As of April 16, 2018, the Department of Budget and Management has released 99.99% of the FY 2018 IRA.

Most, if not all, of the revenue that a Local Government Unit spends is sourced from their IRA. For municipalities, their IRA makes up 90% of their total revenues. For cities, which have more sources of local revenues (i.e. property taxes and government fees), their IRA accounts for 50% to 70% of their total revenues.

The FY 2015 Census of Population by Province, City, Municipality, and Barangay and the FY 2001 Master List of Land Area were taken into consideration in the computation of the FY 2018 IRA allocation of LGUs.

An increased IRA means an increase in the Local Government Unit’s capacity to provide social services and local infrastructure projects for their communities.

The DBM directly releases the IRA at the beginning of the year, which allows the Bureau of the Treasury to download the IRA efficiently to the LGUs’ bank accounts.

The FY 2018 IRA of ₱522.25 billion is divided among the following:

- 82 Provinces: ₱121.59 billion
- 145 Cities: ₱119.77 billion
- 1,478 Municipalities: ₱178.13 billion
- 41,902 Barangays: ₱103.25 billion

The FY 2018 Internal Revenue Allotment

7.37% increase from FY 2017 IRA ₱486.89 billion
21.96% increase from FY 2016 IRA ₱428.62 billion
LOCAL BUDGET MEMORANDUM NO. 76

SHARE IN TOBACCO EXCISE TAX

Local Budget Memorandum No. 76 issued by the Department of Budget and Management on October 6, 2017 provided the guidelines on the release and utilization of the shares of Local Government Units from the collections of excise tax on locally-manufactured Virginia-type cigarettes under R.A. No. 7171 and Burley and Native Tobacco excise tax pursuant to R.A. No. 8240, as amended by R.A. No. 10351.

The funds are chargeable against the allocations to LGUs under the FY 2016 General Appropriations Act, R.A. No. 10717, Continuing Appropriations, and FY 2017 GAA, R.A. No. 10924.

The Local Budget Memorandum also emphasized the posting and reporting requirements to enhance transparency and accountability among the LGUs.

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Share in Tobacco Excise Tax (Virginia Tobacco) pursuant to R.A. No. 7171

Share in Tobacco Excise Tax Pursuant to R.A. No. 10351 (Burley and Native Tobacco) including P 169.61 million for prior years’ share of entitled cities and municipalities

NOTICE OF CASH ALLOCATION (NCA)

*As of December 31, 2017
**Release subject to compliance with requirements by the beneficiary LGUs
The fund shall be utilized to advance the self-reliance of the tobacco farmers through:

- Cooperative projects that will enhance better quality of products, increase productivity, guarantee the market, and, as a whole, increase farmers’ income
- Livelihood projects particularly the development of alternative farming system to enhance farmers’ income
- Agro-industrial projects that will enable tobacco farmers in the Virginia tobacco-producing provinces to be involved in the management and subsequent ownership of these projects such as post-harvest and secondary processing like cigarette manufacturing and by-product utilization
- Infrastructure projects, such as farm-to-market roads

The fund will be used exclusively for programs in pursuit of these objectives:

- Programs that will provide inputs, training, and other support for tobacco farmers who shift to production of agricultural products other than tobacco including, but not limited to, high-value crops, spices, rice, corn, sugarcane, coconut, livestock, and fisheries
- Programs that will provide financial support for tobacco farmers who are displaced or who cease to produce tobacco
- Cooperative programs to assist tobacco farmers in planting alternative crops or implementing other livelihood projects
- Livelihood programs and projects that will promote, enhance, and develop the tourism potential of tobacco-growing provinces
- Infrastructure projects such as farm-to-market roads, schools, hospitals, and rural health facilities
- Agro-industrial projects that will enable tobacco farmers to be involved in the management and subsequent ownership of projects, such as post-harvest and secondary processing like cigarette manufacturing and by-product utilization