Society Organizations, nominated by the CBA-CPLA with concurrence by government representatives.

- 1. Implementing mechanisms of peace agreements established and operationalized. To support the JEMC and its component mechanisms, the OPAPP facilitated the meeting of the JEMC Executive Committee on 09 July 2020 via videoconference. All except two members of the ExeCom participated. The approval of three (3) Joint Resolutions that are basic in the operationalization of the JEMC was accomplished:
  - Joint Resolution No. 001: Operationalizing the JEMC of the GPH CBA-CPLA Peace Process Based on OPAPP's Office Order No. 197 Series of 2019 or the "Creation and Activation of the Joint Evaluation and Monitoring Committee (JEMC) for the Completion of Commitments to the Government of the Philippines – Cordillera Bodong Administration - Cordillera Peoples Liberation Army (GPH – CBA-CPLA) Peace Process."
  - Joint Resolution No. 002: Creating the Guidelines and Procedures for the Selection of CSO Members in the JEMC; and,
  - Joint Resolution No. 003: Creating the Criteria of Recognizing the bona fide Members of the CBA-CPLA

#### a. Security Component.

On 01 July 2020, the JEMC Security Component conducted its regular meeting which resulted to the following:

• Approved the process of validation and cleansing of list (cross referencing and checking multiple entries) of CBA-CPLA members pending the submission of additional list from the Balao-as and Sugguiyao factions; and,

• The Peace and Development Force (PDF) Concept was presented and discussed by AFP PDO through Navy Capt. Ferdinand Buscato. This concept is under review by the CBA-CPLA group.

On 2 September 2020, a preparatory meeting was convened with Navy Capt. Ferdinand Buscato, Sgt. Tito Subang, Ms. Marietta Halisan (AFP PDO), PCAPT Fredelin Francisco; PEMS Edmund Fabela; PCMS Hernalyn Perez; PSSg Michael Dela Cruz (PNP PPDC) for the conduct of physical accounting of turned-in firearms of CBA-CPLA in Benguet. A courtesy call and meeting with PLTC Maly Cula (head of the Regional Operations Management Division) followed to discuss the accounting of the turned in firearms of the CBA-CPLA at PROCOR, Camp Bado Dangwa, La Trinidad, Benguet. Afterwards, the physical accounting of turned-in firearms was conducted at the PROCOR. The activity was conducted in partnership with PROCOR, AFP PDO, PNP PPDC and OPAPP.

Two preparatory meetings were conducted in relation to the destruction of the turned-in firearms. On 17 September 2020, a meeting with PNP, AFP and PNP PROCOR was convened to discuss preparations for the Destruction Ceremony of Turned-in Firearms of CPLA. Participants in the meeting included NAVY CAPT Ferdinand Buscato - AFP PDO; PMAJ Matt Burgos - PNP PROCOR; PMAJ Fred Lenomta and PEMS Ed Fabela of PNP PPDC. This was followed by another preparatory meeting on 24 September 2020 via videoconference on the destruction ceremony. Participants to the meeting included MAJ James Tuguic from 5ID, PLTCOL Reguel Sta Maria and PMAJ Elpidio Pagoy from PNP PROCOR, NAVY CAPT Ferdinand Buscato from AFP PDO, PMAJ Fred Lenomta and PEMS Edmund Fabela from PNP PPDC.



Physical accounting of turned-in firearms of the CBA-CPLA as precursor to the formal launching of the demilitarization

#### b. Social and Economic Component

On 24 July 2020, OPAPP led the conduct of the second exploratory meeting via videoconference with NCIP CAR, to discuss possible expansion of PAMANA NCIP Educational Assistance Program and other proposals. The project proposal is undergoing finalization.

OPAPP provided the masterlist of OPAPP/PAMANA-CHED Grantees (CBA-CPLA Next-of-Kin) on 27 July 2020 to Ms. Bernadette Pal-Ec of CHED Regional Office - CAR, as refere to check if CBA-CPLA grantees were part of those who received Tertiary Education Subsidiary (TES) Stipends under CHED – UniFAST. Reconciliation with CHEDRO-CAR on the crossmatching of OPAPP/PAMANA-CHED grantees of the TES is ongoing.

#### II. OUTCOME 2: COMMUNITIES IN CONFLICT-AFFECTED AND CONFLICT-VULNERABLE AREAS PROTECTED AND DEVELOPED

### A. Implementation of peace-promoting catch-up socio-economic development in conflict-affected areas

1. Planning and Programming for FY 2021 PAMANA. The OPAPP through PAMANA-NPMD submitted a total of PhP16,110,718,526 FY 2021 PAMANA proposed budget for both OPAPP and its prospective PAMANA partner agencies for consideration. Per further guidance in June 2020 in consideration of the limited fiscal space due to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), a re-prioritized list of proposed PAMANA-OPAPP projects amounting to a total of PhP11,226,508,169 was prepared for consideration. As shown in the table below, the original proposed budget of PhP9,855,532,344 for OPAPP was adjusted to PhP 4,971,321,987 while the proposed budget for the PAMANA partner agencies remained at PhP 6,255,186,182.

The National Expenditure Program (NEP) for FY 2021 has allocated a total of PhP1,051,937,000 or 9.37% of the OPAPP's re-prioritized FY 2021 PAMANA proposed budget. The said amount refers to the NEP-approved appropriations for the DSWD (PhP 960,917,000), NCIP (PhP 29,791,000) and PHIC (PhP 61,229,000).

BUDGET HOLDER	PROPOSED BUDGET	NEP-APPROVED	% of proposed budget
NGA	6,255,186,182	1,051,937,000*	16.82%
Partners			
OPAPP	4,971,321,987	-	0%
TOTAL	11,226,508,169	1,051,937,000	9.37%

\* Refers to PhP 960,917,000 for DSWD, PhP 29,791,000 for NCIP and PhP 61,229,000 for PHIC

The PAMANA-NPMD participated in various internal and external budget-related meetings including the budget hearings with the Senate and House of Representatives via videoconference.

2. Implementation of FY 2020 PAMANA Program. The General Appropriations Act (GAA) of FY 2020, which was released in January 2020, allocated a total of PhP1,696,042,000 or 29.42% of the OPAPP's FY 2020 PAMANA proposed budget. It likewise approved PhP61,056,000 funding for the hiring of forest guards in support of the CBA-CPLA and RPA peace processes under the DENR's Tier 1 budget.

Agency	Proposed Budget*	NEP 2020	GAA 2020	% of proposed budget
DENR**	123,104,000	66,056,000		
DSWD	1,603,046,723	960,917,000	960,917,000	59.94%
PHIC	159,300,000	61,229,000	61,229,000	38.44%
NCIP	23,896,000	23,896,000	23,896,000	100.00%
OPAPP***	3,855,608,612	-	650,000,000	16.86%
Grand Total	5,764,955,335	1,112,098,000	1,696,042,000	29.42%

\* As updated

\*\* Under the Tier 1 of the DENR Budget for FY 2020

\*\*\* Updated per edits

In preparation for the implementation of the OPAPP component, the PAMANA-NPMD then organized pre-implementation phase activities with the AFP and DILG including the signing of the national level Memoranda of Agreements (MOAs). Per DBM's guidance, a re-assessment was conducted with the assumption that (1) regular operations may partly resume towards the third quarter of the year; and, (2) regular operations subjected to new normal guidelines, the following new targets were adjusted from the original 656 projects to 473 projects, with corresponding amounts:

Project Type	No. of Projects	Amount
Agricultural Productivity Support	42	38,800,000
Agri-Fishery	2	2,000,000
Capacity Building	26	6,500,000
Community Infrastructure	111	117,600,000
Electrification	66	61,000,000
Livelihood	158	81,550,000
Road	3	115,000,000
Water	248	220,050,000
Grand Total	656	642,500,000

OPAPP PAMANA projects approved for FY 2020 (original projet count and amount)

Project Type	No. of Projects	Amount
Agricultural Productivity Support	42	38,800,000
Agri-Fishery	2	2,000,000
Capacity Building	-	
Community Infrastructure	111	117,600,000
Electrification	66	61,000,000
Livelihood	1	1,200,000
Road	3	115,000,000
Water	248	220,050,000
Grand Total	473	555,650,000

The foregoing was confirmed in July 2020 and corresponding compliance documents were prepared.

Five (5) MOAs amounting to a total of PhP 74,000,000 were signed on 16 September 2020 in Iligan City for the implementation of FY 2020 PAMANA projects in the Municipalities of Munai (Lanao del Norte), Picong (Lanao del Sur) and Tangcal (Lanao del Norte). The activity was graced by OPAPP Secretary Carlito G. Galvez, Jr. and concerned local government officials.

The PAMANA-NPMD met with the Area Management Offices via videoconferencing as well as issued operational guidelines as regards the FY 2020 PAMANA implementation for guidance moving forward.

# 3. Monitoring of PAMANA Projects lodged in OPAPP and NGA Partners from FY 2012 to FY 2020

- **a. Inter-agency meeting.** The activity is a regular monitoring activity with the AFP, BARMM-BPDA, BARMM-MPW, BARMM-MSWD, CHED, DA, DAR, DENR, DILG, DSWD, NCIP, NEA, PHIC, PNP and OPAPP. The activity did not push through as originally scheduled on 27 March 2020 or as re-scheduled in April 2020 due to the pandemic. The activity was further moved to October 2020.
- **b. Bilateral meeting.** The activity is a regular monitoring activity with implementing partners at the national and local levels. During the reporting period, the OPAPP PAMANA-NPMD met with the DSWD and NCIP on the implementation of FY 2020 PAMANA-DSWD IP-CDD Project on 18 September 2020 via videoconference. The activity was initiated by the DSWD.

**c. Implementation support for FY 2017 PAMANA.** The activity is a regular monitoring activity with implementing partners at the local level aimed at facilitating progress updating in light of the then target completion dates of 31 December 2019 for soft infrastructure and 30 June 2020 for hard infrastructure. The 11 sessions set did not push through as planned on 2-24 June 2020 due to the pandemic. The activity was moved to November 2020.

The OPAPP PAMANA-NPMD continued the review and consolidation of fund release requests out of the remaining funds amounting to PhP 404,842,545.60 for NCA request.

**d.** Field visits. Field-based activities were limited during the reporting period in light of the pandemic. The following 12 field-based activities were coordinated and undertaken during the reporting period with the Area Management Offices taking the lead:

July 2020 DATE	ACTIVITY	Area
DITL		Team
13-14 July	Joint OPAPP-DPWH Final Inspection of FY 2018	AMO
2020	PAMANA-DPWH Road Project in Mulanay,	Southern
	Quezon	Luzon
	• Concreting of Bagupaye-Anonang-Magsaysay	
	Road, Barangay Bagupaye, Mulanay, Quezon	
16 July 2020	Joint OPAPP-DPWH Final Inspection of FY 2018	AMO
	PAMANA Road Project in Abra de Ilog,	Southern
	Occidental Mindoro	Luzon
	• Concreting of Apias-Mananao Road, Sitio	
	Apias, Mananao, Barangay Wawa, Abra de	
	Ilog, Occidental Mindoro	
28 July 2020	Monitoring and Punch Listing of FY 2018	AMO
	PAMANA-DPWH Road Project in Barcelona,	Southern
	Sorsogon	Luzon
	• Construction of Barangay Alegria Bridge and	
	Concreting of Both Approaches, Barangay	
	Alegria, Barcelona, Sorsogon	
29 July 2020	Joint OPAPP-DPWH Final Inspection and	AMO
	Monitoring of FY 2018 PAMANA Road Projects	Southern
	in Bato and Lagonoy, Camarines Sur	Luzon
	• Concreting of Caricot-Payak-Pagatpatan and	
	Palo Road Phase 2, Barangays Pagatpatan	
	and Palo, Bato, Camarines Sur	
	• Concreting of Gubat-Pinamihagan Barangay	
	Road Phase 2, Barangay Pinamihagan,	
20.21 Index	Lagonoy, Camarines Sur	
30-31 July 2020	Joint OPAPP-DPWH Final Inspection of FY 2018	AMO Southern
2020	PAMANA in Labo, Capalonga, and Sta. Elena, Camarines Norte	Luzon
		Luzon
	• Concreting of Pag asa Road, Barangay Pagasa, Labo, Camarines Norte	
	<ul> <li>Concreting of Alayao-San Roque-San Isidro</li> </ul>	
	• Concreting of Alayao-San Koque-San Islaro Road, Barangay Alayao, Capalonga,	
	Camarines Norte	
	<ul> <li>Concreting of Villa San Isidro Road, Barangay</li> </ul>	
	Villa San Isidro, Sta. Elena, Camarines Norte	
	, and San Istaro, Sta. Diena, Canarities Norte	

#### July 2020

DATE	ACTIVITY	Area Team
	<ul> <li>Concreting of Cabuluan-Guitol Road Phase 2, Barangay Guitol, Sta. Elena, Camarines Norte</li> <li>Concreting of Sta. Elena-Basiad Road Phase 3, Barangay Basiad, Sta. Elena, Camarines Norte</li> <li>Concreting of Patag ibaba Road Phase 2, Barangays Patag ibaba, Sta. Elena, Camarines Norte</li> </ul>	

### August 2020

DATE	ACTIVITY	Area
DATE		Team
7 August	Turnover of FY 2017 PAMANA Construction of	AMO
2020	Bagsakan Center at Barangay Panansalan,	Davao
	Compostela, Davao de Oro	
25 August	Turnover of FY 2017 PAMANA Construction of	AMO
2020	Water System Level III at Brgy Mahongcog,	Cotabato
	Magpet, North Cotabato	

### September 2020

DATE	ACTIVITY	Area
2		Team
9 September	Turnover of FY 2018 PAMANA Bridge Project in	AMO
2020	Barcelona, Sorsogon	Southern
	• Concreting of Alegria Bridge 53lm, Barangay	Luzon
	Alegria, Barcelona, Sorsogon	
16 Septe	Turnover of FY 2018 PAMANA-DPWH Road	AMO
mber 2020	Project in Lagonoy, Camarines Sur	Southern
	• Concreting of Gubat-Pinamihagan Barangay	Luzon
	Road Phase 2 3 km, Barangay Pinamihagan,	
	Lagonoy, Camarines Sur	
22 September	Turnover of FY 2018 PAMANA-DPWH Project in	AMO
2020	Labo, Camarines Norte	Southern
	• Concreting of Labo-Bakiad-Sta. Cruz-	Luzon
	Fundado Road Phase 3 (5m x 4,400lm x .20m),	
	Barangays Bakiad/Sta. Cruz/Bakiad, Labo,	
	Camarines Norte	
23 September	Turnover of FY 2018 PAMANA-DPWH Road	AMO
2020	Project in Labo, Camarines Norte	Southern
	Concreting of Kanapawan-Tanauan Road	Luzon
	Phase 3 $(5m \times 8,010lm \times .20m)$ , Barangay	
	kanapawan, Labo, Camarines Norte	
24 September	Turnover of FY 2018 PAMANA-DPWH Road	AMO
2020	Projects at the Negosyo Center Conference Hall,	Southern
	Sta. Elena, Camarines Norte	Luzon
	Concreting of Bulala-Villa Aurora Road Phase	
	2	
	Concreting of Guitol-Cabuluan road Phase 2	
	Concreting of Kagtalaba Road Phase 2	
	• Concreting of Patag-Ibaba Road Phase 2	
	• Concreting of Sta. Elena-Basiad Road Phase 2	
	Concreting of Villa San Isidro Road	
24 September	Turnover of FY 2017 PAMANA-OPAPP	AMO
2020	Agricultural Productivity Project in Sultan Kudarat	Cotabato

DATE	ACTIVITY	Area Team
30 Septe mber	Turnover of FY 2018 PAMANA-DPWH Road Project in Mulanay, Quezon	AMO Southern
2020	• Concreting of Bagupaye-Anonang-Magsaysay Road, Barangay Bagupaye, Mulanay, Quezon	Luzon



4. Data Generation and Processing. The OPAPP PAMANA-NPMD coordinated with its PAMANA partner agencies for the submission of progress reports. The following agencies were able to submit their respective progress report during the reporting period: AFP, DILG, DPWH, DSWD, NCIP. Data generation and follow-through coordination, review and data reconciliation of submitted data were still ongoing as of the end of the reporting period.

# **B.** Empowering communities by increasing their capacity to address conflict and help them reduce their vulnerabilities

1. National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security (NAPWPS) 2017-2022. The Peace and Development Roadmap of the Duterte Administration is an all-inclusive peace framework, committed to continue the work of integrating gender in the peace process, including the implementation of the National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security (NAPWPS).

The NAPWPS 2017-2022 is the articulation of the Philippine Government's commitment to international resolutions and national mandates on women, peace, and security. The action plan ensures that women's needs and concerns in conflict-affected and post-conflict areas are addressed through the development and implementation of programs, projects and activities for the protection of women and prevention of all forms of violence in the context of conflict.

During this quarter, the following were accomplished:

**a.** Capacity Building Trainings and Webinars. In line with the strengthening of the OPAPP Gender and Development (GAD) Focal Point System and to continuously capacitate the GAD Technical Working Group members, Senior Technical and/or Administrative Staff, the OPAPP-NAPWPS Division has facilitated the conduct, attendance and participation of male and female personnel of OPAPP to the following online trainings and webinars:

- FAME Leaders Academy's GAD Webinar Training. Organized by the FAME Leaders' Institute, the OPAPP through the NAPWPS division facilitated the participation of 1 male and 10 female OPAPP GAD Focal Point System Technical Working Group members; Unit GAD/WPS focal persons; and senior technical and administrative staff from different OPAPP departments and offices in an online training on gender analysis using data and strategic planning anchored on the Gender Equality and Women Empowerment Plan 2020-2025 last 27-28 August 2020. The training increased the knowledge, appreciation, support and enhanced the technical capacity of the Gender and Development Focal Point System, particularly the technical working group members on gender analysis and gender strategic planning.
- FAME Leaders Academy's Introduction to Gender Analysis and Disaggregation of Data and Setting up of Agency's Strategic Framework and Multi-Year Plans Towards GEWE. The training build up the technical capacity of participants on gender analysis was held on 21-22 September 2020. The webinar was attended by 1 male and 7 female personnel from the different OPAPP programs/offices and units.
- FAME Leaders Academy's Setting up of Agency's Strategic Framework with Multi-Year Work Plans towards Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment 2020-2025. The training held on 28-29 September 2020 intended to enhance the understanding and capacity on GAD strategic planning/GAD Agenda. It was attended by 3 male and 9 female personnel from the different programs/offices and units

#### 2. Activities in support to the observance of the National Peace Consciousness Month

- a. Armed Forces of the Philippines OPAPP Peace Symposium. OPAPP thru the NAPWPS Division of the Social Healing and Peacebuilding Department (SHAPED) sponsored and co-hosted a peace symposium on 28 September 2020 as part of the National Peace Consciousness Month. The activity aimed to update AFP commanders and planners on the objectives and directions of the government's peace agenda while creating a space to discuss and clarify key issues related to the peace process. As part of the holistic and inclusive approach to the peace process, the NAPWPS Division integrated and emphasized gender and conflict sensitivity approaches to further promote the participation and invaluable contribution of women. The symposium were attended by representatives from the different major services and unified commands of the AFP.
- b. Support activities relative to the Implementation of EO 70: Assessment of PAMANA Projects Impact to Women and Girls in Conflict-Affected and Vulnerable Areas. Conducted two (2) consultative assessment activities on the impact of PAMANA Projects to women and girls in Labo and Sta-Elena, Camarines Norte and Mulanay (Barangay Bagopaye, Anonang and Magsaysay), Quezon Province on 21-26 September and 29 September to 01 October 2020. A total of sixty-five (65) PAMANA project women beneficiaries attended the activities, wherein they were also provided COVID-19 related assistance such as alcohol, face masks, face shields, among others.

The consultative assessment activities included an orientation on the implementation of NAPWPS. Data on the direct and indirect effects of the PAMANA projects to these women and their children and the community as a whole were also gathered as inputs to policy and program enhancement and/or formulation of NAPWPS implementation plan.

- **3.** Youth, Peace & Security (YPS). As the Philippine Government firms up its commitment to the UNCR 2250, recognizing that "young people play an important and positive role in the maintenance and promotion of international peace and security," the OPAPP has started to operationalize the Youth Peace and Security Division under the SHAPED to come up with interventions that will address the vulnerability of the youth, particularly those in the different conflict-affected areas. As a long term plan, these activities will contribute in the crafting of the National Action Plan on Youth, Peace and Security and contribute in addressing the vulnerabilities of the youth by empowering them to be proactive agents of peace.
  - Support to the Observance of the International Day of Peace and National a. Peace Consciousness Month- OPAPP- UNOY and VIBES Peace Conversation on Youth Peace and Security. In observance of the National Peace Consciousness Month and the International Day of Peace, OPAPP partnered with the Volunteers Initiatives in Bridging and Empowering Society (VIBES) and United Network of Young Peacebuilder (UNOY) to hold the online Youth Peace Conversation on "Shaping Peace Together". The international forum aims to educate the public on issues of concern, to mobilize political will and resources to address global problems and reinforce the achievements of Youth, Peace and Security. Meanwhile, the Philippine segment on YPS Peace Conversations, specifically aims to provide inputs and updates of the national and regional (Bangsamoro region) YPS agenda and to identify the youth priority agenda on peacebuilding both at the national and regional contexts. The forum also provided a platform for OPAPP to provide the latest updates on the peace process and draw the youth support in campaigning for peace.
- 4. Conduct of International Humanitarian Law (IHL)-related forum. This activity was conducted in celebration of IHL month on 12 August 2020, via Zoom videoconference. The forum was primarily aimed at providing the participants with the current issues and concerns arising from armed hostilities during the COVID-19 pandemic. A total of 98 participants joined via Zoom, and 40 participants joined the livestream via Facebook.
- **5.** Policy development and advocacy on the peace process agenda. The OPAPP through the Policy and Strategic Planning Department (PSPD) provided technical inputs and policy advise on the following, resulting in the consideration, adoption and/or incorporation by concerned government agencies, bodies and peace partners, and which centered on recommendations pertaining to the Six-Point Peace and Development Agenda, the Six Paths to Peace, the principles and approaches on Conflict-Sensitivity and Peace Promotion, the pillars of Women, Peace and Security, Youth, Peace and Security, social healing and peacebuilding / preventing, countering and transforming violent extremism, promotion and protection of children's rights, protection of civilians during armed conflict, among others:
  - Government of the Philippines-UNICEF Country Program Action Plan 2019-2023
  - Senate Bill on the Creation of the Department of the Overseas Filipinos
  - Draft ASEAN Regional Forum Statement on the Treatment of Children Recruited and Associated with Terrorist and Violent Extremist Groups
  - Technical inputs on and endorsement of projects Australia plans funding
  - Concept Papers on Preventive Diplomacy Agenda of the ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF)
  - DFA-UNIO request for Updated Position on Safe Schools Declaration
  - Communication on the OPAPP's representatives to the Task Force Balik-Loob (TFBL), as well as on the focal persons for the cluster for former violent extremists and former rebels
  - Draft Joint Communique of the 53rd ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Meeting

- ASEAN Leaders Declaration on ASEAN Community Post-2025 and on the Concept Note on Special ASEAN Coordinating Council on Sub-regional Development. \
- Technical inputs on the draft Chairman's Statement of the 10th East Asia Summit (EAS) Foreign Ministers' Meeting
- Technical inputs on the draft Children in Situations of Armed Conflict (CSAC) Handling Protocols
- Technical inputs on the draft ASEAN-Australia Joint Statement
- Technical inputs on the Report of the ASEAN Political-Security Community (APSC) Council to the 36th ASEAN Summit
- Technical inputs on the 12th Coordinating Conference for the ASEAN Political-Security Community (ASCCO) draft document
- Communication on OPAPP's concurrence to the Draft IRR of the Magna Carta of the Poor
- Technical inputs on the Philippine Statement on United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) Group of Friends Meeting
- Technical inputs on House Bill No. 4003 on the creation of a National Transitional Justice and Reconciliation Commission for the Bangsamoro
- Technical inputs on the review of the 2019 SOCCSKARGEN regional development report
- Technical inputs on the draft East Asia Summit Leaders' statement on Women, Peace and Security
- Technical inputs on the ASEAN-Australia Leaders' Statement
- Technical inputs on the Draft ASEAN-New Zealand Vision Statement
- 6. Participation in various fora and inter-agency mechanisms for policy development and advocacy. The PSPD represented OPAPP in the following videoconference meetings, resulting to the advocacy on the Six-Point Peace and Development Agenda, the Six Paths to Peace, the principles and approaches on Conflict-Sensitivity and Peace Promotion, the pillars of Women, Peace and Security, Youth, Peace and Security, social healing and peacebuilding / preventing, countering and transforming violent extremism, promotion and protection of children's rights especially during armed conflicts, protection of civilians during armed conflict, and sustained cooperation and coordination between agencies, among others:
  - NAP PCVE Security, Justice and Peace Cluster Meeting, 9 July 2020
  - International Humanitarian Law Ad Hoc Committee Meeting, 14 July 2020
  - Task Force Balik-Loob Meeting, 29 July 2020
  - Task Force Balik-Loob Meeting, 28 August 2020
  - International Humanitarian Law Ad Hoc Committee Meeting, 20 August 2020
  - Intergovernmental Relations Body (IGRB) Meeting, 28 August 2020
  - Ad Hoc Joint Body for the Zones of Joint Cooperation, 2 September 2020
  - Intergovernmental Energy Board Meeting, 3 September 2020
  - International Humanitarian Law Ad Hoc Committee Meeting, 8 September 2020

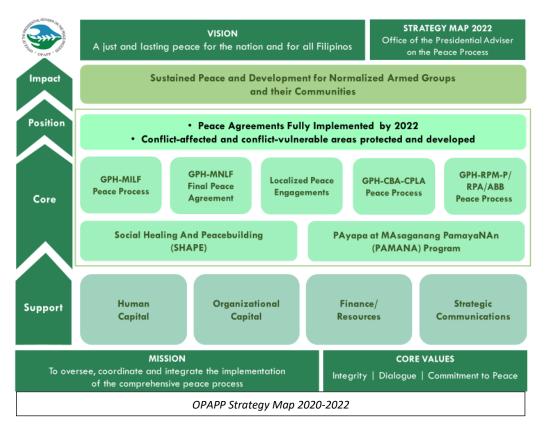
### C. Strengthening government peace and development institutions and mechanisms to increase their responsiveness to peace, conflict, and security issues

1. Mainstreaming Conflict-Sensitive and Peace Promoting (CSPP) Approaches. A DILG-OPAPP Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) was drafted to enjoin the LGUs to mainstream CSPP in their Comprehensive Development Plans. The JMC seeks to provide principles, guidance, and tools to facilitate mainstreaming CSPP and integration of sectoral concerns in the CDPs of cities and municipalities; and, highlight the important role of the province, local special bodies (LSBs), and the individual cities and municipalities in conflict prevention and peace-building initiatives. The said JMC was scheduled to be signed by SILG and PAPRU in the next quarter.

- 2. Culture of Peace Training for OPAPP personnel. For the third quarter, the Knowledge Management and Peace Institute Department (KMPID) in partnership with the Human Resource Management Department (HRMD) conducted the Culture of Peace Training and OPAPP Orientation for the 22 newly-hired personnel on 19-20 August 2020. The activity helped increase the understanding of the OPAPP personnel on basic peacebuilding concepts (peace, conflict, violence), culture of peace, and how these principles relate to the work of OPAPP. The different roles and functions of OPAPP Departments were also presented.
- **3.** Knowledge Management and Documentation Training for OPAPP personnel. In order to capacitate the OPAPP personnel on effectively managing the knowledge-based assets of OPAPP, a Knowledge Management and Documentation Training was conducted on 02 03 September 2020 and was participated in by 39 OPAPP technical staff from central and area management offices. The training resulted to mapping out of knowledge management practices in OPAPP as well as proposed criteria for documenting good practices.

### III. OPAPP SYSTEMS AND BUSINESS PROCESSES ARE IMPROVED

**A. Performance Governance System (PGS).** The PGS is a reform process pursued by the Agency, which is currently on its initiation stage where program departments are enabled to formulate their strategies and translate these into roadmaps and scorecards, and where strategic, core and support functions are transformed into performance commitments.



#### **B.** Planning, Programming and Budgeting

As part of improving internal processes, OPAPP continues to implement the Planning, Compliance, Monitoring and Evaluation (PCME) focals and the Program and Budget Advisory Committee (PBAC) mechanisms to work on the standardization and enhancement of planning and programming and link these to budgeting processes for a more effective and financial management and resource utilization. OPAPP submitted its FY 2021 proposed budget to the Senate and the House of Representatives in August and September and attended budget committee hearings and plenary sessions for the period.

Senate Finance Sub-Committee Chair Sen. Panfilo M. Lacson pointed out during the budget hearing for OPAPP that signed peace agreements are continuing commitments which must be sustained. He noted that the Bangsamoro normalization program is a multi-year program which must be funded regularly. The Senate representatives then gave assurance that the OPAPP programs will be considered for appropriate funding.



#### C. CSPP-MEAL System Development and Enhancement

- **1. FY 2019-2022 Performance Evaluation Plan.** During the quarter, the FY 2019-2022 Performance Evaluation Plan for the Agency's core programs was developed, which would allow for a deeper understanding of existing and future opportunities, risks, vulnerabilities, capacities, and resources within the agency and enable its existing strategies to adapt and continually shape its priorities concerning its mandate. For this fiscal year, a formative evaluation will be conducted to provide enhancements to the strategies of Programs 2 and 5 and identify areas of improvement in its implementation to ensure their evaluability, while process evaluation will be conducted to determine the extent to which the decommissioning processes for Programs 1 and 4 were implemented as planned. Evaluation designs were already drafted to guide the assessment process.
- **2. Organization Structure and Staffing Pattern.** The agency's OSSP was developed in anticipation of the agency's proposed transition from the OPAPP to OPAPRU. This is based on a thorough review and analysis of the agency's mandate and the Terms of Reference submitted by the Departments relative to the laws, policies, and guidelines governing the reorganization and rationalization process of a national government agency.

#### D. Information system development/ Data Management services

- **1. Program Dashboard.** For this reporting quarter, program dashboards were developed to streamline the reporting of program accomplishments where financial progress and implementation updates are illustrated for timely decision-making on issues and challenges encountered. The Planning, Compliance, Monitoring, and Evaluation focal persons were oriented on how to accomplish the said dashboards, which will be piloted beginning October 2020.
- **2. Establishment of Knowledge Management Systems.** For this reporting quarter, the filing and retrieval system for the amnesty-related documents turned over to OPAPP by

the now-defunct National Amnesty Commission was established. A total of 2,185 files were accounted for, assigned a Document Control Number, and organized. The filing and retrieval system can potentially expedite OPAPP's response to client's amnesty-related requests for files and documentation.

#### E. Development and Implementation of Transparency and Accountability Mechanism

**Feedback and Response System (FRS).** During the quarter, an orientation of the FRS was held for selected program staff to ensure their understanding and appreciation of the different provisions of the agency's FRS guidelines and to gather recommendations for further enhancements to the existing guidelines. The FRS provides citizens a platform to raise their feedback on all OPAPP-supported interventions. Hands-on training on the FRS information system shall be held once the installation of its security features is established and completed.

**F. Communicating Peace.** The main work of the OPAPP Communications and Public Affairs Department (CPAD) is to ensure that the Duterte Administration's Peace and Development Agenda and all the initiatives being carried out by the agency are well communicated to the general public and key stakeholders.

To achieve this, the CPAD focused its efforts on implementing strategic and tactical communication efforts such as local media engagements, press briefings, and release of stories to mention a few.

The CPAD also provided support and coverage on major events and activities for the agency for the third quarter of 2020 which included the Pre-State of the Nation Address (SONA) Forum; OPAPP International Humanitarian Law Day Forum; Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signing with OPAPP, DTI and NIA; Consulations with Former Rebels in Baler, Aurora; Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) Peace Symposium; Turnover of Peace Village for Haran victims; PAMANA turnover of post-harvest and livelihood equipment in Sultan Kudarat; PAMANA MOA signing with local government units of Lanao del Sur and Lanao del Norte.

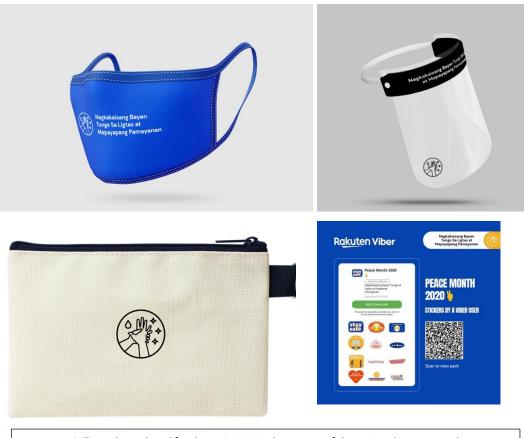
The CPAD also provided support and coverage for major events and regular activities of the National Task Force (NTF) Against COVID-19 in Manila and Cebu City which included the Coordinated Operations to Defeat Epidemic (CODE) team visits, inter-task group meetings, launch of testing laboratories with private sectors and LGUs.

From July to September 2020, CPAD drafted forty-three (43) news and feature releases; four hundred thirty-five (435) digital and print IEC content; one hundred ten (110) talking points, messages, scripts and speeches for PAPRU and OPAPP executives; four (4) statements, sixty-seven (67) photo releases, seven (7) communication plans, and twenty-one (21) media interviews, and press briefings.

On the celebration of the National Peace Consciousness Month in September 2020, the CPAD prepared and proposed themes and taglines, designed the logos, print and online publicity materials, advertisements in LRT, MRT, and MMDA LED screens in EDSA, Zoom background, collaterals such as face masks, face shields and hygiene kits, and Viber stickers. As part of



the celebration of the Peace Month, CPAD also partnered with the AFP for the conduct of



Peace Symposia for AFP executives. CPAD provided support on logistics and design and layout.

Collaterals produced for the activities in observance of the national peace month

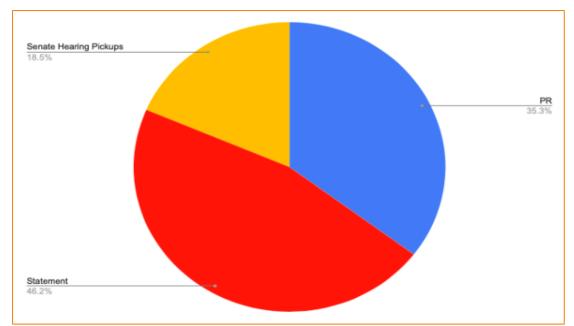
The communications department also prepared the opening and closing video messages of the PAPRU which were uploaded via Facebook.



#### Closing Message of the PAPRU for #PeaceMonth2020 Presidential Peace Adviser and National Task Force Against COVID-19 Chief Implementer Carlito G. Galvez, Jr. delivers the closing message for the conclusion of the National Peace Consciousness Month 2020. Also shown in the video are activity highlights during the month-long...

Press Releases PR VALUES. The OPAPP garnered a total PR values amount of PHP 7,323,918.00 for the 3rd quarter of 2020 - a result of the "Whole-of-Government" approach that temporarily shifted the focus of all agencies to jointly work together in response to the pandemic that globally crippled nations.

For this quarter, Presidential Peace Adviser Carlito Galvez Jr. issued two (2) statements, nine (9) press releases, and appeared in the Senate Hearing on OPAPP budget totalling twelve (12) issued communication media. Secretary Galvez's statement of condemnation of the Kabacan Ambush gathered the highest amount of PR value with **PHP 1,764,000**. This was followed by his statement on the twin bombings in Jolo, Sulu, which garnered **PHP 1,340,004.00**.



Distribution of OPAPP PR values per category from July - September 2020

### PART II

#### SUPPORT TO THE NATIONAL ACTION PLAN AGAINST COVID-19

In support to the Chief Implementer, OPAPP heads the Secretariat which facilitates the coordination and communication between and among the National Task Force (NTF) Principals, the Czars (Testing, Contact Tracing, Isolation and Treatment), Task Groups, Regional Task Forces and the organization of the NTF Coordinated Operations To Defeat Epidemic (CODE) Teams. The Secretariat also regularly provides the following:

- **a. Daily and Weekly Sit Reps.** The OPAPP through the NIC-EOC provides daily and weekly situation reports to the Office of the President (OP), the Senate of the Philippines and the Chair and Vice Chair of the National Task Force against COVID-19. These reports contain updates on the following: (a) COVID-19 statistics, (b) trace, test, and treat or health updates, (c) management of returning overseas Filipinos (ROFs) and locally-stranded individuals, (d) maintenance of peace and order, (e) resource management and logistics, (f) Social Amelioration Program, and (g) Strategic Communications. Significant activities of the CI and the NTF are also reflected in said reports. Data is sourced out from the different Task Groups (TGs) and Sub-Task Groups (STGs) reports, as well as reports of different agencies in their websites and social media accounts.
- b. NIC Dashboard. Since June 2020, the OPAPP has been supporting the Secretariat of the NIC-EOC through the daily collection, analysis, and reporting of COVID-19 cases based from the local reports of the provincial, city, or municipal governments, health information offices, and other local mechanisms established in response to COVID-19 pandemic. Aggregated based on the number of active cases, recoveries, and deaths, including probable and suspected cases at the regions down to the barangays, this effort has informed timely decision-making and response in the implementation of the zoning containment strategy to localize the National Action Plan against COVID-19 and assisted in the tracking of discrepancies between the records of the local government units and the Department of Health at the national level. A dashboard has been generated daily that would summarize the major information generated from the dataset and illustrate the trends of the COVID-19 outbreak as reported locally.
- c. Coordinated Operations to Defeat Epidemic (CODE) Team Visits to Rizal and Marikina. The National Task Force (NTF) initiated the conduct of LGU CODE Team Visits in line with the national government-enabled, local government-led, people-centered response, which aims to provide stronger support to LGUs especially when there is an increase in cases/clusters or lack of resources.

The CODE Team is a composite group of representatives from different agencies. The initiative aims to rapidly scope the epidemiological situation at the granular level of the LGU and assess needs based on the current situation.

Through a dialogue with the CODE Team, the visit aims to:

- i. To provide a platform for the LGUs to share their good practices and lessons learned in the localization of the NAP Against COVID 19;
- ii. To engage LGUs in a constructive dialogue gathering their recommendations and



Introduction of the Project Balik Buhay (PBB) to the LGUs and business sector to provide guidance on opening up business operations under the new normal.

proposed strategies to address their issues and concerns in the implementation of the NAP;

- iii. To increase the knowledge and understanding of the LGUs on the NAP Phase II and the Guidelines on the Zoning Containment Strategy; and,
- iv. To identify ways and assist LGUs in the strengthening of their capacities and improving the localization of the Prevent-Detect-Isolate-Treat-Reintegrate (PDITR) Strategy.

#### d. Support to the Deputy Chief Implementer for the Visayas in Cebu and Bacolod.

In compliance to the directive of the President to provide support to DENR Secretary Roy Cimatu as Deputy Chief Implementer for the Visayas, the Chief Implementer tapped MGen. Melquaides Feliciano (Ret) to lead the OPAPP team that was deployed in Cebu City starting 23 June 2020.

With the support of the OPAPP and the supervision of the Deputy Chief Implementer, the following were accomplished in Cebu City:



Implement/operate a data-driven EOC. Daily huddle with Cluster Heads of EOC Bacolod City from Monday- Saturday, 8AM-3PM.

- Harmonized relationship and stronger linkages among government entities and stakeholders which increased the involvement and participation of all especially the barangays;
- Streamlined processes, systems and activities which includes the daily debriefing, regular harmonization of data and the institutionalization of a complete referral system from the community to the three-levels of care;
- Strengthened mechanisms which includes the establishment of the 24/7 Telemedicine, Cluster Clinics and the Contact Tracing Team Operations Center;
- Decrease in the number of daily cases from as high as 200 in June 2020 to below 30 in August 2020;
- Decreased in the number of deaths from 359 in June 2020 to almost zero in September 2020.

The Office of the Deputy Chief Implementer for the Visayas also provides technical assistance to the Emergency Operations Center in Bacolod City as well as the Provincial Government of Negros Occidental to assist them in the fight against Covid-19.



Send-off of Cebu City swabbers. New swabbers were capacitated and hired to ensure that cases are properly and immediately processed and analyzed.

Burial Site Visit for the Construction of Public Cemetery in Cebu City. The project aims to address the immediate management and burial of the remains of Covid-19 patients.