



Republic of the Philippines  
**PROVINCE OF ISABELA**  
City of Ilagan

*Office of the Governor*

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 21 - 2023**

**CREATING A PROVINCIAL TASK FORCE TO FACILITATE THE PROCESSING AND RELEASING OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE ISABELA RECOVERY INITIATIVES TO SUPPORT ENTERPRISES (I-RISE) PROGRAM, TO BE KNOWN AS I-RISE TASK FORCE**

**Whereas**, it is the policy of the State to promote a just and dynamic social order thereby uplifting its citizens and marginalized sectors 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;

**Whereas**, the Provincial Government of Isabela through the Provincial Cooperatives, Livelihood, and Enterprise Development Office (PCLEDO) implemented in 2020 a program called *Isabela Recovery Initiatives to Support Enterprises* or I-RISE, to extend Financial Assistance to cooperatives, micro-entrepreneurs, and members of Tricycle Drivers and operators associations and the informal sector;

**Whereas**, the I-RISE Program has significantly assisted micro-enterprises and members of the informal sector especially during the COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns and business closures, while sustaining the growth of cooperatives and helping start-up livelihood enterprises survive the economic slump;

**Whereas**, with the easing of COVID-19 protocols and the establishment of resilient program implementation systems and practices, there is a need to re-structure the delivery system of I-RISE Benefits and create a special body that will focus solely on the responsibility of implementing the I-RISE Program;

**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. Creation.** There shall be created a PROVINCIAL TASK FORCE to facilitate the processing and releasing of financial assistance under the ISABELA RECOVERY INITIATIVES TO SUPPORT ENTERPRISES (I-RISE) Program, to be known as the I-RISE TASK FORCE.

**Section 2. Functions.** The I-RISE Task Force shall have the following functions:

1. Establish a work station and space for Task Force I-RISE personnel, files, and resources;
2. Take custody of all documents related to the I-RISE Program implementation;
3. Device new systems that will facilitate the processing and release of Claims or Benefits under the Program, and in coordination with the Office of the Governor, take the lead in the release of I-RISE Benefits after a thorough evaluation of Project Proposals;
4. Build a Database to reflect participants or beneficiaries and all transactions under the program;
5. Ensure the smooth, effective, and efficient implementation of the Program;
6. Perform coordination work with organizations and entities involved in the release of claims;

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7. Receive comments and recommendations relative to the Program, process complaints, and submit recommendations to enhance program implementation;
8. Conduct a regular basic impact assessment study;
9. Submit on a regular basis a Financial Report to the Office of the Governor;
10. Perform other functions as may be necessary in the implementation of the I-RISE Program.

**Section 3. Constitution.** The I-RISE TASK FORCE shall be constituted as follows:

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| HEAD            | - | Atty. Elizabeth Cureg-Binag<br>Head, Executive Assistants/Provincial Information Officer |
| ASSISTANT HEAD- |   | Mr. Mariano D. Plan<br>Executive Assistant II – BRO Office                               |
| MEMBERS         | - | Atty. Analou A. Villeza<br>Provincial Legal Office                                       |
|                 |   | Atty. Eloisa Gee F. Pagallamman<br>Executive Assistant IV, Office of the Governor        |
|                 |   | Ms. Grace L. Tungpalan<br>Senior Cooperative Development Specialist, PCLEDO              |
|                 |   | Mr. Karl Mark M. Duot<br>Administrative Assistant, PCLEDO                                |
|                 |   | 1 Administrative Aide from BRO Office  |
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**I-RISE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP**

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| HEAD    | - | Ms. Cecilia Claire N. Reyes<br>Manager, Public Employment Service Office- Isabela |
| MEMBERS | - | Public Employment Service Office Isabela Personnel                                |

**Section 5. Funding.** The funding requirements for the operations of the I-RISE TASK FORCE shall be charged against the Executive Budget, subject to the usual budget, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

**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. 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 8. Effectivity.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 27th day of June, 2023, in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.

  
**RODOLFO T. ALBANO III**  
 Governor