



# EXCELLENCE IN THE MIDST OF ADVERSITIES

YEAR-END REPORT



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#### INTRODUCTION

Another year has passed but the COVID-19 pandemic continued to wreak havoc on the world. Globally, it has caused health and economic crises unprecedented in scale and impact. The Philippines was also not spared from the continuing threat of the virus which caused major disruptions in health care, economic activities, livelihood and the way of life of the people in general.

Confronted with this continuing challenge, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) has aggressively adopted appropriate and extraordinary measures to prevent and contain COVID-19 in the country in coordination with other national government agencies which helped the nation mitigate the harsh impact of the pandemic.

Aside from responding to the pandemic, we also spent the year implementing our priority programs and projects specifically on the campaign against criminality, illegal drugs and corruption; good local governance by exacting greater performance, accountability and deepening people's participation; further streamlining business permit and license processing to facilitate ease-of-doing-business; strengthening LGU capacity for disaster preparedness and resiliency; and providing basic social services more importantly to the far-flung communities of the country.

We continue to **inspire innovations and embrace excellence** in local governance, as these are vital to the LGUs' transition into the new normal. Moreover, we began laying down the foundation for full devolution by introducing new mechanisms that will reinforce local autonomy and capacitate local governments in addressing the needs of their constituents.

Ultimately, our collective efforts and hard work produced results that were actually felt by the people, grounded on the tenets of **shared responsibility, accountability, resiliency and a people-centric governance** – a testament that the LGUs are now better equipped to effect real change in the lives of the people they serve.

For FY 2022, we shall strive to ensure the responsibility of the reforms we instituted and sustain our efforts in the areas of peace and order and public safety, and to demand for greater performance and accountability from LGUs given the people's high expectations for better service delivery among the LGUs following the Supreme Court Mandanas-Garcia Ruling on full devolution. We will, as in the past, show that the DILG is a *Matino, Mahusay at Maaasahang Kagawaran* in ordinary and more so during extraordinary times.



## PEACEFUL AND SECURE COMMUNITIES

Upholding the rule of law and providing humanitarian assistance made the Department's role strongly felt in the Duterte administration's resolute campaign in fighting insurgency, armed conflict, illegal drugs, criminality, and corruption.

### Securing and Safeguarding the Nation

The Department's peace and order initiatives were highlighted by the sustained law enforcement operations conducted by the **Philippine National Police (PNP)** against criminality, illegal drugs, and other threats to peace and security. As a result, the **national crime situation** in the country continued to improve this year with downward trend in the Total Crime Volume<sup>1</sup>, while both Crime Clearance Efficiency (CCE) and Crime Solution Efficiency (CSE)<sup>2</sup> have steadily increased as compared to the previous year.

#### COMPARATIVE STATISTICS OF CRIME VOLUME, CRIME CLEARANCE EFFICIENCY (CCE) AND CRIME SOLUTION EFFICIENCY (CSE) January to November 2020 vs. January to November 2021<sup>3</sup>

Anti-Criminality Success Indicators	Jan to Nov 2020	Jan to Nov 2021	Variance
Crime Volume	354,675	344,815	-9,860
Crime Clearance Efficiency (CCE)	95.61%	96.25%	0.64%
Crime Solution Efficiency (CSE)	85.10%	85.21%	0.11%

The occurrence of Index Crimes or focus crimes also continued to significantly drop during the year, with physical injury and rape registering the most number of decreased cases.

#### STATISTICS OF INDEX CRIMES January to November 2020 vs. January to November 2021<sup>4</sup>

Index Crimes	Jan to Nov 2020	Jan to Nov 2021	Variance
Murder	4,978	4,443	-535
Homicide	1,248	1,018	-230
Physical Injury	7,112	4,664	-2,448
Rape	8,477	7,225	-1,252
Robbery	4,763	4,527	-236
Theft	11,153	10,153	-1,000
Carnapping - Motor Vehicles	280	273	-7
Carnapping - Motorcycles	1,998	1,690	-308

<sup>1</sup> Crime Volume is the number of crime incidents committed in a given area over a period of time which include the index and non-index crimes [CV = Index Crimes + Non-Index Crimes].

<sup>2</sup> Crime Clearance Efficiency (CCE) is the percentage of cleared cases out of the total number of crime incidents handled by law enforcement agencies for a given period of time [CCE = Cleared Cases/Crime Volume x 100]. On the other hand, Crime Solution Efficiency (CSE) is the percentage of solved cases out of the total number of crime incidents handled by law enforcement agencies for a given period of time [CSE = Solved Cases/Crime Volume x 100].

<sup>3</sup> PNP CIRAS data as of 30 November 2021.

<sup>4</sup> PNP 2021 Year-end submission.

The PNP intensified its **Campaign against Illegal Drugs** in close coordination with the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA). Out of the **218,665** anti-illegal drug operations conducted for the period 1 July 2016 to 31 October 2021, **315,635** drug personalities were arrested while **Php73.83 Billion** worth of drugs were seized and **994** dens and clandestine laboratories uncovered and dismantled. The amount of *shabu* seized rose to **9,702.46** kilograms from **1,684 kilograms** in 2017 with a total value of **₱61.99 billion**.

Meanwhile, authorities declared **23,270** barangays drug-free. The campaign also netted **1,025** government workers (393 elected officials, 508 government employees, and 124 uniformed personnel), **13,821** high-value targets, and saved **4,033** children aged 4-17 years old from participating in illegal drug activities.<sup>5</sup>

Efforts to immediately address drug addiction are being undertaken by the government in the form of rehabilitation programs for surrendering drug personalities so that they will be safely reintegrated into the mainstream of society. The DILG, as the Chair of the **Drug Abuse Treatment and Rehabilitation Center (DATRC)** Inter-Agency Task Force, has supervised the construction of treatment and rehabilitation centers (TRCs). As of 1st quarter of 2021, **22** DOH-operated DATRCs have been established, a **69.23%** increase from the existing **13** DATRCs in 2016.<sup>6</sup>

To complement the DATRC infrastructure, we sustained the implementation of the **Community-based Drug Rehabilitation Program (CBDRP)** wherein **366 (24.59%)** municipalities and **61 (41.78%)** cities implemented the program. These LGUs provide various rehabilitation and reintegration services to former drug users such as: detoxification, psychosocial interventions, counselling, relapse prevention, literacy and educational programs, livelihood and employment programs, and moral recovery programs, among others. Moreover, **10,608** out of 42,046 barangays have a DOH-certified CBDRP.<sup>7</sup>

A total of **137,580** Persons Who Use Drugs (PWUDs) graduated from CBDRP while **349,306** surrendered as of November 2021<sup>8</sup>, of which:

- **56,852** PWUDs referred to General Interventions;
- **129,973** PWUDs referred to the CBDRP;
- **3,344** PWUDs referred to in-patient facilities;
- **7,319** PWUDs referred to out-patient facilities; and
- **825** PWUDs referred to mental health facilities.

Meanwhile, **616,855 (50%)** of the 1.2 million enrolled drug dependents graduated from the **PNP's Recovery and Wellness Program**, an intervention program being offered to drug surrenderers in partnership with LGU and NGOs.<sup>9</sup>

Complementary to the efforts of the PNP and in response to the anti-drug directives and initiatives of the national government and to show our resolve in demanding accountability and/or support from local chief executives with regard to the war on drugs

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<sup>5</sup> #RealNumbersPH Data of PDEA as of 31 October 2021.

<sup>6</sup> PADS PPT MANCOM October 2021

<sup>7</sup> BLGS ADAC PMO 2021 Year-end Report, as of November 2021

<sup>8</sup> Ibid.

<sup>9</sup> PNP 2021 Year-end Report Submission as of November 2021.

and criminality, the **National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM)** stepped-up the monitoring of performance of LCEs as its deputies in police administration. Because of their sworn duty to ensure public safety and order in their respective areas of jurisdiction, provincial governors and city/municipal mayors are given deputation authority over the police. This is provided for by Republic Act (RA) 6975<sup>10</sup> as amended by RA 8551<sup>11</sup> which defined in specific terms the nature of their participation in the administration of PNP local units. Also, several NAPOLCOM resolutions were subsequently issued prescribing the additional functions and duties of LCEs as NAPOLCOM deputies as well as underscoring that failure to perform will serve as ground for suspension or **Withdrawal of Deputation Authority**.<sup>12</sup>

Since July 2016, **192** local chief executives (LCEs) have been withdrawn of their deputation powers for alleged involvement in the illegal drugs trade and for failure to stop acts of terrorism and/or for having provided various forms of support to terrorist groups. For CY 2021, **47** governors and **1,287** mayors were continuously monitored.<sup>13</sup>

NAPOLCOM also ensured the speedy **Adjudication of Complaints** filed against erring police personnel. For CY 2021:<sup>14</sup>

- Investigated and prepared **356 (78.20%)** investigation reports out of **455** total docketed administrative complaints;
  - Endorsed **173** complaints/cases for summary dismissal proceedings, **182** dropped/dismissed or withdrawn by the complainants, and **one (1)** referred to concerned LCE for appropriate action;
- Rendered decisions on **300 (31.91%)** out of 940 summary dismissal cases
  - Out of the **533** PNP personnel involved:
    - 98 dismissed from service
    - 58 demoted in rank
    - 50 suspended
    - 307 cases dismissed due to justified reasons such as lack of substantial evidence, lack of merit, forum shopping, *res judicata*, etc.
    - 20 others (deferred and GAD cases)

**Public Safety Services.** We continued to ensure the safety of the communities by providing public safety services as provided by our **Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP)** and **Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP)**.

<sup>10</sup> DILG Act of 1990: An Act Establishing the Philippine National Police under a Reorganized Department of the Interior and Local Government.

<sup>11</sup> PNP Reform and Reorganization Act of 1998: An Act Providing for the Reform and Reorganization of the PNP Amending Certain Provisions of RA 6975.

<sup>12</sup> NAPOLCOM MC 01-001: Participation of LCEs in the Administration of the PNP NAPOLCOM MC 2015-003: Prescribing Additional Functions and Duties of LCEs as NAPOLCOM Deputies as Authorized under Sec. 64 of RA 8531.

<sup>13</sup> NAPOLCOM 2021 Year-end Report.

<sup>14</sup> Ibid.

The BFP continued to provide effective fire prevention and suppression services and even emergency medical services especially during disasters. For CY 2021, the following were accomplished by the BFP:

**Comparative Statistics of Various Fire Prevention and Suppression Activities**  
CY 2020 vs CY 2021

	CY 2020	CY 2021	Percentage Change
<b>Fire Prevention Services<sup>15</sup></b>			
No. of establishments inspected	2,063,123	2,217,355	7.48%
No. of establishments compliant with the Fire Code and issued with Fire Safety Inspection Certificate (FSIC)	1,841,317	1,926,037	4.60%
Total Number Issued Fire Safety Evaluation Clearance (FSEC)	161,333	211,527	31.11%
Total Amount of Fire Code Fees Collected (Pesos)	3.075 B	2.856 B	-0.219 B
<b>Fire Suppression Services<sup>16</sup></b>			
Total Fire Incidents	<u>12,539</u>	<u>10,721</u>	<u>-14.49%</u>
- Structural	5,903	6,267	6.16%
- Non-Structural	5,819	3,604	-38.06%
- Transport/Vehicular Fires	817	850	4.03%
Total Property Damages (In Billion Pesos)	3,017,567,079.85	3,876,728,695.75	28.47%

Meanwhile, the BJMP carried out the following this year:

- **Greyhound Operations.<sup>17</sup>** BJMP's anti-illegal drugs and anti-contraband campaign wherein Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs) may be checked at any time to prevent the entry, use and movement of contraband within jail premises to protect the public, employees and inmates.
  - **127,659<sup>18</sup>** Greyhound Operations conducted led to the confiscation of:
    - 138.61 grams of shabu;
    - 7.2897 grams of marijuana;
    - 35 drug paraphernalia;
    - 682 cigarette packs;
    - 596 units of cellular phones; and
    - Confiscation of Php189,265.00 total cash
- **Oplan Balik Piitan Operations<sup>19</sup>**
  - **9** out of 11 manhunt operations resulted in the apprehension of **14** out of 17 fugitives for an **82.35%** recovery rate from January to October 2021. Meanwhile, jail escape incidents have dropped significantly by **15.38%**. A total of 13 escape incidents were recorded during the same period in 2020 with an 83.33% recovery rate. The decline in jail escape from the facilities

<sup>15</sup> BFP 2021 Year-end Submission as of October 2021.

<sup>16</sup> Ibid.

<sup>17</sup> BJMP 2021 Year-end Report as of October 2021.

<sup>18</sup> 1,161 of the operations were intelligence-driven and 144 through the joint efforts of PDEA, PNP, and other Law Enforcement Agencies.

<sup>19</sup> BJMP 2021 Year-end Report as of October 2021.



resulted from the ongoing implementation of absolute lockdown and the courts' adoption of fully remote video conferencing hearings.

- **47** escorting activities of High Risk Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs) were conducted with the assistance from the local PNP or Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) Unit.
- **e-DALAW Program.**<sup>20</sup> This service is an alternative to the traditional face-to-face visitation through a supervised video call and chat to cater to PDLs whose family members cannot go to the jail for actual visit because of the long distance to the jail from the residence or workplace of the family members.
  - **104,838** PDLs benefitted in the implementation of the e-DALAW Program in **474 (100%)** of jails nationwide.
- **Providing Healthy Food and Access to Health Services**<sup>21</sup>
  - **437** operational jails have updated Sanitary Permits and **1,239** Food Service Staff have updated Medical Health Certificates.
  - A total of **Php25,911,658.61** of agricultural products have been purchased by different jail facilities from different Agrarian Reform Beneficiary Organizations (ARBOs) of the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) nationwide. The purchases of agricultural products for 2021 exceeded the CY 2020 purchases which amounted to Php 9,155,619.70.
  - **122,903** PDLs benefitted from the **74,727** medical services, **14,307** PDLs benefitted from the **5,543** dental services, while **11,127** telemedicine services were offered to PDLs.
  - **123,592** PDLs benefitted from the **109,777** Therapeutic Community Modality Program (TCMP) sessions.
- **Enhancing skills and literacy**
  - The passing percentage of Alternative Learning System (ALS) of PDL-learners in 2020-2021 is **69%** in secondary education and **65%** in elementary education or a combined rating of **68%**.
  - **1,943** PDLs (**6%** of the total number of PDLs) benefitted from the 114 skills training in collaboration with the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)
    - **51** PDL have received National Certificate (NC) from TESDA, while a total of **237** were awarded with Certificate of Completion.
  - **82,935 (64%)** PDLs benefitted from the **2,336** livelihood trainings

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<sup>20</sup> Ibid.

<sup>21</sup> Ibid.



## **Sustaining Anti-Terrorism and Anti-Insurgency Efforts**

In an effort to end communist insurgency in the country and pursuant to Executive Order No. 70, the National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF-ELCAC), serves as a mechanism and structure that prioritizes and harmonizes the delivery of basic services and social development packages in conflict-affected areas and vulnerable communities, facilitates social inclusivity and ensures active participation of all sectors of society in the pursuit of the country's peace and development agenda.

As one of the composite members of the NTF-ELCAC, the DILG led the **Local Government Empowerment (LGE)**, **Basic Services Clusters**, and **Sectoral Unification, Capacity-building and Empowerment (SucBem)** and conducted various activities that harnessed the participation of citizens in peace-building and good governance initiatives at the local level in compliance with the Guidelines for the LGUs in the implementation of EO 70 (DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2019-125, dated 06 August 2019).

**The LGE Cluster** is tasked to ensure that LGUs, local-based institutions, and other stakeholders are sustainably taking part in peace-building efforts at the local level.

Ensuring the success of these activities requires the adoption of the “whole-of-nation” approach where LGUs do their share. For 2021, ELCAC Task Forces from the Regional (100% or 16 of 16), Provincial (100% or 76 of 76), City/Municipal level (93% or 1,405 of 1,516) and Barangay levels (66% or 26,004 of 39,556)<sup>22</sup> have worked tirelessly to erase insurgency.

To support the peace building efforts of the LGUs, the DILG has implemented programs such as the Retooled Community Support Program (RCSP) and Capacitating Urban Communities for Peace and Development (CUCPD) in support of and to enhance LGU capacities in addressing governance and development gaps particularly in conflict-affected and vulnerable communities.

All the **1,406** FY 2021 (860 barangays and 546 continuing target from 2020) target barangays are currently implementing the RCSP's various phases.<sup>23</sup>

Even in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, the DILG regional and field offices managed to register the following accomplishments, showing their desire to see people in terror-affected barangays being part of and feel the fruits of development:

PHASES	MILESTONE	1,406 RCSP TARGETS		TOTAL
		NEW (860 Brgys.)	CONTINUING FROM 2020 (546 Brgys.)	
Phase 0	Orient the Local Chief Executive (and Sangguniang bayan members) on EO70 and RCSP	860	546	1,406
Phase 1	Organize and Orientation provincial/ city/ municipal RCSP Core Team	830	544	1,374

<sup>22</sup> EO70 PMO Accomplishment Report - April 2021.

<sup>23</sup> EO 70 PMO, as of June 2021.

PHASES	MILESTONE	1,406 RCSP TARGETS		TOTAL
		NEW (860 Brgys.)	CONTINUING FROM 2020 (546 Brgys.)	
Phase 2	a. Conduct of regular Serbisyo Caravan	567	439	1,006
	b. Conduct of immersion proper	633	521	1,154
	c. Match development gaps with current city/municipal program to be addressed directly by the LGU	589	531	1,120
	d. Conduct convergence meeting with province and concerned NGAs	472	467	939
Phase 3	a. Assist LGUs in crafting/ enhancing their BDP/CDP/ AIP	668	532	1,200
	b. Capacitate Barangay-based Institutions (BBIs)	549	502	1,051
	c. Address immediately resolvable gaps in the target barangays (secondary issues)	466	505	971
Phase 4	a. Conduct of information drive on peace, security and development	558	456	1,014
	b. Strengthen community security mechanisms and structures	513	426	939
	c. Implement PPAs that address primary issues in the barangay	300	374	674
	d. Organize citizen movement for peace and development	283	321	604
Phase 5	a. Evaluate program results for the RCSP implementation	264	239	503
	b. Ensure program sustainability	116	156	272

(Source: EO70 PMO, as of 14 December 2021)

A series of regional orientation and consultation meetings were conducted by regional offices in the **44** target highly-urbanized cities/cities and **76** provinces to strengthen and improve the foundation of the **CUCPD**, including an orientation on the enhanced guidelines of the Program.

On the other hand, the **Basic Services Cluster** which is tasked to provide responsive delivery of basic services in affected LGUs/barangays, carried out the “*Serbisyo Caravans*” wherein government agencies brought basic services at the doorsteps of people in far-flung communities of the country. Several LGUs expanded on this such as:

- Provision of Health and other services in Bohol
- Provision of food packs, medical kits, wheelchairs, cranes and free haircut in Sarangani Province
- Registration to PhilHealth, Medical Services, Deworming of Animals, Basic Farming Training and Equipment in Occidental Mindoro
- Free medical services, soap making demo, agro-farming demo, Kasalan ng Bayan, Tree Planting in Agusan Del Norte

Meanwhile, the Department monitored the ongoing implementation of the **Support to the Barangay Development Program (SBDP)**, which aims to provide developmental support such as infrastructure and social services to conflict-affected communities.

As provided in the Special Provision No. 4 of *RA No. 11518* FY 2021 GAA, the SBDP is allocated a total amount of Php16.44 Billion, with each target barangay receiving an amount not exceeding Php20 Million for the implementation of projects that will help uplift the condition of the 822 barangay beneficiaries.

All of the 822 target barangays have received their approved Special Allotment Release Orders (SAROs) from the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) for the implementation of **2,318** projects that will benefit an estimated **2,318,892** people. Of this number, 50 were completed, 840 are on-going, 979 are on the procurement stage and the remaining 449 projects are under pre-procurement stage.<sup>24</sup> For CY 2022, the SBDP has been allocated with Php28.1 Billion to cover 3,899 infrastructure and 924 non-infrastructure projects.<sup>25</sup>

As a member of the **Sectoral Unification, Capacity Building, Empowerment, and Mobilization (SUCBEM) Cluster**, the PNP has carried out several intelligence efforts based on PNP CMC No. 27-2019 “Operationalization of Executive Order No. 70 NTF-ELCAC”.<sup>26</sup>

From January 1 to October 31, 2021, several activities were conducted by the Cluster:<sup>27</sup>

- **201** SUCBEM regional convergence/conferences;
- **177** workshops on CTG urban operations;
- **869** counter-propaganda activities (Information Operations); and
- **632** dialogues to organize/empower, develop, and train groups to counter CTG front organizations.

The Department is also actively contributing in other ELCAC Clusters, namely:

**Peace, Law Enforcement and Development Support (PLEDS) Cluster.** To effectively support the government’s fight against violent extremism, through the Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism (PCVE) Program, the Department conducted PCVE and CBRN (Chemical, Biological, Radiological or Nuclear) awareness and preparedness trainings on the grave security threats brought about by terrorism and use of weapons of mass destruction, and have likewise identified strategies and roles of the participating agencies in responding to CBRN incidents.<sup>28</sup>

Similarly, the following mechanisms were introduced by the **Philippine Public Safety College (PPSC)** to better address the problem on insurgency, wherein the Program of Instructions for the Public Safety Officers Basic Course (PSOBC), Public Safety Officers Advanced Course (PSOAC) and Public Safety Officers Senior Executive Course (PSOSEC) of the PPSC were revised to incorporate sessions on EO 70, RCSP and topics on understanding the communist movement in the Philippines. For 2021, PPSC trained **11,095** Uniformed Personnel of the PNP, BFP and BJMP.<sup>29</sup>

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<sup>24</sup> EO70 PMO, as of 12 December 2021.

<sup>25</sup> EO70 PMO, as of 27 October 2021.

<sup>26</sup> PNP 2021 Year-end Report Submission as of November 2021.

<sup>27</sup> Ibid.

<sup>28</sup> PCVE PMO.

<sup>29</sup> PPSC 2021 Year-End Report, as of 30 November 2021.

**E-CLIP and Amnesty Program Cluster.** Through the Enhanced Comprehensive Local Integration Program (E-CLIP), the Department extended various benefits and assistance to former rebels (FRs) who surrendered starting July 2016 (formerly under CLIP) which they can use to start anew and build better lives with their families. Some 1,168 FRs (691 Regular NPA and 477 Militia ng Bayan) were provided with a total of Php92.7 million benefits and assistance in CY 2021 through E-CLIP, bringing the total to 6,425 E-CLIP beneficiaries which started in July 2018 per Administrative Order 10, s. 2018:<sup>30</sup>

A total of 50 provinces and highly urbanized cities each received Php5 Million for the construction of halfway houses or facilities to serve as temporary shelters for surrendering FRs and as venues in the conduct of rehabilitation/healing sessions and education/skills training activities for these FRs. A total of **41** halfway houses are now operational.<sup>31</sup>

### **Strengthening Engagement towards Peace and Development**

The Department recognized the importance of local institutions as active partners in the peace and order drive, hence it worked for the full strengthening of the **Peace and Order Council (POCs)** which are tasked to develop and implement strategic actions and activities that will improve or enhance peace and order and public safety in their respective areas of responsibility, particularly in dealing with criminality and insurgency. While the audit of the POC functionality was suspended due to the pandemic, **1,320** out of 1,715 LGUs (PCM) have been monitored on their Peace and Order and Public Safety (POPS) Plans'; physical and financial accomplishments through the *Peace and Order and Public Safety Plan–Policy Compliance Monitoring System (POPSP-PCMS)*. The Project Management Office (PMO) also provided capacity-building activities on project management, technical writing, security clearance, fire safety, jail management, road safety, among others. The interim NPOC Secretariat likewise conducted a 2021 Year-End Assessment last November 17-18, 2021 to present the proposed updates for the enhancements of said policies and enjoin the Regional Peace and Order Council Focal Person to share their insights and recommendation on the policies<sup>32</sup>.

The government's campaign against illegal drugs proved thoroughly successful when we involved the **Local Anti-Drug Abuse Councils (ADACs)** which we organized, strengthened and capacitated to become formidable partners of our PNP and other law enforcement agencies in the drive to make the country drug-free.

While the audit on ADAC Functionality was also suspended in 2021 due to the pandemic, the PMO launched the official *Inter-Agency Committee on Anti-Illegal Drugs (ICAD) Advocacy Cluster website* (<https://icad-advocacy.dilg.gov.ph/>) as part of the celebration of the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (IDADAIT). The website serves as the final repository and provides real-time updates to the public of all the programs, projects, activities, and accomplishment reports from member-agencies

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<sup>30</sup> NBOO ECLIP PMO, 13 December 2021.

<sup>31</sup> ECLIP PMO 2021 Year-end Accomplishment Report, as of 10 December 2021.

<sup>32</sup> POC/BLGS LOPS PMO 2021 Year-end Report, as of October 2021.

of the ICAD Advocacy Cluster. Meanwhile, the PMO was able to facilitate the on-site monitoring and evaluation of local ADACs in Regions VI, VII, VIII, IX and X.<sup>33</sup>

On the other hand, the pandemic did not stop the Department from conducting the CY 2020 BADAC Audit of **34,633** barangays. The Department bestowed awards/commendations to LGUs that exemplified outstanding compliance in strengthening their local ADACs and showed their support to the national campaign against illegal drugs.

Recognizing the contribution of Lupong Tagapamayapa for their exemplary performance in the promotion of *Katarungang Pambarangay* (Barangay Justice) as a conflict-resolution system necessary to avoid premature and unnecessary filing of legal actions in courts, we continued to confer the **Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentive Awards (LTIA)**. For 2021, 12 Barangays from the 58 Regional finalists (13 HUCs, 15 CCs, 16 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> class municipalities, and 14 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> class municipalities) have been awarded with the LTIA.<sup>34</sup> The following are the winners in each category:

<b>Outstanding Lupong Tagapamayapa in Highly Urbanized Cities</b>	<b>National Winner:</b> Barangay Calumpang Molo, Iloilo City, Region VI <b>1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up:</b> Barangay Balibago, Angeles City, Region III <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up:</b> Barangay Budla-an, Cebu City, Region VII
<b>Outstanding Lupong Tagapamayapa in Independent Component/ Component Cities</b>	<b>National Winner:</b> Barangay Lawa-an, Roxas City, Capiz, Region VI <b>1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up:</b> Barangay Upper Katungal, Tagurong City, Sultan Kudarat, Region XI <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up:</b> Barangay Taloto, Tagbilaran City, Bohol Region VII
<b>Outstanding Lupong Tagapamayapa in 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Municipalities</b>	<b>National Winner:</b> Barangay Alangan, Limay, Bataan, Region III <b>1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up:</b> Barangay Poblacion, Tupi, South Cotabato, Region XII <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up:</b> Barangay Santa Catalina Sur, Calenderia, Quezon, Region IV-A
<b>Outstanding Lupong Tagapamayapa in 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class Municipalities</b>	<b>National Winner:</b> Barangay Abiera, Sebaste, Antique, Region VI <b>1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up:</b> Barangay Quezon, Mainit, Surigao Del Norte, Region XIII (Caraga) <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up:</b> Barangay Ambassador, Tublay, Benguet, CAR

In addition, Barangay Calumpang Molo of Iloilo City in Region VI was given recognition as a *Hall of Fame Awardee* for their consistent performance.

The *LTIA Information System (LTIA IS)* was also re-launched to eliminate all the common problems of manual system by automatically validating the inputted data to avoid inconsistency, promote accuracy and ensure unified and standardized format of outputs. All DILG Regional Offices (except BARMM) have already conducted the Roll-out Training on the LTIA IS.<sup>35</sup>

In collaboration and coordination with the Supreme Court and Department of Justice (DOJ) which form the Justice Sector Coordinating Council (JSCC), the Department implemented the **Barangay Tanod Skills Enhancement Training (BTSET)**

<sup>33</sup> ADAC PMO/ PADS 2021 Year-end Report, as of November 2021.

<sup>34</sup> BLGS LTIA 2021 Year-end Report, as of November 2021.

<sup>35</sup> Ibid.

**Program** to equip barangay tanods with the necessary knowledge and skills to carry out mandated duties and responsibilities in the maintenance of barangay peace and order, efficiently perform their roles as first responders and in crime scene preservation of their respective barangays. The Enhanced Barangay Tanod Guidebook was developed and finalized, including the implementation guidelines of the training. Rollout of the BTSE Training is expected to be done until the end of 2021.

The **Comprehensive Social Benefits Program (CSBP)** which covers AFP and PNP battle/duty casualties beginning July 2016, aims to ensure the sustainability of the assistance provided to the soldiers and policemen killed or wounded in police operations as well as their dependents, through capacity-building and provision of livelihood opportunities. The Department facilitated assistance to **209** KIA-WIA/KIPO-WIPO under the CSBP in 2021 or a total of **10,864** beneficiaries since July 2016.<sup>36</sup>

Through the **Emergency 911 Hotline**, the Department responded to distress and emergency calls of the citizens, and dispatched appropriate responders such as the PNP or BFP.

Out of the **640,112** legitimate calls received, **97.98%** (36,228 of 36,975) of the emergency and non-emergency calls were responded to for the period January to November 2021:

	No. of Calls Received
<b>No. of legitimate calls received</b>	<b>640,112</b>
<b>Emergency calls</b> (police assistance, fire, medical/ ambulance assistance, vehicular accident, etc.)	<b>22,869</b>
<b>Non-emergency calls</b>	<b>14,106</b>
<b>Other calls</b>	<b>603,137</b>
Feedback calls	32,072
Follow-up calls	36,060
Jail Monitoring calls	0
Other queries and assistance	414,644
Telephone number inquiries	31,345
Test calls	67,418
<b>No. of legitimate calls (emergency and non-emergency) responded to</b>	<b>36,228</b>

(Source: Emergency Hotline 911, November 2021)

The **Public Assistance and Complaints Center (PACC)** received and attended to **4,819** complaints, consisting of walk-ins, phone-ins, letters, emails, and **200 referrals** from *Hotline 8888* which include queries, requests, suggestions, and complaints in nature.<sup>37</sup>

<sup>36</sup> KIA-WIA PMO, as of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2021.

<sup>37</sup> PACS 2021 Year-end Report Submission, as of November 2021.

## **Enhancing Ties and Cooperation**

The Department took an active role in promoting international and regional peace and stability, strengthening partnerships with other nations, and representing the country in various international fora.

As part of the Philippine delegation for the *Association of Southeast Asian Nations Senior Officials Meeting on Transnational Crime* (ASEAN SOMTC), the DILG has helped strengthen regional efforts to combat cybercrime, terrorism, trafficking of wildlife and timber, arms smuggling, and trafficking in persons. The Department has acted as Co-Chair in various workshops and consultations, facilitating meaningful discussions amongst its participants.<sup>38</sup>

The Department served as lead for the country's compliance with the United Nations Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (UNCAT). As such, it facilitated the submission of the Philippines' report on the status of human rights in the country, organized inter-agency meetings, working group consultations, and conducted a series of formal/informal coordination with the concerned government agencies, and in the drafting and finalization of the 4th Periodic Report.<sup>39</sup>

The DILG also provided its insights, experiences, and other inputs in the drafting of many programs and projects between the Philippines and other nations, while ensuring that these partnerships and agreements cover all points of interest beneficial to Filipinos.<sup>40</sup>

## **VIBRANT AND PROGRESSIVE COMMUNITIES AND HIGH-TRUST LOCAL GOVERNANCE**

### **Implementing the SC Mandanas-Garcia Ruling**

With full devolution finally happening in CY 2022 following the issuance of Executive Order 138 on 01 June 2021 mandating the full implementation of the Mandanas-Garcia Supreme Court Ruling, the Department geared up its efforts to prepare itself and the LGUs for this transition.

Under EO 138, national government agencies and the LGUs were mandated to prepare their respective Devolution Transition Plan (DTP) to attain the objectives of full devolution. The DILG is one of the agencies that has already submitted its initial DTP to the DBM on set deadline. The implementation plan to operationalize said DTP has also been finalized through the efforts of the DILG Transition Management Committee.

To provide the necessary guidance to LGUs in the preparation of their respective DTPs, the guidelines on the preparation of LGU DTPs (DILG-DBM JMC No. 2021-1) was issued on 11 August 2021. The Department, in collaboration with the DBM, spearheaded

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<sup>38</sup> OASIRIS Narrative Report 2021.

<sup>39</sup> OASIRIS Narrative Report 2021.

<sup>40</sup> OASIRIS Narrative Report 2021.



the conduct of various activities on the Supreme Court Ruling with LCEs and local functionaries, such as inception workshops with sector agencies and LGU Leagues, national/regional orientations on the implementation of EO No. 138 and preparation of LGU DTPs, discussion in various fora of other agencies and institutions, and e-learning session on full devolution.

The national orientation which was conducted in July 2021 jump-started the series of workshops at the provincial, city/municipal, and barangay levels to assist LGUs in the preparation of their respective DTPs. Series of field-level orientations and workshops on LGU DTP preparation were also conducted nationwide.<sup>41</sup> As of December 5, 2021, **95% (37,480)** of barangays, **72% (1,063)** of cities/municipalities and **7%** of Provincial/HUC/ICC/NCR LGUs have submitted their respective accomplished DTPs.<sup>42</sup>

### **Exacting Accountability, Transparency and Deepening People's Participation**

Through the **Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG)**, the Department has been matching exemplary LGU performance with incentives and awards. Since we introduced the Seal in 2010, then known as the Seal of Good Housekeeping (SGH), we have been consistently raising the performance standards for LGUs so they strive for excellence and to prime them to meet the ever changing demands of their constituents.

The SGLG was institutionalized following the enactment of *Republic Act No. 11292* or the "*Seal of Good Local Governance Act of 2019*", making it a very comprehensive award, incentive, honor and recognition-based program for LGUs that covers 10 governance criteria, namely: 1) financial administration and sustainability; 2) disaster preparedness; 3) social protection and sensitivity; 4) health compliance and responsiveness; 5) sustainable education; 6) business-friendliness and competitiveness; 7) safety, peace and order; 8) environmental management; 9) tourism, heritage development, culture and arts; and 10) youth development.

While the continuing threat of COVID-19 prompted the Department to suspend its implementation in 2021, it launched the **Local Governance Performance Management System-SGLG (LGPMS-SGLG)** web-based online portal, which was pilot-tested in 294 LGUs. With this, there would be a single repository of all documents and databases relative to LGU assessment and monitoring of activities. The online portal will undergo continuous iterations to meet the feedback from LGU pilot testing, the indicators, technical references, and guidelines for CY 2022 and the implementation of the Mandanas-Garcia Ruling.<sup>43</sup>

The conferment of the SGLG comes with the so-called SGLG Incentive Fund (SGLGIF), formerly known as the Performance Challenge Fund (PCF). It is an incentive package given to SGLG passers which they can use to finance high-impact local development projects identified by the LGUs themselves and reflected accordingly in their Annual Investment Program (AIP)/Local Development Investment Program (LDIP).

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<sup>41</sup> BLGD Budget Hearing Materials, 24 September 2021.

<sup>42</sup> As presented during the Executives' Forum on DILG Achievements and Future Actions for Institutional Development, 07 December 2021.

<sup>43</sup> SGLG-BLGS 2021 Year-end Accomplishment Report, as of November 2021.

Since the PCF (SGLGIF), was established in 2010, the DILG has already granted a total of **1,314** high performing LGUs with financial subsidy amounting to **Php7.874 Billion**. Also, **189** projects were completed in 2021, which brings the total completed projects to **4,093** (98.63%) out of **4,150** projects since 2010.<sup>44</sup>

The COVID-19 pandemic did not prevent LGUs from exhibiting transparency and accountability by observing compliance with the Department's **Full Disclosure Policy (FDP)**, which is one of the prerequisites in bagging the SGLG.

For CY 2021, a total of **1,560** LGUs (75 Provinces, 142 Cities and 1,343 Municipalities) or **97.98%** of the total 1,592 PCMs (except BARMM) are compliant with the FDP as of 3rd Quarter of 2021.<sup>45</sup> At the barangay level, **38,913** or **98%** of the total 39,556 barangays (except BARMM) are compliant with the BFDP as of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2021.

The people were also provided avenues for active engagement with their government as part of the Department's continuing commitment to boost citizen's participation in good governance.

Since 2018, the DILG, as Chair of the Participatory Governance Cluster (PGC) of the Cabinet, has been spearheading the conduct of **Dagyaw Open Government Town Hall Meetings** in partnership with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Presidential Communications Operations Office (PCOO) and various CSO networks to provide an open space for government and citizens' dialogue on pressing national and local issues. The event has gone virtual since 2020 in view of the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2021, Dagyaw focused on "Improving Social Accountability in Local Service Delivery" to highlight the implementation of Executive Order No. 138 on full devolution and discussions on local service delivery in the context of COVID-19 recovery efforts.

The first virtual episode of Dagyaw 2021 was held in October 2021, with the topic "*Nasaan na ba tayo? Usapang Bakuna at Herd Community sa COVID-19*". The event served as a venue to relay to the citizens the latest efforts of the government in vaccination against COVID-19 and its progress towards attaining population protection. The second episode, on the other hand, was held in November 2021, with the topic "*Okay na ba talagang lumabas? Usapang Citizen Mobility sa COVID-19*" focusing on the discussions surrounding the safety and availability of public transportation options during the pandemic. Regional and provincial Dagyaws were likewise conducted to inform the public of the state of local governance in their respective localities.

We harnessed new technologies to further promote inclusivity and participatory governance. Through our partnership with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), which assisted us in the creation of the **Development LIVE (DevLIVE)** mobile application, as an instrument that allows citizens to provide feedback on the implementation status – progress, timelines, and effectiveness – of local infrastructure projects. Promotional activities were conducted in select provinces to advocate the use of the app, which was also featured during the roadshows and Freedom of Information (FOI) Transparency Caravan of the PCOO.

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<sup>44</sup> Status of PCF Projects as of end of November 2021, BLGD, 10 December 2021.

<sup>45</sup> Per coordination with BLGS, 11 December 2021.

We also continued to strengthen our partnerships with CSOs and local resource institutes (LRIs) through the **Citizen Satisfaction Index System (CSIS)**, an external evaluation mechanism that centers on citizens as active, informed and capacitated players in providing feedback on the quality of service delivery to the LGUs.

In preparation for the CY 2021 CSIS implementation, the National Briefing of Regional Officers was held in March 2021 to orient the regional focal persons on the project's deliverables. The Island Cluster Training of LRIs was also conducted to capacitate and ensure the readiness of the partner LRIs in administering the CSIS survey. As of November 30, 2021, all LRIs have undergone the Service Delivery Baseline Data Collection (SDBDC) in 20 target LGUs.<sup>46</sup>

Participatory governance was sustained through the conduct of the bi-annual **Barangay Assembly** which served as a platform for barangay officials and residents' interaction about various issues happening in the barangays, in an effort to address or resolve them. Also, these activities allowed the barangay officials to publicly report and update their constituents on local government accomplishments.

In a bid to push further the President's agenda to amend the Constitution, we intensified our Constitutional Reform (CORE) advocacy campaign to raise public awareness and understanding on CORE, specifically economic reforms that will empower the regions and revitalize the economy for long-term recovery from the effects of the pandemic. Through the **Center for Local and Constitutional Reform (CLCR)**, we inked partnerships with various stakeholders and private sectors and boosted programs, platforms, and avenues for information dissemination, strategic communication strategies, and engagement with different sectors. Part of this is CLCR's launching of a series of *Economic Fora*, which started in May 2021, to increase the involvement and support of various sectors and groups including MSMEs, business groups, energy, labor, etc. to the proposed amendments to the economic provisions of the 1987 Constitution.

We also actively monitored the performance of LCEs as part of our oversight duty and commitment to maintain peace and order and public safety. With this in mind, the Department has implemented the following programs and enabled law enforcement agencies and DILG Regional Offices to conduct investigations and/or file administrative cases against public officials:

- Bantay Korapsyon Program (2021)<sup>47</sup>
  - A total of **141** complaints were received, 8 of which were referred to the Office of the Ombudsman, while nine (9) were referred to the Commission on Audit (COA), for further evaluation and filing of criminal and/or administrative complaints, if warranted.
  - Show Cause Orders/Notices to Explain were also issued to **16** Local Government Officials who jumped the line of priority list on COVID19 vaccination prior to the recommendation of the IATF to include the LCEs in the priority list for COVID-19, in compliance with Presidential Directive No. 2021-020.

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<sup>46</sup> BLGS Yearend Report, 07 December 2021.

<sup>47</sup> BK-BLGS 2021 Year-end Accomplishment Report, as of November 2021.

- **49** corruption-related complaints were received and endorsed to the Office of the Ombudsman for further evaluation.
- **3,003** or **100%** of complaints received by Regional Operation Units (ROUs) were acted upon
- Road Clearing (2021)
  - **12** administrative complaints filed against local officials for their failure to effectively implement the directives<sup>48</sup>
- On COVID-19-related directives
  - **172** Show Cause Orders Issued Against Barangay Officials for various complaints related to COVID-19 response<sup>49</sup>
  - **456** administrative cases on various complaints pertaining to the Social Amelioration Program (SAP) filed and acted upon<sup>50</sup>
  - **97** punong barangays were complained due to alleged anomalies in the distribution of SAP in which **89** were preventively suspended by the Ombudsman<sup>51</sup>

### **Keeping Businesses Healthy**

The Department pursued efforts that prompted a business-friendly environment in the LGUs to spur local economic growth and development through more efficient regulatory processes and vital utilities to increase opportunities for investments, livelihood, and employment.

The signing of the *Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Delivery of Government Services Act of 2018* or RA 11032 paved the way for the local economy to flourish by simplifying further business and non-business transaction requirements and streamlining current systems and procedures of government services. Through the **Improving LGU Competitiveness and Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Program**, we further advocated and helped LGUs put in place the provisions of the law through the issuance of key policies in partnership with concerned national government agencies to guide LGUs in their compliance with the EODB Act and to increase private sector participation in the delivery of basic services to the people especially during this time when businesses and individuals are reeling from the effects of the pandemic, to wit:

- Guidelines for Processing Business Permits, Related Clearances and Licenses in all Cities and Municipalities (*ARTA-DTI-DILG-DICT Joint MC No. 01, s. 2021*, dated 13 April 2021)
- Revising and Expanding *Joint MC No. 01, s. 2021* or the Streamlined Guidelines for the Issuance of Permits, Licenses, and Certificates for the Construction of Shared PTTIs (*ARTA-DICT-DILG-DHSUD-BFP-DPWH-CAAP-NTC-DOH-FDA Revised Joint MC No. 1, s. 2021*)

<sup>48</sup> LLLS-TID Weekly Cumulative Submission, as of 09 December 2021.

<sup>49</sup> NBOO Weekly Report on COVID-19-related Complaints (DMS No. NBOO-2021-12-03-012).

<sup>50</sup> PNP-SPA Submission for FY 2022 Budget Hearing as of October 1, 2021.

<sup>51</sup> LLLS-TID Weekly Cumulative Submission, as of 09 December 2021.

- Omnibus Guidelines on the Suspension of LGU Imposition and Collection of Illegal Fees and Taxes Relative to the Transport of Goods and Products (*DILG-ARTA-DOF Joint MC No. 2021-01*, dated 28 April 2021)

We also continued to monitor LGU compliance with the Revised Standards in Processing of Business Permits and Licenses in all Cities and Municipalities (DILG-DICT-DBM Joint Memorandum Circular 01-2016) which effected a significant improvement in the processing of business permit applications and renewals involving the procedures which now use a single, unified form, includes three or less processing steps, requires two signatories or less for approval, and takes two days or less processing time.

Out of the 1,516 cities and municipalities (except those in the BARMM), **1,406 (92.74%)** LGUs are **fully compliant** with the new standards of the BPLS for both **new** and **renewal** of business applications per DTI-DICT-DILG Revised JMC 01-2016 on Business Permits and Licensing.<sup>52</sup>

Likewise, **1,424 (93.93%)** out of 1,516 cities and municipalities are now compliant in all Standard Reforms based on the JMC 01-2016 for **new** business applications and **1,417 (93.47%)** cities and municipalities for **renewal** of business applications.

We now see the effect of these efforts on simplified government transactions: **2,113,234** business establishments registered for the period, **Php88,980,541,749.77** were collected from business taxes, fees and charges nationwide, both showing an increase from the **1,696,697** registered establishments and **Php69,326,775,204.49** total collections in 2020.

To ensure LGUs' compliance with the policy on shared Passive Telecommunications Tower Infrastructures (PTTIs), we worked to speed up LGU approval on pending applications from telecommunications companies. As a result, **4,172** permits/clearances were approved by **538** cities and municipalities. Today, we focus our sights on the **273** cities and municipalities with 1,087 pending permits/applications.<sup>53</sup>

## RESILIENT AND SOCIALLY-INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES

### Monitoring of LGU Compliance with COVID-19 Directives

The Department, as one of the member agencies of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) and the National Task Force (NTF) on COVID-19, continues to play a significant role in both the policy-making and operations aspects of the government's response to the pandemic by ensuring alignment of national and local governments' efforts against COVID-19.

<sup>52</sup> BLGD, National BPLS Compliance Report, as of 28 September 2021, submitted 06 December 2021.

<sup>53</sup> BLGD, 96<sup>th</sup> Progress Report on the Fast Tracking of Pending Permit Applications of Telecommunication Companies, as of 10 December 2021.

Led by Secretary Eduardo M. Año, we committed to support the government's whole-of-nation approach in the fight against COVID-19, which was evident in our membership across the different clusters of the NTF. In all of these, our focus was to ensure that LGUs are doing their share in the government's drive and that their actions and decisions are in accordance with the guidance and directives issued by the national government which includes finding the balance between revitalizing economic activities and implementing the prescribed minimum public health standards (MPHS).

At the height of the government's declaration of public health emergency and imposition of community quarantine, *Republic Act No. 11469* or "*Bayanihan to Heal as One Act*" was enacted on 24 March 2020, and further strengthened by *Republic Act No. 11494* or the "*Bayanihan to Recover as One Act*" on 27 July 2020. One of the measures that arise as the pandemic persisted and more COVID-19 variants emerged, was the new **Alert Level System**<sup>54</sup> which functioned similarly to the current typhoon warning signals followed. Each Alert Level dictated the number of economic activity and movement allowed in the vicinity. The duration of the granular lockdown and alert level imposed meanwhile depended on the rate of transmission on a certain community.

	Parameters for Alert Level
1	Areas wherein case transmission is low and decreasing, total bed utilization rate, and intensive care unit utilization rate is low.
2	Areas wherein case transmission is low and decreasing, healthcare utilization is low, or case counts are low but increasing, or case counts are low and decreasing but total bed utilization rate and intensive care unit utilization rate is increasing.
3	Areas wherein case counts are high and/or increasing, with total bed utilization rate and intensive care unit utilization rate at increasing utilization.
4	Areas wherein case counts are high and/or increasing, with total bed utilization rate and intensive care unit utilization rate at high utilization.
5	Areas wherein case counts are alarming, with total bed utilization rate and intensive care unit utilization rate at critical utilization. (ECQ protocols to be observed)

We continuously monitored the compliance of LGUs with the various preventive and response measures undertaken by the national government pertaining to the containment of COVID-19, including the Presidential directive of monitoring and fast-tracking the vaccination efforts of LGUs.

We released the following memorandum circulars and/or advisories that complemented national advisories:

- *Memorandum Circular No. 2021-035 re Compliance to IATF Resolution Nos. 98-A and 101 on Uniform Travel Protocols for Government Officials/Personnel and Other Travelers, and on the Strict Enforcement of Minimum Health Protocols* (dated March 24, 2021)
- *Memorandum Circular No. 2021-058* (dated 31 May 2021) reminding LGUs to intensify their regulation and/or prohibition of holding activities which can

<sup>54</sup> IATF Resolution No. 143-A s. 2021 as of 14 October 2021.

become potential super spreader events for COVID-19 given reports of social gatherings.

- *DILG-PNP-DOJ Joint Memo Circular No. 2021-001* (dated 31 May 2021) harmonizing the regulations and policy guidelines involving violations of health and safety ordinances, quarantine-related violations during the state of public health emergency.
- *DILG-DICT Joint Memo Circular No. 2021-01 re Implementation of the Line List System in Local Government Units Through the Use of the DICT Vaccine Administration System* (dated July 23, 2021).
- *Memorandum Circular No. 2021-091 re Implementation of a More Aggressive PDITR+V Strategy and Stronger Contact Tracing Initiatives to contain Highly Transmissible COVID-19 Variants* (dated August 18, 2021)
- *Memorandum Circular No. 2021-103 re Pagpapalawig at Pagpapa-Igting ng Contact Tracing sa mga Barangay.*

The DILG Emergency Operations Center's Community Quarantine Monitoring System (CQMS) has monitored the following number of LGUs complying with several health measures and directives by the IATF:

Compliance Indicators	Province	City	Municipality	Barangay
No. of LGUs that are promoting activities on health and safety within their AOR	81	146	1,488	42,040
No. of LCEs who are present in their LGU	81	146	1,484	41,931
No. of COVID-19 Task Force established	81	146	1,484	33,388
No. of functional Barangay Health Emergency Response Teams (BHERTS)				42,989
No. of LGUs that issues policy on Work from Home Arrangement in their AOR	77	134	1,278	
No. of LGUs that has utilized their Quick Response Funds for assistance to indigent families and daily wage earners	79	144	1,465	38,559
No. of LGUs that issued policy on the implementation of Strict Home Quarantine	80	143	1,474	32,273
No. of LGUs implementing closure of identified establishments	79	142	1,365	
No. of LGUs monitoring skeletal and social distancing measures	81	144	1,484	
No. of LGUs complying with the directive on the unrestricted movement of frontline workers and cargoes	81	146	1,486	41,788



Compliance Indicators	Province	City	Municipality	Barangay
No. of LGUs that provide transportation to residents needing medical assistance/attention	81	145	1,467	35,769
No. of LGUs that are implementing curfews in their AORs	81	146	1,471	42,400
No. of LGUs with designated Isolation Units	81	144	1,451	21,061
No. of LGUs enforcing the prohibition of mass gathering	81	146	1,484	42,005
No. of LGUs conducting disinfection/decontamination activities of public places	80	145	1,460	
No. of LGUs that comply with the standard process on the management of human remains for PUI and COVID-confirmed cases	65	139	1,267	
No. of LGUs that provide PPEs to medical staff, local health workers, PNP and BFP Personnel	81	141	1,438	
No. of LGUs with established Health Information Centers	78	145	1,463	40,758
No. of LGUs cleared of Confirmed Cases	0	2	588	24,817
No. of LGUs that provide basic needs to PUMs, PUIs and COVID-confirmed patients such as food, vitamins, etc.	76	143	1,448	34,887
No. of recovered COVID cases that are monitored on the status of their health conditions		865,918	131,350	
No. of LGUs that provide assistance to PUIs in transferring to quarantine/isolation facilities	79	135	1,214	16,964
No. of LGUs that provide assistance to PUIs in transferring to COVID-designated hospitals	80	1	1,218	14,272

(Source: DILG Central EOC Situational Report No. 705 for Preparedness and Response for the COVID-19, as of 1800H of 22 November 2021)

**Monitoring of LGU-organized Contact Tracers.** By virtue of *IATF Resolution No. 25* (signed on 17 April 2020), the Department was designated to spearhead the government's contact tracing efforts. Since then, the Department has worked to ensure LGUs have contact tracers to mobilize. Thus, we are able to monitor the presence of **129,703** contact tracers with a national tracer-to-population ratio of **1:807**, closing in on the ideal ratio of 1:800. Currently, these tracers are assessing **99%** of close contacts listed within 24 hours.<sup>55</sup>

Region	No. of Members	Current Population Ratio per Contact Tracer (ideal is 1:800)
CAR	3,021	1 : 602
REGION I	8,752	1 : 637
REGION II	7,455	1:484
REGION III	8,631	1 : 1407

<sup>55</sup> OUSPO, as of December 7, 2021.

Region	No. of Members	Current Population Ratio per Contact Tracer (ideal is 1:800)
NCR	15,057	1 : 875
CALABARZON	16,544	1 : 974
MIMAROPA	1,587	1 : 2006
REGION V	9,777	1 : 629
REGION VI	15,617	1 : 489
REGION VII	4,654	1 : 1632
REGION VIII	6,111	1 : 757
REGION IX	1,800	1 : 1618
REGION X	8,664	1 : 591
REGION XI	2,717	1 : 1816
REGION XII	5,564	1 : 808
CARAGA	11,372	1 : 236
BARMM	2,380	1 : 1235
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>129,703</b>	<b>1:807</b>

(Source: DILG-OUSPO, 07 December 2021)

**Augmentation of DILG-hired Contact Tracers.** Following the passage of Bayanihan 2, the Department was mandated to hire contact tracers to augment the contact tracing teams of the LGUs.

To ensure the continued augmentation of tracers in critical areas, funding was allocated under the FY 2021 General Appropriations Act for the re-hiring of 15,000 tracers. To date, a total of **15,510** contact tracers (**100%** including BARMM)<sup>56</sup> were rehired and deployed nationwide.<sup>57</sup> Just like the previous year, these CTs were oriented and capacitated by the Department to ensure their effective performance. The Department likewise hired an additional **1,000** contact tracers nationwide for the prevention of the spread of other COVID-19 variants.<sup>58</sup>

In compliance with DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2021-103 dated September 16, 2021<sup>59</sup>, and Advisory<sup>60</sup> dated October 01, 2021, the Department recorded **41,588** organized BHERTs as Contact Tracers and a total of **57,700** CTs nationwide designated by the barangays, other LGUs and some National Government Agencies.<sup>61</sup>

REGION (a)	TOTAL NUMBER OF ORGANIZED BHERTs (b)	NUMBER OF BARANGAY DESIGNATED CONTACT TRACER/S (c)	NUMBER OF CONTACT TRACERS		
			LGU-HIRED CONTACT TRACER/S (d)	HIRED BY NGAs (e) (DOLE, DILG, PNP, BFP, etc)	TOTAL (c+d+e)
CAR	1,445	1,776	80	1,076	2,932
I	3,829	1,227	2	404	1,633

<sup>56</sup> Due to the administrative constraints in consideration of the Bangsamoro Region's autonomy, contracts of 510 tracers in the region started in July 2021. This resulted in 15,510 active tracers as of the Second Semester, 2021 added with the 15,000 quota as per augmented extension .

<sup>57</sup> OUSPO National CT Google Sheet Tracker, as of December 11, 2021

<sup>58</sup> Ibid.

<sup>59</sup> Pagpapalawig at Pagpapa-igting ng Contact Tracing sa mga Barangay.

<sup>60</sup> Pagsumite ng Ulat tungkol sa mga na-organisang miyembro ng Contact Tracing at Barangay Health Emergency Response Teams (BHERTs).

<sup>61</sup> DMS No. NBOO-2021-11-29-006.

REGION (a)	TOTAL NUMBER OF ORGANIZED BHRTs (b)	NUMBER OF BARANGAY DESIGNATED CONTACT TRACER/S (c)	NUMBER OF CONTACT TRACERS		
			LGU-HIRED CONTACT TRACER/S (d)	HIRED BY NGAs (e) (DOLE, DILG, PNP, BFP, etc)	TOTAL (c+d+e)
II	2,561	654	112	1,547	2,313
III	2,939	1,277	13	1,494	2,784
IV-A	4,585	5,595	16	3,635	9,246
MIMAROPA	1,460	1,582	246	440	2,268
V	3,382	1,126	187	1,519	2,832
VI	3,358	2,254	-	-	2,254
VII	3,077	1,667	-	152	1,819
VIII	4,179	2,329	54	94	2,477
IX	1,250	401	0	9	410
X	2,547	4,024	322	592	4,938
XI	1,103	92	646	481	1,219
XII	1,153	385	-	20	405
XIII	1,313	692	17	506	1,215
NCR	1,732	-	8,879	10,046	18,925
BARMM	1,675	30	-	-	30
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>41,588</b>	<b>25,111</b>	<b>10,574</b>	<b>22,015</b>	<b>57,700</b>

**StaySafe.PH Application.** By virtue of IATF-EID Resolution No. 109, s. 2021 (10 April 2021), the Department took the lead in the implementation of the StaySafe.PH system -- the “official social-distancing, COVID-19 health-condition reporting and contact tracing-system of the government”. The DILG, MultiSys and the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) have undertaken coordination efforts to align the system with all laws, rules and regulations, as well as to ensure interoperability with other applications currently available in the country. The turn-over of the Application to the DILG last March 2021 commenced the monitoring of LGU compliance in integrating their local COVID-19 contact tracing application to the centralized COVID-19 Contact Tracing Application Services.<sup>62</sup>

The Centralized COVID-19 Contact Tracing Application Services serves as the government’s official national electronic point-of-integration system and data repository for all COVID-19 contact tracing applications, including StaySafe.ph. The Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), on the other hand, acts as the lead in the national interoperability of all Contact Tracing Applications.<sup>63</sup>

For 2021, there is a total of **8,956,624** StaySafe Users (Mobile App and Web) with **123,003** establishments and organizations utilizing the application, which include the following:<sup>64</sup>

- Government Offices = 11,284
- Organizations = 5,278
- LGUs = 16,855
- Companies = 89,586

<sup>62</sup> DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2021-075 dated July 6, 2021 entitled “Implementation on the Use of StaySafe.ph for Cities and Municipalities”.

<sup>63</sup> FY 2022 COVID-19 Budget Hearing slides.

<sup>64</sup> ISTMS, as of 10 December 2021.

**Safety Seal Certification Program.** *Joint Memorandum Circular No. 21-01, s. 2021* was signed by the DILG, along with Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Health (DOH), Department of Tourism (DOT), and Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) creating the **Safety Seal Certification Program** aimed to boost the public's confidence in the implementation of MPHS and to encourage the adoption of the StaySafe.ph application towards the safe re-opening of the economy.

The DILG, PNP and all LGUs were designated as Issuing Authorities which will inspect and certify institutions that observe minimum public health standards and encourage the use of the StaySafe.PH Contact Tracing App. Cities and municipalities were designated to inspect local business establishments while the DILG, together with the PNP and BFP will inspect local government offices and other public establishments not covered by other issuing agencies.

The DILG has issued a total of **15,781** certifications to government establishments, while LGUs have issued a total of **35,408** certifications to establishments assigned to them.<sup>65</sup>

**Monitoring of Distribution of Financial Assistance to the NCR+ Areas.** Following the approval of the release of an emergency subsidy amounting to Php22.9 Billion for those affected by the declaration of Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) over the National Capital Region (NCR) and the provinces of Bulacan, Rizal, Laguna and Cavite (collectively known as the NCR Plus Areas), the DILG, DSWD and the Department of National Defense (DND) released *Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1, s. 2021* to ensure the smooth distribution of financial assistance to the identified beneficiaries within the NCR Plus areas. The Department has monitored the following:

- Completion of the distribution amounting to **Php22,889,119,154.00** out of the **Php22,915,422,000.00** allocated *Ayuda* to **22,915,422** eligible individuals. **Eight (8)** LGUs expressed that they will return the unused fund worth **Php26,302,846.00** to the Bureau of Treasury.<sup>66</sup>
- Completion of distribution amounting to **Php11,226,946,000.00** out of **Php11,256,348,000.00** allocated *Ayuda 2* in NCR to **11,226,946** eligible individuals, with the City of Makati returning the unexpended funds to the Bureau of Treasury. Laguna also completed the distribution of **Php 2,714,966,000.00 (100%)** to 2,714,966 eligible beneficiaries in 30 LGUs.<sup>67</sup> Similarly, Bataan completed the distribution of **Php 698,283,000.00** to 683,990 eligible beneficiaries in 12 LGUs.<sup>68</sup>

**Implementation of the National Vaccination Program.** The Department issued *Memorandum Circular No. 2021-007* (dated 18 January 2021) to LGUs, identifying key indicators to facilitate the roll-out of vaccines. Some **27,288** LGUs, including barangays

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<sup>65</sup> OUSPACC Safety Seal Submission as of 02 December 2021.

<sup>66</sup> President's Talk PPT as of 30 May 2021.

<sup>67</sup> DILG-NCR's Final Report on the Status of Ayuda 2 Distribution as of 11 September 2021.

<sup>68</sup> OUSPACC AYUDA 2 Monitoring as of 26 November 2021.

completed their vaccination plans to their respective Regional Vaccination Operations Center (RVOC).<sup>69</sup>

Similarly, the DILG issued *Memorandum Circular No. 2021-057* (dated 31 May 2021) providing guidelines for the fast-tracking of the LGUs' vaccination roll-out to meet the national vaccination target.

- In support of the nationwide distribution of vaccines, the PNP deployed **5,261** police personnel to provide security in the transport of Sinovac, AstraZeneca, Moderna, Pfizer, SPUTNIK-V, SINOPHARM and JANSSEN vaccines all over the country, while **23,641** personnel were deployed to secure various vaccination sites in the country.<sup>70</sup>
- The BFP likewise deployed **479** fire trucks, **56** ambulances, **14** rescue and CBRN/HazMat trucks for decontamination purposes, water rationing and flushing at control points.<sup>71</sup> A total of **319** BFP registered nurses augmented different COVID-19 referral hospitals in Regions II, MIMAROPA, V, VI, VII, VIII, X, XI, and NCR.

PNP and BFP also played a vital role in the first **“Bayanihan, Bakunahan National COVID-19 Vaccination Days 2021”** that took place last November 29, 30, and December 01, 2021. Aside from deploying **3,997** BFP-owned fire trucks, **246** BFP-owned rescue trucks, and **1,061** emergency vehicles, police and fire personnel were also deployed to serve as vaccinators, encoders, etc. during the 3-day event.

	PNP	BFP
No. of Personnel Deployed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>15,682</b> personnel to secure vaccination centers</li> <li>• <b>4,149</b> Medical Reserve Force (MRF) personnel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>11,478</b> personnel deployed as Fire Suppression Crew and <b>8,921</b> personnel as crowd control</li> <li>• <b>5,323</b> Fire Safety Inspectors deployed who conducted <b>7,231</b> routinary fire safety inspections at vaccination sites and storage facilities</li> <li>• <b>3,606</b> personnel deployed as vaccinators</li> <li>• <b>8,269</b> personnel monitored individuals post-vaccination/AEFI (Adverse Events Following Immunization); and</li> <li>• <b>1,738</b> EMS Standby Monitoring personnel</li> </ul>
No. of Personnel Deployed as members of DREAM Team (Encoder and Technical Support)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2,124</b> personnel deployed encoder and technical support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>6,169</b> personnel served as health screeners</li> <li>• <b>6,297</b> encoders</li> </ul>

<sup>69</sup> FY 2022 COVID-19 Budget Hearing Notes (Slide 8).

<sup>70</sup> PNP OES Weekly Report Excel File (as of December 3 to 9, 2021).

<sup>71</sup> BFP Year-end Report, as of October 2021.

The Department has also ensured that its personnel are vaccinated to protect them from the virus as they perform their duties. As of December 2, 2021, **91.80%** have been fully vaccinated, **5.95%** awaiting their second dose; and **2.27%** unvaccinated/with unknown status.<sup>72</sup>

AGENCY	TOTAL	No. of Personnel Fully Vaccinated*	%	No. of Personnel Waiting for 2nd Dose	%	No. of Unvaccinated / Unknown Status	%
<b>OSEC</b>	<b>5,441</b>	<b>4,956</b>	<b>91.09%</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>3.55%</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>5.39%</b>
Central Office	1,070	1,048	97.94%	0	0.00%	23	2.15%
Regional Offices	4,371	3,908	89.41%	193	4.42%	270	6.18%
<b>LGA</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>98.25%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1.75%</b>
<b>PPSC</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>92.11%</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3.47%</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4.42%</b>
<b>NAPOLCOM</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>1,039</b>	<b>94.63%</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1.55%</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>3.83%</b>
<b>PNP</b>	<b>225,803</b>	<b>211,176</b>	<b>93.52%</b>	<b>12,744</b>	<b>5.64%</b>	<b>1,883</b>	<b>0.83%</b>
<b>BFP</b>	<b>32,678</b>	<b>26,751</b>	<b>81.86%</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>9.49%</b>	<b>2,880</b>	<b>8.81%</b>
<b>BJMP</b>	<b>18,869</b>	<b>16,972</b>	<b>89.95%</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>4.58%</b>	<b>1,032</b>	<b>5.47%</b>
<b>NCMF</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>60.82%</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>4.33%</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>34.85%</b>
<b>NYC</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>92.65%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4.41%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2.94%</b>
<b>PCW</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>94.52%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4.11%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1.37%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>285,549</b>	<b>262,138</b>	<b>91.80%</b>	<b>16,983</b>	<b>5.95%</b>	<b>6,482</b>	<b>2.27%</b>

\*For personnel who received 2 doses of vaccine, including 1 dose of Janssen Vax

**Strict Enforcement of Peace and Order and Public Safety during the Duration of Community Quarantines and the State of Public Health Emergency.** The Department, through the PNP and BFP (as members of the Joint Task Force Coronavirus Shield or JTF CV Shield), continued ensuring public safety and order amidst the COVID-19 pandemic.

A total of **2,486,081** individuals were reported to have violated of the community quarantine protocols (**376,572** arrested, **935,471** fined and **1,174,038** warned), and **1,320** arrested due to hoarding/profitteering/manipulation of prices.<sup>73</sup>

There were also other violations of Minimum Public Health Standards noted beginning 20 August 2020 to 10 December 2021.<sup>74</sup>

- Not wearing face shield = **2,476,336**
- Not wearing face mask = **2,802,659**
- Violation of social/mass gathering = **46,762**
- Violation of social distancing = **1,326,480**
- Violation of RA 11332 = **65,600**

<sup>72</sup> PS Weekly Vaccination Google Sheet, as of December 2, 2021.

<sup>73</sup> PNP Daily Report, as of 14 November 2021

<sup>74</sup> PNP Power BI as of 10 December 2021.

## **Building LGU Resiliency on Natural Disasters and Climate Change**

Back in January 2020, Taal Volcano spewed ashes and smoke several kilometers in the atmosphere from its main crater in a phreatic eruption and Alert Level 4 (imminent hazardous eruption) was raised. Police and fire personnel, fire trucks, EMS personnel and ambulances from CALABARZON were deployed to assist evacuees. The NCR, CALABARZON and Central Luzon's Management of the Dead and Missing Persons were activated for immediate deployment. The BFP went on full disaster response status in assisting the PNP and LGUs in implementing the mandatory evacuation ordered by the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) due to the hazards of pyroclastic density per Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PHIVOLCS) advisory. It took several months for the evacuees to resettle as some areas became permanent danger zones. The wearing of face masks to avoid inhalation of volcanic ash was a prelude to the mandatory wearing of face masks due to the COVID-19 pandemic which happened two (2) months later.

In July 2021, Taal Volcano went on another phreatomagmatic eruption that raised the alert level status of the volcano from Alert Level 2 (increasing unrest) to Alert Level 3 (magmatic unrest). As a result, the DILG immediately prioritized the evacuation of residents living near the Taal Volcano Island (TVI) and in the high-risk villages of Agoncillo and Laurel, Batangas due to possible hazards of pyroclastic density currents and volcanic tsunami. Currently, the Department continuously monitors The Department of Science and Technology - Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (DOST-PHIVOLCS) Taal Volcano Bulletins and maintaining communication with DILG Field Offices regarding advisories and the status of preparedness measures being undertaken at all levels.

Due to this, DILG Regions III, CALABARZON, and NCR immediately activated their Emergency Operations Centers and Disaster Reporting and Monitoring System for Taal Volcano Alert Level 3.

Since our country is prone to disasters, the Department, through the Local Government Academy (LGA), initiated the development of ***Operation L!STO Disaster Preparedness Manual for Volcanic Eruption*** for Regions III, IV-A, V, and VI and ***Disaster Preparedness Manual for Earthquake-Tsunami*** for Coastal Communities Nationwide.<sup>75</sup> This is in support of scaling-up the local governments' and communities' capacities in preparing and responding to disasters. The developed manuals serve as a minimum guide for the critical steps/ actions that LGUs and LCEs should undertake for various hazards.

We also sustained the implementation of "**Operation L!STO (Alert)**", an advocacy program mandating LGU disaster-preparedness using the "one-government" and "whole-of-society" approach wherein they prepare, adapt, cope, and transform from the negative impacts of disasters and climate change in partnership with key national government agencies, private organizations and stakeholders.

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<sup>75</sup> LGA, DILG Inputs to CCAM-DRRC Accomplishment Report (July 2020 - February 2021), 08 March 2021.



As a result, the following were capacitated under the several components of Operation L!STO:<sup>76</sup>

#### **L!STONG Pamahalaang Lokal**

- Technical Extension Services Program on Local Climate Change Action Plan (LCCAP) Formulation to LGUs with Climate and Disaster Risk Assessment (CDRA) Report - 18 participants in eight LGUs
- Formulation of the Enhanced LCCAP (E-LCCAP) - 70 LGU personnel trained while 18 participants eight LGUs attended the Technical Extension Services Program on LCCAP Formulation to LGUs with CDRA Report
- Provincial Convergence and Disaster Resilience Dialogue – 496 LGU officials and personnel
- Training on Geographic Information System (GIS) - 64 LGU officials
- RDRMC Committee on Disaster Preparedness - 77 participants
- Training on the Management of the Dead and the Missing - 740 LGU officials and personnel from Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)
- Newly Elected Officials (NEO) Webinar Executive Sessions - 1,129 LGU personnel
- Climate and Disaster Risk Assessment (CDRA) - 24 LGU Officials from Baguio City coached on CDRA while 74 LGU officials from Region 9 trained on CDRA and Greenhouse Gas Inventory
- Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) in the Comprehensive Development Plans (CDP) - 39 officials in 13 LGUs attended the Online Coaches' Orientation on Capacitating LGUs in the Formulation of Risk-Informed Comprehensive Development Plans

#### **L!STONG Pamayanan**

- Quality Assurance System (QAS) for Barangay Disaster Risk Reduction Management Plan (BDRRMP) - 80 DILG R2 personnel
- QAS for BDRRMP and Comprehensive Emergency Program for Children (CEPC) Localization - 330 LGU personnel
- Barangay DRRM Planning and QAS for Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (LDRRMO) - 78 LGU personnel
- Training on Barangay DRRM Planning and QAS for Municipal Local Government Operations Officer (MLGOO) - 69 participants attended

#### **L!STONG Pamilyang Pilipino**

- “Listo si Kap and Listong Pamilyang Pilipino” - 65 participants in 13 LGUs in Region X in June 2020

#### **L!STONG DILG**

- Knowledge Forum for LCCAP Formulation – 80 DILG Senior Officers
- DRRMC Training on Incident Command System - 58 DILG personnel
- Building Resilience of LGUs for the New Normal: Embracing COVID-19 Contact Tracing Work: Orientation for DILG Training Management Teams - 113 DILG personnel

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<sup>76</sup> LGA, 01 July 2021.

The Department also implemented the **Harmonizing Actions in Local Planning for Disaster and Climate Adaptation (HANDA)** project which prioritizes LGUs along the Eastern Seaboard and Major River Basins. As of February 2021, **340** LGUs have risk-informed Comprehensive Development Plans (CDPs) and **981** LGUs with approved CDPs.<sup>77</sup>

The Department also issued *DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2021-037* on the Updated Guidelines on the Assessment of Comprehensive Development Plans of Cities and Municipalities, dated 31 March 2021, for the assessment of CDPs in light of the integration of DRR-CCA considerations in the CDP assessment process and parameters.<sup>78</sup>

We have also finalized the guidelines on mainstreaming DRR and CCA in the CDP with assistance from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and Australian Government-Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) as part of our **Resilience and Preparedness toward Inclusive Development (RAPID) Program**, which will be printed and disseminated to LGUs to serve as a guide in updating/ formulating their plans. This year, 2,000 copies of the Guidelines on Mainstreaming DRR and CCA in the CDP were printed for dissemination.

**Disaster Risk Management – Institutional Strengthening (DRMIS)** is an Official Development Assistance (ODA) project funded by the *Agence Française de Développement* (AFD) which aims to support the DILG in enhancing the Disaster Preparedness Audit (DPA) certification scheme in view of improving the institutional, technical and financial capacity of the LGUs to help ensure effective delivery of DRRM services.

Now in its last year of implementation, the DRMIS worked towards strengthening the capacity of LGUs and DILG personnel in DRR-CCA. Online modules on Climate Disaster Risk Assessment (CDRA) mainstreaming and performance management were developed, in which four (4) batches of online training on CDRA were conducted by DILG regional and field officers.

To enhance the capacity of its partner LGUs, the project also completed nine (9) batches of Trainers' Training on Community-Based Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Planning (CBDRMP) in nine (9) regions which provided the participants with the necessary skills in facilitating the preparation of their CBDRRM Plans and Budget.<sup>79</sup>

**Manila Bay Clean-up Rehabilitation and Preservation Program.** In view of the Supreme Court mandamus for the government to work for the clean-up and rehabilitation of Manila Bay, the Department has continuously monitored the 178 LGUs in Region III, CALABARZON and the NCR on their compliance with environmental laws and regulations namely: *Republic Act No. 9003* (Ecological Solid Waste Management Act), *Republic Act No. 9275* (Clean Water Act), *Republic Act No. 7279* (Urban Development and Housing

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<sup>77</sup> BLGD, DILG Inputs to the CCAM-DRRC Accomplishment Report (July 2020 - February 2021), 02 March 2021.

<sup>78</sup> BLGD, 05 July 2021.

<sup>79</sup> BLGS-DRMIS Yearend Report, 07 December 2021.

Act), and *Republic Act No. 8550*, as amended by *R.A. No. 10654* (The Philippine Fisheries Code). As a result of our monitoring, the following information were gathered:

#### LGU Compliance with Environmental Laws and Regulations

Indicators	Compliant LGUs
<b><i>Solid Waste Management Act (178 LGUs)<sup>80</sup></i></b> <i>(as of March 2021)</i>	
Approved 10-Year SWM Plan	163 (91.57%)
Segregation at source	166 (93.26%)
Segregated collection of wastes	146 (82.02%)
Materials Recovery Facility	167 (93.82%)
Disposed residual waste in approved disposal site	166 (93.26%)
<b><i>Philippine Fisheries Code (32 coastal LGUs)<sup>81</sup></i></b> <i>(as of February 2021)</i>	
Municipal/City Fisheries Ordinance	29 (90.63%)
Water Delineation	13 (40.63%)
Registration of Fisherfolks	24 (75.00%)
Registration of Boats	29 (90.63%)
Existence of M/C FARMCs	29 (90.63%)
Deputation of Fish Wardens	26 (81.25%)

For six years now, the LGU Compliance Assessment has been conducted to promote transparency and accountability of LGUs relative to the performance of their environmental obligation. This year, the Department issued four (4) show cause orders and subjected a total of 16 LGUs to close-monitoring and national validation for failing to prove their efforts and actions relative to their commitment to the mandamus order, the results of which were published in the DILG website for transparency.

On the other hand, LGUs manifesting their strong commitment and contribution to the Bay's clean-up and rehabilitation even amid the pandemic were recognized and conferred with the ***Manila BAYani Awards and Incentives***. Five (5) LGUs from Regions III, IV-A, and NCR were recognized this year as National Awardees.

Major milestones registered in 2021 relative to the program were the issuance of its revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) which provides for the functions and responsibilities of the Department and the LGUs in response to the directive of the Supreme Court (GR No. 171947-48); and the Manila Bayanihan-Data Capture Form Online System (MB-DCF) which has been pilot-tested and now being used by the LGUs for reporting of data, information, and compliance status.<sup>82</sup>

<sup>80</sup> BLGS, 02 July 2021.

<sup>81</sup> BLGS, DILG Inputs to the CCAM-DRRC Accomplishment Report (July 2020 - February 2021), 02 March 2021.

<sup>82</sup> BLGS-Manila Bay Yearend Report, 07 December 2021.

In addition to monitoring LGU Compliance, we have also conducted various capacity building and related activities to assist, guide, and enhance the capacities of our LGUs, to wit:<sup>83</sup>

- Provided the following:
  - financial and technical assistance to LGUs on the conduct of Waste Analysis and Characterization Study (WACS), a major component needed to successfully draft the 10-Year Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP)
  - assistance to LGUs for the drafting of 10-Year SWM Plans, LSPs, and RRAP
- Conducted the following:
  - Local Chief Executive's Forum to remind LCEs of their roles under existing environmental laws, and under the SC mandamus
  - Community and barangay level orientations and dialogues regarding the Manila Bay Program
  - Orientation and capacity building to raise awareness and increase knowledge and skills of LGUs to fulfill indicators under the Program
  - Community Orientation on Desludging Activities to Local Functionaries, and barangays
  - Webinar on the Formulation and Updating of Septage and Sewerage Management Ordinance (SSMO)
  - Orientation and Mentoring on the LGUs' Census and Tagging Tool
  - Seminar for the LHB/LCAPSS on the RA 7279 or UDHA and NDAPSSS (National Drive Against Professional Squatters and Squatting Syndicates)
  - Harmonization of Manila Bay inspection and inventory data
  - Training for LGUs for the development of Strategic Communication Plan
- Coordinated with partner NGOs for the formulation of a model fisheries ordinance
- Developed the Manila Bayanihan-Data Capture Form (MB-DCF) Online System, Users' Manual and Video Tutorials on the use of the MB-DCF Online System and IEC Materials for information dissemination and knowledge sharing

**Protection of Beach Tourism Areas.** The DILG, as a member of the Boracay Inter-Agency Task Force (BIATF) has continued to strengthen measures to ensure LGU observance of environmental laws and regulations are continued to be observed.

A total of **3,433** establishments in Boracay Island have been inspected for compliance with said regulations. Of this number, **606** were found to be compliant, **2,566** were non-compliant, and **261** were not inspected due to their closure during the inspection.<sup>84</sup>

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<sup>83</sup> BLGS, 02 July 2021.

<sup>84</sup> BTMT PMO, 1<sup>st</sup> Semester 2021, 23 July 2021.

Similarly, the DILG also established several Inspection Committees in other tourist destinations through its Beach Tourism Monitoring Team (BTMT) composed of DILG, Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and Department of Tourism (DOT) to monitor and inspect establishments in other primary beach tourism sites, such as El Nido, Coron, Puerto Galera, Panglao and Siargao.

Inspection of more establishments in these areas is a continuing process as we determine the measures necessary to further protect these tourism destinations and hold accountable officials, private individuals and entities that have violated pertinent laws and caused any harm or degradation to these local treasures.

As part of the ongoing effort to manage the health crisis, the BTMT shall continue to monitor COVID-19 cases and their impact on the local tourism industry, particularly in the six (6) priority sites. This will include monitoring the strict compliance of the LGUs with the uniform travel requirements as mandated by the IATF.

### **Decongesting Metro Manila and Developing the Countryside**

With the successful implementation of the road clearing operations back in CY 2019, the Department expanded its operations in CY 2020 under **Road Clearing 2.0**, which directed all barangays to clear tertiary roads within their jurisdictions.

While the pandemic and natural disasters temporarily postponed the conduct of further clearing activities, validation teams were deployed to assess the **1,703 (99.3%)** LGUs covering **10,116** local roads, wherein **27,208** road obstructions were determined and cleared. The remaining 12 LGUs (in regions CAR, IX, CARAGA and BARMM) were rescheduled for validation. Due to the limitations imposed by the prevailing health conditions, **1,508** LGUs under the MGCQ status were validated under the presumption of full implementation of the clearing efforts, while **195** LGUs under GCQ were validated under partial implementation.<sup>85</sup>

The validation of the LGU implementation of the ban on tricycles along national highways was also conducted alongside the Road Clearing validation, wherein a total of **74** LGUs considered to be *statistical outliers*<sup>86</sup> were sent notices explaining how their rating was determined, the threshold score set by the Department, and additional recommendatory actions which they must perform within 30 days.

### **Upholding Social Protection and Providing for the People's Needs**

The Department pushed for programs that enabled the LGUs to adequately address the needs of the marginalized and vulnerable groups such as access to basic social services and mobility for economic growth, through provision of financial subsidy and technical assistance in the implementation of infrastructure projects.

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<sup>85</sup> BLGS, Road Clearing Updates for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2021, 12 July 2021.

<sup>86</sup> Statistical Outliers are those with scores lower than two standard deviations from the mean of 80,8281.

Through the **Monitoring and Evaluation Assistance to Local Government Unit (MEALGU)**, we monitored the implementation of LGU infrastructure projects under the following programs covered by the Local Government Support Fund (LGSF):<sup>87</sup>

- **Sagana at Ligtas na Tubig (SALINTUBIG) Program** which provides access to safe and potable water to the poor and waterless municipalities nationwide, managed to complete **433** sub-projects, benefitting a total of **321,868** households, bringing the total completed subprojects 95% (2,682 out of 2,832) since 2012.
  - The project successfully contributed to the whole-of-government effort to narrow down the water accessibility gap in the country by assisting a total of **173** municipalities and **241** barangays to graduate from waterless status. Overall or since the program began in 2012, a total of **340** or **75%** of 455 waterless municipalities and **1,123** or **83%** of 1,353 waterless barangays have graduated from being waterless.
- **Assistance to Municipalities (AM)** (formerly known as Assistance to Disadvantaged Municipalities in 2017 and Bottom-up Budgeting Program in CYs 2013-2016) paved the way to equitably assist all municipalities in the delivery of basic services by providing them with financial subsidy for the implementation of priority programs and projects, specifically water supply projects, local access roads, disaster risk reduction and other local infrastructure projects. The LGUs have completed the following:
  - **441** water sub-projects benefitting some **337,598** households nationwide, bringing the total to **5,348 (98%)** completed out of 5,478 sub-projects since 2013
  - **514** other infrastructure/DRR-related sub-projects benefitting a total of **506,061** households, bringing the total to **3,963 (98%)** completed out of 4,064 sub-projects since 2013
  - **1,379** local access sub-projects covering a total of **600.39** kms. of roads and bridges benefitting a total of **553,547** households, bringing the total to **9,876 (92%)** completed out of 10,776 sub-projects since 2014
- Since 2012, the Department has also been playing a key role in the implementation of the **Payapa at Masaganang Pamayanan (PAMANA) Program**, the government's convergence program for peace and development interventions in identified conflict-affected areas. A total of **12** sub-projects were completed, benefitting a total of **5,277** households, bringing the total to **707 (99%)** completed out of 716 sub-projects since 2015.
- The **Support to Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces (CMGP) for Road and Bridges Repair, Rehabilitation and Improvement Program**, formerly known as the Konkreto at Ayos na Lansangan ang Daan Tungo sa Pangkalahatang Kaunlaran KALSADA) Program, helped improve the capacity of provincial governments on local road management (LRM) in an effort to

<sup>87</sup> OPDS, as of 30 November 2021, 09 December 2021.

address the poor state of provincial roads across the country. This shall be accomplished with the provision of assistance to provinces on fund release for the repair, rehabilitation and maintenance of roads, and through monitoring of accomplishments under the Governance Reform and Public Financial Management (PFM) targets of beneficiary provinces. Through the Support to CMGP, a total of **230** road projects covering **501.32** kilometer stretch have been completed in 75 provinces. Implemented since 2016, the CMGP/KALSADA now has a total of **1,073 (92%)** completed (with 3,168.20 kms. of roads) out of 1,170 sub-projects.

In line with our efforts to promote participatory and transparent governance, we enhanced **SubayBAYAN** to adapt to the new normal and continue offering the public a platform to see and report the actual progress of LGU-implemented infrastructure projects administered by the DILG via among others mobile phones.

Under the **Capacitating LGUs on Resettlement Governance (CLRG) Project**, we provided Resettlement Governance Assistance Fund (RGAF) to recipient LGUs in Regions III, IV-A and NCR to serve as support in providing resettlement sites with basic services such as but not limited to dump trucks, CCTV, outposts, vehicles and streetlights; and as transitional fund for LGU operational costs and community development projects. We also strengthened the technical capacities of partner LGUs through institutional building, crafting of local development plans and relevant policies on housing and resettlement, sustainable livelihood development and providing additional financial assistance to augment the resources of these LGUs in providing basic utilities and services within the resettlement communities.

To date, **264** or **60%** of the target 442 sub-projects were already completed, with **Php377.486 Million (80%)** of the Php470.254 Million RGAF financial assistance utilized by LGUs hosting resettlement sites.

	Coverage	Allotment	Utilized	
2017 RGAF	18 resettlement sites in 12 LGUs in NCR, Region III and Region IV-A	Php275.605 Million	Php267.597 Million (97%) balance reverted to BoT	<b>184</b> (100%) of 184 projects completed
2019 RGAF	18 resettlement sites in 12 LGUs in NCR, Region III and Region IV-A	Php128.100 Million	Php95.274 Million or 74%	<b>69</b> (52%) of 133 sub-projects completed
2020 RGAF	13 recipient LGUs in NCR, Region III and Region IV-A, hosting 28 resettlement sites	Php66.549 Million	Php14.615 Million or 22%	<b>11</b> (9%) out of the 125 sub-projects completed
		<b>Php470.254 Million</b>	<b>Php377.486 Million (80%)</b>	<b>264 (60%) out of 442 sub-projects</b>

(Source: CLRG PMO, 02 July 2021)

Under the Alternative Housing Program and People's Proposals (AHPPP) Fund (more commonly known as the **Oplan Likas Program**), **58,442** of the 104,219 Informal Settler Families (ISFs) in danger areas of Metro Manila have been relocated to National Housing Authority (NHA) and Social Housing Financing Corporation (SHFC) resettlement sites. Furthermore, a total of **35,804** qualified ISFs living on-top and within the legal



easements of priority waterways have been provided with Php18,000.00 financial assistance under the *Interim Shelter Fund*.<sup>88</sup>

PHYSICAL ACCOMPLISHMENT			
Agency	Target	Awarded	Balance
DSWD	26,367	26,367	0
NHA	15,000	6,670	8,366
PCUP	11,367	2,767	8,600
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>52,734</b>	<b>35,804</b>	<b>16,966</b>

**Championing Gender and Development.** We continued monitoring LGU compliance with the establishment of GAD institutional mechanisms necessary for the empowerment of women and the promotion of gender equality in the communities. For CY 2021, the following number of LGUs that complied are as follows:

**STATUS OF LGUS COMPLIANCE TO THE INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS  
FOR THE LOCALIZATION OF MAGNA CARTA OF WOMEN<sup>89</sup>**  
January to November 2021

LGU Requirements	Total LGUs	Number of LGUs Complying			
		Provinces	Cities	Municipalities	Total
<b>GAD Database</b>	1,717	60	118	1,115	<b>1,293 (75.31%)</b>
<b>GAD Code</b>	1,717	67	129	1,161	<b>1,192 (79.03%)</b>
<b>GAD Focal Point System</b>	1,717	70	143	1,330	<b>1,442 (89.87%)</b>

**Advancing the Cause for Women, Youth and Muslim Filipinos.** The Department was given the authority by the President to supervise the affairs of three (3) agencies previously under the Office of the President (OP), namely the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW), National Youth Commission (NYC), and National Commission for Muslim Filipinos (NCMF). These afforded us more opportunities as well as challenges to be more responsive in pushing and promoting the welfare and rights of the youth, women and Muslim Filipinos.

The PCW, as the oversight body on women's concerns, has provided advice/clarifications on the provisions of VAW-related laws, directly coordinated with service providers for urgent cases, among others, to **255** VAW-related and non-VAW inquiries received via email, phone calls/texts and walk-ins.<sup>90</sup>

They have likewise responded to **381** inquiries relating to harassment, sextortion, and other issues; provided referral assistance to victim-survivors who got immediate help from the police and legal offices. PCW has also updated the Gender Equality and Womens' Empowerment Plan (GEWE Plan) 2019-2025 to address the impact of COVID-19 pandemic.<sup>91</sup>

<sup>88</sup> CLRG PMO, as of October 2021.

<sup>89</sup> BLGD, December 2021

<sup>90</sup> PCW, September 2021.

<sup>91</sup> PCW report on COVID-19 efforts and Responses as of 30 November 2021.

On the other hand, the NYC, continued supporting the development of policies towards the protection and improvement of the Filipino Youth through its programs and advocacy campaigns. Different papers and reports related to COVID-19 have been submitted to concerned offices, including the House of Representatives, and released for the public. The NYC also provided inputs and recommendations to different ASEAN-related policies, programs and other documents.

They launched the “*NYC Online Youth Mental Health Wellness Peer to Peer Coaching*” Program in November last year providing an online support system for the youth. In 2021, the program has implemented **nine (9)** online activities and has garnered an average monthly reach of **14,974** individuals with its posts on social media platforms. NYC also launched the “Wear a Facemask Infodrive”, distributing pouches containing face masks, filters, refillable alcohol bottles, and reminders on how to protect oneself from the COVID-19 threat.<sup>92</sup>

Similarly, the NCMF extended various forms of assistance to Muslim communities affected by the COVID-19 pandemic such as relief operations, burial assistance and other relevant activities which include: info campaigns, online medical consultations, provision of support to DSWD’s social amelioration program to indigent Muslim Filipinos, support to the Balik Estudyante Programs, conduct of legal assistance and conflict resolution, assistance to stranded Muslims, promotional campaigns on the new normal through the distribution of personal protective equipment (face shield, face masks, gloves) and medical supplies (alcohol, sanitizing agent), COVID-19 testing of repatriated *morits* (students), free vaccine against HPV (human papillomavirus), and livelihood activities/programs (backyard gardening, livelihood orientation, handmade products). They have provided relief and financial assistance to **310** beneficiaries in communities affected by the pandemic, as well as burial assistance for families who have lost their loved ones to COVID-19.<sup>93</sup>

#### Other Barangay-based Programs

- **“Adopting as a National Priority the Implementation of Measures to Address the Root Causes of the Rising Number of Teenage Pregnancies, and Mobilizing Government Agencies for the Purpose” (EO 141).**<sup>94</sup> Various awareness campaigns, webinars, and forums were conducted bearing the following objectives:
  - Teenage pregnancy prevention and access to contraception
  - Sexual health promotion and reduction in risk taking behavior; and
  - Support for young parents
- **Barangay Registration of Kasambahay.**<sup>95</sup> In line with the “Domestic Workers Act” (Republic Act 10361), the Department issued *Memorandum Circular Nos. 2013-61, 2017-33*, and *DILG Advisories* dated October 12, 2017 and September 06, 2018, to encourage barangays to adhere to the Act.

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<sup>92</sup> NYC Accomplishment Report as of 30 November 2021.

<sup>93</sup> NCMF November 2021 Accomplishment Report as of 30 November 2021.

<sup>94</sup> NYC 2021 Year-end Report as of November 2021.

<sup>95</sup> DMS No. NBOO-2021-09-28-011.

As of September 25, 2021, the Department monitored the following:

No. of barangays with Registered <i>Kasambahay</i>	<b>3,520</b>
Total no. of registered <i>Kasambahay</i>	<b>43,958</b>
Total no. of barangays with established <i>Kasambahay</i> desk	<b>28,526</b>
Total no. of barangays with assigned <i>Kasambahay</i> desk officer	<b>28,165</b>
Total no. of ordinances/resolutions passed that complimented the “Domestic Workers Act”	<b>1,370</b>
Total no. of barangays that posted the <i>Domestic Workers Act</i> Flowchart	<b>10,650</b>

- **First Time Job Seekers Assistance Act (FTJSAA).** As of November 24, 2021, **19,626** citizens availed/benefitted from the Act, based on the Consolidated Reports submitted by DILG Regional Offices.<sup>96</sup>

REGION	TOTAL
NCR	6,118
CAR	519
I	331
II	106
III	4,620
IV-A	3,205
MIMAROPA	425
V	965
VI	230
VII	1,164
VIII	514
IX	392
X	140
XI	259
XII	101
XIII	537
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>19,626</b>

## STRENGTHENED DILG ORGANIZATION

### Improving the Capacity of Our Uniformed Personnel

**Increased Manpower Fill-Up Rate.** The Department was able to recruit more police, fire and jail personnel that led to an improved manpower fill-up rate in CY 2021 bringing closer to the ideal ratio as compared to the past year.

Ratio	Ideal	Actual	
		CY 2020	CY 2021
Police-to-Population Ratio	1:500	1:494 <sup>97</sup>	1:534 <sup>98</sup>
Fire Officer-to-Population Ratio <sup>99</sup>	1:2,000	1:3,677	1:3,412
Jail Officer-to-PDL Ratio <sup>100</sup>	1:3	1:10	1:7

<sup>96</sup> DMS No. NBOO-2021-11-25-002.

<sup>97</sup> PNP 2021 Year-End Report.

<sup>98</sup> PNP FY 2022 Budget Hearing Notes.

<sup>99</sup> BFP Facts and Figures, as of September 2021.

<sup>100</sup> BJMP 2021 Year-end Report as of October 2021.

**Acquisition of Vital Assets and Logistical Resources.** Contributory to the efficient peace and order and public safety services is the provision of logistical support vital to the performance of their mandate. To further modernize their equipage, various critical assets were procured by PNP, BJMP and BFP.

	CY 2020	CY 2021
<b>PNP</b>		
Mobility Fill-up Rate	56% <sup>101</sup>	57% <sup>102</sup>
Firepower Fill-up Rate <sup>103</sup>	85%	87%
Communication Fill-up Rate <sup>104</sup>	33%	34%
<b>BFP</b>		
BFP-Owned Fire Stations <sup>105</sup>	807	831
BFP-Owned Fire Trucks <sup>106</sup>	2,511	2,494
<b>BJMP</b>		
Short Firearms <sup>107</sup>	14,662	14,662
Prisoner's Van <sup>108</sup>	663	668
BJMP-Manned Jails <sup>109</sup>	470	474

**BFP Modernization Act (RA 11589).** The law was signed in 2021 which allows the Fire Bureau to increase its fire-fighting tools and life-saving equipment, hire and train more fire officers and allow fire-fighters to carry a gun for performance-related functions, among others.<sup>110</sup>

**Professionalization of the Uniformed Personnel.** The *Philippine Public Safety College (PPSC)* for its part, provided mandatory and specialized training and continuing quality education to PNP, BFP and BJMP uniformed personnel to institutionalize a competent, credible and professionalized corps of peace and order and public safety personnel. As of November 30, 2021, PPSC has conducted **230** classes with a total of **11,095** students and trainees completing their classes across all four Constituent Units (CUs) – the National Police College (NPC), National Fire Training Institute (NFTI), National Jail Management and Penology Training Institute (NJMPIT), and the National Forensic Science Training Institute (NFSTI):<sup>111</sup>

- **2,885** participants in **58** Officer Courses
- **7,521** participants in **161** Non-officer Courses
- **689** participants in **11** Specialized Courses

<sup>101</sup> PNP Budget Hearing Slides 2021

<sup>102</sup> PNP Capability Enhancement Program, Submission for DILG AVP as of November 2021.

<sup>103</sup> PNP Budget Hearing Slides 2021.

<sup>104</sup> Ibid.

<sup>105</sup> BFP Facts and Figures, as of September 2021

<sup>106</sup> BFP 2020 Year-end Report, as of October 2020

<sup>107</sup> BJMP 2021 Year-end Report as of October 2021.

<sup>108</sup> Ibid.

<sup>109</sup> Ibid.

<sup>110</sup> <https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1153215>.

<sup>111</sup> PPSC 2021 Year-end Report as of November 2021.

**Internal Cleansing and Reforms.** With the unrelenting campaign on illegal drugs and criminality comes the responsibility of being good examples of integrity and professionalism. To ensure that police, fire, and jail personnel remain clean and free of any involvement in the illegal drugs trade, acts of terrorism and/or for having provided various forms of support to terrorist groups, the Department has implemented various mechanisms and initiatives to get rid of undesirables and incompetent uniformed personnel.

**19,634** PNP, **1,341** BJMP and **51** BFP erring personnel were meted various disciplinary actions and sanctions for involvement in corruption and other unlawful activities for the period 2016 to September / October 2021:<sup>112</sup>

TYPE OF PENALTY	NO. OF ERRING PERSONNEL INVOLVED		
	PNP	BJMP <sup>113</sup>	BFP
Dismissed	5,383	2	16
Suspended	9,721	60	31
Reprimanded	2,281	58	2
Demoted	1,046	-	0
Other Penalties/ Pending Cases	1,203	269	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19,634</b>	<b>1,341**</b>	<b>51</b>

\*\* Additional 54 cases absolved or dismissed while 20 jail personnel exonerated

- **503** PNP and **29** BJMP personnel found positive for illegal drug use were penalized (covering 2016 to September 2021).<sup>114</sup>

### **Improving the Capacity of the DILG Personnel**

As part of its commitment to provide effective technical and administrative services, the Department continuously developed the capacity of its personnel.

To help increase the numbers of its workforce and ensure that the best-qualified applicants are selected, the DILG-Office of the Secretary has improved its Recruitment, Selection, and Placement (RSP) procedures through the creation of a standardized process for its Central and Regional Offices.

The Department has also made applications more accessible, utilizing online platforms for the publication of vacancies, submission and evaluation of application documents, conducting of examinations, and panel Interviews. Moreover, the DILG Pre-qualifying Examination (PQE) has been de-concentrated to its Regional Offices, with 13 ROs tapping into accredited Service Providers and 3 ROs delegating their In-house Accredited Psychometricians to administer the exams.

As of November 2021, the Department's Central Office has conducted a total of **47** PQEs with 291 takers and facilitated 18 online deliberations for 92 applicants for 52 1st and 2nd level positions.

<sup>112</sup> PNP FY 2022 Budget Hearing Notes.

<sup>113</sup> BJMP 2021 Year-end Report as of October 2021.

<sup>114</sup> PNP and BJMP FY 2022 Budget Hearing Notes.

The Central Office also facilitated the contracts of 508 Contract of Services (COS) personnel as well as welcomed twenty (20) 3rd level executives appointed by President Duterte: three (3) Director IV, four (4) Director III, and thirteen (13) LGOO VIII.

Recognizing the importance of continuous learning in service delivery improvement, DILG has conducted a total of 26 online Learning and Development activities for CO, RO, and FO employees.

The Department has also provided scholarships to 48 employees and has helped facilitated the admission and course completion of seven (7) graduates through the support of local and foreign partners, such as the Master in Technology Management from the Program of the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), Master in Development Management from the Development Academy of the Philippines, Masters in International Relations from the Australia Awards and Alumni Engagement Program-Philippines (AAEP-P), and Masters in Policy Studies from the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) in Japan.<sup>115</sup>

### **Extending Assistance to Our Employees**

With the safety of its personnel in the midst of the pandemic as part of its priority, the Department has also taken steps to ensure a COVID-free work environment thru the provision of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to its staff and items such as **488,358** pieces of face masks, **4,849** face shields, **4,418** bottles of alcohol, 1,198 bottles of liquid hand soap, **83** PPEs, and **1,880** vitamins/medicines for frontliners.

The DILG has also equipped its offices with UV boxes and acrylic table shields to protect personnel working onsite, disinfections of office premises and common areas are also conducted regularly, as well as providing shuttle services which ferry 82 personnel via 8 routes for employees reporting physically to the office.

Free Antigen and PCR tests were also provided to employees who manifest symptoms and of close contacts. Counselling services were also made available to vulnerable employees and affected persons under observation (PUI) and persons under monitoring (PUM). Flu vaccines were also administered to 771 personnel for additional protection.<sup>116</sup>

Despite these efforts, some DILG personnel from the central and regional offices, and attached agencies got afflicted with COVID-19.

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<sup>115</sup> OASHRD Yearend Report as of 30 November 2021.

<sup>116</sup> OASHRD Yearend Report as of 30 November 2021.

As of December 2, 2021, the Department recorded **53,084** confirmed cases, **52,800** recovered cases, and **187** deaths.<sup>117</sup>

Agency	No. of Personnel	Confirmed Cases	% Confirmed Cases / Total Pop.	Breakdown of Confirmed Cases					
				Active Cases	% Case / Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	% Case / Confirmed Cases	Deaths	% Case / Confirmed Cases
<b>OSEC</b>	<b>5,441</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>18.25%</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3.32%</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>94.76%</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1.91%</b>
<i>Central Office</i>	<i>1,070</i>	<i>152</i>	<i>14.21%</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>149</i>	<i>98.03%</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1.97%</i>
<i>Regional Offices</i>	<i>4,371</i>	<i>841</i>	<i>19.24%</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>3.92%</i>	<i>792</i>	<i>94.17%</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>1.90%</i>
<b>LGA</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>35.09%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>PPSC</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>23.34%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>NAPOLCOM</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>15.85%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.57%</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>98.85%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.57%</b>
<b>PNP</b>	<b>225,803</b>	<b>42,198</b>	<b>18.69%</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0.11%</b>	<b>42,028</b>	<b>99.60%</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>0.30%</b>
<b>BFP</b>	<b>32,678</b>	<b>6460</b>	<b>19.77%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0.23%</b>	<b>6423</b>	<b>99.43%</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0.34%</b>
<b>BJMP</b>	<b>18,869</b>	<b>3098</b>	<b>16.42%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0.19%</b>	<b>3075</b>	<b>99.26%</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0.55%</b>
<b>NCMF</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2.01%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5.26%</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>15.79%</b>
<b>NYC</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7.35%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>PCW</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>12.33%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>285,549</b>	<b>53084</b>	<b>18.59%</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>0.19%</b>	<b>52800</b>	<b>99.46%</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>0.35%</b>

### Providing Awards and Incentives for Good Performance

The Department also recognized the hard work and efforts of its offices, officials, and personnel. Through the **DILG Program on Awards and Incentives for Service Excellence (PRAISE) Awards**, the Department handed out awards to deserving officials and employees, and added this year the following categories, highlighting the exemplary contributions of our personnel amidst the pandemic<sup>118</sup>:

Award Category	Awardees
Best Official/ Employee Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diana M. Baldonado (LGOO V, BLGS)</li> <li>Atty. Cynthia F. Laureano-Pulido (Attorney V, LLLS)</li> <li>Anna Victoria C. Quibot (LGOO III, BLGD)</li> <li>Melany F. Quiton (LGOO VI, BLGS)</li> <li>Juan Carlos M. Tolentino (Administrative Aide VI, PS)</li> </ul>
Best Service and Bureau Award	<p><i>Best Service:</i> Financial and Management Service (FMS)</p> <p><i>Best Bureau:</i> Bureau of Local Government Supervision (BLGS)</p>
Career and Self- Development Incentive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ma. Aimee P. Castino (LGOO V, BLGD)</li> <li>Irish M. Compeon (Administrative Officer V)</li> <li>Julie Ann D. Lara (LGOO III, BLGD)</li> </ul>

<sup>117</sup> PS Weekly Affection Google Sheet, as of 02 December 2021.

<sup>118</sup> DMS No. AS-PD-2021-12-10-005

Natatanging Frontliner Award	<p><i>Group Category:</i> Planning Service-Office of the ASEC for Plans and Programs (PS-OASPP) COVID-19 Team</p> <p><i>Individual Category:</i> Lea Thalia N. Sena (Security Officer IV, AS/OSEC)</p>
DILG Malasakit Award	<p><i>Group Category:</i> DILG Strategic Communication (OUSPPAC &amp; PACS)</p> <p><i>Individual Category:</i> Asec Ester A. Aldana (OASFC)</p>
On-the-Spot Award: Huwarang Kawani Award and Merit Award	<p>Asst. Dir. Debie T. Torres (NBOO)</p> <p>Alyssa Marie A. Briones (BLGS)</p>
Service Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cecilia C. Zalun</li> <li>• Jocelyn L. Somera</li> <li>• Virgilio A. Nuque</li> <li>• Edna N. Aragon</li> <li>• Elizabeth Y. Castro</li> </ul>
On-the-Spot/Special Awards	<p><i>Posthumous Award:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Atty. Renato S. Castillo, Jr.</li> <li>• Alfredo S. Sureta, Jr</li> </ul> <p><i>Posthumous Recognition:</i> Arturo L. Masangkay, Jr.</p> <p><i>Special Award:</i> Office of the ASEC for Administration, Finance and Comptrollership (OASFC) &amp; Financial and Management Service (FMS)</p> <p><i>Special Award:</i> Usec Epimaco V. Densing III</p>

In addition, through the Local Government Academy (LGA), the Department confers the **Capacity Development Awards Program for Catalysts of Excellence (CapDev ACE)**, a National Awards Program that recognizes and honors DILG LG Sector officials, employees and Local Governance Regional Resource Centers (LGRRC) units that have displayed outstanding performance and made exceptional contributions in the delivery of DILG program, projects and activities; and the **Capacity Development Accelerator Awards (CapDev Accelerator Awards)**, to acknowledge the invaluable contributions of development partners pursuing good local governance. For 2021, the following are the CapDev ACE awardees and CapDev Accelerator Awards:

Capacity Development Awards Program for Catalysts of Excellence	
Award for Exemplary Performance	
Tatag ng Agila (Capacity Development Leadership Award)	<p><i>Regional Office:</i> RD Ariel O. Iglesia, DILG-Calabarzon</p> <p><i>Central Office:</i> Dir. Anna Liza F. Bonagua, BLGD</p>
Singsing ng Tanikala (Best C/MLGOO)	Ildefonso M. Orquejo, Jr., DILG-Region VI



Dangal ng Kagawaran (People's Choice)	<i>Regional Office:</i> Atty. Ian Kenneth B. Lucero, DILG-Region VII  <i>Central Office:</i> Lucita Dela Peña, BLGD
Dagitab ng Paglilingkod	Ard C. Catalino, DILG-Region IX
<b><u>LGRRC Champions</u></b>	
Bugkos ng Bayan (Most Outstanding Cluster, HUC or Province)	DILG Province of Iloilo
Ugnay ng Mamamayan (Most Outstanding LGRRC)	LGRRC VI
<b><u>Special Awards</u></b>	
Bagwis ng Paglilingkod sa Bayan	Usec Epimaco V. Densing III
Gabi ng Parangal Stars of the Night	Usec Martin B. Diño and Jermie Erie Yeager, DILG-Region XII
<b><u>Capacity Development Accelerator Awards</u></b>	
CapDev Accelerator Award in Local Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CBMS Network</li> <li>• Oceana Philippines</li> <li>• ASEAN ACT</li> <li>• Save the Children</li> <li>• DZMM Radyo Patrol 630</li> </ul>
NextGen CapDev Accelerator Award	UNDP Philippines
CapDev Game Changer Award	OADR for the Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanisms under the Katarungang Pambarangay (KP) Law

Further, for the invaluable service of our retiring personnel, plaques of recognition were awarded to 22 retirees, and a grant of Service Award amounting to Php10,000.00 each was given to 18 retirees.<sup>119</sup>

<sup>119</sup> OASHRD Yearend Report as of 30 November 2021.

## Moving Forward

This year has presented both challenges and opportunities for the Department, both of which have been resolutely overcome by the DILG, owing to the commitment, dedication, resolve, and selflessness of all its officials and personnel. With more people in need as a result of the economic downturn and the adversities caused by the pandemic, our Department's essential services have and will continue to play an important role in our country's recovery. The DILG is in its best position to deliver effective and efficient services and make it available especially to the vulnerable sector.

It is our continued commitment to grow our impact and ensure that we will continuously implement projects that are beneficial to the people. We will continue to embrace stories of transformation from those we serve and of the remarkable DILG family who are united in both its mission and aspirations as we stay at the forefront in building a peaceful, progressive and resilient nation for every Filipino.



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