



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 18
Series of 2021

**EXPANDING THE ISABELA PROVINCIAL BALIK PROBINSYA,
BAGONG PAG-ASA (BP²) TASK GROUP TO INCLUDE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT LINE AGENCIES
FOR THE EFFECTIVE CONVERGENCE OF EFFORTS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF BP² PROGRAMS
IN LINE WITH THE NATIONAL BP² PROGRAM FRAMEWORK**

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, on March 1, 2021, the Isabela Provincial BP² Task Group was created by virtue of Executive Order No. 10 that serves as the implementing and monitoring arm of the provincial government;

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WHEREAS, the multidimensional nature of the BP² program warrants the expanding of the Provincial BP² Task Group to include concerned national government line agencies to ensure convergence of all local efforts undertaken;

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 expanding of the Isabela Provincial BP² Task Group to include concerned national government line agencies;

Section 1. Composition. The Task Group shall be under the direct supervision and control of the Office of the Provincial Governor through the Office of the Provincial Administrator and shall be composed, to wit:

Team Leader:	Atty. Eduardo R. Cabantac BP2 Focal Person, Provincial Planning & Development Coordinator
Assistant Team Leader:	Atty. Elizabeth C. Binag Alternate BP2 Focal Person, Head, Executive Assistants/PIO
Members:	Dr. Nelson O. Paguirigan Provincial Health Officer II
	Ms. Lucila M. Ambatali Provincial Social Welfare & Development Officer
	Ms. Lilia C. Castillo Provincial Cooperative Development Officer
	Ms. Marites E. Frogoso Provincial Agriculturist
	Mr. Geronimo P. Cabaccan, Jr. Environment & Natural Resources Officer
	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
	Mr. Manuel S. Acierto BRO Coordinator
	Engr. Corazon D. Toribio Provincial Director, DILG Isabela
	Mr. Winston T. Singun Provincial Director, DTI Isabela

Mr. Igmedio S. Casticon
Provincial Director, TESDA Isabela

Mr. Marlon C. Agnar
PENR Officer, PENRO Isabela

Ms. Evelyn U. Yango
OIC, DOLE Isabela

Dr. Elsie A. Pintucan
Development Management Officer, PDOHO

Mr. Rickson Baldugo
Representative, DA Region 2

Mr. Jonathan dela Cruz
Representative, DSWD Region 2

Ms. Sheila Villamil
Representative, DOH Region 2

Ms. Cheryll D. Moreno
Representative, NHA Region 2

Ms. Madeline L. Macalling
School Division Superintendent, DepEd Isabela

Hon. Arnold S. Bautista
League of Municipalities President – Isabela Chapter

Hon. Dante G. Halaman
Liga ng mga Barangay President – Isabela Chapter

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. All duties and responsibilities under Executive Order No. 10, series of 2021 shall remain in force, to wit:

- 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 to the Office of the Governor, subject to the usual budget, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

Section 4. Separability Clause. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 5. Repealig 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 6. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this _____ day of April 2021, in City of Ilagan, Isabela.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor 