

**RDC ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT
CY 2017 to First Semester 2018**

- Regional Development Planning
1. For the year 2017 the Bicol Regional Development Council passed forty-eight (48) resolutions in four full regular council meetings. In the conduct of the quarterly meeting, the Council was able to perform the following:
 - Endorsed the budget proposals of thirty-three (33) agencies to the Department of Budget and Management and their central offices for inclusion in the General Appropriations Act.
 - Acted on matters from other RDCs, NEDA and other entities requesting support and/or endorsement, i.e. RDC 4-B Resolution Requesting the Congress to Revisit the Government Procurement Process (Res. No. 2016-056-538); RDC IX Resolution enjoining LGUs to Adopt DPWH Design Guidelines in Implementation of Local Road Projects (Re. No. 91); Advocacy Plan for the Ambisyon Natin 2040, Philippine Development Plan 2017-2022; Supporting House Bill No. 5948 and Senate Bill No. 2179 Seeking to Establish the National Coastal Greenbelt Program.
 2. The Council spearheaded the conduct of an assessment of the resources of Bicol to determine if the region will be able to support the operations of a federal state by creating the Bicol Resource Assessment Committee. This has been recognized at the NEDA Central Office and is planned to be replicated in other regions.
 3. The Council conducted a quarterly assessment of the RDC-endorsed projects to monitor which projects that are endorsed by the RDC for funding are actually implemented by the agencies. The remaining projects for funding in 2017 is 59.84 percent. RDC-endorsed projects totalled Php92B while GAA-approved is Php65.5B. In 2016, the RDC proposed was PhP121B while P82.11B was approved. The figures are a little bit higher by 96.04 percent in 2017 from 59.84 percent in 2016, with the biggest increase in the social sector of 142.16 percent.
 4. The Council approved the inclusion of projects in the Regional Development Investment Plan, such as: the Camarines Sur Toll Expressway Project. The project was endorsed to DPWH for feasibility study preparation.

5. The following reports and documents were prepared through the concerted efforts of RDC members and other agencies:
 - 2016 Regional Development Report (RDR);
 - Bicol Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2017-2022 Results Matrices;
 - Bicol RDP 2017-2022 Operational Plan;
 - Bicol Development Updates.
6. The RDC conducted an Orientation on the Comprehensive Investment Programming Guidelines and validation workshop on investment programming that led to the adoption of the Regional Development Investment Plan 2017-2022.
7. Training on the GIS Application. The Regional Land Use Committee of the RDC, through its secretariat, the NEDA Region 5, spearheaded the 5-day live-out Refresher Course in Basic and Advance Geographic Information System (GIS) Operation for Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation (DRR/CCA) into the Bicol Regional Physical Framework Plan (RPFP). It was held from February 26 to March 2, 2018 at the Estevez Hall, NEDA Region 5, Legazpi City. The training course aimed to capacitate and equip the RLUC-TWG members with the technical and analytical tools required in mainstreaming the concepts of DRR/CCA in the Bicol RPFP. The training was attended by representatives from the DA, DAR, DENR, DILG, DOT, MGB, OCD, provincial planning and development offices, and NEDA who compose the Regional Land Use Committee-Technical Working Group (RLUC-TWG) tasked to prepare the DRR/CCA-enhanced RPFP. Engr. Ana Marie Rico-Abante, a GIS expert and a professor from the Bicol University, was the resource person.
8. Forum on the Update on Transportation Planning and Gathering of Bicol Local Planners. NEDA Region 5, as RDC secretariat, in partnership with the League of Local Planners and Development Coordinators of the Philippines-Bicol Chapter (LLDPCP), conducted the forum of Bicol local planners last June 1 at NEDA Region 5. The activity aimed to generate feedback from Bicol local planners on the status of the preparation of their transportation plans as a follow through activity of the training on transportation planning that was coordinated by the NEDA last October 2016. The concepts and learnings from the training were applied by the local planners in the preparation and updating of their DRR/CC-enhanced comprehensive land use plans particularly in the transportation component of the plan. The activity was also a venue for the Bicol local planners to discuss their plans and programs as a collective body. Other topics discussed include: (a) Philippine Private-Public Partnership (PPP) Program and Local Government Units PPP Strategy, (b) Update on 2018 Cities and Municipalities Competitiveness Index survey, (c) Designation of LGU's CMCI Focal Persons and Functions, and (d) Update on CLUP preparation.

9. Project Evaluation. Conducted evaluation of three projects: (a) Skybridges 1 & 2; (b) Camarines Sur Expressway Project; (c) Pasacao-Balatan Coastal Tourism Highway. The cost of these three projects are more than the P2 Billion threshold for projects to be approved by the NEDA-ICC.
10. Evaluated region specific projects and these were: (a) SMART Off Grid Power System and Integrated Renewable Energies in Catanduanes; (b) 248 projects evaluated and endorsed to RLAs for compliance to the requirements of the Comprehensive Investment Programming Guidelines; (c) comments on inception report of Castilla-Magallanes Road and Viaduct Project.

- Project Monitoring and Evaluation

11. The Regional Development Council (RDC), through the Regional Project Monitoring Committee (RPMC), monitored the implementation of priority and critical programs and projects in the region in accordance with the guidelines of the Regional Project Monitoring and Evaluation System (RPMES). A project facilitation session for the Bicol International Airport was conducted to identify interventions that will address project implementation issues.
12. A three-day training on the RPMES and geotagging of projects was conducted for technical personnel of regional line agencies, local government units, and state universities and colleges. The RDC private sector representatives were among the participants since they are involved in project monitoring and evaluation. The participants were oriented on the RPMES operational guidelines and the use of geotagging as a tool in monitoring and evaluating projects

- Other Significant Accomplishments

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15. Technical assistance were conducted to: (a) LGU Pilar on PNR extension to Matnog; (b) Bicol Sanitarium on Comprehensive Development Planning; (c) Preparation of Department of Tourism (DOT) on Bicol Regional Tourism Committee 2018 WP; (d) Congressmen Bravo and Sarmiento on the list of infrastructure

projects; (e) Banko Sentral ng Pilipinas on the challenges, opportunities and prospects of the Pili and Abaca; (f) DOT on Streamlining of the BRTC and Regional Eco-Tourism Committee; (g) Project Development and Feasibility Study Preparation for the pilot LGUs on Public Private Partnership; (h) DOT Bicol Tourism Investment Guide; (i) Report on the Bicol Economy; (j) Senate Committee hearing on the effects of TRAIN; (k) Launching of the PPP KC; (m) Presented the PPP during the meeting of the league of planners; (n) TA to 4 clients of PPP KC; (o) Conduct survey on the one month training on project development; (p) Requested proposal of San Jose Airport; (q) RPMES activities for Camarines Norte PMC; (r) Migration Governance; (s) Review and Enhancement of the RSDP 2018-2023; (t) Regional Population Executive Board meeting; and (u) Thesis of Ateneo de Naga students re Bicol RDP.

16. The RDC conducted two full council meetings and passed 44 resolutions for the 1st quarter and 14 for the 2nd quarter 2018. It also conducted eight sectoral committee meetings for the 1st and 2nd quarter. Meetings were held for RDC Special and Affiliate Committees, i.e. RLUC, RPMC, BRTC, RDRRMC-CRR.
17. Documents for 1st and 2nd Quarter 2018 RDC meetings were prepared and released within prescribed period: 80 Agenda folders, minutes of meeting, matters arising from the minutes of meeting, summary of resolutions and instructions; draft resolutions, and reference materials.