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A monitoring framework is continuously being developed to effectively implement the 2017-2022 Public Investment Program (PIP) and strengthen its linkage with the planning and budgeting processes. The result of the 2017-2022 PIP formulation and update will be provided regularly to the Investment Coordination Committee (ICC), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), and Congress.¹

MONITORING OF THE PIP IMPLEMENTATION USING THE PLAN-PROGRAM-AND-BUDGET FRAMEWORK

Strategic measures introduced to improve the linkage of the planning, programming, and budgeting processes of the government will be continued. These measures include: monitoring and reporting the achievement of the targets reflected in the Philippine Development Plan-Results Matrices (PDP-RM) through the Socioeconomic Report (SER); synchronizing the programming and budgeting guidelines and calendars; and further enhancing the PIP Online (PIPOL) System as a project database and monitoring system and exploring its possible linkage with the Online Submission of Budget Proposal System (OSBPS) used by DBM in the annual budget preparation.

Through the annual updating of the PIP using the PIPOL System, the agency's preparation of inputs for monitoring of priority programs and projects (PAPs) under the PIP will be facilitated. Accomplishments in terms of achieving the desired outcomes and expected outputs identified in the PDP and RM, as well as key challenges and recommendations on ways forward, will be monitored. These information will form part of the SER to be prepared by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Secretariat.

Pursuant to Section 4 (PDP and PIP Monitoring and Reporting) of Executive Order (EO) No. 27, s. 2017,² results of monitoring the PIP implementation shall be reported regularly to the appropriate NEDA Board Committees, existing Cabinet Clusters, and Inter-Agency Committees of the government through the NEDA Secretariat.

In terms of instrument, the PIPOL System will be the primary monitoring tool in ensuring the efficient and timely implementation of priority PAPs over the medium term. The PIPOL System will be continuously enhanced to be more user-friendly and responsive. The current version of the PIPOL System already reflects

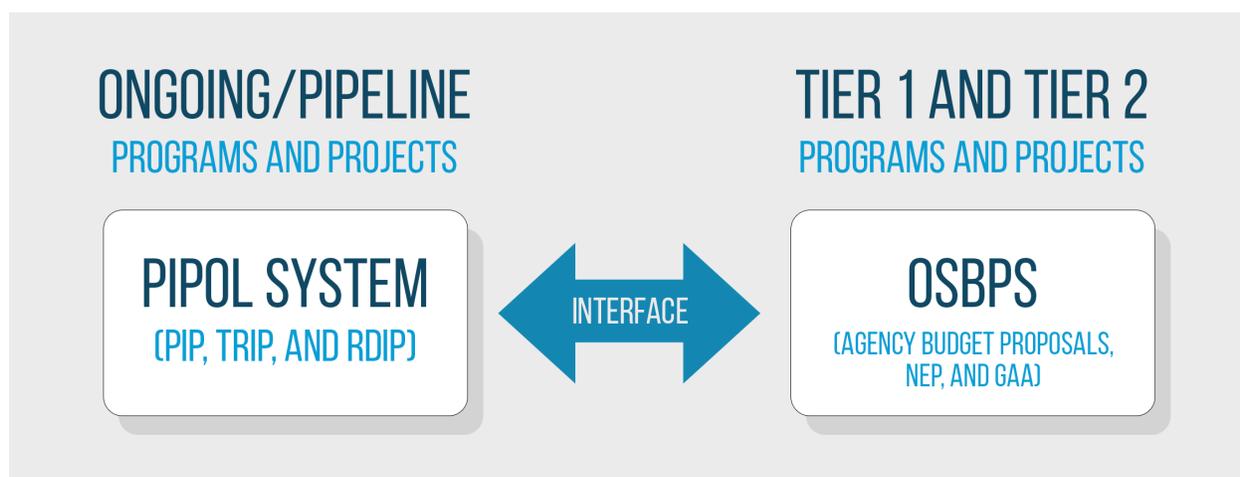
¹ As part of the directives given by the Senate Committee on Finance during the deliberation of the proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Budget, the updated PIP will be submitted to Congress annually to serve as guide for legislators in the exercise of their budget oversight powers and in the assessment of the directions and priorities of the President's National Expenditure Program (NEP).

² EO 27, s. 2017 'Directing All Government Agencies and Instrumentalities, Including Local Government Units, to Implement the Philippine Development Plan and Public Investment Program for the Period 2017-2022'

initial enhancements, which among others include: improvement in the report generation module of the NEDA Secretariat to better facilitate the validation process; and auto-generation of agency's endorsement letter, which helped ensure agency's accountability in its submission. Additional modules will also be introduced in the future to facilitate the tracking of progress of major programs and projects of the government.

Lastly, technical coordination meetings between NEDA and DBM are currently ongoing to discuss the operationalization of the linkage between programming and budgeting processes through the establishment of an interface between OSBPS and PIPOL System. The proposed system interface will allow NEDA and DBM to monitor which priority PAPs in the PIP were included in the agency budget proposals, NEP, and General Appropriations Act (GAA) (refer to Figure 4.1).

Figure 4.1. Proposed PIPOL System-OSBPS Linkage Framework



MONITORING OF THE CORE INVESTMENT PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

Core Investment Programs/Projects (CIPs), the pipeline of priority PAPs for the review and approval of the NEDA Board and/or the ICC, will be closely monitored through the PIPOL System and the ICC Project Appraisal Monitor.

Upon submission of the ICC requisite documents by implementing agencies, CIPs will be appraised by the NEDA Secretariat on a per project basis to establish the project's viability, for the consideration of the ICC and/or the NEDA Board. Once implemented, the CIPs will likewise be continuously monitored by NEDA, through its Monitoring and Evaluation Staff, in close coordination with the respective implementing agencies. Monitoring of progress implementation will involve identification of bottlenecks and the necessary corrective measures, if any, to facilitate successful project implementation.

Status of the CIPs as a whole will be reported to the ICC on a regular basis to obtain directives on moving forward.

MONITORING OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE FLAGSHIP PROJECTS

The government also sets the monitoring of infrastructure flagship projects (IFPs) as a priority. IFPs are the set of major capital project undertakings designed to contribute to one of the government's thrust: ushering the "Golden Age of Infrastructure". With the massive planned investment for the infrastructure sector, it can be expected that necessary infrastructure support will be made available for priority sectors such as the social, industry and services, and agriculture, forestry, and fisheries.

On June 27, 2017, the NEDA Board approved the creation of the Project Facilitation, Monitoring, and Innovation (PFMI) Task Force aimed at facilitating development, approval, and implementation of IFPs. Accordingly, the economic managers signed a Joint Memorandum Circular on September 1, 2017, providing for the Implementation Guidelines for the establishment of the PFMI Task Force. The Task Force, whose Steering Committee consists of the economic managers and heads of key implementing agencies,³ will recommend government-wide operational measures in resolving development and implementation issues, institute coordination mechanism between implementing and oversight agencies, and facilitate the deployment of resources through the national budget, official development assistance, public-private partnership, and other sources towards the faster development and implementation of IFPs.

³ The PFMI Task Force - Steering Committee is composed of the Secretaries of NEDA, DBM, Department of Finance, Office of the Cabinet Secretary, Department of Public Works and Highways, and Department of Transportation, and the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Bases Conversion and Development Authority.

