

Program 7: INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND PARTNERSHIPS



Highlighting the role of building of a culture of peace and conflict sensitivity towards positive peace and sustainable human development and in line with OPAPRU's expanded mandate to manage, direct, integrate and supervise the implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Process, including initiatives that promote and reinforce national reconciliation and unity, the OPAPRU endeavored to foster stronger support of the international community in sustaining the gains of the Comprehensive Peace Process. Towards this end, the agency sought to (1) align the international partners' programs and interests with the government's peace process policies and agenda, (2) establish and maintain international partnerships and cooperation with members of the international community supporting the peace process, (3) manage the implementation of peace process-related programs of international partners, and (4) direct the technical and financial resources of international partners towards the identified gaps of the peace table requirements.

Cognizant of the crucial role of the international community in ensuring that the gains of the Comprehensive Peace Process is sustained, the OPAPRU strategized to establish and maintain meaningful partnerships and cooperation with various foreign governments and intergovernmental entities, the United Nations and its attached agencies, and international non-governmental organizations.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND PARTNERSHIPS

Highlights of Accomplishments

- ✓ Partnerships and cooperation with 52 international organizations supporting the Comprehensive Peace Process;
- ✓ Oversight, management, and coordination of 51 peace-related programs/projects of international partners;
- ✓ Resource mobilization to support the requirements of the peace tables amounting to Php 8.5 Billion;
- ✓ Establishment and Operationalization of the Bangsamoro Normalization Trust Fund (BNTF);
- ✓ Engagement with international development partners for the provision of technical, financial, and in-kind assistance to support the COVID-19 response of the Philippine Government.

The International Cooperation and Partnerships Office (ICPO) is tasked to oversee, manage, and coordinate the implementation of peace-related programs, projects, and activities (PPAs) of international partners to ensure its alignment and complementation with the agenda and priorities of the national government, particularly in relation to the peace process, and national reconciliation and unity.

The ICPO works to ensure that the following outputs are met:

- (1) International partners' programs aligned with government's peace process policies;
- (2) International partnerships and cooperation established and maintained;
- (3) Implementation of peace process-related programs of international partners managed; and,
- (4) Technical and financial resources of international peace partners directed towards the identified gaps in the peace table requirements.

The Office shall use a four-fold strategies, namely:

- (i) policy analysis;
- (ii) constituency-building;
- (iii) program management; and
- (iv) resource mobilization

ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Highlights of Accomplishments

- ✓ Agency transformation to OPAPRU by virtue of EO 158, s. 2021
- ✓ Operationalized automated program dashboard system
- ✓ Approved Information System Strategic Plan (ISSP)
- ✓ Operationalized Human Resource Management System
- ✓ Institutionalization of the OPAPRU personnel business email @peace.gov.ph
- ✓ Achieved the Compliance Stage of Performance Governance System with Silver Trailblazer Award
- ✓ Developed Clarificatory Implementing Information System (CIDIS) for Program 4
- ✓ Enhanced Productivity Tool such as OneDrive and SharePoint
- ✓ Developed Conflict Vulnerability Index (CVI) to determine priority areas for programming and peacebuilding interventions
- ✓ Most outstanding Accounting Office received from COA and AGAP in 2021
- ✓ Issuance of Executive Order No. 125 on the creation of the National Amnesty Commission
- ✓ Agency transformation to OPAPRU by virtue of EO 158, s. 2021
- ✓ Institutionalization of Peace Education in Basic, Higher and other Learning Institutions
 - Anti-Terrorism Council (ATC) Approval of the Proposed Executive Order Strengthening the Institutionalization of Education for Peace and Sustainable Development in Basic and Higher Education and Other Learning Institutions
 - Conduct of the 1st National Peace Education Summit
 - Conduct of 2nd OPAPRU Peace Research Conference
 - North-South Peace Education Learning Exchange and Establishment of Peace Education Resource Nook (P.E.R.N) at the Mindanao State University – General Santos and Kalinga State University
 - Virtual Learning Exchange between the ASEAN-IPR and Philippine Higher Education Institutions
- ✓ Proclamation Nos 1090, 1091, 1092, and 1093 granting amnesty to members of MILF, MNLF, RPMP-RPA-ABB and CTGs.