



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 45
Series of 2022

STRENGTHENING OF THE MIGRANTS SECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, PROVINCE OF ISABELA

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to uphold the dignity of its citizens, whether in the country or overseas;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to protect the interests of labor in general, as well as that of overseas migrant workers in particular, whether documented or undocumented;

WHEREAS, the provincial government recognizes not only the important contribution of its constituents working overseas, but also the vulnerable situations they are often placed in;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No 10022, otherwise known as "An Act Amending Republic Act No. 8042, Otherwise known as the Migrants Workers and Overseas Filipinos Act of 1995, as amended, Further Improving the Standard of Protection and Promotion of the Welfare of Migrant Workers, their Families and Overseas Filipinos in Distress, and for Other Purposes", provides for the establishment of Overseas Filipino Worker help desk or kiosk with the objective of providing current information to their constituents on all the processes aspects of overseas employment;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 10, Series of 2012 executed on August 28, 2012, entitled "ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MIGRANTS SECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, PROVINCE OF ISABELA", was created in order for the provincial government to fully and swiftly address general and specific concerns of its constituents overseas;

WHEREAS, there is a need to strengthen the existing operation of the Migrants Section to conform to the present social developments and to promptly respond to the needs and concerns of the Isabeleño migrants;

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

Section 1. Strengthening of the Migrants Section in the Office of the Governor, Provincial Government of Isabela. There is a need to strengthen the Migrants Section to conform to the present social developments.

Section 2. Composition of the Migrants Section. Said Migrants Section shall be composed of the following:

- a. Supervising Administrative Officer;
- b. Administrative Officer; and,
- c. Administrative Assistant

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Section 3. Support Agencies. The Migrants Section may seek the assistance and support of the Department of Foreign Affairs, Department of Labor and Employment, Overseas Workers Welfare Administration, Department of Migrant Workers, National Labor Relations Commission, Office of the Presidential Adviser for OFW Affairs, Commission on Filipinos Overseas, Department of Justice, National Bureau of Investigation, Philippine National Police, Integrated Bar of the Philippines-Isabela Chapter, Provincial Social Welfare and Development, the Committee on Overseas Filipino Workers and Migrant Workers Welfare of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Isabela in the implementation of its mandate.

Section 4. Roles of the Migrants Section. The Migrants Section shall:

- a. Interview Isabeleño migrants or their families and promptly respond to their issues and concerns;
- b. Refer Welfare Cases of Isabeleño migrants, such as illegal recruitment, maltreatment, repatriation, money claims, poor working conditions, among others, to the Department of Foreign Affairs, Overseas Workers Welfare Administration, Department of Migrants Workers, Bureau of Immigration, National Labor Relations Commission, and other concerned agencies;
- c. Monitor the status of the welfare cases referred to concerned agencies and maintain constant communication with the concerned Isabeleño migrants or their family;
- d. Secure and/or maintain updated list of Isabeleño migrants classified according to age, sex, address, occupation and country of destination, from the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration and other concerned agencies;
- e. Promptly respond to inquiries of Isabeleño constituents who desire to work overseas;
- f. Monitor the status of local recruitment agencies whether their licenses are valid, expired, suspended or cancelled; and, the available Job Orders they offer per country;
- g. Perform such other functions which may be deemed necessary for the implementation of its mandate

Section 5. Reporting. The Migrants Section shall submit regular reports and recommendations to the Governor/Office of the Provincial Administrator and the Provincial Internal Audit and Control Office (for ISO purposes),

Section 6. Funding. Funds for the Migrants Section shall be drawn from the funds under the Office of the Governor.

Section 7. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 8. Separability Clause. If any part or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereof shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Ilagan, Isabela, this 6th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2022.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor 