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TO

ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPALS IV MAYORS, ARMM REGIONAL GOVERNOR, AND DILG REGIONAL

DIRECTORS

SUBJECT

IMPLEMENTATION OF BIYAYA NG PAGBABAGO POVERTY ALLEVIATION PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF THE CABINET SECRETARY-OFFICE OF PARTICIPATORY GOVERNANCE (OCS-

OPG)

The OCS-OPG, created by virtue of Presidential Executive Order No. 9 (s. 2016), is mandated "to promote active citizenship, inclusiveness, transparency, and accountability in governance. It shall strive to achieve these goals by engaging the different sectors and stakeholders to directly participate in governance and nation-building," where people's rights are guaranteed by the 1987 Philippine Constitution, and other subsequent laws, including the Local Government Code of 1991 (RA 7160), the Social Reform and Poverty Alleviation (RA 8425), among other relevant laws.

The said office is tasked to organize and strengthen a social movement called Kilusana Pagbabago as a partner and conduit of the government in advancing the agenda for change of the Duterte administration, through its Biyaya ng Pagbabago tungo sa Masagana and Matiwasay na Buhay Pilipino (Biyaya ng Pagbabago, or BNP), a program that aims to bring the various poverty alleviation programs of the national government to the communities to reach the people down to the grassroots level.

Biyaya ng Pagbabago or BNP seeks to achieve three (3) key objectives: (a) for government services to become "more responsive, adequate, timely and effectively delivered to those that need it the most," (b) for citizens to be more proactive and communities more empowered in participatory governance and in inclusive economic development, and (c) for a "whole of government" sector and area-focused poverty alleviation strategy to be fully operationalized."

In this connection, all Provincial Governors, City Mayors, Municipal Mayors, and Punong Barangays are enjoined to forge closer and stronger partnership and collaboration with the OCS-OPG, and extend necessary support and assistance to OCS-OPG and its dulyrecognized national and local partners in the implementation of Biyaya ng Pagbabago Poverty Alleviation Program and other related activities.

For other details, OPG Undersecretary Joselito T. Libres as the Kilusang Pagbabago National Lead Convenor can be reached through postal address: 364 A. Mabini Hall, Malacaňang, Manila, or through Telephone No. (02) 784-4286 locals 2662 and 4303.

The DILG-ARMM Regional Governor and DILG Regional Directors are also directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular within their respective areas of jurisdiction.

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