



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10
Series of 2021

CREATING THE ISABELA PROVINCIAL BALIK PROBINSYA, BAGONG PAG-ASA (BP2) TASK GROUP

WHEREAS, Sections 9 and 21, Article II of the Constitution declare the State policies of: (i) promoting a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity and independence of the nation and free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living, and an improved quality of life for all; and (ii) promoting comprehensive rural development;

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article XII of the Constitution states that the goals of the national economy are a more equitable distribution of opportunities, income and wealth, and an expanding productivity as the key to raising the quality of life for all, especially the underprivileged; thus, the State shall promote full employment based on sound agricultural development and the empowerment and creation of local industries that make full and efficient use of human and natural resources, and ensure that all sectors of the economy and all regions of the country have optimum opportunities to develop;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Development Plan 2017-2022 espouses the strategies of spatial development which aims to decongest the National Capital Region and direct growth to key centers throughout the country, improve linkages by connecting rural areas to growth centers or strengthening urban-rural linkages, and make growth more inclusive by creating more opportunities for production and employment in the lagging regions, thereby reducing poverty;

WHEREAS, countryside development is one of the priority sectors in building a prosperous, predominantly middle-class society in the *Ambisyon Natin 2040*;

WHEREAS, Presidential Executive Order 114 series of 2020 institutionalizes the Balik Probinsya, Bagong Pag-asa (BP2) Program to ensure balanced regional development and equitable distribution of wealth, resources, and opportunities through policies and programs that boost countryside development and inclusive growth, provide adequate social services and promote full employment, industrialization, and an improved quality of life in rural areas through the following four key areas: (i) empowerment of local industries, (ii) food security and agricultural productivity, (iii) housing, social welfare, health, employment, and human resource development, and (iv) infrastructure development;

WHEREAS, consistent with the Implementing Guidelines of EO 114, a Special Committee on BP2 composed of select regional line agencies and local government units was created under the Regional Development Council;

WHEREAS, since the Province of Isabela was selected by the BP2 Council as one of the pilot provinces, preparation for the implementation of the BP2 program in the province necessitates a coordinated effort across departments/offices;

WHEREAS, there is a need to organize a Task Group that will serve as the implementing and monitoring arm of the provincial government;

Nagkaisa para sa Isabela

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 decree the following:

Section 1. COMPOSITION. To ensure integrated implementation of the BP2 Program in the province, the Provincial BP2 Task Group is hereby created, to be composed of the following:

Team Leader: **Atty. Eduardo R. Cabantac**
Provincial Planning & Development Coordinator

Assistant Team Leader: **Atty. Elizabeth C. Binag**
Head, Executive Assistants
Provincial Information Officer

Members: **Dr. Nelson O. Paguirigan**
Provincial Health Officer

Ms. Lucila M. Ambatali
Provincial Social Welfare & Development Officer

Ms. Lilia C. Castillo
Provincial Cooperative Development Officer

Ms. Marites E. Frogoso
Provincial Agriculturist

Ms. Maria Theresa Araneta-Flores
Provincial Treasurer

Ms. Elsa M. Pastrana
Provincial Budget Officer

Ms. Antonieta M. Bulan
OIC-Provincial Accountant

Mr. Rodrigo T. Sawit
Provincial General Services Officer

The Provincial Planning and Development Office shall provide Secretariat support to the Task Group. For this purpose, the PPDO shall be assisted by existing personnel from member-offices of the Task Group.

Section 2. FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The Isabela Provincial BP2 Task Group shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

- a. Ensure that existing government interventions and assistance programs are accessed by the BP2 beneficiaries;
- b. Ensure that the interventions and assistance availed of are implemented according to its intended purpose;
- c. Recommend policies and program actions, as may be necessary, for a more effective implementation of the BP2 program in the province;
- d. Monitor and evaluate the status and progress of the implementation of programs, projects, and activities, and submit regular report to the Office of the Governor; and

- e. 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 3. FUNDING. The funding requirements for the operations of the Task Group shall be sourced from funds allocated for the Office of the Governor, subject to the usual budget, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

Section 4. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the Province of Isabela, this 1st day of March, 2021.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor 