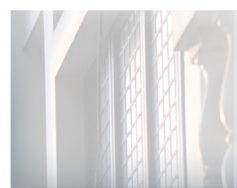




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DBM RO XII INKS PARTNERSHIP ON CSO ACADEMY

The Department of Budget and Management Regional Office XII (DBM RO XII) has forged a partnership with the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) XII, Mahintana Foundation, Inc., and the Association of Foundations (AF) for the establishment of the Civil Society Organization (CSO) Academy of SOCCSKSARGEN. The Memorandum of Agreement was signed on April 11, 2022 in General Santos City.

“This is a wonderful opportunity to empower the citizens by providing the platform for capacity development needed to engage with the government. This is what open government essentially is.”

– Dir. Akmad Usman



The CSO Academy of SOCCSKSARGEN, the first in the Philippines, is a project of the Local Governance Regional Resource Center-Region XII. It aims to capacitate CSOs that will play a vital role in good governance and social and economic development across Region XII.





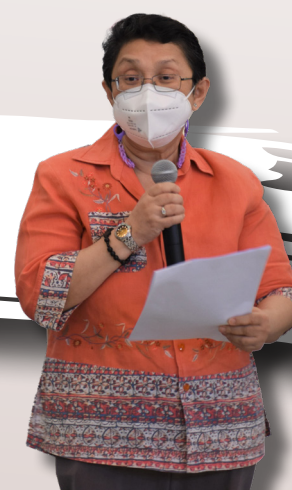
DBM RO VII REACHES FOR THE STARS

The DBM RO VII got the highest rating of Grade A, 5 stars, as it scored almost 100 percent compliance with its energy efficiency and conservation policies during the Energy Audit Spot Check conducted by the Department of Energy last April 20, 2022.

The said audit is in line with the advisory of the Inter-Agency Energy Efficiency and Conservation Committee on the “Mandatory Implementation of Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs, and the Strict Observance of the Government Energy Management Program Guidelines.”



DBM: STRONGER AT 86



The DBM celebrated its 86th anniversary last April with the theme, "DBM Stronger @ 86: Facing the New Normal with Strength and Resilience," highlighting the Department's success in fulfilling its mandate while facing the demands and challenges of the pandemic.

In her Anniversary Message, DBM Officer-in-Charge Undersecretary Tina Rose Marie Canda commended the DBM's internal management group for finding “unique and creative ways” to commemorate this special event. She likewise underscored the Department's strength and resilience, which has been evident throughout its history.

“Indeed, every anniversary of the DBM has been a celebration of triumph over obstacles, success despite challenges. In the past two years, we in the DBM have shown that nothing, not even the pandemic, can stop us from honoring the history of our institution. Now, look at us here. We are together for this day, still confronting challenges and storms and still coming out steady. Ganyan tayo katatag.”

- DIC Canda

EXPENDITURE DIRECTIONS FOR THE FY 2023 BUDGET (TIER 2)

The DBM, through **National Budget Memorandum (NBM) No. 143** issued last April 28, 2022, presented the Budget Priorities Framework (BPF) for the Preparation of the FY 2023 Agency Budget Proposals under Tier 2.

Released annually, the BPF provides the key strategies and programs and projects which will be prioritized for funding, based on the government's available resources in the fiscal space. To enable the country to bounce back from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, priority will be given to the following:



Health-related expenditures



Disaster-risk management



Social security



Digital economy/government



Local government support



Growth-inducing expenditures such as crucial and shovel-ready infrastructure projects, among others

These expenditure priorities are aligned with the Updated Philippine Development Plan 2017-2022 and are consistent with the objectives outlined in Executive Order No. 166, s. 2022 which adopts the 10-point policy agenda to accelerate and sustain economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

On June 8, 2022, the DBM released the Part II of the BPF (NBM No. 144) to provide the departments and agencies with information on the FY 2023 Cash Appropriations based on the macroeconomic assumptions and fiscal aggregates approved by the Development Budget Coordination Committee (DBCC) during its 181st meeting on May 24, 2022.

(To access the issuances, go to <https://www.dbm.gov.ph/index.php/issuances/dbm-issuances/national-budget-memorandum>.)

POSITION CLASSIFICATION

The development of policies, standards and guidelines on organization, staffing, and compensation for NGAs; and the administration and maintenance of a unified compensation and position classification system are among the functions of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), performed by its Organization, Position Classification and Compensation Bureau.

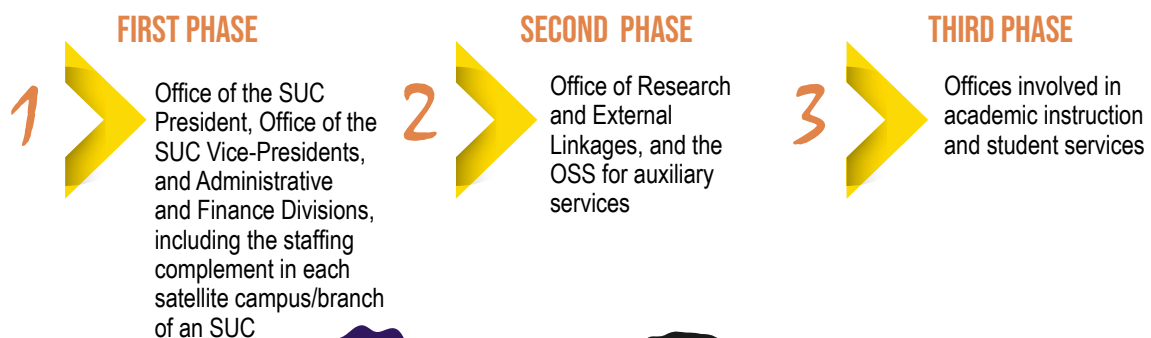
For this quarter, the DBM released last April the updated Index of Occupational Services, Occupational Groups, Classes and Salary Grades, CY 2022 Edition (Budget Circular No. 2022-2), and the revised Organization and Staffing Standards (OSS) for State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) – Phase I (National Budget Circular No. 589) in May.

INDEX OF OCCUPATIONAL SERVICES, OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS, CLASSES AND SALARY GRADES

As a component of the Compensation and Position Classification System (CPCS), this Index contains the list of classes or position titles existing in the government that are grouped by occupation. It serves as a guide for national government agencies and certain government-owned or -controlled corporations (GOCCs) in determining the appropriate positions that will comprise their respective staffing pattern.

REVISED OSS FOR SUCS

An updated OSS was developed to ensure that the SUCs are attuned with recent trends and developments, and to address the challenges in higher education in the country. It shall be implemented in three phases:



DBM HOLDS PILOT CLASS OF THE DIGITAL PFMCP-FOUNDATION TRACK FOR ITS EMPLOYEES

Adapting to the new normal setup, the DBM, through its Budget Information and Training Service-Capacity Development Division, embarked on the digitization of its Public Financial Management Competency Program (PFMCP) starting last year to ensure a safe learning environment for the PFM workforce.

It held the pilot class of the digital PFMCP-Foundation Track for its employees last May 11, 13, and 17, 2022 via Zoom which was attended by 30 employees from 13 bureaus/services/offices of the Department. The second batch was held in June, while the third and fourth batches are scheduled in July and October, respectively.

About the PFMCP

The PFMCP provides PFM practitioners with access to quality and relevant learning interventions that will enable them to effectively perform their PFM functions.

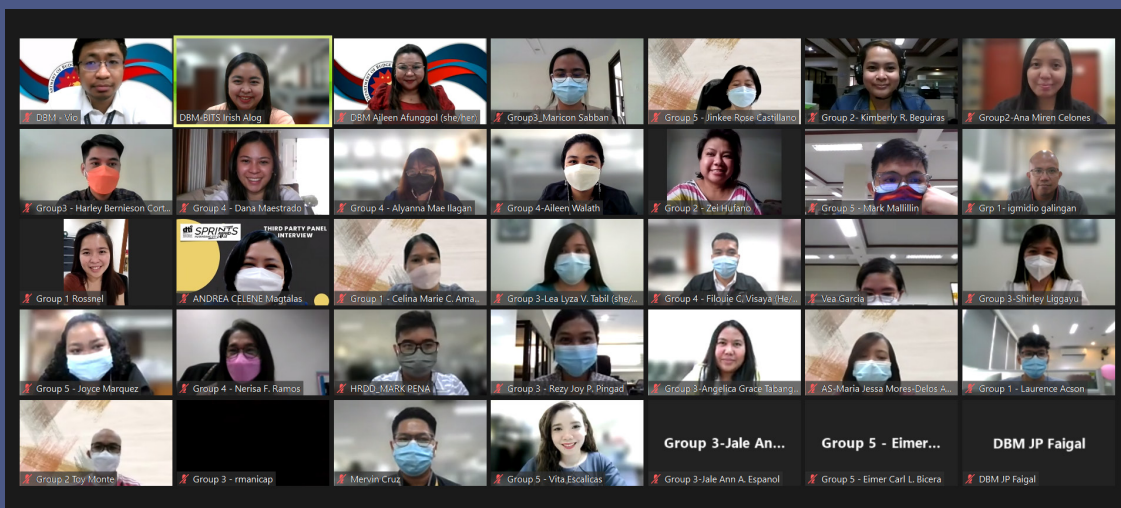
PFMCP TRACKS

- Foundation Track
- Budgeting and Performance Track
- Internal Audit Track
- Cash Management (BTr)
- Procurement (GPPB-TSO)
- Accounting (COA)

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As we strive to have highly competent public servants, the PFMCP helps us ensure that the people handling PFM functions are well-equipped, from the rudiments all the way to the complex PFM operations.”

— UNDERSECRETARY ROLANDO U. TOLEDO



Class photo of the digital PFMCP-FT for DBM employees (Batch 1)

BARMM Visits DBM

The Office of the Chief Minister (OCM) of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), together with representatives from the Support to Bangsamoro Transition (SUBATRA) Programme, visited the DBM for an educational tour last May 17, 2022.

The activity was in line with its efforts to cultivate the best practice system fit for the BARMM government, and aimed to “benchmark standard processes in finance management and property and supply.”

Undersecretary Kim Robert De Leon welcomed the delegation on behalf of the DBM. “We are honored and privileged to be part of this educational and benchmarking tour and to be visited by our fellow public servants from the Bangsamoro Government.”

After the DBM presentations on its mandate and functions, financial management systems, and property and supply management, the visitors toured some of the DBM offices such as the Office of the Secretary, Finance Service, and Administrative Service.



PhP1.081 B RELEASED FOR THE HEALTHCARE WORKERS' COVID-19 COMPENSATION



The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) released last May 2022 some PhP1.081 billion to the Department of Health for the grant of sickness and death benefits of public and private healthcare workers (HCWs) and non-HCWs in health facilities who contracted/may contract COVID-19 in line of duty for this year.

The HCWs and non-HCWs who contracted mild or moderate COVID-19 infection will receive a compensation of PhP15,000, while those considered severe or critical cases will be compensated PhP100,000. One million pesos will be given to the beneficiary families of HCWs and non-HCWs who died due to COVID-19 while in line of duty.

DBCC REVIEWS

MEDIUM-TERM MACROECONOMIC ASSUMPTIONS

The Development Budget Coordination Committee (DBCC), chaired by the DBM, met on May 24, 2022 to review the government's medium-term macroeconomic assumptions, fiscal program, and growth targets for FY 2022 to 2025.

The review was conducted in order to consider possible adjustments, taking into account recent domestic trends and external developments. Adjustments were also made in line with the preparation of the FY 2023 National Expenditure Program (NEP).

Below are the DBCC-approved revisions to the macroeconomic assumptions, based on emerging data.

Indicator	2022	2023	2024	2025
Inflation	3.7 - 4.7	2.0 - 4.0	2.0 - 4.0	2.0 - 4.0
Dubai crude oil (USD)	90 - 110	80 - 100	70 - 90	70 - 90
Exports of goods	7.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Imports of goods	15.0	6.0	8.0	8.0

about THE DBCC

The **DBCC** is an inter-agency body composed of the country's economic managers, specifically the Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management as Chair, the Secretary of the Department of Finance, the Secretary of the National Economic and Development Authority, and a representative of the Office of the President.



**ENGAGE.
EMPOWER.
EXEMPLIFY.**

Championing Open Governance in Changing Times



PH-OGP Celebrates

2022 PHILIPPINE OPEN GOVERNMENT WEEK

The Philippine Open Government Partnership (PH-OGP) Steering Committee and the Secretariat led the celebration of the Open Government Week in the Philippines on May 16, 18, and 20, 2022 via Zoom and Facebook Live Stream. Anchored on the theme, “Engage. Empower. Exemplify: Championing Open Government in Changing Times, the event was attended by participants from the public and private sectors.

DAY 1. Engage

THE POWER OF PARTICIPATION: HOW CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT CHANGED THE PHILIPPINE AUDITING LANDSCAPE

Among the highlights of the day was the presentation on the Citizen Participatory Audit (CPA) Program by COA Commissioner Roland C. Pondoc. He presented the Citizen Participatory Audit (CPA) Program and how citizen engagement changed the Philippine Auditing Landscape through the Power of Participation.

The CPA Program demonstrates the principles of public participation by having individuals selected from CSOs take active part in the audit process as citizen auditors. Since the start of this program, it was able to complete engagements on flood control, disaster relief, solid waste management, and farm-to-market roads. This Program has also been recognized globally in the first OGP Bright Spots during the 2013 OGP Summit held in London and just recently, it bagged the first place for the Asia and the Pacific Region for the OGP Impact Awards last December 15, 2021 OGP Global Summit in South Korea.

DAY 2. Empower

TRAILBLAZING REFORMS AND INNOVATION IN GOVERNANCE: ENABLING MEANINGFUL COLLABORATION THROUGH AN OPEN AND EMPOWERING CIVIC SPACE

The second day of the Open Gov Week emphasized how an empowering civic space helps OGP stakeholders in both government and non-government make their advocacies and initiatives on governance more impactful and felt on the ground.

DAY 3. Exemplify

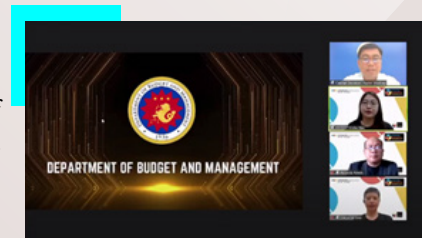
CHAMPIONING OPEN GOVERNANCE IN CHANGING TIMES

The third day celebrated the gains and successes of the OGP implementation in the Philippines, recognizing the OGP exemplars who have been continuously supporting the principles of constructive engagement and collaborative partnership between the government and non-government sectors.

The session highlighted the contributions of various agencies and organizations to OGP's 10th year in the country which have significantly impacted the lives of their respective clientele and partners through programs and projects committed in and out of the national action plan. The session also served as a venue to recognize the people behind the direction of OGP in shaping and steering its ideals and operations.

The DBM was one of the agencies recognized for its contribution in exemplifying the OGP values of civic participation,

promoting transparency, fighting corruption, empowering citizen, and leveraging on technology to strengthen governance through the implementation of various budget and governance reform programs committed under the five National Action Plans such as the mandatory disclosure of budget information in the website of national departments and agencies, strengthening of Internal Control Systems and Internal Audit in Government, Philippine Open Budget Index, Budget Reform Bill, and Fiscal Openness Program, among others.



DBM'S NEW *Budget Chief*

The DBM welcomes the appointment of Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Assistant Governor Amenah F. Pangandaman as its incoming Secretary.

The incoming budget chief is no stranger to the Department, having served as Undersecretary and Functional Group Head of the Office of the Secretary under then DBM Secretary Benjamin E. Diokno. In this capacity, she was the prime mover in the preparation, implementation, and monitoring of the General Appropriations Act and oversaw the implementation of the Green, Green, Green Initiative – a budget assistance program for local government units to develop sustainable open spaces, among her other accomplishments.

The DBM is confident that under the capable stewardship of the incoming Budget Chief, reforms will be introduced and sustained to get the country safely and surely through this crucial transition period of post-pandemic recovery, growth, and sustainability.



PUBLICATIONS IN *Filipino*

In line with its commitment to make budget-related information more understandable and relevant to ordinary Filipinos, the DBM, together with the Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino, makes available its information, education, and communication publications in Filipino. This quarter the following publications were produced and released:



2022 PINAGTIBAY NA BADYET NG BAYAN. Contains reader-friendly and comprehensive information on the approved National Budget, including key priorities and programs/projects for the year.

BUDGET-AT-A-GLANCE: ANG 2022 PINAGTIBAY NA PAMBANSANG BADYET. Contains key information on the FY 2022 Budget such as the allocation per sector and the top 10 departments with the biggest allocations.

BRIEFER SA EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 138, S. 2021 AT SA MGA TUNTUNIN AT REGULASYONG NAGPAPATUPAD DITO. Contains reader-friendly information on the salient features of the EO. Said EO directs the full devolution of certain functions of the Executive Branch to local governments.

ADRS IN FULL *Swing*

The Department of Budget and Management Action Document Releasing System (DBM ADRS) is now fully implemented in all 38 departments and 363 agencies that have completed the ADRS trainings. This comes after the successful execution of the online release of Special Allotment Release Orders (SAROs) and Advice of Notice of Cash Allocation Issued (ANCAI) in pilot national government agencies and State Universities and Colleges.



The rollout of the DBM ADRS began in May for the remaining departments such as the Office of the President, Office of the Vice-President, Congress of the Philippines and attached agencies, Department of Agrarian Reform, Department of Energy, Department of Foreign Affairs, Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development and attached agencies, Department of Tourism and attached agencies, and the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, among others. (See *Circular Letter 2022-8 for the complete list.*)

about ADRS

The ADRS is a web-based application that facilitates the release of approved DBM action documents, such as the SARO and ANCAI, in digital format directly to the authorized users of recipient agencies.

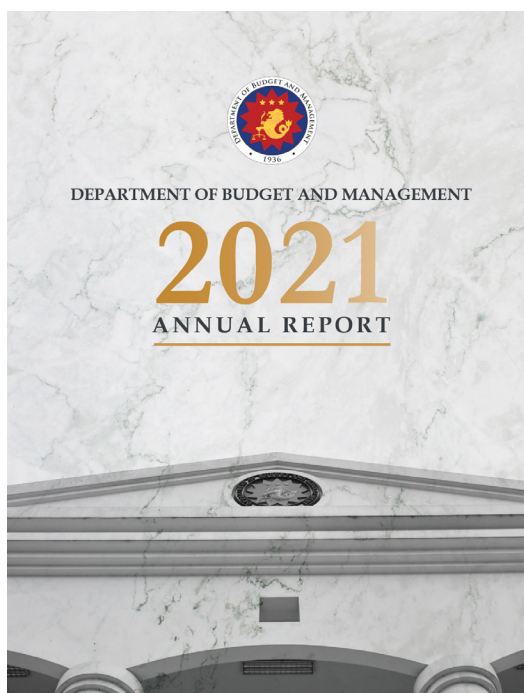
Benefits: The Three S of ADRS

- ▶ **Streamlined processes.** Eliminates the unnecessary steps of printing; and physical signing, routing and releasing of SAROs.
- ▶ **Safety of employees.** Ensures the safety of DBM employees and external clients given the health risks brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ▶ **Savings.** Reduces operating cost for security paper, printing, supplies and transportation expenses of agency representatives claiming the action documents.

DBM *Releases* 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

The DBM has released in June its Annual Report 2021, containing the Department's key endeavors and accomplishments for the said year. In particular, it highlights the Department's pandemic response, investments to foster resilience and sustainability, reforms on public expenditure management, efforts on full devolution, improvements in its systems and procedures, and endeavors to promote fiscal transparency, among others.

The preparation and submission of the Annual Report to the President is provided under Chapter 11, Section 43 of Executive Order No. 292, s. 1987 (Administrative Code of 1987).



"This report chronicles how the DBM navigated through these extraordinary and challenging times, the innovative measures we have implemented along the way, as well as our efforts to steer national budgeting and public expenditure management towards recovery and resilience."

- DBM OIC Tina Rose Marie Canda

