



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10 - 2020

CREATION OF INTER- AGENCY TASK FORCE TO PREVENT THE ENTRY OF 2019 NOVEL CORONA VIRUS ACUTE RESPIRATORY DISEASE (2019 nCoV ARD) IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 15, Article 2 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution Section 465 in relation to Section 16 of Republic Act 7160 which is known as the Local Government Code of 1991 empowers the Local Chief Executive to carry out measures for the faithful and appropriate enforcement and execution of laws and ordinances;

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus identified as "2019-nCoV" ("the virus"), first discovered in the city of Wuhan, Hubei Province, People's Republic of China ("China"), is a severe, potentially fatal respiratory illness that can result in pneumonia, acute respiratory distress syndrome, septic shock, and multi-organ failure; and

WHEREAS, the spread of the virus indicates that it is being transmitted through human-to-human contact and outbreaks of the virus in the Philippines and in other countries across the world are being addressed through a combination of quarantining, medical monitoring, and community engagement;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared on January 30, 2020, that 2019-nCoV is a "Public Health Emergency of International Concern;" and that the Philippines is already one of several countries with a confirmed nCoV ARD case and on February 1, 2020, the Department of Health (DOH) had confirmed the first mortality of nCoV in the Philippines;

Whereas, the Department of Interior and Local Government issued Memorandum Circular No. 2020-18 which was subsequently amended by Memorandum Circular No. 2020-23 enjoining all local government units (LGUs) to effectively intensify the information, education and communication (IEC) campaign on the nCoV ARD, and implement programs, projects and services that will promote the general welfare, public health and well-being of every Filipino;

Whereas, President Rodrigo R. Duterte on 2 February 2020 issued a statement expanding the travel ban imposed whereby any person regardless of nationality, who are directly coming or immediately preceding arrival within 14 days from China, Hong Kong and Macau are banned from entering the country, and temporary ban on Filipinos from traveling to China, Hong Kong And Macau.

Whereas, preparation for public health hazards must involve a coordinated effort across national and local governments, first responders and private organizations in the province;

Whereas, there is a need to organize a taskforce that will guide, strengthen the implementation of all programs, projects and services in the province, ensure tighter inter-agency cooperation against this rapidly evolving outbreak of coronavirus and take necessary and appropriate actions to ensure that Isabeleños remain safe and secure;

NOW THEREFORE, I, FAUSTINO G. DY III, OIC- Governor of the Province of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me, hereby decree the following:

Section 1. Creation. The **ISABELA PROVINCIAL TASK FORCE novel Corona Virus (IPTF-nCoV)** is hereby created.

Section 2. Composition. The Taskforce shall be composed, to wit:

Chairperson: Hon. Rodolfo T. Albano III
Governor

Vice Chairperson: Hon. Faustino G. Dy III
Vice Governor

Action Officers: Dr. Nelson O. Paguirigan
Isabela Provincial Health Officer

Members: Hon. Emmanuel Joselito B. Añes
SP Committee on Health and Sanitation

Hon. Arnold S. Bautista
League of Municipalities President- Isabela Federation

Hon. Dante G. Halaman
Liga ng mga Baranggay President- Isabela Federation

Hon. Dax Paulo C. Binag
Sk Federeation President- Isabela

Hon. Gretchen F. Valdez
Indigineous Cultural Communities Sectoral Representative

Engr. Corazon L. Toribio
Provincial Director- DILG Isabela

P/COL Mariano C Rodriguez
Provincial Director-IPPO

FSUPT Apolonio G Diaz
Provincial Fire Marshall- BFP

Dr. Jose Ildefonso D. Costales, Jr.
Medical Center Chief – Sothern Isabela Medical Center

School Division Superintendent
DepEd- Isabela

School Division Superintendent
DepEd- City of Ilagan

School Division Superintendent
DepED- Cauayan City

Dr. Ricmar P. Aquino
President- ISU

Dr. Imelda M. Guillermo
Chief of Hospital-GFND Memorial Hospital

Dr. Arlene M. Lazaro
Chief of Hospital- Milagros Albano District Hospital

Dr. Edencita R. Paguirigan
Chief of Hospital- Manuel A. Roxas District Hospital

Dr. Herrison O. Alejandro
Chief of Hospital- Cauayan District Hospital

Dr. Rhoda Jacqueline P. Gaffud
Chief of Hospital- Echague District Hospital

Dr. Jesus C. Salvador
Chief of Hospital- San Mariano Community Hospital

Dr. Desiree Isobelle D. Chiong
Chief of Hospital- Palanan Station Hospital

Atty. Constante A. Foronda, Jr.
Provincial Public Safety Officer

Atty. Eduardo R. Cabantac
Provincial Planning and Development Officer

Atty. Elizabeth C. Binag
Provincial Information Officer

Ms. Maria Theresa A. Flores
Provincial Treasurer

Ms. Elsa M. Pastrana
Provincial Budget Officer

Ms. Antonieta M. Bulan
OIC Provincial Accountant

Ms. Marilyn G. Lopez
Provincial Internal Audit and Control Officer

Ms. Lucilla M. Ambatali
Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer

Mr. Rodrigo T. Sawit
Provincial General Services Officer

Col. Basilio P. Dumlao (ret.)
OIC PDRMMO

Mr. Troy Alexander G. Miano
Provincial Tourism Officer

Dr. Elsie A. Pintucan
Development Management Officer, PDOHO

Dr. Danilo Manango
Philippine Medical Association- Isabela Medical Society

Dr. Jacqueline Buduan
President Assn. of Municipal Health Officers- Isabela Chapter

Civic Society Organization

Secretariat:
Isabela Provincial Information Office

Section 3. Functions and Responsibilities. The **ISABELA PROVINCIAL TASK FORCE nCoV** shall perform the following functions:

- a) The IPTF-nCoV is charged with coordinating all efforts to appropriately prepare for and respond to the public health hazard posed by the virus. The Task Force will coordinate with and, where necessary, call upon other departments and agencies, including representatives from the Department of Health, Bureau of Immigration, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the Department of Labor and Employment, the Armed Forces of the Philippines, the Department of Transportation and any other department, office, division, or agency deemed necessary for consultation and advice.
- b) The IPTF-nCoV is empowered to create any special advisory panel necessary to develop and deploy the province's preparation and response to the virus, including medical professionals with knowledge and expertise in the areas of public health, medicine, infectious disease, and related areas;
- c) Outline specific courses of actions or action plan to contain and handle the 2019-nCoV cases pursuant to DILG MC No. 2020-023 Re: Amended Guide to Action Against the 2019 novel Coronavirus Acute Respiratory Disease;
- d) Conduct the relevant press conference to provide a direct social awareness for the benefit of all the constituents, residents and guests of the province, and thus post public advisories as well as precautionary measures to inform and educate the general public on the necessity of maintaining proper hygiene and regular hand washing and other measures to be applied according to the guidelines issued by DOH and pronounce its official and public statements thru the Provincial Information Office and Official Provincial Government website only;
- e) The IPTF-nCoV shall work with hospitals and other health care facilities in the province to manage preparations for the possible treatment of patients demonstrating coronavirus symptoms or risks and employ the DOH proposed system to identify, screen, and assist Filipinos and foreign nationals suspected or confirmed to be infected with this disease;
- f) Afford an immediate training of the respective provincial, city and municipal barangay health workers on nCoV prevention, containment, and control with its possible campaign in coordination with the Department of Health (DOH);
- g) Afford Contact Tracing tracking down of all individuals that came or may possible have contact with the Chinese Nationals or locals recently tested positive of nCoV disease thereby institutionalizing surveillance, alert and similar quarantine process in our cities and municipalities if applicable;
- h) Perform frontline work exercising extreme caution and vigilance in handling and strictly monitoring these suspected individuals possibly infected altogether ensuring the safety of all responders and inform directly the DOH on a reasonable basis in case of dire need to place an individual under quarantine;
- i) The IPTF-nCoV shall be authorized to call upon any department, office, division, or agency of this province to supply it with any information, personnel, or other assistance necessary to discharge its duties under this Order.
- j) Submit regular status report to the Office of the Governor in monitoring nCoV in the province;
- k) Perform such other functions and activities as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Order, or as the Governor may direct.

Section 4. Funding. Funding for the operations of the Task Force shall be sourced from the Office of the Provincial Governor Funds.

Section 5. Separability Clause. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting

Section 6. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 12th day of February, 2020 in City of Ilagan, Isabela.

FAUSTINO G. DY II



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