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#### Planning and budgeting linkage

18. Why should a barangay prepare a Barangay Development Plan?

The need to prepare a Barangay Development Plan (BDP) is in accordance with the budgeting principle that "local government budgets shall operationalize the approved local development plans" as mandated under Sec. 305 of R.A. No. 7160. Without the priority programs and projects embodied in the plan, there is no basis for the programming of funds and therefore no basis for budgeting.

19. How is planning linked with budgeting?

The plan sets the priority areas of services and specifies the target outputs and accomplishments. The budget provides the available resources to carry out the activities required to accomplish the targets.

20. Who prepares and approves the Barangay Development Plan?

Pursuant to Section 107 of the Code, the Barangay Development Council prepares the Barangay Development Plan to be approved by the Sangguniang Barangay.

21. What is the composition of the Barangay Development Council?

The Barangay Development Council shall be headed by the Punong Barangay with the following members:

- a. Members of the sangguniang barangay;
- b. Representatives of non-governmental organizations operating in the barangay, who shall constitute not less than 1/4 of the members of the council; and
- c. A representative of the congressman.

22. When does the barangay prepare the Barangay Development Plan?

In accordance with the "bottom-up approach" in development planning, the Barangay Development Plan should be prepared and submitted to the City/Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator before the preparation of the City/ Municipal Development Plan to ensure that priority projects of the barangay are integrated in the mother municipal/city development plan.

23. How long is the term of coverage of the Barangay Development Plan?

The development plan is usually prepared to cover a five-year period or the medium-term.

24. What is a barangay Annual Investment Plan?

The barangay Annual Investment Plan is a component of the medium-term Barangay Development Plan. It contains the specific programs, projects and activities with corresponding project costs including the necessary fund flows to approximate the reasonable timing in the release of funds.

25. What are the basic services and facilities that the barangay should provide its constituents?

A barangay is responsible for providing the following basic services and facilities to its constituents:

1. Agricultural support services which include planting materials distributions system and operation of farm produce collection and buying stations;
2. Health and social welfare services which include maintenance of barangay health center and day care center;
3. Services and facilities related to general hygiene and sanitation, beautification, and solid waste collection;
4. Maintenance of katarungang pambarangay;
5. Maintenance of barangay roads and bridges and water supply systems;
6. Infrastructure facilities such as multi-purpose hall, multi-purpose pavement, plaza, sports center, and other similar facilities;
7. Information and reading center; and
8. Satellite or public market, where viable.

26. What are the development projects that the barangay may undertake?

Consistent with the basic services and facilities that a barangay is mandated to provide, the following projects and activities should be given priority consideration:

- a. Solid waste management which may include purchase of related equipment, truck and compactors, as well as purchase of land for sanitary landfill purposes;
- b. Purchase of lots for hospitals, health centers, day care centers and similar facilities which may include

- construction, repair and/or maintenance of such facilities;
- c. Purchase of lot for resettlement of squatters, including construction of housing units and facilities;
  - d. Activities in support of the Food Security Program, and the Livestock Dispersal, Fisheries Development and Fish Culture Farming Programs;
  - e. Initiatives in support of Cooperatives Development;
  - f. Construction, maintenance and/or repair of post harvest facilities, irrigation and other agricultural production systems;
  - g. Construction, maintenance and/or repair of local roads and bridges;
  - h. Construction, maintenance and/or repair of water and sewerage system, as well as, power and communication facilities; and
  - i. Construction, maintenance and/or repair of public buildings which may include purchase of equipment necessary in the implementation of infrastructure undertakings.

27. What should be the basis in preparing the annual barangay budget?

The Annual Investment Plan for the budget year shall be the basis in preparing the annual barangay budget.

