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PCAT-VAWC ANNUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT

Calendar Year 2024

In accordance with the policy, the Provincial Council Against Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children (PCAT – VAWC) of the province of Isabela was created and constituted through an Executive Order issued by the Governor. The council regularly meets to plan for the programs, projects and activities to be undertaken by the Council. Below are several of the PCAT-VAWC's accomplishment under the 2024 Work and Financial Plan, which PPAs are geared towards addressing problems and issues confronting the women and children in the Province, to wit:

PSYCHOLOGICAL AND REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The objective of this program is to ensure access to psychological services of the residents in Women and Children Protection Center and Lingap Center. Psychological Testing and Assessment is conducted to determine cognitive, emotional and behavioral functioning of the residents which would serve as one of the bases in their diagnosis and rehabilitation plan, while Psychotherapy aims to help clients improve their mental well-being, teach them positive coping strategies, and enhance their overall quality of life to help them become socially-functioning individuals.

In 2024, a total of 19 residents of Lingap Center and WCPC were provided with psychological services, where 9 Lingap Center residents and 5 WCPC residents underwent Psychological Testing and Assessment, 2 WCPC residents underwent Psychological Re-assessment, and 3 WCPC residents underwent Psychotherapy.

LAUNCHING OF TEENAGE PREGNANCY PREVENTION IEC MATERIALS

It is a two-day district-based strategy activity which aims to intensify the level of awareness of adolescents (SSG Officers) pertaining to key messages in various forms such as tote bag, flyers, fan, notebook and bookmarks, leading to teenage pregnancy prevention. It also contains vital information on teenage pregnancy incidence in the Province of Isabela that may help promote the development of responsible decision among the youth. The main targets on this campaign were the student leaders or SSG Officers to seek their commitment as advocates of their peers in helping prevent teenage pregnancies in the school and in their communities.

The activity is one of the strategies to enforce Section 03 of the Provincial Ordinance No. 2020-09-01 entitled "An Ordinance Establishing a Provincial Policy in Preventing Teenage Pregnancies", which emphasizes collaboration with PSWDO, PYDO, and Isabela Youth Development Council and consultations with agencies and institutions to develop materials and modules that promote age-appropriate CSE.

The launching was attended by SDO Isabela, School Nurses, Adolescent Coordinators, Mhos, SSG Advisers and students sfrom the different secondary schools in the province.



AID TO INDIVIDUALS IN CRISIS SITUATION (AICS) PROGRAM

To contribute to a better and improved quality of life for the citizenry, the PSWD Office implements Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS) Program where priority attention is given to the poor, vulnerable and marginalized sectors of the society.

For year 2024, there are a total of 7,867 individuals provided with financial assistance amounting to Php 21,328,800.00.

KIND OF ASSISTANCE	NO. OF BENEFICIARY	AMOUNT
MEDICAL	6,599	16,631,100.00
BURIAL	961	2,701,000.00
TRANSPORTATION	130	587,000.00
EDUCATIONAL	109	1,208,700.00
FOOD ASSISTANCE	54	138,000.00
OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES	14	63,000.00
GRAND TOTAL	7,867	21,328,800.00





KATARUNGANG PAMBARANGAY SEMINAR

It is the key policy of the Provincial Government of Isabela to pursue a human rights-based and equal-opportunity development that values the contributions of women as much as those of the men, and the actualization of their potentials as a means of strengthening society for all. Through the Provincial Legal Office (PLO), a seminar on the protection of women's rights at the Barangay Level and the Katarungang Pambarangay Law was conducted. The intention of this activity is to share legal knowledge and give legal advice to our fellow Isabeleños in the Municipality of Sto. Tomas, Isabela.

On May 23, 2024, the Provincial Legal Office employees arrived in the Municipality of Sto. Tomas, Isabela where the seminar will be conducted. They were welcomed initially by the staff of MLGU Sto. Tomas and were afterwards brought to the venue of the seminar. Atty. Jenny Flor T. Manantan-Cabaddu started the seminar by discussing the Violence Against Women and Children of 2004 (VAWC) Law, specifically the grounds on how the violations can be committed against not only to a woman but also to her children. She also discussed how they can file the case against their spouse. After the seminar proper, many of the participants brought about questions and concerns regarding their situation especially those who have been mistreated physically by their husband. After the seminar on VAWC, Atty. Jenny Flor T. Manantan-Cabaddu also discussed with them RA 9995 or the Anti Video Voyeurism Law and the Anti Boso Law.

On May 24, 2024, the Provincial Legal Office employees arrived in the Municipality of Sto. Tomas, Isabela where the seminar will be conducted. They were welcomed initially by the staff of MLGU Sto. Tomas and were afterwards brought to the venue of the seminar. Atty. Jean Ben G. Singson started the seminar about the Katarungang Pambarangay Law which was followed by the lecture on Drafting of Resolutions and Ordinances by Atty. Clive Hendelson F. Cariaga. The participants in this seminar were the Barangay Officials of all the Barangays in Sto. Tomas. The discussion went well and many of the officials asked questions regarding how to settle the dispute in their respective Barangays. After the forum proper, the lawyers of PLO gave advice to the officials and participants. To end the seminar, the PLO gave them their Certificates as a token of appreciation for their attendance.

On December 05, 2024, the Provincial Legal Office employees arrived in the community center of Municipality of Naguilian, Isabela where the seminar will be conducted. After which, Atty. Jean Ben G. Singson started the seminar and explained the Katarungang Pambarangay Law and the Drafting of Resolutions and Ordinances. The participants in this seminar were the Barangay

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SEMINAR ON THE PROTECTION OF WOMEN’S RIGHTS AT THE BARANGAY LEVEL

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On December 06, 2024, the Provincial Legal Office employees arrived in the Municipality of Naguilian, Isabela where the seminar will be conducted. They were welcomed initially by the staff of MLGU Naguilian and were afterwards brought to the venue of the seminar. After which, Atty. Karla Louise S. Dioquino-Agbayani started the seminar by discussing Republic Act No. 11311 otherwise known as the Safe Spaces Act or the Anti Bastos Law; and the Violence Against Woman and Children of 2004 (VAWC) specifically the grounds on how the violations can be committed

against not only to a woman but also to her children. She also discussed how they can file the case against their spouse. After the seminar on VAWC and Safe Spaces Act, Atty. Jenny Flor T. Manantan-Cabaddu, discussed with them RA 9995 or the Anti Video Voyeurism Law and the Anti Boso Law.

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ENHANCED PARENTING EFFECTIVENESS SERVICE

The conduct of the 2-day Training on Enhanced Parent Effectiveness Service to the parents of residents at Lingap Center, Women and Children Protection Center and Isabela School for the Deaf Center is aimed towards strengthening their knowledge and skills in responding to their duties and responsibilities. It was conducted on November 26-27, 2024 at Senior Citizen Center which was attended by thirty-three (33) parents of residents and eighteen (18) housparents where modules on Responsible Parenting were discussed.





2-DAY SKILLS TRAINING ON WASTE-TO-PRODUCT

Equipping participants with practical skills in waste management, recycling, and upcycling, this training aimed to foster community involvement and reinforce participants ability to implement sustainable practices in their respective municipalities. The first batch of participants included 44 representatives from the municipalities of Angadanan, Benito Soliven, Cabatuan, Cordon, Gamu, Luna, Naguilian, and Reina Mercedes, while the second batch comprised representatives from Cauayan City and the municipalities of Jones, Mallig, Quezon, Ramon, San Agustin, and Sta. Maria.

The discussion of the following transpired: Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000 (RA 9003), solid waste management initiatives and laws, converting biodegradable waste into organic fertilizers/soil enhancers, “WOW Cauayan” Recycling Program, and “Waste to Gold” program. Sharing of best practices in upcycling, and recycling from IGLO members in various municipalities, personal experiences on their solid waste management and the insights in the training were also facilitated during the training.





PRE-MARRIAGE ORIENTATION AND COUNSELLING TRAINING

The 3-day Training on Pre-Marriage Orientation and Counselling (PMOC) aims to increase the number of accredited PMOC Teams in LGUs. It was conducted at Piazza Zicarelli Hotel and Restaurant, Upi, Gamu, Isabela on September 4-6, 2024, where a total of 29 LGUs with 52 PMOC team members were trained.

The PMOC manual modules 1 and 2 were discussed which highlighted the family as a basic and most important institution of society that must be promoted by its ideals by guaranteeing that couples are equipped with the essentials needed for a lasting marriage, proper rearing of children and preservation of family as stated in the Family Code of the Philippines 1987.



Ms. Santos, Population Program Officer IV discussed 2 topics of Module 1: “Planning the Family “ and “Pregnancy and Childbirth”



Ms. Imelda Decena from DSWD Regional Office handled the introduction of Module 2 (PMOC Guidelines) and Session1: “ You and Your Future Spouse”



Final Requirement : Return Demonstration of Counseling Session by the participants applying the basic skills of a counselor

WOMEN’S MONTH PROVINCIAL CELEBRATION 2024: 1ST GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT (GAD) SUMMIT

The Provincial Government of Isabela in collaboration with the Isabela State University-Echague Campus, Mengal Women Organization and Province of Isabela Green Ladies Association, Inc. conducted a two-day Gender and Development Summit in observance to Proclamation No. 227 or Women’s Role in History Month.

The summit was conducted at the GFNDy Hall, provincial Capitol, Alibagu, City of Ilagan, Isabela, and ISU Echague – Amphitheater, Echague, Isabela on March 18-19, 2024 respectively. It aimed to:

1. Inform and engage women and everyone in pushing for the transformation of gender norms and culture towards an inclusive society;
2. Highlight the collaborative efforts of government agencies and the private sector in addressing poverty and strengthening financial institutions to bridge gender gaps, advocating for social protection systems, and enhancing access to public services and sustainable infrastructure for women and girls;
3. Provide platforms to share good practices and address gaps, challenges, and commitments in pursuing gender and development (GAD), further strengthening the implementation of the Magna Carta of Women toward its milestone 15th year this 2024;
4. Inspire women and girls to empower themselves and take on leadership roles, opportunities, and benefits toward maximizing their full potential and enabling them to reap the fruits of gender equality;
5. Promote a society that ensures inclusion, protection of fundamental freedoms, diversity, and social justice, in which every individual, each with rights and responsibilities, is capacitated and encouraged to take an active role in playing.

Day 1 of the summit focused on Empowerment and Equality. The highlights of the activity were the conduct of interactive workshops on Women’s Entrepreneurship and Financial Literacy, Leadership Development for Women, Negotiation and Assertiveness Training, and Women in Politics and Decision-making, and recalibration of PLGU GAD Code and Plan.

Day 2, on the other hand, was focused on Building a More Inclusive Society. Topics on Healthy Masculinity and Gender Equality Exploring positive male identities, breaking gender stereotypes; Creating a Culture of Respect and Non-Violence; Creating a Welcoming and Safe Spaces for LGBTQIA+; and Bystander intervention, challenging sexist attitudes, raising violence-free families were discussed, while panel Discussion on Gender-Based Violence (GBV), Innovation for GBV, and Gender-Responsive Budgeting and Planning was also conducted. One of the highlights of the activity was the Launching of Men Opposed Violence Everywhere Movement Isabela Province.

Speakers of the 2-day summit were invited from the: Universiti Utara Malaysia, National Council of Women of the Philippines, Department of Budget and Management, Regional Development Council 2 – Regional Gender and Development Committee (RDC2 RGADC), Commission on Human Rights Regional Office II, Department of Interior and Local Government Field Office II, Isabela Provincial Police Office, Echague - Mengal Women Organization, Province of Isabela Green Ladies Association, Inc.

Participants of the summit are composed of Women Leaders, Local Council for the Protection of Children, Local Council Against Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children, and Gender and Development Focal Point System from the Provincial, City and Municipal Level attended the summit.





TRAINING ON GENDER SENSITIVITY AND GENDER ANALYSIS

The Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI) conducted a two-day training on Gender Sensitivity and Analysis, utilizing the Harmonized Gender and Development Guidelines (HGDG) with the theme: "Strengthening Gender Responsive Planning and Budgeting in LGUs: utilizing the HGDG and GeRL Toolkits", at the Blue Room, Capitol on December 17-18, 2024.

The training gathered members of the Gender and Development Focal Point System (GFPS) Executive Committee and Technical Working Group to enhance their capacity to implement gender-responsive strategies in programs and projects. The HGDG is a comprehensive tool designed to address gender concerns effectively in programs and projects. It offers analytical frameworks for achieving women's empowerment and aligning agency mandates with gender equality objectives.

Dr. Jhamie Tetz Mateo, Director for GAD at Isabela State University, served as the resource speaker. She underscored the pivotal role of the HGDG in promoting inclusivity and equality in development planning. Participants actively engaged in interactive sessions, practical exercises, and the drafting of sample project proposals. These activities equipped them with the essential skills needed for gender analysis and the development of gender-responsive plans.



RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES

The Provincial Government of Isabela sustains and ensures the operation and maintenance of the Residential Care Facilities serve as Temporary Shelters for Women and Children in Especially Difficult Circumstances:

- **Women and Children Protection Center**

The Women and Children Protection Center (WCPC) serves as haven to Women in Especially Difficult Circumstances (WEDC) ages 18-59 who are victims of violence against women and for Children Needing Special Protection (CNSP) ages 0-17 who are victims of sexual abuse, exploitation, child trafficking and also children age ranging from 0-6 (male and female) who are abandoned, neglected, maltreated, and dependent of clients are all equally eligible for temporary shelter and protective custody.



1. Home Life Services

- There are 23 clients admitted for temporary shelter and protective custody with provisions of well balance food, complete set of clothes, under wears, school uniforms, blanket, pillows, bed foam, toiletries and other essential needs.
- Convened at least once or twice a month meeting with the residents for positive reinforcement, immediate action on their issues and concerns, by building-up camaraderie among children and new admitted clients and reminding of the center's policies and programs.
- Conducted monthly session on character building to all residents as well as choosing responsible client in doing home life activities based on the structured daily activities. At the end of the month, the best performers will be given a simple award or token for recognition as strategy in motivating positive behavior among children.
- Inculcation in using time management, household chores and other home life activities were taught and discussed to all residents to become self-contained, efficient, and responsible person. Likewise, given them opportunity to choose their assignments based on their age and capabilities.



2. Psycho-Social Services

- This year, there are two newly admitted clients referred to a private Psychologist for Psychological Testing and Evaluation, two clients have undergone re-assessment and provision of psychotherapy sessions. Provision of individual counseling, art therapy, group dynamics and other psychological wellness activities were provided to all residents having manifestation of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), exhibiting negative behavior, and anxiety. Gender and Development (GAD) Fund was utilized in implementing this provision.
- Ms. Alliana Dawn Salmos (recently passed the board examinations for Psychology) and Ms. Alyssa Mary Ballesteros (registered Psychometrician) continuously conducted group dynamics, sessions on self-care and other mental health topics to strengthened coping skills of all residents for their possible healing and recovery.
- One adult client was assisted and referred to a Psychiatrist, Dr. Ethel Pagaddu for series of medical consultation/check-up with provision of eight months medication charged to MOOE Fund.



3. Educational Services

- While the children are taking care in the WCPC, they are given opportunity to continue their formal education. Out of 23 total served, 18 residents are officially enrolled in formal education, six (6) of whom are enrolled in elementary (face to face), ten (10) are in high school (modular type), one (1) learner is in senior high school (modular type) while one (1) is enrolled in Alternative Learning System (ALS).
- Provision on education has its own fund allocated for school supplies, projects, minimal contribution in the classroom, daily transportation allowance and for morning/afternoon snacks. For modular learners, they were assisted in the submission of answered modules, and picking-up summative/periodical test in their respective class advisers.
- The Center Head together with the House Parent also conducted regular school visitation to children in their respective classroom for monitoring of safety and protection as well as performance in their class. Likewise, continuous collaboration with the School Principals and Teachers/Classroom Advisers on other issues and concerns for immediate action. Regular attending of Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and Brigada Eskwela was also observed and complied as part of the houseparent obligation and participation in the school.



4. Health Services

- Sustainable health services are provided to all residents like free laboratories, X-ray, CT Scan, hospitalization and medicines including access on dental services (tooth extraction & cleaning) at the GFNDM Hospital.
- For this calendar year, there are three (3) clients were confined at the GFNDM Hospital and accommodated in a private room for safety and protection with closed monitoring of hospital Nurse and house parents. Likewise, closed collaboration with the Medical Social Worker for condonation of hospital bill and other medical needs. One (1) client was also referred to Optometrist and provision of eye glasses was equally provided by the WCPC.
- Frequent physical examination including checking of height and weight to all residents for health monitoring including personal hygiene of every resident was conducted by the In-house Nurse. Likewise, provision of medicines, multi-vitamin, vitamin-C and vaccination on anti-flu were provided to all residents to boost immune system.
- For health promotion and intervention, at least twice a month in conducting health awareness session to all residents like nutrition education, reproductive health, different structures & functions of the body, and discussion on common diseases were taught by the In-House Nurse.
- Likewise, the Resident Nurse ensures a well-balance diet meal for clients through a Planned Menu prepared and approved by the IPHO Dietician/Nutritionist.



5. Legal Services

- The Center Head came up with an activity on “Kids and Teens Court Awareness Program” to all residents in pursuit of a holistic court preparation in testifying in the court and its legal process.
- The Center Head including the two (2) Social Workers served as case managers who continuously assisted and escorted the survivor victims with filed criminal complaint before the court of RTC Branch 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, and 24. Out of 23 clients, five (5) of whom were promulgated with fair decisions from the court while others are still in court proceedings. Likewise, two (2) clients whose perpetrators are still fugitive in justice.
- There are three (3) client minors were able to disclosed additional perpetrators who committed criminal complaint against them. Through collaboration with the PNP-WCPD of San Mateo, Isabela and City of Cauayan, Isabela, clients were assisted in executing their sworn statements and in filing their respective complaints at the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor and Office of the City Prosecutor of Cauayan, Isabela.



6. Spiritual Services

- All residents are free to practice their respective religions. Also, guided in their daily life experienced through group prayer and devotion every morning and evening including before & after mealtime, motivating them to composed or lead the prayer as well as memorizing Bible verses facilitated by the house parents and other staff.
- Different religious groups/organizations are accommodated to conduct spiritual activities to all residents with proper coordination and reminding them to strictly adhere to the rules and policies of the Center.
- In the observance of the special events, Holy Mass was significantly celebrated, Recollection & Station of the Cross during the Lenten Season, Bible Sharing initiated by the different religious groups, and to experienced attending Dawn Mass at the Amphitheater, Capitol Building and other activities were notably conducted to all residents for spiritual formation and strengthen of faith.



7. Recreational, Sports, and other Socio-Cultural Activities

- The Center consistently celebrated and observed special events like birthdays, Bambanti Festival, Valentine’s Day, Women’s Month, Nutrition Month, Family Week, Children’s Month, Christmas festivity, and other related activities for purpose of social awareness, interaction, socialization, and also developed life skills and talents of every client. The Gender and Development (GAD) Fund was utilized for these activities.
- Emphasizing the special event on Women’s month wherein all residents and staff joined in the celebration highlighted on self-care and pampering likewise, by inviting two speakers who gave inspiration and sharing their success stories of being an empowered women in their respective field in the person of Dr. Elena C. Ariola, SFC Vice President for Administration and PLTCOL Ma. Delia M. Pedrezuela of Highway Patrol Group Region 02.
- One of the Child’s Rights is giving time to play and recreational. In line with the celebration on Children’s Month and National Advocacy Week: “Palarong Pambata”, the WCP Center introduced “laro ng lahi” like sungka, kadang-kadang, patintero, tumbang preso, piko, breaking the pot, pabitin, and sack race. The purpose of these games is to develop physical, mental skills, promote health & values, and develop social skills of every child. The LCPC Fund was utilized for cash prizes for winners and consolation for the non-winners including snacks and other materials used. All residents have fun and enjoyed these games likewise, awareness and reflection of national culture and heritage by visiting the Provincial Museum and Library and other historical places within the City of Ilagan.



8. Economic and Livelihood Skills and Development

- No children & women is left behind in the WCPC in terms of livelihood skills. They are given privilege to undergo skills training to become productive & self-

reliant, learn & develop new skills, and discovering of interest & potentials. Through continuous collaboration with the TESDA, the children learned additional skills on “Basic Softener and Soap Making” while the Isabela State University San Mariano Campus likewise conducted training on the “Utilization of Weeds as Source of Livelihood”.

- By using of skills learned is very important to every client in preparation for their reintegration to augment family income or for possible independent living for adult client. Retention of skills through perpetual learning or practicing made them expert and competent.
- During livelihood time, all residents were motivated in joining income generating activity on baking and pastry making, beauty care, siomai/siopao, rug making and basic sewing (blanket & pillow case). Likewise, sharing of profits among residents out of their livelihood activity was also instilled to them.



9. Financial Assistance

- For parents and relatives who came to the WCPC to visit their children, provision of financial assistance for transportation allowance was provided to them by the PGI-PSWDO.
- For discharged adult resident preferred for independent living, provision of financial assistance was provided and availed from the Office of the Governor, Vice Governor, PSWDO, and SWAD.
- There were three (3) residents confined at the GFNDM Hospital whose parents referred at the Malasakit Center and availed of financial assistance for medical & emergency needs.



- Lingap Center**

The Lingap Center is a 24-hour residential facility that continuously reaches out and provides social work interventions to victims of neglect, abandonment, maltreatment, and street children. It provides protection and rehabilitation services through temporary residential care. The center was able to serve twenty-four (24) children for the year 2023, two (2) of which were victims of Violence Against Women and their Children.



- Social Services**

- The social services are focused on case management processes for all clients admitted to the center. These include a collaborative process of assessment, planning, facilitation, care, coordination, evaluation, and advocacy for options to meet the needs of the clients. Case Management is the lifeblood of the center. All children have individual folders that contain all their records, like Social Case Study Report, Helping Plans, Progress Reports, Psychological Evaluations, Health Records, etc.
- The Center Social Workers updated all recordings, conducted case conferences with the rehabilitation team, conduct home visitations, collateral interviews, and other activities that would fast-track the rehabilitation of every child. All activities conducted are properly documented.
- Six (6) clients were reintegrated to their respective families and communities. Meanwhile, eight (8) are new admissions for the year 2024.



2. Homelife Services

- The center provides homelife services to meet the basic needs of each resident, such as food, clothing, and toiletries, with well-balanced and organized activities that provide a wholesome family experience to meet their physical, emotional, mental, and social needs. It is a second home to the children operating 24/7. The center staff functions as substitute parents who provide directions, guidance, and tender loving care to these children. They are guided in doing the residents task as well as in their dealings with other children. They are treated equally and with respect. The Houseparents conduct Homelife meetings with the residents to discuss necessary updates on scheduled tasks, academic progress, center concerns and upcoming activities.
- Part of the homelife services involves actively guiding children through various tasks and center activities, offering valuable life-skill training such as rag-making, creating decorations, maintaining cleanliness, cooking, and learning essential chores like washing clothes, dishes, and utensils, all aimed at fostering independence and personal responsibility.
- A planned menu is followed in preparing for their daily meals, following the basic food groups of go, grow, and glow. A monthly health check is done to monitor their weight, height progress, and Body Mass Index (BMI). Based on the latest weighing and height measurements, all of them have increased in weight and height.
- Children are provided with their supply of clothing twice a year. Last June 2024, they were issued with school uniforms, bags and shoes and last December 2024, casual dresses, pants and other undergarments were provided. Their toiletries (bath soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.) are given on a weekly basis for their personal hygiene.



3. Educational Services

- Education is one of the component services of the Lingap Center, wherein the children are enrolled in public schools namely Alibagu Elementary School and Alibagu National High School located at City of Ilagan, Isabela, for them to continue their studies and prepare for their future. The mode of learning in these schools has returned to the traditional five days of face-to-face classes a week. However, during the natural disasters like typhoons, significant holidays and other instances of class suspension, the schools provide the residents with take-home assignments, modules and online activities. The Houseparents on-duty ensure that the children complete these tasks under their supervision.
- Constant coordination was maintained with the school principals and respective class advisers of the residents to address queries and academic concerns, particularly for those identified through psychological assessments conducted by a registered psychologist as having learning or intellectual delays.
- For the S.Y. 2023-2024, two (2) Elementary residents were recognized for Academic Excellence (With Honors), five (5) received Character Traits Award and one (1) successfully graduated from Grade 6.

SCHOOL YEAR 2023 - 2024	
ELEMENTARY	13
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL	1
TOTAL	14

The above data shows that all the children were in school for S.Y. 2023–2024, in which the Elementary level was the highest in number. Of the fourteen (14) children, thirteen (13) were in Elementary at Alibagu Elementary School and one (1) was in Junior High School (JHS) at Alibagu National High School.

SCHOOL YEAR 2024 - 2025	
ELEMENTARY	15
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL	5
TOTAL	20

- With the new admission cases of Lingap Center, for the S.Y. 2024 – 2025, the above data shows that all 20 residents were enrolled wherein fifteen (15) children are elementary in Alibagu Elementary School, while five (5) children were currently JHS at Alibagu National High School.
- Part of the educational services is the attendance of Lingap Center staff to Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) Meetings, Receiving of Report Cards and School Awards of residents.
- Under these programs, the children were provided with their school needs like school uniforms, bags, shoes, and school supplies such as notebooks, papers, pens, pencils, colors, etc. They also have a tricycle service that picks them up from the center to school and vice versa.
- There are also children who could hardly read, and these individuals receive one-on-one tutorial assistance from the Houseparents to improve their literacy skills and boost their academic confidence. Also, the center has a Library, offering a quiet and resourceful space for the residents to review and do their assignments.



4. Spiritual Enhancement and Values Inculcation

- Spiritual enrichment is an important intervention to transform the child holistically and give due respect to his or her religious beliefs to become a God-fearing person. The Center designs activities that will help the children enrich their spiritual development. Weekly Sunday Praise and Worship is held and conducted by Houseparent/ Pastor Mario C. Valdez to provide residents and staff with opportunities for spiritual reflection and prayer. Occasionally, the residents accompanied by staff, attended institutional masses in the provincial capitol such as the Misa de Aguinaldo.
- The staff emphasizes the importance of establishing a closer relationship with the Lord, especially at all times. They were taught and encouraged to pray, read the Bible, reflect, and follow the Ten Commandments. The group prays before and after taking their daily meals and going to bed.
- Volunteer groups from Victory Church took the initiative to organize and establish monthly biblical and spiritual activities for the residents, offering them a consistent platform for spiritual enrichment and personal reflection.



5. Recreational, Sports /Socio-Cultural Services

- Sports, recreational, and other socio-cultural activities are essential elements of human biology and psychology. It is a method of promoting camaraderie, unity, active and healthy being, character building, and physical fitness. Recreation & sports are programs of the center that all the children enjoy most as part of their physical education and development. These activities develop sportsmanship among the children, teaching them to accept loss and failure. The children play basketball, badminton, and volleyball and other outdoor games. The children also play Scrabble, Snakes and Ladders, and Chess after their tutorial. These games help them improve their vocabulary and planning. Facilitation of indoor and outdoor games are being done daily while Zumba/ physical exercises are done at 7:00 – 8:00 AM during weekends.



- Various celebrations were conducted to promote social interaction, cultural awareness and holistic development of the residents namely:
 - *Valentine's Day* – the staff and children celebrated Valentine's Day on February 14, 2024. This program aimed to celebrate the spirit of love and friendships, emphasizing the significance of these values in building strong relationships among the residents and staff. The children have showcased their talents in singing and dancing, helping them gain confidence and pride in their abilities.



- Women's Month Celebration – the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) conducted Dishwashing Liquid and Fabric Conditioner – Making Training to the female residents of both Women and Children Protection Center (WCPC) and Lingap Center in celebration of the Women's Month on March 22, 2024. The children were taught on how to make dishwashing liquid and fabric conditioner as one of the possible livelihood or income-generating activity.



- Sportsfest 2024 – the Lingap Center Sportsfest 2024 was conducted at the Isabela sports Complex with the participation of staff and 18 residents on July 05, 2024 with contested activities such as sack relay, flag relay, tug of war and different ball games.



- Nutrition Month Celebration – all residents and staff gathered together to celebrate Nutrition Month with the theme "Sa PPAN Sama-Sama sa

Nutrisyong Sapat sa Lahat” on July 25, 2024. This campaign intent is to increase demand for healthy diets and improve access to adequate, age appropriate, nutrient-dense, safe and sustainable diets. Relevant activities such as Slogan-making, Nutri-Jingle and Nutri-Kid pageant.



- Buwan ng Kabataan – in celebration of the Buwan ng Kabataan hosted by the Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI), the Lingap residents participated in a one-day celebration through a joyous festivity facilitated by the Sangguaniang Kabataan Federation and Provincial Youth Development Office on August 10, 2024.



- National Family Week Celebration- In support to this year’s celebration with the theme “Pamilyang Tumutugon sa Pagbabago ng Panahon”, the Provincial Government of Isabela conducted activities to promote family values, protection and development. The PSWD – Lingap Center held this activity and encouraged residents, their families and staff to share a meal together. Their parents and family members were invited to visit, joins in the program and to have a bonding or spend quality time with their children in the center on September 30, 2024.



- National Play Advocacy Week – the PSWD Office – Lingap Center conducted the Larong Pambata with the theme “Tara’t Maglaro at Makiisa sa Pagsulong ng Karapatang Pambata!” on November 20, 2024. This is in celebration of the National Play Advocacy Week (NPAW) to encourage everyone to create spaces where children can exercise their rights to play. Twenty (20) Lingap Center residents benefitted from various Palarong Pambata/ Larong Lahi while nine (9) staff facilitated the said activity in the Isabela Sports Complex, Alibagu, City of Ilagan, Isabela.



- United Nations Organization (UNO) Celebration – the Lingap Center staff and children participated in the UNO celebration on November 27, 2024 by dressing the residents in costumes representing various countries. The program featured a dance intermission number, unity singing and ramp modeling. This aimed to promote cultural appreciation, unity and self-confidence among children.



- Children's Month 2024 Celebration – in this year Children's Month and kick-off of Christmas celebration, the PSWD Office spearheaded the Donate-A-Toy campaign in the Provincial Capitol wherein government employees were encouraged to donate usable toys for the children in the residential care facilities managed by the office. The children received stuffed toys, toy cars and candies. The children were also invited and witnessed the grand finale of the Isabela's Got Talent Kid's Edition where the kid-contestants from different cities/municipalities showcased their God-given talents in singing which the Lingap residents really enjoyed.



- Christmas Party – Christmas Parties and special events extended by donors/benefactors to residents were conducted to spread joy, foster a sense of belonging and create memorable experiences for the children during the holiday season. A pajama party among HP on-duty and residents was conducted during the Christmas Eve.



6. Psychological Evaluation & Play Therapy

- Psychological intervention is undertaken to help clients cope with emotional stress or problems as a result of the psycho-social problems encountered. The clients are subjected to periodic psychological assessments to determine their social functioning and development. This year, ten (10) children underwent psychological assessments under Dr. Kathreen Joson at the OJ Fortune Psychological Services Clinic, under the expertise of Dr. Kathreen C. Joson, to provide a deeper understanding of the residents' psychological well-being and to support their holistic development through appropriate interventions while being inside the center. The result of their assessments would guide Center social workers on how to deal with and help the children become better and more functional individuals. Nine (9) residents benefited from psychological assessment, while one (1) resident was brought to their clinic for a diagnosis to identify and address intellectual needs.
- The Isabela State University-Ilagan BS Psychology students rendered their on-the-job training period in the center. Residents participated in art and groupwork activities as a therapy for them.
- The Center Psychometrician, Mr. Mc John Villanueva, also conducted several counseling sessions, play and group dynamic activities, and lecture-workshop sessions to support the residents' mental well-being, enhance their social skills, and promote personal growth and development.



7. Medical/Dental Services

- Medical and dental services are given to every client ensuring that they have access to quality health care while they are in the center. They are accompanied by the Center Nurse, Ms. Lanie T. Calabazon, to the GFNDy Provincial Hospital for medical check-ups, minor surgical procedures and tooth extraction when necessary. Medicines and vitamins, which are readily available in the hospital, are being provided thru the Malasakit Center while other medical needs/supplies are being purchased.
- Conduct of dental check-up and application of Fluoride to residents in celebration of Dental Health Month on February at the GFNDy Memorial Hospital. Weekly physical assessments on personal hygienewere conducted by Nurse Calabazon, along with lectures on health concerns, assistance and accompaniment to GFNDY Hospital for checkups or confinement, in coordination with the PDRPMC or DART Isabela for emergency cases. Provision of circumcision for two (2) male residents was facilitated to same hospital. Management of skin allergies, lesions and bruises were also properly treated.
- Regular provision of Vitamin C and Multivitamins to residents and close monitoring of health status and determining monthly weight and height.



8. Gender and Development Funded Activities

- Ten (10) residents were provided with Psychological Services from January to December 2024.



9. Capacity Building

This aims to provide and enhance skills of residents in preparation towards independent living and productivity.

- Participation of Lingap Center residents on quarterly simultaneous earthquake drill



- Four (4) female Lingap Center residents participated in the Dishwashing Liquid and Fabric Conditioner-Making conducted by the TESDA in celebration of Women's Month Celebration



- All Lingap residents received training on Dried Leaves and Weeds as a Livelihood, an initiative led by trainers from ISU – San Mariano.



PROVISION OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO DESERVING STUDENTS

6,211 school children in 118 Day Care Centers and Elementary Schools in low-lying areas in the province were provided bags, rain coat, umbrella, and school supplies.





ADVOCACY ACTIVITIES

Hanging of tarpaulins, posting of IEC materials to conspicuous places, and posting to the Isabela PIO Official Facebook Page to raise public's awareness.

- **Child Sexual Abuse Awareness Week**



- **Safer Internet Day**



• **Orientation on Gender Sensitivity and Awareness Raising**

Album Dr. Socorro Reyes orients stakeholders on gender sensitivity



Isabela Pio added 32 new photos.

5 February 2024 · 🌐

The Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI), through the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office, convened a consultation meeting for Gender and Development (GAD) focal persons from PGI and partners from various non-governmental organizations.

The meeting, held at Balai, Capitol Compound on February 2, 2024, aimed at advancing gender equality and women's empowerment to foster gender-responsive local governance. It provided a platform for gender equality advocates and stakeholders to initiate collaborations on pressing gender sensitivity issues.

Dr. Socorro L. Reyes, a dedicated gender equality advocate and Regional Gender and Governance Adviser, shared insights on various topics, including gender issues, existing legislation addressing violence against women, sexual and reproductive health, the Safe Spaces Act, and women's political and economic empowerment.

Dr. Reyes underscored the significance of the Magna Carta on Women, advocating for the recognition and protection of Filipino women's dignity, especially those from marginalized sectors.

Contributing to the discourse, Ms. Johanna Mercy C. Gabriel, the GAD Focal Officer from Santiago City, provided valuable insights on gender sensitivity, delving on gender and sex, gender-based roles and functions, and the expansive spectrum of non-binary gender, encompassing LGBTQIA+.

The consultation meeting facilitated a thorough evaluation of ongoing GAD projects and programs. Participants actively engaged in Focused Group Discussions (FGDs) to identify strengths and address weaknesses of the GAD program within their respective homes, workplaces, agencies, organizations, and communities.

In her concluding remarks, Dr. Socorro underscored the importance of tangible outcomes: "Ipakita natin na merong pinatutunguhan ang ating ginagawa ...na bumababa ang kaso ng violence against women, bumaba ang rape... At doon sa ating pagtulong sa mga kababaihan, nag-eeenhance ba yung kanilang decision-making roles sa pamilya."





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- National Women's Month Celebration



 Isabela Pio is with Gina Rivero and 2 others.
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The Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI) joins the nation in celebrating the 2024 National Women's Month with the theme "Lipunang Patas sa Bagong Pilipinas: Kakayahan ng Kababaihan, Patutunayan!"

This year's theme advocates for a Bagong Pilipinas where women are afforded equitable opportunities, free from gender biases and discriminatory stereotypes. It also aims to highlight and harness the full potential of women and girls, enabling them to engage actively in national growth and development.

#NWM2024
#WEcanbeEquALL

 The PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA thru the Gender and Development Focal Point System and the Provincial Council Against Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children

joins the nation in celebrating the

2024 National Women's Month

LIPUNANG PATAS SA BAGONG PILIPINAS:

Kakayahan ng Kababaihan, Patutunayan!

March 1-31, 2024



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- **1ST Gender and Development (GAD) Summit**



'LIPUNANG PATAS SA BAGONG PILIPINAS'
1st Isabela GAD Summit launched

The Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI), together with its component LGUs, the Isabela State University (ISU), *Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM)*, Regional GAD Research Learning Center, Regional GAD Committee Region 2, PIGLAI-KALIPI and MRSP Isabela Chapter, launched the first-ever Isabela Gender and Development Summit on March 18-19, 2024.

The activity, aimed to address various issues on gender equality and development, is in line with the 2024 National Women's Month Celebration, with the subtheme "Lipunang Patas sa Bagong Pilipinas; Kakayahan ng Kababaihan, Patutunayan."

Provincial Administrator Atty. Noel Manuel R. Lopez encouraged the participants from the different sectors to help the provincial government in championing women's rights and representation in the province.

"More than any other period in Philippine history, this is the time that we need to hear the voices of the women sector. More than any other province, we should be ready to defend women's rights and women's representation. And so, I beseech every participant and every soul here present, please tulungan niyo po kami. Your prayers will be a very big help for us to be able to justify not only the existence of the sectoral representative for women but also the right of every woman to be protected," he said.

Meanwhile, ISU President Dr. Ricmar P. Aquino encouraged the participants to embrace equity and compassion.

"Let us embrace the value of equity to ignite change [and] to cultivate a generation committed to building bridges instead of walls. Together, let us envision a future where violence is replaced with compassion," he said.

Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer Lucila M. Ambatali discussed the face and facets of Isabela in Gender and Development Mainstreaming, while Women Sector Representative Hon. Lourdes S. Panganiban presented the initiatives of the provincial government in closing the gender gap.

Among the topics tackled by the keynote speakers during the summit were "The Bits and Pieces of Gender Mainstreaming," "Technology and Education: Harnessing the Power of Innovation for Gender Equality and Violence Prevention," "Bystander Intervention, Challenging Sexist Attitudes, Raising Violence-free Families," and the like.



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- National Anti-Trafficking in Persons (TIP) Awareness Month and the World Day Against TIP (WDAT)



- 18-day Campaign to End Violence Against Women



- **Training on Gender Sensitivity and Gender Analysis**



- **Anti-Sexual Harassment IEC Materials**

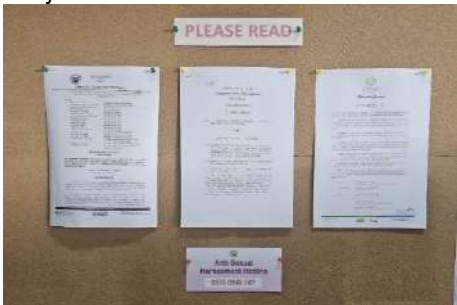


- **RA 11313 and Other Related Ordinances/EOs**

- Provincial Capitol



- PSWDO Lobby



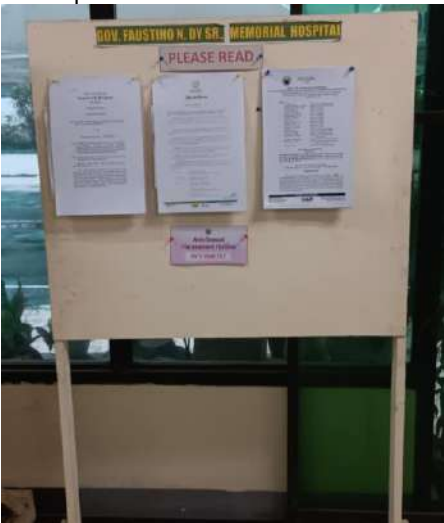
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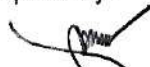
- GFNDy Memorial Hospital



POLICY ISSUANCES FOR THE PROTECTION OF WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND TRAFFICKED PERSONS FOR CY 2024 (SEE ANNEXES)

- Resolution No. 2024-19-05, series of 2024. A Resolution Authorizing the Provincial Governor, The Honorable Rodolfo T. Albano III, to Sign on Behalf of the Provincial Government of Isabela a Memorandum of Agreement with the City Government of Ilagan, Isabela for the Establishment of a Partnership and Referral System.
- Executive Order No. 31, series of 2024. Reorganizing the Provincial Council Against Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children (PCAT-VAWC).
- Executive Order No. 13, series of 2024. Reorganizing the Gender and Development Focal Point System (GFPS) of Isabela as a Strategy in Implementing R.A. 9710, the Magna Carta of Women, through the Mainstreaming of Gender and Development (GAD) in Local Policy-Making, Planning, Programming, Budgeting, Implementation, Monitoring, and Evaluation.
- Executive Order No. 10, series of 2024. An Order Reorganizing the Committee on Decorum and Investigation (CODI) to Handle Sexual Harassment Cases in the Provincial Government of Isabela.

Prepared by:



GINA G. RIVERO

PSWDO / PCAT-VAWC Head Secretariat

Noted by:



RODOLFO T. ALBANO III

Governor / PCAT-VAWC Chairman





Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 87th REGULAR SESSION OF THE 11th SANGGUNIANG
PANLALAWIGAN OF ISABELA HELD AT PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, ILAGAN CITY, ISABELA
ON MAY 29, 2024.

PRESENT:

FAUSTINO G. DY III	Vice-Governor & Presiding Officer
VICTOR G. DY	Member (4th District) & Floor Leader
ED CHRISTIAN S. GO	Member (2nd District)
EDGAR R. CAPUCHINO	Member (2nd District)
MARY GRACE D. ARREOLA	Member (3rd District)
RAMON JUAN N. REYES, JR.	Member (3rd District)
CLIFFORD R. RASPADO	Member (4th District)
MANUEL FAUSTINO U. DY	Member (5th District)
EDWARD S. ISIDRO	Member (5th District)
AMADOR A. GAFFUD, JR.	Member (6th District)
ANTONIO S. HUI	Member, PCL Federation President
MARIA KATRINA JESSICA G. DY	Member, LnB Federation President
CATHERINE JOY L. LEGASPI	Member, SK Federation President
LOURDES S. PANGANIBAN	Member, Women's Sectoral Representative
MARGARETTE U. CHIN	Member, Indigenous Cultural Communities Sector Representative

O.B:

DELFINITO EMMANUEL L. ALBANO	Member (1st District)
EMMANUEL JOSELITO B. AÑES	Member (1st District)
MARCO PAOLO A. MERIS	Member (6th District)
ADRIAN PHILIP S. BAYSAC	Member, Agricultural Workers Sector Representative
EVYN JAY C. DIAZ	Member, Labor Sector Representative

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-19-05

Series of 2024

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, THE HONORABLE RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF ILAGAN, ISABELA FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PARTNERSHIP AND REFERRAL SYSTEM

Sponsor: HON. CLIFFORD R. RASPADO
Chairperson, Committee on Children's Affair

WHEREAS, R.A. No. 7610, otherwise known as the "*Special Protection of Children against Abuse, Exploitation and Discrimination Act*" aspire to provide special protection to children from all forms of abuse, neglect, cruelty exploitation, discrimination, and such other conditions prejudicial to their development;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI) envisions to provide rehabilitative and protective services that promote the rights and welfare of the disadvantaged women and children towards full rehabilitation and development;

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, THE HONORABLE RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF ILAGAN, ISABELA FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PARTNERSHIP AND REFERRAL SYSTEM

WHEREAS, in line with the policies and principles of the national government, the Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI) has established the Lingap Center and the Women and Children Protection Center (WCPC) to provide temporary care and protection to abandoned, neglected, abused, and exploited children while working out their reintegration to their families and/or relatives, foster care, guardianship and such other alternative approach;

WHEREAS, due to the successful implementation of the programs and services in the Lingap Center and WCPC, the City Government of Ilagan, Isabela proposed for the establishment of a partnership and referral system with the PGI;

WHEREAS, under the referral system, the PGI and the City Government of Ilagan, Isabela will collaborate for the execution of programs and services to abandoned, neglected, abused, exploited, and other children in especially difficult circumstances, as well as women in especially difficult circumstances;

WHEREAS, the proposed partnership and referral system between the PGI and the City Government of Ilagan, Isabela would help develop a proactive and reactive measure towards the complete eradication of all forms of abuses involving women and children;

WHEREAS, submitted for the review and approval of this August Body is the draft Memorandum of Agreement to be executed between the PGI and City Government of Ilagan, Isabela, which seeks to establish a partnership and referral system to ensure continuous protection, mutual help, and support services for women and children who are victims of violence;

WHEREAS, after a careful review of the Memorandum of Agreement this Body deems it beneficial and advantageous for the Province to grant the Provincial Governor the necessary authority to sign the Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of the Provincial Government of Isabela;

WHEREAS, Section 465 (b)(1)(vi) of the Local Government Code empowers the Provincial Governor to represent the Province in all its business transactions and sign on its behalf all contracts and such other documents upon authority of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan;

WHEREFORE, upon motion of the Honorable Clifford R. Raspado, duly approved and seconded in a session duly assembled, it was –

RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVES, TO PASS A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, THE HONORABLE RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF ILAGAN, ISABELA FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PARTNERSHIP AND REFERRAL SYSTEM.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Provincial Governor, the Honorable Rodolfo T. Albano III, for his information and appropriate action.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, THE HONORABLE RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF ILAGAN, ISABELA FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PARTNERSHIP AND REFERRAL SYSTEM

Approved and Adopted, May 29, 2024.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS
of the foregoing Resolution:**

ATTY. FRANCIS JAMES E. MEER
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

ATTESTED/ APPROVED:

FAUSTINO G. DY III
Vice governor & Presiding Officer



Republic of the Philippines
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City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 31
Series of 2024**

**REORGANIZING THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL AGAINST TRAFFICKING AND
VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN (PCAT-VAWC)**

Whereas, the Philippines is a signatory to international human rights instruments such as the *Universal Declaration of Human Rights*, the *Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women*, and the *Convention on the Rights of the Child*;

Whereas, in keeping with the fundamental freedoms guaranteed under the 1987 constitution, it is the policy of the State to promote human dignity, protect the people from any threat of violence and exploitation, eliminate trafficking in persons, and mitigate pressures for involuntary migration and servitude of persons, as embodied in Republic Act 9208, otherwise known as the Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2003, as amended by RA 10364 of the Expanded Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2012;

Whereas, the State guarantees, by virtue of Republic Act 9262, otherwise known as the Anti-Trafficking Against Women and Their Children Act of 2004, full respect of human and individual rights, and recognizes the need to protect the family and its members particularly women and children, from violence and threats to their personal safety and security;

Whereas, it is a key policy of the Provincial Government of Isabela or PGI, to ensure, promote, and safeguard the safety of residents from all acts that violate their human and individual rights;

Whereas, the separation, transfer and/or promotion from office of the members of the PCAT-VAWC, have resulted in vacancies in the membership of the Council;

Now therefore, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law as governor of the Province of Isabela, hereby reconstitute the Provincial Council Against Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children (PCAT-VAWC) of the province of Isabela, as follows:

HON. RODOLFO T. ALBANO Governor	- Chairman
HON. LOURDES S. PANGANIBAN Chair, SP Committee on Women's Affairs	- Co-Chairman
ATTY. NOEL MANUEL R. LOPEZ Provincial Administrator	- Member
ATTY. ELIZABETH C. BINAG PIO / Head Executive Assistant	- Member
ATTY. EDUARDO R. CABANTAC Provincial Planning & Development Coordinator	- Member

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MS. LUCILA M. AMBATALI PSWD Officer / GAD Focal Person	- Member
HON. CLIFFORD R. RASPADO Chair, SP Children's Affairs	- Member
DR. NELSON O. PAGUIRIGAN Provincial Health Officer	- Member
MR. KIM PATRICK G. AGBAYANI Provincial Safety Officer	- Member
MR. REY MEL C. RESPOSO Provincial Youth Development Officer	- Member
MS. JANETTE A. CASTILLEJO Provincial Human Resource and Management Officer	- Member
MS. RACHEL R. LLANA DepEd Schools Division Superintendent	- Member
ENGR. CORAZON D. TORIBIO Provincial Director, DILG	- Member
PCOL. LEE ALLEN B. BAUDING Provincial Director, PNP	- Member
ATTY. CRISTINA P. DELA ROSA Provincial Prosecutor	- Member
MR. VALNIZAN HC. CALUBAQUIB Acting Provincial Director, Civil Service Commission	- Member
MS. CECILIA CLAIRE N. REYES Provincial Public Employment & Services Officer	- Member
MR. JESSIE JAMES P. GERONIMO Child Rights Advocate	- Member
MS. CONCHITA M. PALENCIA Executive Director, Province of Isabela Green Ladies Org., Inc Representative, Women Sector	- Member
PROS. FRANCISCO M. CLARAVALL VI President, Beyond the Spectrum Representative, Children Sector	- Member
MS. MARICHE H. CASTILLO President, Maui OFW and Family Association Representative, OFW Sector	- Member
MS. JESSICA G. DY Isabela Federation President, Liga ng mga Punong Barangay	- Member
MS. VILMA V. GAFFUD President, ALSWDOPI – Isabela Chapter	- Member
MR. YSMAEL B. ATIENZA President, Isabela Volunteers Against Crime	- Member
ATTY. JOHN RYAN P. TORIO PLO/President, IBP – Isabela	- Member
MR. ROMY P. SANTOS Media Consultant – Isabela	- Member

Nagkaisa para sa Isabela

And a SECRETARIAT to be composed of One (1) Head and three (3) personnel from PGI offices (PPDO, PSWDO and PA's office)

All Orders, circulars, memoranda, rules, regulations, and other issuances or parts thereof that are inconsistent herewith repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the Province of Isabela, this 22nd day of April, 2024.



HON. RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor



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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13 Series of 2024

REORGANIZING THE GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT FOCAL POINT SYSTEM (GFPS) OF ISABELA AS A STRATEGY IN IMPLEMENTING R.A. 9710, THE MAGNA CARTA OF WOMEN, THROUGH THE MAINSTREAMING OF GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT (GAD) IN LOCAL POLICY-MAKING, PLANNING, PROGRAMMING, BUDGETING, IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING, AND EVALUATION

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State, as embodied in Republic Act 9710, otherwise known as "*AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA OF WOMEN*," to achieve gender equality as a fundamental value that should be reflected in development choices, and endeavor to develop policies, plans, projects, measures, and mechanisms to address inequality and discrimination in the economic, political, social, and cultural life of men and women;

WHEREAS, RA 9710 promotes the concept of GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT (GAD) as a development perspective and a process that is participatory and empowering, equitable, sustainable, free from violence, respectful of human rights, and supportive of self-determination and actualization of human potentials;

WHEREAS, Section 37 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. 9710 provides for GAD mainstreaming as a strategy in implementing the Magna Carta of Women (MCW) through the mainstreaming of Gender and Development in local policy-making, planning, programming, budgeting, implementation, monitoring and evaluation;

WHEREAS, the Joint Memorandum Circular 2013-01 of the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW), the Department of the Interior and Local Government, Department of Budget and Management, and National Economic and Development Authority emphasizes the role of local government units (LGUs) in gender mainstreaming;

WHEREAS, the Circular also provides for the Guidelines in the localization of the Magna Carta of Women, GAD mainstreaming, and the deepening of knowledge and building of competencies of LGUs on GAD-related laws, and international commitments, gender mainstreaming and analysis, gender-responsive planning and budgeting, and GAD-related tools, among others;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 32 was issued on October 19, 2021 Establishing the Gender and Development Focal Point System (GFPS) of Isabela as a Strategy in Implementing R.A. 9710, the Magna Carta of Women, Through the Mainstreaming of Gender and Development (GAD) in Local Policy-making, Planning, Programming, Budgeting, Implementation, Monitoring, and Evaluation;

WHEREAS, there is a need to reconstitute the GAD Focal Point System of the province of Isabela to continue the mainstreaming or localization of GAD and to implement all GAD-related programs, projects, and activities for the Isabela constituency and the employees of the provincial government;

NOW THEREFORE, I, **RODOLFO T. ALBANO III**, Governor of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby decree the following:

Section 1. Reorganization of GFPS. The GFPS shall be reconstituted and will discharge specific functions as follows:

a. The Executive Committee (ExeCom)

1. Composition

Chairman	:	RODOLFO T. ALBANO III Governor
Vice Chairman	:	MS. LUCILA M. AMBATALI PSWDO and the designated GAD Focal Person
Action Officer	:	ATTY. NOEL MANUEL R. LOPEZ Provincial Administrator
Members	:	MS. MARITES E. FROGOSO, Provincial Agriculturist MS. FLORDELIZA L. GUIFAYA, Provincial Budget Officer MR. RIC JUSTICE E. ANGOBUNG, Prov'l Cooperatives, Livelihood, & Enterprise Dev't Office ENGR. VIRGILIO S. LORENZO, Provincial Engineer FOR. GERONIMO P. CABACCAN, JR., Environment & Natural Resources Officer MR. RODRIGO T. SAWIT, Provincial General Services Officer DR. NELSON O. PAGUIRIGAN, MD- Provincial Health Officer II MS. JANETTE A. CASTILLEJO, Provincial HRM Officer ATTY. ELIZABETH C. BINAG, Provincial Information Officer ATTY. JOHN RYAN P. TORIO, Provincial Legal Officer ATTY. EDUARDO R. CABANTAC, Provincial Planning & Development Coordinator MS. MARIA THERESA A. FLORES, Provincial Treasurer HON. EDWARD S. ISIDRO- Chair, SP Comm. on Finance and Appropriations HON. LOURDES S. PANGANIBAN-Chair, SP Committee on Women's Affairs HON. CLIFFORD R. RASPADO-Chair, SP Committee on Children's Affairs MS. BARBARA G. GARCIA - Representative, National Commission for Indigenous People DR. ELENA C. ARIOLA, PhD. – Representative, Academe MADAM MARY ANN A. DY – Women's Association IPPO Women's Desk Representative MS. CHARITO YAGO- Representative of PWDs MR. CHARLES LIM – Business Sector Representative ATTY. JENNY FLOR T. MANANTAN, Isabela Provincial Employees Multi-Purpose Cooperative (CSO Representative)

b. Technical Working Group (TWG)

1. Composition

Chair	:	MS. JANETTE A. CASTILLEJO Human Resource Management Officer
Members:	:	MS. GINA G. RIVERO – Asst. PSWDO MS. VISITACION C. NICOLAS- PPDO MS. JOLLY BHEE B. LOZANO –Provincial Budget Office MS. ELEANOR I. DY- Provincial Human Resource Office ATTY. ANA LOU A. VILLEZA- Office of the Governor Representatives from the private sector, Academe, and NGO, as appropriate

c. Secretariat to Assist the TWG

Composition : to be designated by the TWG Chair

Section 2. Establishment and Maintenance of GAD Database. There shall be established in accordance with MC 2013-01, a GAD Database to serve as basis for gender-responsive planning, programming, and policy formulation. The GAD Database may be manually operated or developed through software and shall form part of the overall management information system (MIS) of LGU-Isabela. The Provincial Planning and Development Office shall spearhead the establishment of the Database.

Section 3. Funding. Funding for the operations of the GFPS shall be sourced from the annual appropriations for GAD which is 5% of the total annual provincial budget.

Section 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Repealing Clause. – All Orders and issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 6. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 5th day of January, 2024 in the Provincial Capitol, City of Ilagan, Isabela.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor





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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10 Series of 2024

AN ORDER REORGANIZING THE COMMITTEE ON DECORUM AND INVESTIGATION (CODI) TO HANDLE SEXUAL HARRASSMENT CASES IN THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA

WHEREAS, Section 4, Paragraph (b) of RA 7877, otherwise known as the Anti-Sexual Harassment Act of 1995, mandates the creation of the Committee on Decorum and Investigation (CODI) to handle sexual harassment cases both in government and private sectors;

WHEREAS, CSC resolution No. 2100064 strengthens the role of the CODI in a government agency and averts possible delays in their investigation of complaints of sexual-harassment;

WHEREAS, per CSC MC No. 11 s 2021 "Revised Administrative Disciplinary Rules on Sexual Harassment Cases, Section 14 (b) paragraph 4, in relation to Section 33 (c) of RA 11313 (Safe Spaces Act) IRR states that "Every CODI shall be headed by a woman and not less than a half of its members shall be women";

WHEREAS, pursuant to said mandate Executive Order no. 11 Series of 2023 was issued by Governor Rodolfo T. Albano III on 21 March 2023 creating the CODI to handle sexual harassment cases in the Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI);

WHEREAS, the separation, transfer and/or promotion from office of the members of the CODI, have resulted in vacancies in the membership of the Committee;

NOW, THEREFORE I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of the Province of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby reorganize the Committee on Decorum and Investigation (CODI) to handle sexual harassment cases in the Provincial Government of Isabela as follows:

Chairperson	:	ATTY. ELIZABETH C. BINAG Provincial Information Officer and Head Exec. Assistant
Co- Chairperson:		ATTY. NOEL MANUEL R. LOPEZ Provincial Administrator
Members	:	HON. LOURDES S. PANGANIBAN SP committee Chairman on Women
		MS. LUCILA M. AMBATALI Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer
		MS. JANETTE A. CASTILLEJO Provincial Human Resource Management Officer

Nagkaisa para sa Isabela

Dr. NELSON O. PAGUIRIGAN
Provincial Health Officer II

MS. FLORDELIZA L. GUIFAYA
Provincial Budget Officer

ATTY. KARLA LOUISE D. AGBAYANI
Representative, Provincial Legal Office

SECRETARIAT

MS. CHARMIYA ROSALINA L. CRUZ
SWO IV

MS. MITOS C. CABRERA
SWO III

FUNCTIONS. The Committee on Decorum and Investigation shall have the following function:

1. The CODI shall receive complains of sexual harassment.
2. The CODI shall investigate sexual harassment complaints in accordance with prescribe procedures.
3. The CODI shall submit a report of its findings with the corresponding recommendation to the Office of the Provincial Governor for decision.
4. The CODI shall lead in the conduct of discussions about sexual harassment within the agency to increase understanding and prevent incident of sexual harassment.

EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 4th day of January 2024, at City of Ilagan, Isabela.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor 