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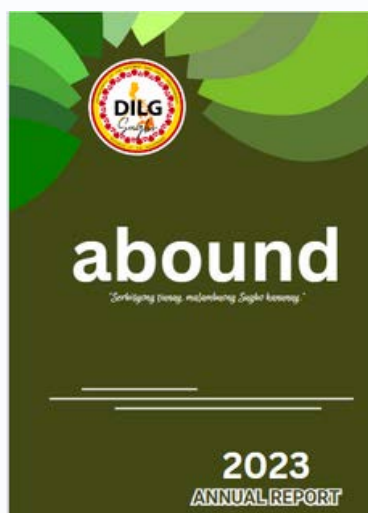
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ABOUT THE COVER



The 2023 Annual Report cover for DILG Sugbo captures its mantra of #Aboundin2023. This embodies the energy, dedication, and commitment of DILG Sugbo's personnel and field officers under the leadership of Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero to reap more awards in 2023. This cover is a celebration of a transformative, bountiful, and impactful year for DILG Sugbo.

MESSAGE FROM THE PROVINCIAL DIRECTOR



With great pleasure, we present the 2023 Annual Report of DILG Sugbo.

Our sincerest gratitude is extended to everyone for contributing to the bountiful and impactful 2023, marked by numerous awards and recognitions received by the local government units in Cebu Province, all made possible with the support of our dedicated field officers, DILG-7 led by Regional Director Leocadio Trovela and the Cebu Provincial Government under the leadership of Governor Gwendolyn Garcia.

We express gratitude to various national government agencies, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cebu, the 50 component cities and municipalities in the Province, Capitol department heads, officials, and local functionaries for their continuous collaboration with the Department.

As we conclude a year of productivity and impact, we pledge to continue working together for progress and prosperity in the years to come.

Ian Kenneth B. Lucero

ATTY. IAN KENNETH B. LUCERO, JD, MPSA

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director

A photograph of three individuals standing indoors. On the left, a man in a light blue shirt holds a framed certificate. In the center, a woman in a green top and yellow-tinted glasses stands with her hands clasped. On the right, a man in a dark shirt and glasses also holds a framed certificate. The background shows a well-lit room with decorative elements.

Gov. Garcia: DILG is very visible

Cebu Governor Gwendolyn Garcia commended the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) for consistently extending and expanding their services to the Sugboanons during the quarterly flagship program of the Cebu Provincial Government which brings services closer to the Cebuanos.

“In fact with our Caravan of Government Services, DILG is very visible. They give legal services in the morning. In the afternoon, out of their own pockets ha, they give away slippers and five kilos rice,” said Garcia in her keynote speech during the Kadiwa ng Pangulo launch on July 17, 2023 at Robinsons Galleria Cebu.

From the 2nd semester of 2022 to the 4th quarter of 2023, the Sugbo Provincial Management and Coordinating Committee (PMCC) chaired by DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero has distributed a total of 17,315 pairs of “Libreng Tsinelas alang sa Sugboanon” (free slippers) and 776 packs of “Libreng SUGBUgas” (free rice); provided “Libreng Tupi” (free haircut) to 1,312 beneficiaries; and oriented 434 participants on basic fire safety and firefighting skills.

The DILG, also through Lucero and field officers, provided free lecture on Katarungang Pambarangay Law (KP on Wheels) to 2,699 punong barangay, members of Lupong Tagapamayapa, and other barangay officials; while Lucero and his fellow DILG and PMCC lawyers rendered “Libreng Serbisyo Legal” (free legal services) to 335 beneficiaries.

In her State of the Province Address on August 11 this year, Garcia likewise acknowledged the DILG first among the national government agencies which actively support the Caravan of Services.



Capitol awards DILG

Moreover, Garcia gave recognition for the first time to the DILG Regional Office led by Regional Director Leocadio Trovela and the DILG Sugbo Provincial Office headed by Lucero for their “invaluable contribution in the realization of the programs initiated by the Province of Cebu that significantly impacted the lives of Cebuanos”.

The DILG was one of the partner government agencies and private organizations which were awarded with certificates of appreciation during the Gabii sa Pasasalamat on August 31 that concluded the month-long celebration of the Cebu Provincial Government’s 454th founding anniversary.

It was also during one of the Caravan of Services when Garcia turned over to Lucero a brand new service vehicle in the presence of Trovela.

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Cebu reaps awards

2023 has been a bountiful and impactful year for Cebu Province with more of its local government units bagging awards and recognitions for their outstanding performance and accomplishments.

To recall, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero introduced the "Abound in 2023" vision to the DILG Cebu team reinforcing their commitment to assist the LGUs in the Province to excel and reap more awards.

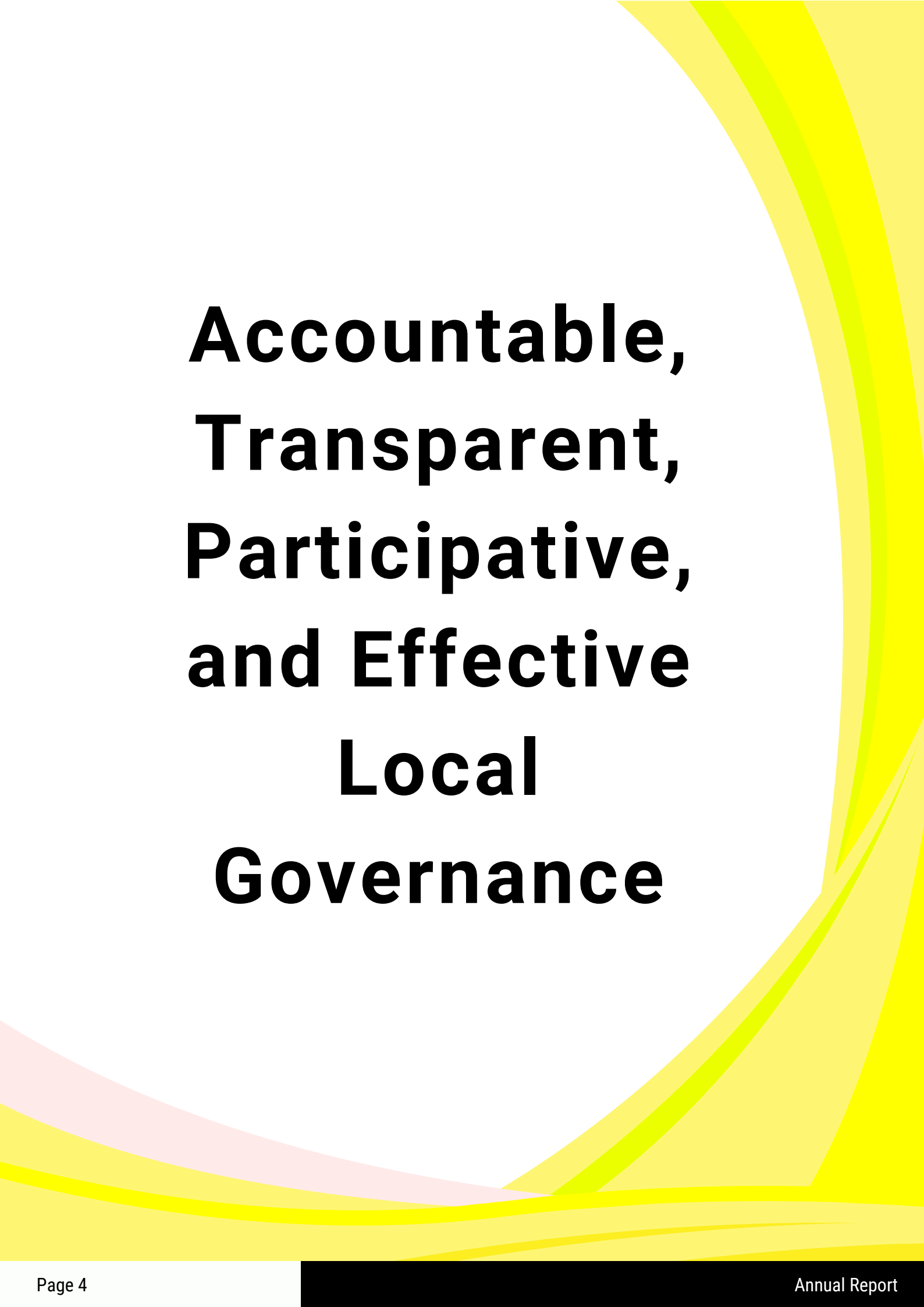
He directed the cluster heads and program coordinators to strategize on how to enhance the performance in preparation for various audits and award systems of the Department such as Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG), Good Financial Housekeeping (GFH), Seal of Child-Friendly Local Governance (SCFLG), Seal of Good Local Governance for Barangays (SGLGB), Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) Performance Audit, Peace and Order Council (POC) Audit, Local Legislative Award (LLA), Lupon Tagapamayapa Incentives Awards (LTIA), and DILG-7 Bansiwig Awards, among others.

Lucero likewise created core teams from the Provincial Office composed of one senior technical staff and one junior technical staff to assist each of the four clusters in the Province to give more focus on providing mentoring and coaching as well as on packaging entries of potential LGU awardees prior to the actual assessment or validation at the provincial level up to the regional and national level.

It is Lucero's belief that helping the LGUs improve their performance contributes to the Department's pursuit of local governance excellence and eventually translates to quality public service for the benefit of their constituents.

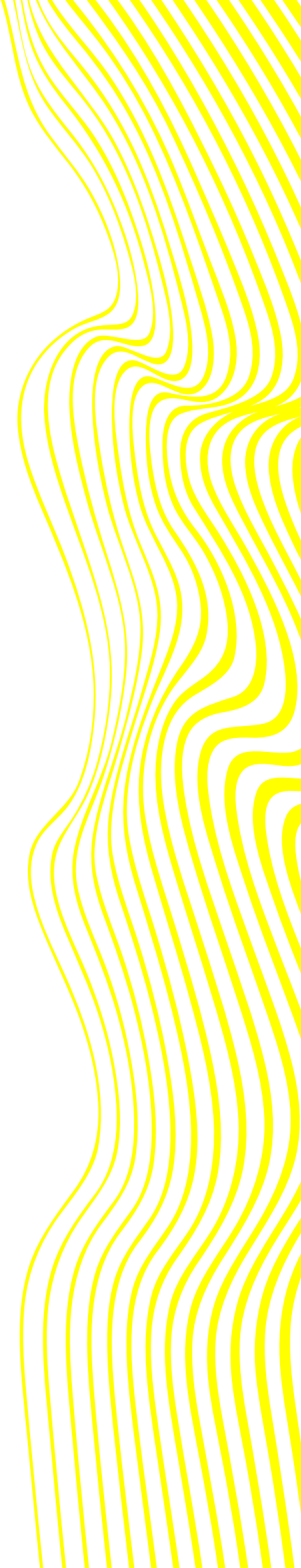
During the annual yearend assessment of DILG Sugbo, Lucero thanked all the field officers and technical and administrative staff of the Provincial Office for their hard work, efforts, and contributions to the milestones achieved by the Province during the year.

| AWARDS/RECOGNITION | 2022 | 2023 |
|------------------------|---|--|
| SGLG | 4 (Nat'l Awardees) 4 (Nat'l Validation) | 9 (Nat'l Awardees) 13 (Nat'l Validation) |
| GFH | 38 | 48 |
| SCFLG | 17 | 29 |
| SGLGB | 4 | 56 Potential Awardees |
| ADAC National Awards | 2 | 12 |
| CBDRP Special Awards | - | 4 (Pilot) |
| ADAC Audit | 18 | 32 (High Functional) |
| POC Audit | 28 | 51/51 (Functional) |
| LLA | - | 1 (Nat'l Awardees) 2 (Reg'l Awardees) |
| LTIA | 2 Reg'l Awardees | 2 (Nat'l Nominees) 3 (Reg'l Awardees) |
| DILG-7 Bansiwig Awards | 49 FOs - Diamante sa Katakos PO - Perlas sa Kalantip 1 FO - Bulawan sa Kakugi | 50 FOs - Diamante sa Katakos PO - Diamante sa Katakos |



Accountable, Transparent, Participative, and Effective Local Governance

**ACCOUNTABLE,
TRANSPARENT,
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9 Cebu LGUs bag SGLG :

Nine local government units in Cebu Province earned this year's Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) from the Department of the Interior and Local Government.

This is a positive development from last year wherein four LGUs in Cebu namely Talisay City, Danao City, Sogod, and San Remigio were declared as recipients of the Department's most prestigious award.

This year, the Municipality of Sogod celebrated its fifth win, while Samboan and San Remigio secured their fourth win.

Securing the Seal for the second time were municipalities of Alegria and Tudela.

Joining the list of SGLG awardees for the first time were City of Bogod, Borbon, Daanbantayan, and Madridejos.

The local chief executives and other officials were joined by DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela, DILG-7 OIC Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, Provincial Focal Person LGOO V Ginable Ejoc, and concerned field officers during the national awarding ceremony graced by Secretary Atty. Benjamin Abalos, Jr on December 14 at the Manila Hotel.

The awardees received the Governance Assessment Report and SGLG Incentive Fund to finance their local development initiatives.

Prior to the awarding, Lucero, field officers, and technical personnel of DILG Sugbo extended support to the LGUs during the provincial and national validation in July and September, respectively.

Lucero likewise joined the Regional Assessment Team, which he is a part of, during the Regional Calibration for the 2023 SGLG on July 20 together with provincial focal person LGOO V Ginable Ejoc.



SEAL OF GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE



Consultation to upgrade SGLG held

Representatives of the Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) National Working Team were in Cebu on March 20 to March 23 per invitation of Governor Gwendolyn Garcia for a consultation and immersion in select Local Government Units (LGUs) to improve the award system and come up with outcome-based indicators.

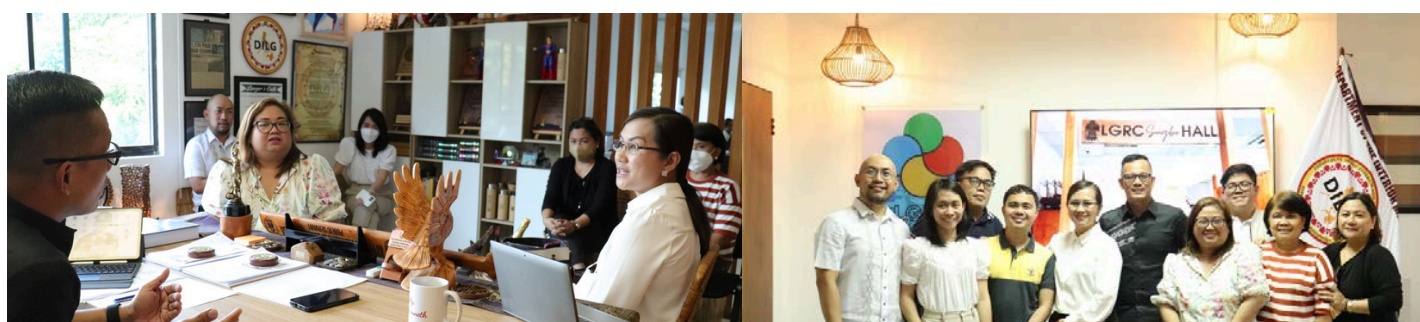
BLGS director vows to lobby inputs to CGLG



Bureau of Local Government Supervision Director Debie Torres committed to lobby to the Council of Good Local Governance (CGLG) the recommendations and inputs gathered by the National Working Team during the consultation and immersion in the Province of Cebu to upgrade the SGLG.

SGLG team visits DILG Sugbo office

Members of the SGLG National Working Team dropped by the newly improved DILG Sugbo office during their week-long visit to Cebu for consultation and immersion in the Province to improve the SGLG indicators.



SGLG immersion held in Bogo City



The City of Bogo shared its best practices during the SGLG National Working Team immersion on March 21. The delegation was composed of SGLG National Focal Person and Local Governance Performance Management Division Chief Melany Quiton, Recognition and Awards Division Assistant Chief Emelita Danganan and LGOO III Remsce Pasahol, together with DILG-7 Local Government Monitoring and Evaluation Division Chief Celerino Magto Jr, DILG Sugbo LGOO V Jane Zerda and Bogo CLGOO Mae Dura.

Naga City welcomes SGLG NWT

Naga City Mayor Valdemar Chiong welcomed the SGLG National Working Team composed of Bureau of Local Government Supervision Director Debie Torres, Local Government Relations Division Assistant Chief Diana Baldonado, and Manila Bay Clean-up, Rehabilitation, and Preservation Program Management Office head Carlo Mari Crisregionald Tan during their immersion on March 21 to improve SGLG indicators. DILG Sugbo Program Manager Rothwel Pulido and Naga CLGOO Emma Joyevelyn Calvo joined them.



Liloan officials share best practices



Sharing before the SGLG National Working Team, officials of the Municipality of Liloan highlighted their best practices on drainage, solid waste management, and education, particularly the grant of scholarship programs to underprivileged students.

SGLG immersion conducted in Danao City



Representing the SGLG National Working Team, Local Governance Performance Management Division Chief and SGLG National Focal Person Melany Quiton, Recognition and Awards Division Assistant Chief Emelita Danganan and LGOO III Remsce Pasahol proceeded to Danao City on March 22 for an immersion to improve the indicators. With them are DILG-7 Local Government Monitoring and Evaluation Division Chief Celerino Magto Jr, DILG Sugbo LGOO V Jane Zerda, and Danao CLGOO Grethel Ortega.

SGLG NWT holds exit conference with Gov Garcia



Following the two-day immersion in six selected LGUs, the SGLG National Working Team met with Governor Garcia and Capitol department heads for an exit conference on March 22.

PD Lucero to FOs: Aid LGUs on SGLG assessment

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero urged the field officers to closely assist their local government units in preparing for the Seal of Good Local Governance regional assessment in June.

Lucero gathered all City and Municipal Local Government Operations Officers in Cebu on May 9 for an orientation wherein Provincial Focal Person LGOO V Ginable Ejoc discussed the guidelines and updates on this year's SGLG implementation while the cluster heads explained their assigned governance areas and indicators.

The DILG Sugbo, through its cluster heads and technical officers from the Provincial Office, assessed on June 20 to June 30 the compliance of component cities and municipalities in Cebu with the various governance areas.

The results of the regional assessment were then endorsed to the Regional Assessment Team for the regional calibration set in July.





The Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bogó City, Cebu was hailed as national winner of the 2023 Local Legislative Award (LLA) for the Component City Category on December 5, 2023 in Pasay City.

Vice Mayor Mayel Martinez together with other officials and Bogó CLGOO Mae Dura received the plaque of recognition and the P100,000 cash prize.



At the local level, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero showed support to the entries of the province by convening the field officers and sanggunian secretaries of Bogó City, Bantayan, and Sogod - which were hailed as the provincial level winners - to prepare for the LLA regional assessment.



The DILG-7 Regional Awards Committee named Bogó City and the Municipality of Sogod as the regional winners of the 2023 Regional LLA.



The LLA aims to recognize the exemplary performance of Sangguniang Panlungsod and Bayan for legislating measures that help build impactful local administration and development from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2022.





Bogo City, Bantayan, Sogod win 2023 LLA Sugbo

The Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bogo City and the Sangguniang Bayan of Bantayan and Sogod were hailed as winners of this year's Local Legislative Award (LLA) Sugbo.

Other finalists were Carcar City and Danao City for the Component Cities category, Compostela and Liloan under the 1st to 3rd Class Municipalities category, and Alcoy and Samboan for the 4th to 6th Class Municipalities category.

Recognizing the significant role of the local sanggunian as the highest policy-making body in their territories, DILG Sugbo and Philippine Councilors League (PCL) Cebu initiated the revival of the LLA, this time at the provincial level.

The LLA, last implemented nationwide in 2018, recognizes the exemplary performance of the Sangguniang Panlungsod and Sangguniang Bayan for legislating measures that help build the foundation of meaningful local administration and development.

Gracing as keynote speaker during the awarding ceremony on February 24 at the PCL Assembly at Bai Hotel, Cebu Third District Representative Pablo John Garcia said as legislators, their primary job is to come up with laws and resolutions that will serve their constituents who voted for them and whom they entrusted their future.

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero said the delegation of legislative power springs from the principle that the local government is in a better position than the national government to act on purely local concerns.



40 Cebu LGUs pass 2022 GFH

The Province of Cebu, five of its component cities, and 34 of its municipalities passed the CY 2022 Good Financial Housekeeping (GFH) of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG).

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero congratulated Governor Gwendolyn Garcia and other Cebu GFH passers for adopting mechanisms that promote good governance through transparency, accountability, and participation.

"Kini nagpamatuod lamang sa sakto ug maayo gayud ang pagkadumala sa panudlanan sa atong probinsyal ug mga lokal nga kagamhanan sa Sugbo," he said.

The DILG released the official list of CY 2022 GFH passers totaling 1,450 out of the 1,715 LGUs assessed nationwide.

The GFH measures the financial transparency and institution of public reporting of the budgets and expenditures of local governments.

Criteria for passing the GFH are (a) the most recent available COA Audit Opinion is Unqualified or Qualified for CYs 2020 or 2021 as of November 4, 2022; and (b) compliance with Full Disclosure Policy – posting of all required financial documents in three conspicuous places and in the FDP portal for the 2nd to 4th quarter of CY 2021 and 1st quarter of CY 2022.

8 more LGUs pass 2022 GFH

Eight local government units in Cebu Province passed the CY 2022 Good Financial Housekeeping After Assessment Compliance, totaling to 48 out of 51 LGUs as GFH passers.

These eight LGUs are Toledo City and the municipalities of Carmen, Compostela, Consolacion, Malabuyoc, Medellin, Pilar, and San Francisco.

GFH recognizes the practice of the local government units of financial transparency and accountability and instituted public reporting of the budget and expenditure of local governments.

GFH is one of the factors being considered for an LGU to pass the first core area of Seal of Good Local Governance that is - Financial Administration.

| Post-Compliance GFH Passers |
|-----------------------------|
| Toledo City |
| Carmen |
| Compostela |
| Consolacion |
| Malabuyoc |
| Medellin |
| Pilar |
| San Francisco |

2022 GFH Passers

| |
|-----------------|
| Cebu Province |
| City of Carcar |
| Minglanilla |
| City of Naga |
| San Fernando |
| City of Talisay |
| Sibonga |
| Alcoy |
| City of Bogo |
| Madridejos |
| Tabogon |
| Bantayan |
| Borbon |
| Tabuelan |
| San Remigio |
| Daanbantayan |
| Santa Fe |
| Oslob |
| Samboan |
| Santander |
| Boljoon |
| Dalaguete |
| Aloguinsan |
| Asturias |
| Balamban |
| Barili |
| Pinamungajan |
| Tuburan |
| Badian |
| Moalboal |
| Ginatilan |
| Alegria |
| Dumanjug |
| Alcantara |
| Sogod |
| Catmon |
| Tudela |
| Ronda |
| City of Danao |
| Liloan |

3 Cebu lupons hailed as LTIA Reg'l awardees

Three barangays from Cebu Province received recognition during the 2023 Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Awards (LTIA) regional awarding ceremony by DILG-7 on November 9.

Barangay Uling, City of Naga and Barangay Lamac, Pinamungajan were declared as regional winners for the Component City category and 1st to 3rd Class Municipality category, respectively, while Barangay Ibabao, Sogod placed 1st runner-up for the 4th to 6th Class Municipality category.

Gracing the event were Bureau of Local Government Supervision Division Chief Jose Denver Calo and Office of the Undersecretary for Barangay Affairs Chief of Staff Cecilia Kwan who delivered the inspirational message of Undersecretary Felicito Valmocina.

DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela and OIC Assistant Regional Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero were joined by the guests from the Central Office and members of the Regional Awards Committee in awarding the plaques and cheques to the awardees.

This year's validators were likewise given recognition for their contribution to the success of the 2023 regional LTIA.



Brgy. Ibabao, Sogod



Brgy. Lamac, Pinamungajan



Brgy. Uling, City of Naga

Capitol, DILG Sugbo honor outstanding lupons



Nine barangays in Cebu Province received recognition for their exemplary performance in settling disputes in the community during the 2022 Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Awards (LTIA) Sugbo at the Capitol Social Hall on January 6.

The winners and runners-up received P300,000 and P50,000 worth of infrastructure projects, respectively, from the Cebu Provincial Government headed by Governor Gwendolyn Garcia. All of them also received plaques of recognition and knowledge products.

Garcia, who served as the keynote speaker, acknowledged the vital contribution of the Lupons to preserving peace and development in their barangays.

DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela said the Lupon members are tasked with a mission as promoters of peace and advocates of harmony.

DILG Cebu Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero thanked Garcia, Trovela, validators, working committees, and the awardees for making the 2022 LTIA Sugbo a considerable success.

"Atong timan-an, ang komunidad nga malinawon ug hapsay, magmalambuan kanunay. Congratulations once again ug daghang salamat," Lucero said in his closing remarks.



2022 LTIA SUGBO AWARDEES:

Component Cities Category

Winner:

Barangay Uling, City of Naga

1st Runner-up:

Barangay Gairan, City of Bogo

2nd Runner-up:

Barangay Poblacion, Danao City

1st to 3rd Class Municipalities Category

Winner:

Barangay Lamac, Pinamungajan

1st Runner-up:

Barangay Poblacion, Liloan

2nd Runner-up:

Barangay South Poblacion, San Fernando

4th to 6th Class Municipalities Category

Winner:

Barangay Villahermosa, Tudela

1st Runner-up:

Barangay Sta. Cruz, Ronda

2nd Runner-up:

Barangay Tagnucan, Borbon



DILG Sugbo aids 42 LGUS on full devolution



Forty-two barangays from the 4th to 6th income class municipalities in Cebu Province underwent orientation with DILG Sugbo on June 14 to enhance their capacities in transitioning to full devolution.



After the orientation, participants were asked to draft their respective barangay team action plans as they transition to full devolution.

They were assisted by their respective Municipal Local Government Operations Officers and Municipal Planning and Development Coordinators.

LLA Sugbo winners to undergo RAFI leadership program



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and 2023 Local Legislative Award (LLA) Sugbo Chairperson Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero met with Ramon Aboitiz Foundation, Inc. Senior Officer for Government Relations Totits Ocampo on March 13 to discuss the implementation of the leadership program which was one of the prizes granted to the 2023 LLA Sugbo winners.

To recall, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bogo City and the Sangguniang Bayan of Bantayan and Sogod were declared as winners during the awarding ceremony on February 24.

Lucero and Ocampo also talked about reviving the conduct of capacity development programs for the sanggunian secretaries in Cebu Province.



DILG Sugbo to help Four-L Cebu on 1st awards system

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero announced that the Lady Local Legislators' League of the Philippines, Inc. (Four-L) Cebu Chapter is eyeing to create its first ever awards system to recognize the outstanding female legislators in the Province.

Speaking at the Philippine Councilors League (PCL)-Cebu Provincial Federation Midyear General Assembly on June 16, Lucero said that DILG Sugbo will help Four-L Cebu headed by its President, Mandaue City Councilor Nerissa Corazon Soon-Ruiz, in

coming up with the criteria.

Lucero was invited by PCL-Cebu to discuss the significance, roles, and functions of Four-L as well as the programs and activities of DILG Sugbo in partnership with PCL-Cebu.

PCL-Cebu President Ricardo "Kuya Nick" Pepito awarded Lucero with a plaque of appreciation for DILG Sugbo's commitment and support to their endeavors and initiatives.

DILG Sugbo 8888 team acts on 47 complaints

A total of 47 complaints from the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Center were received and endorsed by DILG Sugbo to the concerned local government units during the second quarter of 2023.

The DILG Sugbo made sure these complaints against government officials and employees were acted upon promptly and accordingly.



LGRC SUGBO INITIATIVES As Knowledge Sharer

The Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) Sugbo under the helm of DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero serves as a dynamic pool of knowledge sharers tapped by local government units and various organizations, not only in Cebu Province but across the country.

LGRC Sugbo goes to Pampanga



PD Lucero served as knowledge sharer to barangay officials of the Municipalities of Sual and Urbiztondo, Pangasinan, on February 18 in Angeles City, Pampanga.

He discussed the Republic Act 10742, also known as Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015, as amended by Republic Act 11768 and Local Budget Circular 148; Seal of Good Local Governance for Barangay; and Barangay Road Clearing Operations.

LGRC Sugbo goes to Batangas

PD Lucero served as knowledge sharer on February 19 in Nasugbu, Batangas.

Speaking before Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) officials of Dagupan City and Municipality of San Fabian in Pangasinan, he explained the amendments of the SK Reform Act of 2015 or Republic Act 10742, DBM Local Budget Circular 148 and related Supreme Court decisions.



LGRC Sugbo goes to Butuan City



PD Lucero served as knowledge sharer and discussed updates on Sangguniang Kabataan and Katarungang Pambarangay administration during the continuing legal education for DILG CARAGA personnel at Grand Palace Hotel, Butuan City on March 21.

LGRC Sugbo goes to Clark, Pampanga



PD Lucero served as knowledge sharer during the Newly Elected Officials Orientation Course of the Cordillera Administrative Region on March 4 in Clark, Pampanga.

Speaking before Vice-Mayors, Sangguniang Bayan, and Panlungsod members, Lucero explained the ABCs on Effective Local Legislation with Supreme Court rulings and DILG legal opinions.

PD gives lecture to Samar officials

PD Lucero gave salient discussion on effective local legislation with Supreme Court rulings and DILG legal opinions to the 200 vice mayors, Sangguniang Bayan, and Sangguniang Panlungsod members on Samar Province on January 24 at Waterfront Cebu City Hotel in Cebu City.

The three-day activity commenced on January 23 and was organized jointly by DILG-Samar, the Vice Mayor's League of the Philippines-Samar Chapter, and the Philippine Councilors League-Samar Chapter.



PD trains Tabuelan officials



PD Lucero served as knowledge sharer on local legislation and Katarungang Pambarangay Law during the skills enhancement training organized by the Liga ng mga Barangay - Tabuelan Chapter on March 13.

LGRC Sugbo goes to Sorsogon



PD Lucero served as knowledge sharer to municipal and city councilors of the Province of Sorsogon during the first day of the Newly Elected Officials (NEO) Program on March 22 in Sorsogon.

Topics discussed were Supreme Court rulings on quasi-judicial power of the sanggunian, corporate powers, intergovernmental relations, and duties and functions of the sanggunian, among others.

PD Lucero tackles local legislation, KP Law

During the second day of the NEO Program with the Province of Sorsogon officials on March 23, PD Lucero discussed the ABCs of Effective Local Legislation with Supreme Court rulings and DILG legal opinions.



Lucero speaks before Pangasinan officials



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and LGRC Sugbo knowledge sharer Lucero discussed the jurisdictional aspect of Katarungang Pambarangay Law before the barangay officials of Asingan, Pangasinan on March 24 at Cebu Business Hotel.

LGRC Sugbo goes to Tagaytay



LGRC Sugbo knowledge sharer PD Lucero explained the Katarungang Pambarangay Law to the barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan officials from 28 barangays of Lingayen, Pangasinan on March 28 in Tagaytay City.

LGRC Sugbo goes to Baguio

PD Lucero gave an interactive discussion on the Katarungang Pambarangay Law to the Barangay Councilors League of the Philippines on March 31 in Baguio City.



PD Lucero orients local accountants



PD Lucero served as knowledge sharer to the city and municipal accountants in Cebu on March 29 regarding the guidelines on granting authority to purchase motor vehicle and foreign travel authority.

LGRC SUGBO INITIATIVES As Knowledge Sharer



LGRC Sugbo goes to Davao City

City and barangay officials of Dagupan City, Pangasinan participated in the mind games applying what they have learned from the discussion of DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero on Revised Katarungang Pambarangay (KP) Law on April 1 in Davao City.



Lucero makes learning KP Law fun

PD Lucero served as knowledge sharer during the refresher seminar on KP Law attended by more than 130 Lupong Tagapamayapa chairpersons, members, and barangay secretaries from 28 barangays in Balamban on April 12.

He likewise engaged with the participants through mind games to test their knowledge on the jurisdictional aspect and rules on venue of the Law.

LGRC Sugbo goes to Legazpi City



PD Lucero served as knowledge sharer during the second day of the Newly Elected Officials Orientation Course for Local Legislators on May 12 in Legazpi City attended by Sangguniang Panlalawigan members in Bicol Region and DILG field officers of Albay Province.

He gave a comprehensive discussion on the corporate powers, intergovernmental relations, and duties and responsibilities of the sangguniang panlalawigan; quasi-judicial power of local sanggunian; and the ABCs of effective local legislation with Supreme Court rulings and DILG legal opinions.

Tarlac taps Lucero a knowledge sharer

Speaking before vice-mayors, sangguniang bayan and panlungsod members, and Liga ng mga Barangay presidents from Tarlac Province, PD Lucero discussed on June 29 the Supreme Court rulings on local governance during the training dubbed "Boosting and Optimizing Local Sanggunians Towards Efficient Regulation- Formulation (BOLSTER 2.0): Harnessing Skills on Legislative Mandates" organized by the Philippine Councilors League-Tarlac Chapter and DILG Tarlac in Panglao, Bohol.



DILG Sugbo FOs serve as CDP+ knowledge sharers



The DILG-7 Regional Office tapped Bugsay Cluster Head Lelanie Lopez and five field officers of DILG Sugbo as knowledge sharers during the Training of Trainers on Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation (DRR-CCA) into the Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP+) and Capacity Development Agenda for Partner Local Resource Institutes and Non-Government Organizations on June

26 to 29 in Cebu City.

Joining Lopez were Moalboal MLGOO Lyn Aguelo, Boljoon MLGOO Leo Nicolas Patriana, Sogod MLGOO Sheila Denden, Asturias MLGOO Dann Marr Andrino, and Sibonga MLGOO Susan Tolentino. CDP Provincial Focal Person LGOO V Ginablle Ejoc likewise attended the activity.



KP training organized for Dumanjug officials



Around 165 punong barangay, Lupong Tagapamayapa members, and barangay personnel of the Municipality of Dumanjug attended the Katarungang Pambarangay Law seminar-workshop organized by Dumanjug MLGOO Glenda Gabuya on April 25 at Cebu Business Hotel.

Representing DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, Atty. Grace Melanie Lacamiento of DILG-7 discussed the jurisdictional aspect and rules on venue of KP Law while Pinamungajan MLGOO Atty. Jeffrey Lopez tackled the procedural aspect.

Tribu Cluster Head Engr. Wyndell Valle and Ronda MLGOO Jose Meneleo Aquino likewise provided technical assistance during the activity.



FULL DISCLOSURE POLICY

PD Lucero emphasizes FDP compliance



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero urged the city and municipal accountants in the Province to comply with the Full Disclosure Policy (FDP), one indicator to pass the Good Financial Housekeeping (GFH) assessment.

Atty. Hayde Dela Rama, CPA, president of the Government Association of Local Accountants-Cebu, Inc. (GALAC) and Tabogon municipal accountant, expressed the organization's intention to assist the LGUs that failed the GFH assessment in 2022.

FDP compliance spikes to 96%

| CLUSTER | TOTAL NO. OF LGUs | FULLY COMPLIANT (2022 Q1) | % | FULLY COMPLIANT (2023 Q1) | % |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| BUGSAY | 12 | 11 | 91.66% | 12 | 100% |
| DASIG | 12 | 12 | 100% | 12 | 100% |
| TIG-A | 13 | 10 | 76.92% | 11 | 84.61% |
| TRIBU | 13 | 12 | 92.30% | 13 | 100% |
| PROV. GOVT. | 1 | 1 | 100% | 1 | 100% |
| TOTAL | 51 | 46 | 90.19% | 49 | 96.07% |

The Cebu Province, including its component cities and municipalities, logged a significant 5.88 percent increase in the Full Disclosure Policy (FDP) compliance for the first quarter of 2023, from 90.19 percent for the first quarter last 2022 to 96.07 percent compliant this year.

Pursuant to DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2010-083, the FDP entails local government units (LGUs) to fully disclose their financial transactions by uploading their documents through the FDP portal and posting them in three conspicuous places to inform their constituents and gain public trust.

It also serves as one of the indicators for passing the Good Financial Housekeeping, aside from passing the Commission on Audit's assessment.



P632k death benefits released

At least P632,000 worth of death benefit claims were turned over by DILG Sugbo to the beneficiaries of deceased barangay officials in Cebu Province in 2023.

The Department grants death benefit assistance to the immediate family or any legitimate beneficiary of a barangay official – punong barangay, sangguniang Barangay member, barangay secretary, and treasurer – who died during his or her incumbency.





Business- Friendly and Competitive LGUs

BOSS established in Cebu LGUs

All local government units in the Province of Cebu were able to establish their own Business One Stop Shops (BOSS) during the first quarter of 2023.

BOSS streamlines the application and renewal of business permits and licenses, which promotes ease of doing business under Republic Act No. 11032.

Around 48,000 business establishments were registered from January to March this year.



DILG Sugbo eyes BPCO training

DDILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero is eyeing to partner with the DILG Regional Office in training the Building Permit and Certificate of Occupancy (BPCO) focal persons and system encoders in Cebu during the second quarter of this year.

Lucero said personnel in some local government units (LGUs) in the Province need training on how to manage the system, adding that this training will likewise improve the compliance of LGUs with the submission of BPCO reports.





PICPA Cebu taps DILG Sugbo

The Philippine Institute of Certified Public Accountants (PICPA) Cebu Chapter partnered with DILG Sugbo in conducting the “Engaging Stakeholders in Crisis Management and Local Taxation” seminar on February 16.

Serving as knowledge broker, the DILG Sugbo invited the participants and sought the permission of Governor Gwendolyn Garcia to use the Capitol Social Hall as a venue.

Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero thanked the 100 participating barangay treasurers and bookkeepers of Talisay City, Consolacion, Cordova, Liloan, and Minglanilla, who showed interest in learning more about barangay taxation,

Minglanilla, who showed interest in learning more about barangay taxation, fiscal and crisis management, an ethical standards.

“Daghang salamat sa inyong pag-attend karon. This manifests nga ganahan mo makat-on ug ganahan mo madungagan ang inyong kaalam particularly aning mga topics,” he said.

Lucero also thanked Garcia for extending support to the activity.

Meanwhile, PICPA Cebu Chapter President Edmund Minerva, in a message read by President-elect Katherine Mae Migrino, thanked Lucero for making the activity happen.





DILG Sugbo joins EODB training

Personnel of DILG Sugbo attended the training for target LGUs in Region 7 on the reengineering systems and procedures, and repeal of policies in relation to the implementation of Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery (EODB- EGSD) Act of 2018 on November 15-17 at Cebu Grand Hotel.

Present were Provincial EODB focal person LGOO II Clarice Kitz Andrin, Cordova MLGOO Shevah Trixy Caocoy, Moalboal MLGOO Lyn Aguelo, Oslob MLGOO Deanna Mingueto, San Fernando OIC-MLGOO Ginable Ejoc, and their respective LGUs' Regulatory Reform Team or Committee on Anti-Red Tape.



EODB audit conducted in Danao City

The Danao City Government in Cebu underwent validation on its compliance with the Ease of Doing Business (EODB) on December 20.

The Regional Audit Team, which was headed by DILG-7 Local Government Capability Dev't Division Chief Maria Thelya Oporto, conducted a face-to-face interview and on-site observation of the actual processes in the city's Business Permit and Licensing Office and Office of the Building Official.

The audit was participated by the Committee on Anti-Red Tape or Regulatory Reform Team of the Danao City Government.

Also present during the audit were Regional EODB focal person LGOO V Janice Contado, Provincial EODB focal person LGOO II Clarice Kitz Andrin, Danao City CLGOO Grethel Ortega, and LGOO II Anthony Nieves.

9 Cebu LGUs undergo follow-thru activity on local fees, charges rationalization

Nine local government units (LGUs) in Cebu province attended the Follow-through Activity on the Rationalization of Local Fees and Charges and LGUs' Updating of Revenue Codes organized by DILG-7 on August 30 to September 1 at Northwinds Hotel and Suites in Cebu City.

Present during the activity was DILG Sugbo Provincial EODB focal person LGOO II Clarice Kitz Andrin.



The activity was participated by target LGUs, namely: Santa Fe, Tabogon, Tabuelan, Alcoy, Argao, Minglanilla, Borbon, Liloan, and Alcantara.

Among the participants were municipal treasurers, budget officers, Business Permit and Licensing Office focals and representatives, and zoning officers, among others.

LRMPAT validation conducted

Project Development and Management Unit personnel from DILG-7 and DILG Sugbo assessed the road management capacity and performance of the Cebu Provincial Government using the 2023 Local Road Management Performance Assessment Tool (LRMPAT) during a two-day validation on September 12 to 13.

The projects subjected to validation are the existing road infrastructures funded through the Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces (CMGP) program of DILG and the 20% development fund of the Province.

The DILG team of validators was led by CMGP regional focal DMO IV Bernadette Forones-Camilo and assisted by DMO II Charlie Desamparado of DILG Sugbo.

After the validation, the team met with DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero on September 13 to relay the initial findings from the two-day assessment of Cebu's capacity and performance on road management.

Meanwhile, DILG-7 Project Evaluation Officer II Engr. Clarise Amandoron and DILG Sugbo engineers Billy Ray Papa and Louies Martin Gabutin validated the concreting and improvement of Poblacion, San Fernando - Bugho Road Section (Phase II) in San Fernando funded under the Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces (CMGP) program of DILG; and the concreting and improvement of Langtad-Bairan Road in the City of Naga funded through the 20% development fund of the Province on September 12.





Environment- Protective, Climate Change Adaptive and Disaster Resilient LGUs

DILG Sugbo joins BarKaDa launch, ICC Day

Personnel of DILG Sugbo headed by Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero joined DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela and the Municipal Government of Minglanilla led by Mayor Atty. Rajiv Enad during the simultaneous nationwide launch of the Department's Barangay at Kalinasan Day (BarKaDa) and observance of the International Coastal Cleanup on September 16, in Barangay Tungkop .

BarKaDa is a nationwide community-based clean-up drive program, anchored on the culture of bayanihan, that aims to maintain and provide a healthy and safe environment for the people through proper solid waste management.

Trovela emphasized that the BarKaDa challenge starts at home where children should be taught the virtue of cleanliness and also at the barangay which will eventually create a ripple effect to the entire community.

"So subukan natin sa barangay hall. Small steps, baby steps, mag-crecreate na yan ng ripple effect tapos ang buong lugar na ang gagawa," he said.

Lucero meanwhile encouraged the LGUs especially the barangays and the residents to work together in conducting the weekly barangay cleanup drive to cover coastal areas, waterways, creeks, public parks, streets/roads, vacant lots, and other public spaces in the barangay as enumerated in DILG Memorandum Circular 2023-133.



"Nanghinaut kami nga ang atong gibuhat karon dili lang kutob diri apan magpadayon pa sa mga sunod semana alang sa atong kaayohan ug sa mga sumusunod pang henerasyon," he said.

Personnel from DILG Regional Office, other DILG family member agencies such as PNP, BFP, and BJMP, 219th PCGA Squadron, Tau Gamma Phi fraternity, purok leaders, business sector, and residents likewise participated in the clean-up drive.

Rice and slippers given to Minglanilla residents

Trovela and Lucero distributed 150 pairs of slippers and 50 packs of rice to purok leaders and residents of Barangay Tungkop, Minglanilla, Cebu in appreciation of their efforts in maintaining the cleanliness in their community.





DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero called for the collaboration of all sectors of the society in achieving disaster resilience, reiterating one of the key messages of President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. during his recent State of the Nation Address.

"Ang gobyerno dili niya kaya nga siya ra usa. We need the active participation, the active collaboration or partnership gikan sa nagkalainlaing sectors especially sa atong mga communities and barangays," Lucero said.

Lucero graced the Disaster Resilience Forum and Awarding Ceremony organized by the Municipal Government of Liloan on July 31 in observance of the National Disaster Resilience Month.

He likewise received a plaque of recognition for the support of DILG Sugbo to the Municipality's efforts in disaster risk reduction and management. The same recognition was given to DILG Liloan, which was received by Tig-a Cluster Head Roxine Coyoca on behalf of Liloan MLGOO James Andrew Andaya.



200 fruit-bearing seedlings planted in Kalunasan

The 219th Philippine Coast Guard Auxiliary (PCGA) Squadron, in collaboration with DILG Sugbo, Knights of Rizal (KOR) DILG Region 7 Chapter led by Chapter Commander and DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela, and the barangay government of Kalunasan, Cebu City headed by Punong Barangay Nunilon Monares Jr. planted a total of 200 seedlings of fruit-bearing trees on January 8.

219th PCGA Squadron Director CAPT Ludwig Amandoron said they went beyond their mandate of protecting the marine environment by planting more trees on land since the ecology has been disturbed, resulting in flooding and other environmental concerns.

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, who is also the 219th PCGA Squadron Deputy Director for Administration, 219.2 Division Director, and KOR DILG Region 7 Chapter Deputy Commander, said the activity should be dubbed as a “tree growing” initiative since the endeavor should not stop from just planting trees alone but also making sure the trees will grow and bear fruits.

He also sought the commitment of the barangay government to monitor and secure the planting site.

Lucero was joined by other DILG personnel such as LGMED Chief Celerino Magto Jr., LGCDD Assistant Division Chief Jerson Obo, fellow DILG auxiliaries, and members of KOR DILG 7 Chapter.



PD Lucero visits PDRF EOC

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, together with Ramon Aboitiz Foundation Inc., toured inside the Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF) Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in Clark, Pampanga on May 30 to learn innovations on disaster management and climate change adaptation measures.



DILG Sugbo, RAFI tackle measures vs El Niño

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero met with representatives from Ramon Aboitiz Foundation, Inc. (RAF) namely Humanitarian Disaster Preparedness and Response Lead Pet John Rom and RAFI-IDU Program Officer Constantine Samson on May 10 to discuss the DILG Memorandum on measures to mitigate the El Niño and the possible assistance that RAFI may provide to the affected LGUs.

RAFI briefed on QAS-BDRRM



Sibonga Municipal LGOO Susan Tolentino, LGOO II Randel Cedie Samonte and LGOO III Jonaluke Tubal II of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Sugbo oriented the Ramon Aboitiz Foundation Inc. (RAFI) personnel on Quality Assurance System (QAS) for Barangay Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (BDRRM) Planning on March 31 at LGRC Sugbo Hall.

RAFI was represented by Constantine "Tats" Samson, Emmanuel Enopia, and Jo Ann Ramos.

The QAS aims to establish and strengthen the capacities of communities to anticipate, cope and recover from the negative impacts of emergency occurrences and disasters at the local level through quality-based local DRRM planning and budgeting.

To recall, all barangays were enjoined to adopt the QAS in crafting their respective BDRRM plans under the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council Memorandum Circular No. 1 series of 2018.



DILG Sugbo supports tree growing initiative

Representing DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, LGOO II Alan Jay Yap, focal person on Communal Forests and Tree Parks, took part on the tree planting activity on July 7 at the Central Cebu Protected Landscape in Barangay Gaas, Balamban organized by the Cebu Provincial Anti-Illegal Logging Task Force, which DILG Sugbo is a member of.



DILG Sugbo attends meeting on anti-illegal logging

DILG Sugbo LGOO II Alan Jay Yap attended the third quarter joint meeting of the Provincial Anti-Illegal Logging Task Force and the Provincial Environmental Protection and Enforcement Task Group on September 15 at DENR PENRO Cebu office in Mandaue City.

He represented DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero during the activity.

The special body discussed on environmental concerns related to illegal logging, including matters regarding the roles and responsibility of barangay officials in monitoring illegal logging activities in their respective areas.



DILG-PCGA joins coastal cleanup



The DILG auxiliaries from the 219th Philippine Coast Guard Auxiliary (PCGA) Squadron joined the coastal cleanup initiated by the 209th Coast Guard Auxiliary Squadron (CGAS) on July 22, 2023 in Barangay Punta Engaño, Lapu-Lapu City.





Socially- Protective LGUs

PMCC expands services during caravan

The Sugbo Provincial Management and Coordinating Committee (PMCC), chaired by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Sugbo, expanded its services during the four quarters of the Caravan of Services led by Governor Gwendolyn Garcia in 2023.

Sugbo PMCC Chairperson and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero said Garcia's genuine service to the Sugboanons inspired the Committee to likewise introduce initiatives during the Caravan.

'SUGBUGAS'

The Sugbo PMCC launched a new initiative dubbed as "SUGBUGas" wherein its members give out five kilograms of rice to residents, primarily senior citizens and persons with disabilities, during the Caravan.

In 2023, Sugbo PMCC distributed rice to 776 beneficiaries.



LIBRENG TSINELAS ALANG SA SUGBOANON

The Sugbo PMCC distributed a total of 12, 285 slippers to local government units and their residents during the Caravan of Provincial Government Services for the the year 2023.



"KP ON WHEELS"

During the Caravan of Services, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero and field officers, who comprise the first batch of LGRC Sugbo trainers on local governance, served as knowledge sharers on Katarungang Pambarangay Law during the "KP on Wheels" trainings attended by 1,849 punong barangay, Lupong Tagapamayapa members, and barangay secretaries.



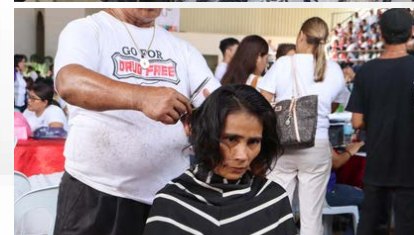
FREE LEGAL SERVICES

Also during the Caravan, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, Regional Legal Officer Atty. Michael BandaL, Atty. III Grace Melanie Lacamianto, DMO IV Atty. Joseph Dale Batocoy, and LGOO II Atty. Tereza Ruby Leprozo in providing the “Libreng Serbisyo Legal” to 335 residents and drafting of affidavits and other legal documents.



LIBRENG TUPI

Free haircut services were given by the Joint Task Group Cebu of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, Bureau of Fire Protection Cebu and Cebu Police Provincial Office, which are all members of the Sugbo Provincial Management and Coordinating Committee chaired by DILG Sugbo, to 1,312 residents during the Caravan.



Basic Fire Safety & Firefighting Skills Training

As part of the expanded services offered by the Sugbo PMCC in 2023, the Bureau of Fire Protection Cebu gathered 434 Barangay Public Safety Officers and Barangay Health Workers of Pilar, Cebu to orient them on basic fire safety.



29 Cebu LGUs get SCFLG

Twenty-nine local government units in Cebu Province bagged the 2022 Seal of Child-Friendly Local Governance from the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG).

These were Cities of Bogó, Carcar, Danao, Naga, Talisay, and Toledo and the municipalities of Alegria, Asturias, Balamban, Bantayan, Barili, Borbon, Carmen, Catmon, Compostela, Consolacion, Daanbantayan, Liloan, Madridejos, Medellin, Minglanilla, Pilar, Pinamungajan, Poro, Samboan, San Fernando, San Remigio, Sogod, and Tuburan.

CFLGA assesses the performance of local government units in delivering child-friendly policies, programs, and services.

PMCC holds 4Q meeting



The Sugbo Provincial Management and Coordinating Committee (PMCC) convened for its 4th quarterly meeting at the AFP Visayas Command Camp Lapu-Lapu Headquarters in Cebu City on October 26.

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and PMCC Chairperson Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero welcomed the new CPPO Provincial Director by PCOL Percival R Zorilla during the meeting.

The committee adopted two resolutions: commending Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency Cebu Provincial Office for being recognized as best provincial office for their exemplary achievements in the fight against illegal drugs in CY 2022; and resolution commending top performing personnel/ units/ stations/offices of the member agencies of the PMCC for their exemplary performance in the discharge of their official duties during the second and third quarters this year.

Other topics discussed during the meeting were the upcoming 4th quarter Caravan of Government Services, major accomplishments, and updates of each member agencies, among others.

Present during the meeting were the Joint Task Group Cebu Commander COL Erwin Rommel Lamzon, PLTCOL Randy Caballes of CPPO, NAPOLCOM Cebu Provincial Officer Atty. Giovanni Bravo, JO1 Cyrus Ry Cari-At of BJMP, FCINSP Cecil Alicaya of BFP Cebu, IA V Milva Mojado of PDEA Cebu, and CG ENS Richelito Arbis of PCG Station Central Cebu.

PMCC to assist LGUs' drug clearing efforts



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, who chairs the Sugbo Provincial Management and Coordinating Committee (PMCC), requested the Cebu Police Provincial Office to assist the local government units (LGUs), particularly the barangays, in stepping up their efforts on ridding its communities from illegal drugs.

The Barangay Drug Clearing Program was among the discussions during the 1st PMCC quarterly meeting for 2023 at Mezzo Hotel, Cebu City, on February 13.

Also part of the agenda was the Bansiwag Governance Awards for LGUs of DILG-7 which includes drug clearing and drug-free workplace programs and crime solution efficiency rate as its indicators.

The PMCC likewise discussed the upcoming Caravan of Provincial Government Services, wherein the members vowed to continue their initiatives such as the *Libreng Tsinelas alang sa Sugboanon*, "KP on Wheels", and free legal aid.



CFLGA PIMTF convenes

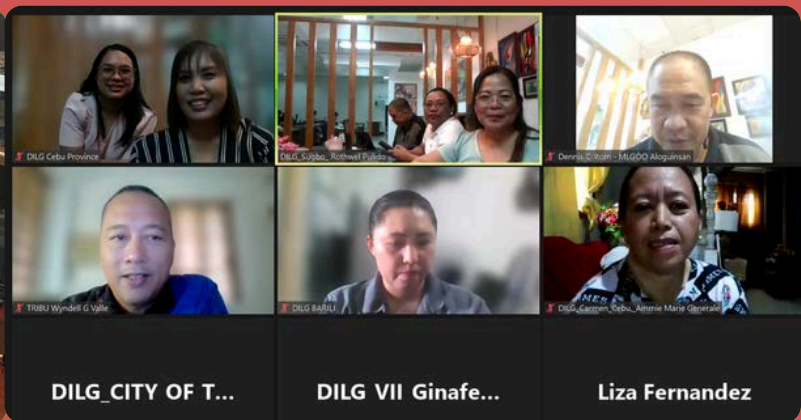


Members of the Child-Friendly Local Governance Audit (CFLGA) Inter-Agency Provincial Monitoring Task Force (PIMTF) gathered at the LGRC Sugbo Hall on March 20 to discuss the ongoing audit.

Updates on Amuma sa barangay tackled

The DILG Sugbo convened the concerned cluster heads and field officers in the Province to discuss developments and concerns on the implementation of the flagship initiative of DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela dubbed as “AMUMA sa Barangay”.

Present were Tribu Cluster Head Wyndell Valle, Dasig Cluster Head Liza Fernandez, Program Manager Rothwel Pulido, LGOO II Clarice Kitz Andrin, and City/Municipal Local Government Operation Officers of Carcar City, Talisay City, Toledo City, Aloguinsan, Barili, Carmen, Dumanjug, Minglanilla, and Moalboal.



DILG Sugbo links NGAs to AMUMA brgyys

DILG Sugbo tapped the different national government agencies (NGAs) whose services may be availed of by the beneficiaries of the AMUMA sa Barangay program, the brainchild project of DILG-7 Regional Director aiming to promote economic security and financial independence through community savings and livelihood skills trainings.

Derived from the Cebuano word “amuma” which means “to nourish, to take care of”, the AMUMA sa Barangay program is the brainchild of DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela.

Representatives from the Department of Social Welfare and Development-7, Department of Labor and Employment-7, Department of Trade and Industry-Cebu, and Technical Education and Skills Development Authority-Cebu presented their programs to the cluster heads and field officers of Cebu Province on November 21 at Cebu Grand Hotel in Cebu City.

The field officers were tasked to relay the various services of partner NGAs to the beneficiaries from the AMUMA barangays in the cities of Talisay, Toledo, and Carcar and municipalities of Aloguinsan, Minglanilla, Barili, Carmen, Dumanjug, and Moalboal.

On October 27, Amuma champions and members from the Cebu Province participated in the Kamustahan webinar series entitled “Championing AMUMA, Empowering Women, Empowering Communities” organized by the DILG-7 in celebration of the 2023 Local Government Month.



DILG Sugbo monitors AMUMA barangays



The DILG Sugbo conducted on-site monitoring and Kamustahan sessions with the beneficiaries of the AMUMA sa Barangay program in the City of Carcar and municipalities of Dumanjug and Moalboal on December 15.

On behalf of Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, Provincial Focal Person LG00 II Clarice Kitz Andrin assured the AMUMA champions of the DILG Sugbo's continued support and technical assistance.

She likewise shared Lucero's initiative of tapping different national government agencies whose services may be availed of by the program beneficiaries.

As of December 15, the 18 AMUMA barangays in Cebu Province have collected a total of P445, 057 savings from its members.

RAFI donates 10 AMUMA kits



Ten savings kits were turned over by Ramon Aboitiz Foundation Inc. Partnerships Manager Mark Allan Palancato to DILG Sugbo on December 22 for distribution to the target barangays in Cebu Province for the AMUMA sa Barangay program.

DILG Sugbo concludes SBDP site validation



| LGU | Projects validated in 2nd Quarter of 2023 |
|---------------------|--|
| Talisay City | Expansion of Level III Water System in Brgy Maghaway Provision of Renewable Energy-Based Electrification in Brgy. San Roque Rehabilitation of Farm to Market Road in Brgy San Roque Provision of Renewable Energy-Based Electrification in Brgy. Tangke |
| Aloguinsan | Provision of renewable energy-based electrification at Barangay Poblacion Provision of renewable energy-based electrification at Barangay Rosario Construction of School Building at Barangay Bonbon Construction of School Building at Barangay Punay |
| Carcar City | Construction of Two Storey Building in Brgy. Valencia |
| Moalboal | Concreting of Farm-to-Market Road in Brgy. Saavedra |
| Carmen | Concreting of Farm-to-Market Road in Brgy. Cantipay |

The Project Development and Management Unit of DILG Sugbo completed the site validation phase for 11 upcoming infrastructure projects in Cebu Province funded under the CY 2023 Support to the Barangay Development Program (SBDP).

These projects will be implemented in Carcar City, Talisay City, Aloguinsan, Carmen, and Moalboal.

Meanwhile, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, cluster heads, and concerned field officers attended the regional dialogue organized by DILG-7 on May 17 which seeks to streamline the implementation of SBDP.



P108M CMGP road project inaugurated



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero joined Cebu Governor Gwendolyn Garcia and Carcar City Mayor Mario Patricio Barcenas in inaugurating four road projects in Barangays Valencia, Valladolid, Tuyom and Guadalupe in Carcar City on July 19.

Among the projects that were inaugurated was the 6.4-km Awayan-Valencia-Zaragoza Provincial Road Construction Project, which costs P108 million and has benefitted 13,366 individuals.

It is funded under the Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces (CMGP), which is a program that provides funds for the repair, rehabilitation, and improvement of core provincial roads and bridges, and provides assistance and necessary interventions to provincial governments in developing and enriching their capacities in local road management and public financial management.

Cebu PPMC tackles LFP updates

The Cebu Provincial Project Monitoring Committee (PPMC) convened on July 4 for its regular meeting to discuss the status of Locally Funded Projects (LFP) to fast track their implementation.

Representing DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero were Engr II Billy Ray Papa and DMO II Charlie Desamparado of the Project Development and Management Unit.



DILG Sugbo joins TPM exit con

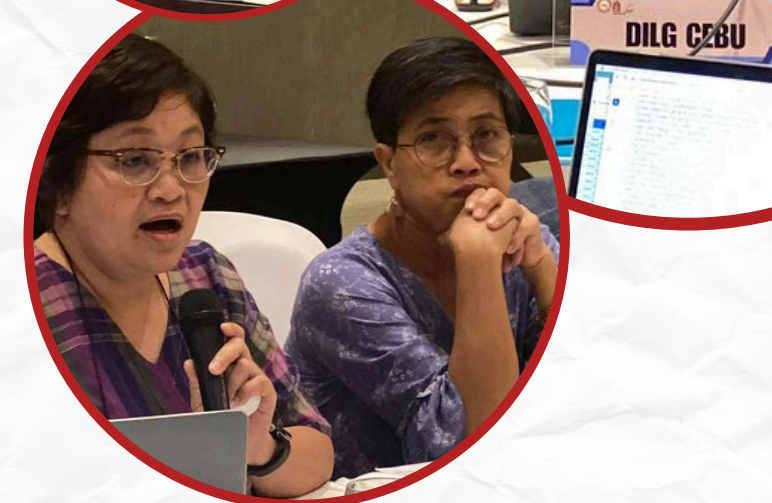
The DILG Sugbo attended the exit conference on the Third-Party Monitoring (TPM) for Projects under the Local Government Support Fund - Support to Barangay Development Program (LGSF-SBDP) on November 21 at Bai Hotel Cebu, Mandaue City.

DILG-7 OIC-Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero represented Regional Director Leocadio Trovela in welcoming and thanking the participants for ensuring the successful and safe implementation of TPM which covered 38 infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects in Bohol, Cebu, and Negros Oriental, including the farm-to-market road concreting project in Barangay Bitoon, Kinatarran Island, Santa Fe, Cebu.

"But this does not stop here. The Department is eyeing to possibly expand the TPM to monitor and evaluate the implementation of not just only in SBDP but also other programs and projects of the government to foster higher levels of trust, satisfaction, and political efficacy among the public to address the complex challenges of building integrity and preventing corruption," Lucero said in his welcome remarks.

During the exit conference, CSO enumerators from the accredited service provider Caucus of Development NGO Networks (CODE-NGO) presented the responses of the survey respondents, findings, recommendations, and their overall experience throughout the TPM deployment.

Lucero was joined by DILG Negros Oriental Provincial Director Farah Diba Gentuya, LGMED Chief Celerino Magto Jr, FAD Chief Atty. Ferdinand Albaño, PDMU Chief Rommel Correa, SBDP Provincial Focal Engr Il Louies Martin Gabutin of DILG Sugbo PDMU, Catherine Ruiz of Kaabag sa Sugbo, Francis Batoy of BANGON in Bohol, Iris Fe Ingking of PhilDHRRA in Cebu, and personnel from DILG Bohol, DILG Negros Oriental, SLGP RCT, and Regional PDMU.



P7M infra projects in Santa Fe inspected



Engineers Louies Martin Gabutin and Carlos Cena of DILG Sugbo Project Development and Management Unit and Santa Fe OIC-MLGOO Niño Vincent Fiel inspected on December 13 the two infrastructure projects worth P7 million in Santa Fe, Cebu.

The completed projects were the P4-million road concreting project in Barangay Kinatarcan funded under the 2022 Support to the Barangay Development Program (SBDP) and the P3-million construction of a multi-purpose building in Barangay Hagdan charged under the 2022 Financial Assistance to Local Government Units (FALGU).

DILG Sugbo inspects San Remigio road project

Engineers Louies Martin Gabutin and Carlos Cena of the DILG Sugbo Project Development and Management Unit (PDMU) inspected the recently completed P5-million road concreting project in Barangay Poblacion, San Remigio on December 11.

Funded under the Seal of Good Local Governance Incentive Fund (SGLGIF), the project aims to enhance the local road network, providing a safer and more convenient transportation infrastructure for businesses and residents.

The PDMU engineers were accompanied by San Remigio MLGOO Claire Diaz and Municipal Engineer Alex Caayon.



DILG Sugbo inspects Sogod public market

Engineers Louies Martin Gabutin and Carlos Cena of the DILG Sugbo Project Development and Management Unit (PDMU) inspected the P20-million public market in Sogod, Cebu on November 17.

The project is funded under the FY 2022 Financial Assistance to LGUs and is expected to benefit nearly 3,557 individuals.



Locally-funded projects inspected

To fast-track the implementation of Locally-Funded Projects in the Province, the DILG Sugbo Project Development and Management Unit (PDMU) intensified its inspection and validation efforts during the first quarter of 2023.

The PDMU engineers, assisted by the City and Municipal LGOOs, conducted 38 site inspections and provided technical assistance to the local government units in encoding updates on their projects through the SubayBAYAN portal.

They validated the projects in the cities of Naga, Bogo, Talisay, Carcar, and Toledo; and in the municipalities of Alcantara, Badian, Alcoy, Minglanilla, Daanbantayan, Pilar, San Francisco, Poro, Alegria, Moalboal, Dalaguete, Asturias, Tabogon, Catmon, Compostela, Dumanjug, Barili, Madridejos, Santa Fe, Oslob, Boljoon, Malabuyoc, Ronda, Tuburan, and Aloguinsan.



PD Lucero to PDMU: Create monitoring system



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero instructed the engineers of the Project Development and Management Unit (PDMU) on May 25 to develop their own real-time monitoring system to track the status of the implementation of locally funded projects aside from relying on the SubayBAYAN portal.

PDMU aids Talisay City in using DRSL



Engr. Joseph Jay Nebril of DILG Sugbo Project Development and Management Unit, together with Dasig Cluster Head and Talisay CLGOO Liza Fernandez, assisted Talisay City Mayor Gerald Anthony Gullas Jr. on May 26 in using the Digital Requests Submission for Local Government Support Fund (DRSL) to request financial assistance for infrastructure projects and social programs.

9 locally funded projects inspected

| LGU | Projects inspected in 2nd Quarter of 2023 |
|-------------|--|
| Tuburan | Road Concreting in Brgy. Mag-antoy Road Concreting in Brgy. Mangga Construction of Evacuation Center in Brgy. Bangkito |
| Carcar City | Road Concreting / Improvement |
| Argao | Road Concreting / Improvement |
| Santa Fe | Solar Street Lighting Public Market Construction |
| Alegria | Solar Street Lighting |
| Pilar | Road concreting |

The DILG Sugbo, through the Project Development and Management Unit, inspected nine Locally Funded Projects in Cebu Province during the second quarter of 2023.

These projects included two road concreting projects and construction of evacuation center in Tuburan; solar street lighting project and construction of public market in Santa Fe; solar street lighting system in Alegria; road rehabilitation project in Pilar; and other road improvements in Carcar City and Argao.

They were funded under the Financial Assistance to Local Government Units (FALGU); Assistance to Municipalities (AM); and Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces (CMGP).





Peaceful, Orderly and Safe LGUs

12 Cebu LGUs hailed as 2023 ADAC National Awardees

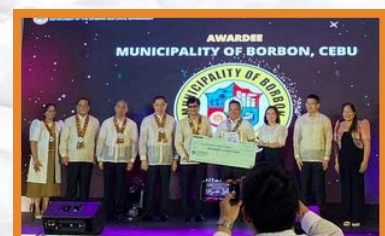
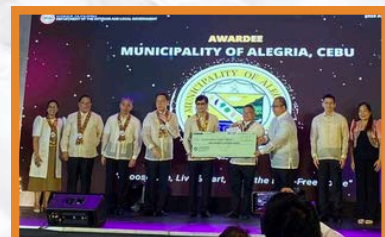
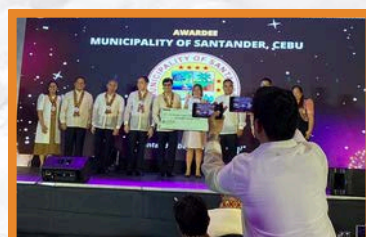
Twelve local government units in Cebu Province were declared as national awardees in the 2023 Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) Performance Awards for their exemplary implementation of anti-illegal drug initiatives in their localities.

No less than Secretary of the Interior and Local Government Atty. Benjamin C. Abalos, Jr. conferred the ADAC markers, functionality certificates, and cash incentives worth P100,000 to the local chief executives of the City of Bogó and the Municipalities of Alegria, Borbon, Madridejos, Poro, Ronda, Samboan, San Francisco, San Remigio, Santander, Tabogon, and Tudela during the awarding ceremony at Crowne Plaza Manila Galleria in Quezon City on November 22.

Cebu Province has the highest number of national awardees in Region 7 this year (12 out of 13) and has likewise posted an increase from two national awardees in the Province last year to 12 this year.

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero was represented by LGOO VI Rothwel Pulido in joining the mayors, vice-mayors, LGU representatives, and DILG field officers from the awardees in Cebu Province during the recognition ceremony.

The outstanding ADACs were determined through the following criteria: 1) percentage of City/Municipal/Barangay ADAC functionality; 2) sustainability of drug-cleared or drug-free status; and 3) percentage of completion of Community-Based Drug Rehabilitation Program (CBD RP) graduates vs. enrollees.





4 Cebu LGUs bag CBDRP Special Awards

Four local government units in Cebu Province were among the 14 recipients of the Community-Based Drug Rehabilitation Program (CBDRP) Special Awards which was piloted by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) in 2023 in recognition of their innovations and best practices in implementing the program.

Bogo City, Consolacion, Daanbantayan, and Danao City are the only recipients of the CBDRP Special Awards in Region 7, which is also the region with the highest number of awardees nationwide.

The awardees received a plaque of recognition from Secretary Atty. Benjamin Abalos, Jr. during the 2023 Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) Performance Awards on November 22 at the Crowne Plaza Manila Galleria in Quezon City.

All Cebu LGUs marked with 'functional' POC

Following the conduct of the 2022 Peace and Order Council (POC) Performance Audit, Cebu Province along with its 50 component cities and municipalities have been listed as among the local government units with "functional" POCs.

The DILG, which released the results on September 19, aims to assess the performance of the Peace and Order Councils on their functionality as the government's platform in fostering peace and order and public safety activities.



Cebu PLGU, 31 LGUs get 'high functional' ADAC rating



Cebu Province and 31 other local government units (LGUs) scored with "high functional" rating following the performance audit of their respective Anti-Drug Abuse Councils.

Aside from Cebu Province, the LGUs that got a "high functional" rating were the Cities of Talisay, Danao, Carcar, Bogo and Naga.

The list also included the Municipalities of Barili, San Francisco, Daanbantayan, Ronda, Poro, San Fernando, Alcoy, Malabuyoc, Tudela, Sogod, Tabogon, Tuburan, Asturias, Borbon, Tabuelan, Minglanilla, Carmen, Samboan, Alegria, Bantayan, Catmon, Argao, San Remigio, Madrirdejos, Consolacion, and Santander.



DILG Sugbo supports BIDA Challenge and Serbisyo Caravan in Lapu-Lapu City

More than 25,000 individuals trooped at the Hoops Dome in Lapu-Lapu City with another staging of the Buhay Ingatan Droga'y Ayawan (BIDA) Challenge and Serbisyo Caravan on July 29.

No less than Secretary of the Interior and Local Government Benjamin Abalos, Jr. graced the activity, which gathered various government offices and organizations that demonstrated their strong support on the campaign against the illegal drugs.

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero led the provincial office personnel and the field officers in Cebu province in participating in the activity spearheaded by DILG 7 Regional Director Leocadio Trowela.

Cebu Governor Gwendolyn Garcia, who is a staunch anti-illegal drugs advocate, expressed her support to the program. Lapu-Lapu City District Representative Cindi King Chan and Cebu City Mayor Michael Rama also shared their message of support.

Among the highlights during the activity were the signing of pledge of commitment and the BIDA Fun Run.

To recall, the first BIDA activity in Cebu was rolled out in November 2022.





PD Lucero graces Sibonga BIDA launch

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero thanked the Municipal Government of Sibonga headed by Mayor Lionel Bacaltos for its support to the Department's anti-drug programs, including the flagship initiative of DILG Secretary Atty. Benjamin Abalos Jr. dubbed as the "Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan" (BIDA) program.

"Nanghinaut ako sa padayon nga pagkahiusa ug pagtinabangay natong tanan sa pakigbisog sa ilegal nga droga alang sa kaayohan sa tanan," he said in his speech during the BIDA launch on September 4 at the Bonifacio Bacaltos Sports and Cultural Centrum.



Lucero likewise commended the 203 completers of the Community-Based Drug Rehabilitation Program (CBDRP) in the Municipality and called for their continued reformation as well as cooperation in the government's fight against illegal drugs.

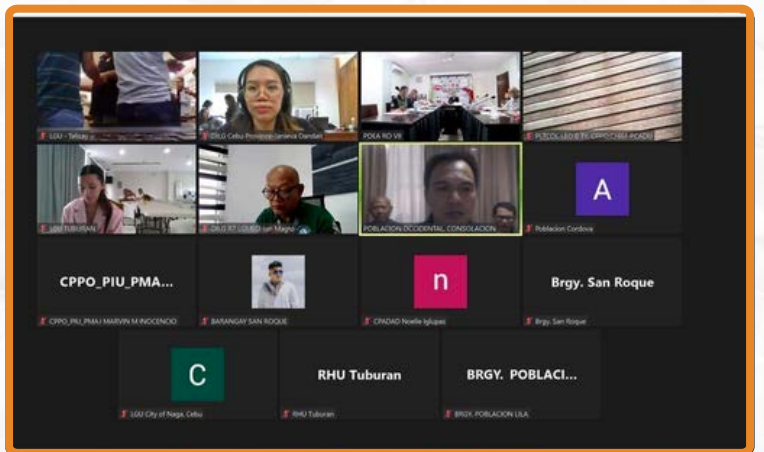
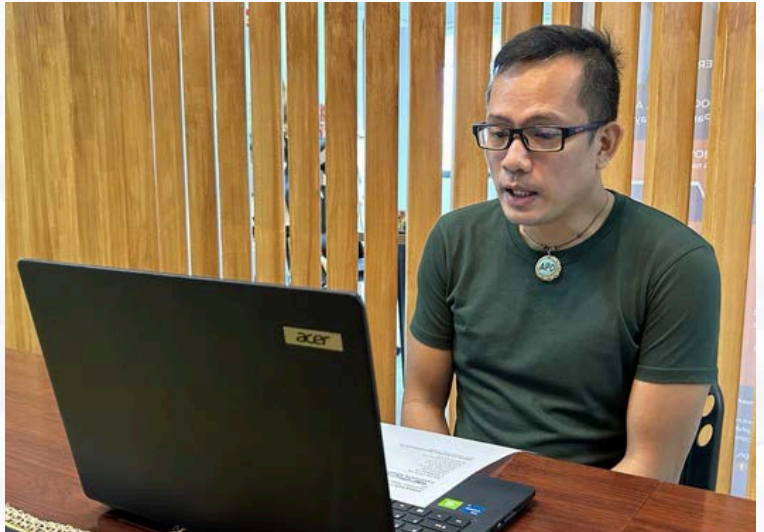
San Remigio, 25 Cebu brgys cleared from drugs

The Municipality of San Remigio and 25 barangays in Cebu Province were declared as drug-cleared by the Regional Barangay Drug Clearing Program Team (RBDCPT) during the regional deliberation on August 11.

The Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA)-7 and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG)-7 sit as chair and vice-chair of RBDCPT, respectively.

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero expressed his support to the barangay drug clearing program (BDGP), which for him reinforces the Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan (BIDA) program - a brainchild of DILG Secretary Atty. Benjamin Abalos, Jr.

Present during the virtual deliberation were DILG Sugbo BDGP Provincial Focal LGOO II Janieva Dandan, the City and Municipal Local Government Operations Officers, and members of the Anti-Drug Councils of the local government units.



DILG Sugbo supports PDEA training



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero discussed with the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) Cebu on September 11 the preparations for the upcoming training that aims to capacitate further the Anti-Drug Abuse Councils (ADACs) in Cebu Province on barangay drug clearing program, drug-free workplace program, and advocacy campaigns.



The One Cebu Inter-Agency Interdiction Task Force (OC-IAITF) conducted an ocular inspection of the Vessel Traffic Management System (VTMS) and National Coast Watch Center (NCWC) in the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) District Central Visayas Headquarters on February 8.

The unique body headed by Governor Gwendolyn Garcia discussed other plans aside from using PCG's VTMS and NCWC to reduce the supply of illegal

drugs and other contrabands in the Province.

Garcia likewise vowed to provide equipment needed by PCG to help enhance its operations.

She was joined by PRO-7 Regional Director PBGEN Jerry Bearis, PDEA-7 Regional Director Jigger Montallana, Philippine Coast Guard Central Visayas District Commander COMMO Luisito Sibayan, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero,

and officials from the Naval Forces Central, Maritime Industry Authority, Cebu Port Authority, Bureau of Customs, Bureau of Immigration, and Bureau of Quarantine.

The OC-IAITF was created by Garcia, who sits as chairperson of the Provincial Peace and Order Council and the Provincial Anti-Drug Abuse Council, to combat illegal drugs, smuggling, human trafficking, and terrorism within Cebu.

ADAC and POC prov'l audit teams convene

Members of the Sugbo Provincial Audit Teams (PAT) gathered during the second quarter of 2023 for the 2022 Peace and Order Council (POC) Performance Audit and 2022 Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) Performance Audit.

On May 10, POC Program Focal LGOO VI Deanna Mingueto and ADAC Program Focal LGOO II Janieva Dandan oriented the audit team members on the indicators for both audits.

The audit teams reconvened on May 18 and June 14 to deliberate on the results of the ADAC and POC Performance Audits, respectively, which would be endorsed to the regional and national levels.

The ADAC PAT is composed of DILG Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero as chair and Cebu Police Provincial



Office (CPPO), Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), and civil society organizations namely Values Formation and Spiritual Transformation Council Philippines International, Inc. (VFSTCPII) and Kaabag sa Sugbo as members.

Meanwhile, the POC PAT is chaired by DILG Sugbo, with members from CPPO, PDEA, BFP-Cebu, BJMP-Cebu, and CSO partner from VFSTCPII.

OC-IAITF mulls creation of new task force



Members of the One Cebu Inter-Agency Interdiction Task Force (OC-IAITF) agreed to form another task force focusing on the prosecution, case filing, and disposition of cases involving illegal drugs.

During a meeting on February 9, OC-IAITF Chairperson Governor Gwendolyn Garcia said the task force should come up with a clear, defined, and results-oriented system for reducing the supply of illegal drugs in the Province.

Garcia said judges, prosecutors, and other law enforcement officials should participate in the new task force.

She stressed that the creation of the task force should send a strong signal that the Provincial Government and all law enforcement agencies are serious in this all-out war against illegal drugs.

Also present during the meeting were DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, PDEA-7 Regional Director Jigger Montallana, Cebu Police Provincial Office Acting Director PCOL Rommel Ochave, and other officials of NBI-7, MCIAA, Bureau of Immigration, Bureau of Customs, among others.

The task force was created by virtue of the functions of Garcia who chairs the Provincial Peace and Order Council and the Provincial Anti-Drug Abuse Council.

“AMUMA” saving kits distributed

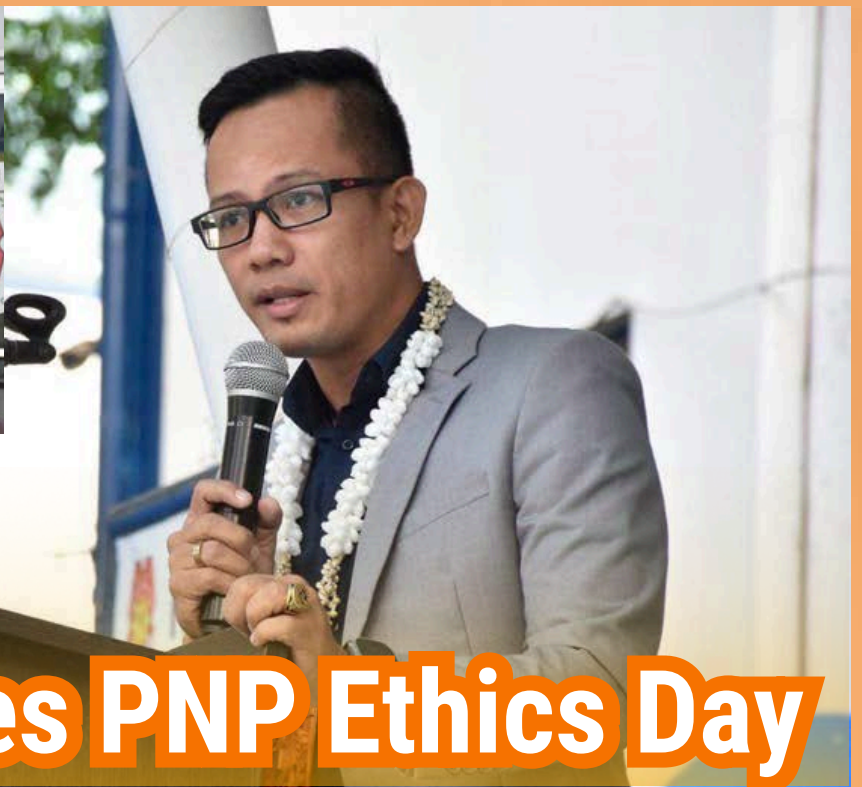
The DILG Sugbo headed by Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero turned over the “AMUMA sa Barangay” saving kits to 18 target barangays in Cebu during the second quarter of 2023.

The beneficiaries include five barangays in Talisay City; four in Aloguinsan; two each in Toledo City and Minglanilla; and one each in Carcar City, Barili, Carmen, Dumanjug, and Moalboal.

The savings kit contains passbooks, ballpens, rubber stamps, stamp pads, calculator, three keys and padlocks, penalty bowl, money-counting bowl, ruler, three draw string bags for loan fund, social fund, and share purchase, and notebook.

The “AMUMA sa Barangay” program, which is a brainchild of DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela, aims to capacitate local government units in inculcating in their constituents, particularly the vulnerable sectors such as women, the importance of savings and good financial management.





Lucero graces PNP Ethics Day

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero urged the personnel of the Cebu Police Provincial Office (CPPO) to preserve their dignity and integrity by always choosing to behave ethically and act morally.

Lucero represented DILG Regional Director Leocadio Trovela as the guest of honor and speaker during the 29th PNP Ethics Day on January 16.

Lucero reminded the provincial police that in the government's pursuit of peace and development lies a continuing challenge to constantly uphold moral values, discipline, and professionalism.

"From there, we regain the community's trust in the PNP and make them our effective partners in our rallying cry for peace and harmony," he stated.

This year's celebration carried the theme "*Serbisyong may Malasakit, Kaayusan at Kapayapaan Tungo sa Kaunlaran, Handog ng Pambansang Pulisya Kabalikang ang Simbahan at Pamayanan.*"

Catmon produces 280 CDBRP Completers



Around 284 drug surrenderees from 10 barangays in Catmon, Cebu successfully completed the Community-Based Drug Rehabilitation Program (CDBRP) wherein they underwent activities for their rehabilitation and reintegration to society.

Representing DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero during the recognition rites of CDBRP completers on April 14, Tig-a Cluster Head Roxine Coyoca reiterated the Department's commitment to support the initiatives and programs of local government units to combat illegal drugs.



BUHAY INGATAN, DROGA'Y AYAWAN

33 'graduate' from rehab program

The Municipality of Barili produced 1,030 completers of the Community Based Drug Rehabilitation Program (CBDRP) following the graduation of additional 33 drug reformists on January 17.

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, who was represented by Tribu Cluster Head Engr. Wyndell Valle, thanked the municipal government led by Mayor Pablo John Garcia IV and the barangays for the continued fight against illegal drugs and the successful implementation of CBDRP.

"Kini atong gihimo karong adlaw, usa na kini ka kontribusyon sa nationwide anti-illegal

drugs advocacy program nga gilunsad ni DILG Secretary Atty. Benjamin Abalos, Jr. ug iya kining gitawag og Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan o BIDA Program," Lucero's message read.

Garcia, for his part, thanked the CBDRP completers and added that those who graduated with flying colors would receive employment opportunities from the LGU aside from the livelihood program benefits.

Also present were PDEA-7 Regional Director Levi Ortiz, PDEA-7 Deputy Regional Director Benjamin Recites, PDEA-7 IAV Milva Mojado, Dr. Mary Joy Bajarias of Municipal Health Office, Chief of Police PMAJ Janus Giangan, and CPADAD Representative Katherine Realista.

VFSTCPII meets PD Lucero

Civil society organization Values Formation and Spiritual Transformation Council Philippines International, Inc. (VFSTCPII) headed by Chaplain Rev. Jeseyl Pateres paid courtesy visit to DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero on May 2 to discuss how they can assist in implementing the Department's "Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan" (BIDA) national advocacy program.

The BIDA program is a multisectoral, intensified and more holistic campaign initiated by DILG Secretary Atty. Benjamin C. Abalos, Jr. to reduce drug demand in communities.



DILG Sugbo validates SBDP projects



The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Sugbo Project Development and Management Unit (PDMU) validated infrastructure projects funded under Support to the Barangay Development Program (SBDP) during the first quarter of 2023.

These upcoming projects included farm-to-market roads, school buildings, renewable energy-based electrification, health station, and water systems in 18 barangays in the cities of Talisay, Toledo, and Carcar and the municipalities of Aloguinsan, Barili, Carmen, Dumanjug, Minglanilla, and Moalboal.

The PDMU engineers were accompanied by City and Municipal Local Government Operations Officers and city/municipal personnel during the validation.

The SBDP aims to end local communist armed conflict by promoting initiatives for development through numerous platforms that will assist the recipient communities in elevating their livelihood, economy, and standard of living in general.



DILG Sugbo lawyers render legal aid

Pinamungajan MLGOO Atty. Jeffrey Lopez and LGOO II Atty. Tereza Ruby Leprozo of DILG Sugbo, who recently passed the 2022 Bar examinations, assisted DMO IV Atty. Grace Melanie Lacamiento of DILG-7 in extending free legal services during the Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Awayan (BIDA) Serbisyo Caravan at the Mandaue City Sports Complex on April 21.

The legal aid was among the highlights in the community-based setting as part of the BIDA follow-through activities organized by the Mandaue City Government led by Mayor Jonas Cortes and DILG-7 headed by Regional Director Leocadio Trovela.



The BIDA program, which was launched last year, is a flagship initiative of DILG Secretary Atty. Benjamin Abalos Jr. intended to raise awareness and encourage community participation in drug demand reduction.

BIDA Tindak Finisher

DILG-7 OIC-Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero and personnel of DILG Sugbo awarded the finisher's medals to cyclists who have completed the DILG-7's 100-kilometer bike challenge dubbed as Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan (BIDA) Tindak Kontra Droga.

Some medals were awarded by Talisay City CLGOO Liza Fernandez, LGOO VI Rothwell Pulido, and LGOO II Atty. Tereza Ruby Leprozo to cyclists during the Caravan of Services for the fourth quarter of 2023.

Finishers from Cebu Province were requested to claim their medals at the DILG Sugbo Provincial Office.



Dagyawan sa Barangay peace pole installed in Pinamungajan

Signifying its commitment to peace and development, the Municipality of Pinamungajan in Cebu installed the Dagyawan sa Barangay peace pole at the municipal hall on August 2.

DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela, Pinamungajan Mayor Ana Jessica Baricuatro, and Vice Mayor Glenn Baricuatro spearheaded the installation of the said internationally-recognized symbol of peace.


They were joined by Tribu Cluster Head Engr. Wyndell Valle, Pinamungajan MLGOO Atty. Jeffrey Lopez, Joint Task Group Cebu Commander Col. Erwin Lamzon, and other municipal and barangay officials.

"May symbolism ang lahat ng aming ginagawa. Iyong pagbaba natin sa barangay ipapakita natin na maramdaman nila ang presensya ng gobyerno," Trovela said.

Trovela also led the inauguration of two farm-to-market road projects worth P4 million in Barangay Lamac, Pinamungajan funded under the Support to the Barangay Development Program.

He likewise turned over to Baricuatro the 2022 National Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) Performance Award Marker for garnering a functionality score of 87.5 during last year's audit.





Strengthened Internal Organizational Capacity

DILG Sugbo wins big in Bansiwag Awards



All 50 field officers and 23 technical personnel of DILG Sugbo, under the leadership of Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, bagged the Diamante sa Katakos Award during the 2023 DILG-7 Bansiwag Awards on December 19.

DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela handed these awards to Lucero, LGOOs II Randel Cedie Samonte, Aileen Grace Argawanon-Peca, and Jean Marvette Diaz during the Bansiwag awarding ceremony on December 19 which highlighted the Executive Committee Year-End Meeting.

The Bansiwag awards, coined from the Cebuano word “bansiwag” which means “to stick out prominently”, was initiated by Trovela as the region’s brand of recognition to the sub-regional offices and their personnel for implementing the Department’s programs, projects and activities and excellent performance in the audits and assessments at the national level.

The Diamante sa Katakos (Diamond of Competence) is conferred to the field officer or technical personnel for attaining 96% to 100% compliance



rate; Perlas sa Kalantip (Pearl of Brilliance) for 91% to 95% compliance rate; Bulawan sa Kaabtik (Gold of Cleverness) for 86% to 90% compliance rate; and Bronse sa Kakugi (Bronze of Perseverance) is given to DILG officer for attaining 80% to 85% compliance rate.

Pasidungog: #TatakiKBL Awards launched



The DILG Sugbo marked another milestone as it initiated on February 2 the “*Pasidungog: #TatakiKBL*”, a recognition ceremony dedicated to the hardworking frontliners of the Department – the City and Municipal Local Government Operations Officers (LGOOs) in Cebu Province.

Coined from the *Bisaya* term *pasidungog* which means to give honor, it pays tribute to the commitment and diligence of the DILG Sugbo field officers as Initiator and Influencer, Knowledge Manager, Builder of Network, and Local Governance Performance Catalyst (IKBL).

Anchoring from the Bansiwag Awards for LGUs and DILG personnel, the brainchild of DILG-7 Regional Director Leocadio Trovela, the *Pasidungog: #TatakiKBL* features four awards for both Individual and Cluster categories:

1. *Diamante sa Katakos* (Diamond of Competence) - 96% to 100% rating;
2. *Perlas sa Kalantip* (Pearl of Brilliance) - 91% to 95%;
3. *Bulawan sa Kaabtik* (Gold of Cleverness) - 86% to 90%; and
4. *Bronse sa Kakugi* (Bronze of Perseverance) - 80% to 85% rating.



Pasidungog: #TatakIKBL Awards launched

Special Awards were also given such as Excellence Chaser (SGLG, ADAC, POC, SCFLG, LTIA, SGLGB), Award-Winning Cluster, Writer of the Year, DILG Influencer of the Year, and Best-Writing Cluster.

Trovela, who served as the Keynote Speaker and Guest of Honor, commended Team Cebu led by incumbent DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero for initiating the awarding ceremony, which he described as the “first in the region”.

“Parang parati ninyong pinapaalala na we should find a way, to always find a way to celebrate, however small, however big yung ating triumphs and successes, kailangan natin mag-celebrate,” Trovela said.

“The 2022 is indeed a cause of celebration. Maraming salamat to Team Cebu, parati nyo kong pinapaakyat sa stage. Parati nyong dinadala ang Region 7 sa national stage,” he added.

After his speech, Lucero awarded the *Haligi sa Kalambuan* (Pillar of Development) to Trovela, the first-ever recipient of the highest #TatakIKBL award, which will be given only to those of superior performance and innovation.

DILG Sugbo likewise recognized the former Provincial Directors and Assistant Provincial Directors for their leadership and guidance in helping DILG Sugbo reach this far.

In his closing remarks, Lucero emphasized the vital role of DILG as the only link between the national and local governments, describing LGOOs as ‘*sui generis*’ or a class in itself by having hurdled months of extensive training to become development partners of LGUs.

“So, ayaw mo kahibong nga moabot ang panahon nga di na sila mosangpit ninyo...But we should not be sad, rather we should be happy kay at least di ta mawagtang nga wa tay relevance...It means we have achieved our ultimate purpose...making the LGUs to be self-reliant and effective partners in the attainment of national development,” he said.

Capping the ceremony was the recitation of the LGOO Creed as renewal of the unified commitment of DILG Sugbo moving forward and abound in 2023.



DILG Sugbo holds "Pasidungog" anew



The DILG Sugbo paid tribute to its partner agencies and organizations in Cebu during the 2nd Pasidungog on December 8 for their synergism to a bountiful 2023.

The annual Pasidungog, which was initiated by Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero last year, aims to give recognition to national and local government agencies and offices as well as private organizations that significantly contributed to the successful implementation of its programs and initiatives each year.

"We are working together to create something greater than any of us could do alone - that is SYNERGY. 1 + 1 = 3," Lucero said.

DILG-7 Regional Director Leocadio Trovela, who graced as the guest of honor, lauded Lucero's initiative as the Department continues to foster collaboration among the government and the community.

Keys of appreciation were conferred to Governor Gwen Garcia, Cebu Provincial Government, Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Carcar City Government, Philippine Councilors League Cebu Chapter, Cebu Provincial Information Office, Sugbo News, Cebu Police Provincial Office, Joint Task Group Cebu, Bureau of Fire Protection Cebu, Bureau of Jail Management and Penology Cebu, Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency Cebu, National Police Commission Cebu, Coast Guard Station Central Cebu, 219th Coast Guard Auxiliary Squadron, Naval Forces Central, Department of Labor and Employment Region 7, Technical Education and Skills Development Authority Cebu, Integrated Bar of the Philippines Cebu Chapter, Young Lawyers Association of Cebu, Inc., Ramon Aboitiz Foundation, Inc., Values Formation and Spiritual Transformation Council Philippines International, Inc., Philippine Institute of Certified Public Accountants Cebu Chapter, Cebu Elite Marksman Eagles Club, and University of San Carlos-Kauban.

In response, Third District Board Member Victoria Corominas, BFP Deputy Cebu Provincial Fire Marshal Chief Inspector Cecil Alicaya, IBP Cebu Chapter President Atty. Michael Francis Hubahib, and RAFI representative Mark Allan Palanca vowed to continue collaborating with DILG Sugbo for the welfare of Sugboanons.





Lucero formally launches APO System 2.0

The DILG Sugbo, under the visionary leadership of Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, marked another milestone by enhancing its existing workload sharing arrangement now referred to as “Action-oriented and Partnership-driven Operation (APO) System 2.0” in the hopes of sustaining its progressive performance this year.

Lucero made the announcement on December 7 during the Socials Night with the field officers as part of the annual yearend assessment of DILG Sugbo.

To recall, Lucero first introduced the APO System in DILG Cebu City during his directorship in 2020 and 2021 as a clustering method mobilizing all technical officers as Barangay Local Government Operations Officers (BLGOOs), similar to a City or Municipal LGOO in the Province, to track the compliance and provide a more focused and enhanced assistance to their assigned barangays.

Inspired by the APO System which is being continued up to now in DILG Cebu City, he adopted the same decentralization approach upon his assumption in DILG Sugbo last year by creating core teams composed of one senior technical staff and one junior technical staff from the Provincial Office to help the program coordinators in collecting reports and assisting the clusters in mentoring and coaching as well as packaging the entries of potential LGU awardees in pursuance of the “Abound in 2023” vision of DILG Sugbo.

With the improved APO System 2.0, he mobilized all technical officers of DILG Sugbo as Overall Focal Person/Program Coordinator and Cluster Program Facilitators comprising the Provincial Monitoring Teams (PMTs) to intensify further the compliance of field offices with the Department’s PPAs and closely assist the LGUs in Cebu in bagging more awards in the coming years.

“With the APO System, even if the designated program focal is not around, any of our technical staff can respond to any query or issue from the field or from our external clients anytime, thus there is no hiatus in public service,” Lucero said.

“We are offering a solution to a felt need. That is APO SYSTEM 2.0, doing more with less,” he added.

Lucero also thanked the field officers and the Provincial Office team for their hard work and efforts in helping the LGUs in the Province in reaping awards and recognition this year.

For his part, DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela commended Lucero and the DILG Sugbo team for their remarkable contributions to a fruitful 2023 for Region 7.

“For DILG Cebu, you are guided by C-E-B-U. C for competence, E for excellence, B for bravery, and U for unity...Ang DILG Cebu is pioneering talaga. Thank you for 2023. Ito ay banner year for Region 7 because of the number of awards of the LGUs,” Trovela said.

Also present during the said gathering were DILG Cebu City Director Neila Aquino, LGCDD Chief Maria Thelya Oporto, cluster heads, and other guests.



DILG Sugbo holds 1st Master Trainer training

The DILG Sugbo, through the initiative of Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, organized its first Master Trainer Training to equip field officers and technical staff of the Provincial Office on the basics of effective training delivery.

Lucero partnered with the University of San Carlos (USC) Psychological Center led by psychology professor Bre Segundo Abrea, Jr. as the training provider during the two-day activity on December 6 and 7 at Cebu Quincentennial Hotel in Cebu City as one of the highlights of the annual yearend assessment of DILG Sugbo.

Lucero, a law professor and lecturer for several years, said he felt the need to conduct such learning intervention for the technical officers of DILG Sugbo who are often tapped by internal and external clients to serve as knowledge sharers and to organize trainings.

“Through the Master Trainer training, you will train yourself to be a trainer, not train yourself to invite other trainers...Remember, you are being trained to become effective trainers. And when we say effective, it means doing the right thing,” he said during his opening remarks.

Lucero closely worked with USC in coming up with the learning modules which are custom-fit to the needs of the DILG officers instead of the usual trainings that are mainly focused on local governance matters.

Among the topics discussed were guidelines for effective training, knowing the audience and their needs, creating impactful presentations, analyzing the need for training, planning the training, and principles of adult learning.

On the second day, the participants underwent a revalida wherein they were divided into four groups and were assigned to present various local governance topics each applying what they have learned. Hailed as Master Trainers from each group were Bugsay Cluster Head Lelanie Lopez, Sibonga MLGOO Susan Tolentino, Dumanjug MLGOO Glenda Gabuya, and LGOO V Iris Arias of DILG Sugbo.



11 DILG trainers trained on sanggunian's quasi-judicial functions

The Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) Sugbo trained a total of 11 trainers from DILG Sugbo and DILG Regional Office on June 5 on the exercise of quasi-judicial functions by the local sanggunian.

This was part of the “Train the Trainers Training” (4Ts) program initiated by DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and LGRC Sugbo manager Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero to establish a pool of knowledge sharers among the DILG personnel specializing on local governance matters.

Selected field officers from the four clusters in Cebu, DILG Sugbo Provincial Office technical staff; and lawyers from DILG comprised the third batch of 4Ts trainers namely Moalboal MLGOO Lyn Aguelo, Boljoon MLGOO Leo Nicolas Patriana, Consolacion MLGOO Sheryl Pidor, Cordova MLGOO Shevah Trixy Caoctoy, Malabuyoc MLGOO Elvie Gaudan, Santander MLGOO Lope Lim Jr., Pinamungajan MLGOO

Atty. Jeffrey Lopez, Oslob MLGOO Jose Rey Pacres, LGOO VI Deanna Mingueto and LGOO II Atty. Tereza Ruby Leprozo of DILG Sugbo, and DMO IV Atty. Grace Melanie Lacamianto of DILG-7.

Lucero explained the quasi-judicial powers of sanggunian based on Republic Act 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991, while NAPOLCOM-7 Legal Unit Chief Atty. Lecel Llamedo discussed the 2017 Rules on Administrative Cases in the Civil Service and gave tips on writing a decision.

After the training, the DILG trainers shall serve as knowledge sharers during capacity development activities within and outside their respective jurisdictions.

The first two batches of 4Ts trainers were organized last year centering on the Revised Katarungang Pambarangay Law and local legislation.





Bigger, better office for DILG Sugbo

The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Sugbo unveiled its bigger and better office located at the 2nd Floor, East Wing, Legislative Building, Cebu Provincial Capitol Compound, Cebu City.

Apart from the noticeably spacious environment, the renovated office houses the Local Governance Resource Center Sugbo Hall and an aesthetic coffee bar.

It also showcases a variety of *Produktong Sugboanon* which ranges from furniture, food, beverage, fixture, décor, and souvenir items, in support of Cebu's local businesses.

Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero extended his heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to Governor Gwendolyn Garcia and DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela for making the expansion and improvement of the office possible through their constant support to DILG Sugbo.

Lucero said that such development would help improve the productivity and efficiency of the personnel, which will eventually contribute to DILG Sugbo's efforts of enhancing the quality of service they render to their clients.

Meanwhile, Trovela visited the DILG Sugbo office on March 13 and commended Lucero for the improved workplace which provides a cozy and welcoming ambience to visitors and clients.



DILG Sugbo gets new car from the Capitol



From the renovation of its “bigger and better” office, Cebu Governor Gwen Garcia extended support anew to DILG Sugbo headed by Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero by providing the team with a brand new car.

Lucero said this will surely help improve the daily operations of the technical personnel and in capacitating the local government units across the Province.





PD Lucero undergoes training as GPPB trainer

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero attended the intensive face-to-face training of the Recruitment, Selection, Recognition, and Retention Program organized by the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) on August 14 to 18 in Antipolo City, Rizal.

Lucero attends leadership training

DILG-7 OIC-Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero attended the webinar on "Leadership in the Digital Age" organized by the DILG Central Office on November 23.



The DILG Sugbo hosted the 2023 Midyear Assessment and Evaluation on May 15 at Cebu Parklane International Hotel in Cebu City to discuss updates and accomplishments in the implementation of the Department's major programs, projects, and activities such as Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG), Good Financial Housekeeping (GFH), Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) and Peace and Order Council (POC) Performance Audits, Child-Friendly Local Governance Audit (CFLGA), and Financial Assistance to Local Government Units (FALGU).

All four cluster heads of DILG Sugbo, namely Tribu Cluster Head Wyndell Valle, Tig-a Cluster Head Roxine Coyoca, Bugsay Cluster Head Lelanie Lopez, and Dasig OIC-Cluster Head Liza Fernandez, and their respective field officers participated in the activity.

Moreover, DILG Sugbo tapped Dr. Glenn Glarino of the University of San Carlos Kauban Psychological Center to give a talk on mental health at the workplace.

PD Lucero trains 55th Batch of LGOO apprentices



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero was once again tapped by the Local Government Academy to be part of the coaches during the Apprenticeship Program for Local Government Operations Officers (LG00s) II and III - Batch 55.

Lucero served as coach during the online and face-to-face sessions of Module 1: Dynamics of Local Governance via Zoom platform and in New Clark City, Tarlac, respectively, and as field immersion supervisor of the LG00 trainees.

A product of the 42nd Batch, Lucero is a certified Level 1 Coach under the DILG Certification for Coaches and Mentors of LGA and is an LGA trainer, e-coach, module coordinator, module writer, facilitator, and revalida lecturer since the 45th Batch up to present.

DILG Sugbo holds yearend assessment

The DILG Sugbo Provincial Office led by Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero conducted its yearend review and assessment of the implementation of the Department's plans, programs, and activities (PPAs) in Moalboal, Cebu on December 16.

Program Manager LGOO VI Richard Ouano and Co-Program Manager LGOO VI Rothwel Pulido led the discussion on the office's achievements, challenges, and plans.

Highlighting the activity was the presentation by Administrative Officer Designate LGOO V Iris Arias on the operationalization of the enhanced workload-sharing arrangement now referred to as "Action-oriented and Partnership-driven Operation (APO) System 2.0".

The APO System 2.0, which was initiated by Lucero and formally launched on December 7, aims to mobilize all technical officers of the Provincial Office as members of the Provincial Monitoring Teams per PPA composed of the Overall Program Coordinator and Cluster Program Facilitators to intensify further the compliance of the field officers with the Department's PPAs and closely assist the LGUs in bagging more awards in the coming years.

The DILG Sugbo also invited Cebu City Cultural and Historical Affairs Office Head Bryner Diaz to the yearend activity to discuss the salient points of the Flag and Heraldic Code of the Philippines.

Moalboal MLGOO Lyn Aguelo graced the gathering attended by technical and administrative personnel of the Provincial Office, and provided insights during the discussions.



LGA assesses LGRC Sugbo



The Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) Sugbo underwent assessment by the Local Government Academy (LGA), the training arm of DILG, on November 9.

The Regional Office selected LGRC Sugbo as the sub-LGRC in the region to be subjected to the assessment which aims to review the performance of LGRCs towards making the Department a knowledge-centric organization.

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and LGRC Sugbo Manager Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero shared to Research and Policy Development OIC-Division Chief Leah Marie Sanchez and Assistant Division Chief Jason Patrick Carreras how they institutionalized and operationalized the LGRC Sugbo as DILG Sugbo's official knowledge management hub.

He likewise presented the initiatives and best practices of LGRC Sugbo, including the development of knowledge products, conduct of knowledge sharing activities, and partnerships forged to advance the capacity development of internal and external clients.

DILG Sugbo Balita airs 32 episodes

The Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) Sugbo released 32 episodes of DILG Sugbo Balita on its official Facebook page DILG Sugbo during the first semester of 2023.

Among those featured in the news program were the Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Awards Sugbo, Local Legislative Award Sugbo, Pasidungog: #TatakIKBL awarding ceremony for DILG Sugbo field officers, fruit-growing activity, completion ceremony of Community-Based Drug Rehabilitation

Program, and inspection and validation of locally-funded projects in Daanbantayan, Alcantara, Badian, Asturias, Alegria, Tabogon, and San Francisco.

To recall, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero saw the need to maximize further the online platform to elevate the public awareness on the efforts of the Department and local government units, thus launching their own news video program in 2022 which was previously named as DILG Cebu Balita.



DILG Sugbo BALITA | P10M road concreting project sa Badian, hingpit...
10 weeks ago · 1.1K views

Nicel Libradilla, Dean Mingueto and 38 others



DILG Sugbo BALITA P25M konkretong dalan ug patubig giimplementar sa...
11 weeks ago · 418 views

Jane Filan, Dean Mingueto and 24 others



DILG Sugbo BALITA | P5M solar street light lights up 5 Daanbantayan...
11 weeks ago · 1.3K views

Nicel Libradilla, Jane Filan and 45 others



DILG Sugbo BALITA | P10M road rehabilitation project gipatuman sa...
10 weeks ago · 565 views

Jane Filan, Billy Ray Papa and 25 others



DILG CEBU BALITA | Lungsod sa Barili midugang og 33 graduates sa CBDRP, ...
14 weeks ago · 463 views

Jane Filan, Fi El and 9 others



DILG CEBU BALITA | 200 semilya sa kahoy gitanom SILG Benhur Abalos...
14 weeks ago · 604 views

Apo Marcos, Jane Filan and 38 others



DILG Sugbo BALITA | Bogo City, Bantayan ug Sogod, midaog sa 2023...
8 weeks ago · 401 views

Jane Filan, Dean Mingueto and 19 others



DILG Sugbo BALITA | Road concreting project gilaum nga mopalambo sa agri...
10 weeks ago · 1.1K views

Jane Filan, Billy Ray Papa and 40 others



DILG CEBU BALITA | Field officers sa DILG Sugbo, gipasidunggan DILG VII...
11 weeks ago · 432 views

Nicel Libradilla, Fi El and 29 others



DILG Sugbo BALITA | Road concreting natuman sa 4 ka brgy sa Tabogon SILG...
9 weeks ago · 1.5K views

Jane Filan, Fi El and 44 others



DILG CEBU BALITA | 9 ka barangay sa Sugbo gipasidunggan SILG Benhur...
14 weeks ago · 740 views

You, Apo Marcos, Jane Filan and 30 others



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Nicel Libradilla, May Miasco - Cabucos an

7 episodes of DILG Sugbo Balita published



The Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) Sugbo released seven episodes of DILG Sugbo Balita on its official Facebook page DILG Sugbo during the second semester of 2023.

Among those featured in the news program were the inauguration of road project in Carcar City, Caravan of Services, third training of trainers program, launch of "Kadiwa sa Pangulo", among others.

It was in 2022 when DILG Sugbo under the leadership of Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero launched its own news video program, which was previously named as DILG Cebu Balita.

DILG Sugbo readies for Nat'l QMS Surveillance

Program Manager Rothwel Pulido and LGOO V Iris Arias met with DILG Sugbo's process owners on May 8 to prepare for the 1st Surveillance Audit of the National Quality Management System (QMS) on May 25.



Lucero joins DILG-7 execom meeting



DILG-7 OIC-Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero and other officials and employees of the regional office attended the DILG-7 Executive Committee Meeting and Year-End Assessment of DILG PPAs, Updating on the Implementation of Locally Funded Projects, and Strategic Planning for FY 2024 on, December 18.



Lucero convenes DILG Sugbo team

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero gathered technical staff and Project Development and Management Unit (PDMU) personnel during a regular weekly meeting to discuss updates on the operation of the office.

On October 2, Lucero discussed agreements during the Regional Executive Committee Meeting and the Provincial Office's compliance with the deliverables as well as the plans for the office's activities.



Other matters tackled during the weekly meetings in the second semester were the preparation for the Caravan of Provincial Services for the fourth quarter, annual yearend assessment of DILG Sugbo, and 2023 Pasidungog recognition ceremony for partner agencies and organizations.

Further, Lucero likewise extended his gratitude to the team for their accomplishments this year as evidenced by the conferment of the Diamante sa Katakos award by the DILG Regional Office on December 20 during its yearend celebration.





Workload-sharing system introduced

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero introduced the workload-sharing system among the provincial staff to achieve a more effective and responsive operational performance of the office.

He announced the system's institutionalization during the first capacity development training of DILG Sugbo for 2023 on January 12 at the LGRC Sugbo Hall.



The workload-sharing system, which Lucero also initiated in DILG Cebu City during his stint as city director, aims to decentralize and ease the workload of program coordinators by delegating to the eight technical personnel the tasks of collecting and consolidating reports from the field officers per cluster.

All technical personnel of DILG Sugbo thereafter participated in the training on Disaster Risk Reduction Management and Peace and Order Council, with LGOO VI John Michael Monillas as the resource speaker.

Lucero also informed his team that more capacity development activities will be held this year to keep them abreast of the Department's programs.

DILG Sugbo BAC convenes

Members of the DILG Sugbo Provincial Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) met on April 18 to discuss the procurement of goods, supplies, and equipment for the office operations and upcoming activities and programs.





PD Lucero witnesses DILG-RAFI MOA/MOU signing



To further foster the culture of knowledge sharing through collaboration with other sectors, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG)-7 forged a partnership with the Ramon Aboitiz Foundation, Inc. (RAFI) as one of the members of the Multi-Stakeholders Advisory Committee (MSAC) - Local Governance Regional Resource Center (LGRRC)-7.

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero and RAFI Chief CAP Officer Estee Marie Plunket served as witnesses during the signing of Memoranda of Agreement and Understanding spearheaded by DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela and RAFI COO Riella Mae Christa Guioguio on March 27.

LGRC Sugbo joins MSAC Q1 meeting

Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) Sugbo Coordinator LGOO II Jean Marvette Demecillo attended the first quarterly meeting of the LGRRC-7 Multi-Stakeholders Advisory Council at Golden Prince Hotel and Suites on March 29.



DILG, LGU of Digos City visit LGRC Sugbo

LOCAL GOVERNANCE RESOURCE CENTER
LGRC HALL

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero met with Digos City Local Government Operations Officer Marylou Montefalcon and Digos City Planning and Development Officer Ojela Mae Entero visited the LGRC Sugbo on July 27 for a benchmarking activity.

Davao de Oro SK officials visit LGRC Sugbo



The Sangguniang Kabataan chairpersons and councilors from the Province of Davao de Oro visited the Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) Sugbo on August 3 for a benchmarking activity as part of their lakbay-aral in Cebu City.

Region 5 tours LGRC Sugbo



Delegates from Bicol Region, composed of DILG-5 personnel led by Assistant Regional Director Jhoaden Lucero and local government officials from Camalig and Daraga, visited the Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) Sugbo of DILG Sugbo as part of their benchmarking tour in Cebu Province on June 1.

UP-Cebu PolSci visits DILG Sugbo

Thirty-nine professors and Political Science students from the University of the Philippines - Cebu visited the DILG Sugbo office on October 24 as part of their familiarization tour around the Cebu Capitol compound necessary for their Local and National Government Relations course. They were assisted by Cebu Provincial Board Member Stanley Caminero.



DILG Sugbo personnel visit RD Trovela

Personnel of DILG Sugbo headed by Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero met with DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela on January 9 for the New Year's call.

Lucero introduced the team members and presented the upcoming activities of the office and some updates and accomplishments on the Programs, Projects, and Activities.

Aside from the technical staff, Tig-a Cluster Head Roxine Coyoca and Bugsay Cluster Head Lelanie Lopez were also present.



Weekly prov'l staff meetings held

Technical and administrative personnel of DILG Sugbo attended the weekly meetings called by Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero to present updates and monitor compliance and status of the Department's programs and projects.

During the meetings, Lucero addressed issues and concerns raised by program coordinators regarding the report requirements and accomplishment of deliverables by the office in the first quarter.

He likewise assisted the team in preparation for the significant activities initiated by the office during the first quarter of 2023.





PD Lucero attends Tig-a Cluster meeting

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero joined the Tig-a Cluster meeting presided by Cluster Head Roxine Coyoca on September 12 at the new DILG Borbon office which likewise serves as the cluster office.

Election issues and updates on the Department's programs, projects and activities were discussed by PD Lucero and the cluster members.

Meanwhile, Lucero thanked Borbon Mayor Noel Dotillos for the Municipality's continued support to the Department, especially with the provision of a new and bigger office to DILG Borbon.

Dotillos and Borbon MLGOO Cecille Belciña toured Lucero and Tig-a Cluster members headed by LGOO VII Roxine Coyoca.



PD Lucero visits Badian, Alcantara FOs

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, accompanied by Tribu Cluster Head Wyndell Valle, conducted supervised field visit to Badian MLGOO Melissa Cartuciano and Alcantara MLGOO Joseph Elizar Merlas on September 20.

They likewise paid courtesy visit on Badian Mayor Carmensita Lumain.



FOs urged to hold pre-assessment for audits

During the monthly conference of DILG Sugbo, Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero urged the cluster heads to direct the field officers to conduct a pre-assessment for Peace and Order Council (POC) Performance Audit, Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) Performance Audit, and Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) this year.



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero said this initiative aims to ensure that the field officers will have enough time to gather all the needed data, means of verifications, forms, certifications, and other supporting documents prior to the actual assessment.

To reinforce his directive, Lucero issued a Memorandum ordering the City and Municipal Local Government Operations Officers to hold pre-assessments and assist their local government units for the upcoming audits.

3 DILG Sugbo personnel take oath



DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela administered on March 13 the oath-taking of three DILG Sugbo personnel, namely Tereza Ruby Leprozo as Local Government Operations Officer II and Rufiel Palabay and Jeffrey Abella, both as Administrative Aide IV.



DILG Sugbo joins Capitol's weekly flag-raising

Technical personnel of DILG Sugbo headed by Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero attended the weekly flag-raising ceremony together with Governor Gwen Garcia and other officials at the Capitol grounds every Monday.



New DILG Sugbo PM meets PO staff



To familiarize the operations of the Provincial Office, newly designated DILG Sugbo Program Manager LGOO VI Richard Ouano convened on October 27 the program coordinators, Project Development and Management Unit personnel, and administrative staff to discuss the status and updates of their respective programs and assignments as well as the preparations for the upcoming quarterly Caravan of Services starting on November 7.

DILG Sugbo welcomes new PO staff



DILG Sugbo Program Manager Rothwel Pulido and LGOO VI Deanna Mingueto welcomed on July 25 LGOO II Clarice Kitz Andrin, who was previously assigned at the DILG-7 Project Development and Management Unit and is now transferred to DILG Sugbo.

Andrin was accompanied by PDMU Chief Rommel Correa and her colleagues on her first day at the Provincial Office.



DILG Sugbo undergoes training on infra governance



The DILG Sugbo field officers and Project Development and Management Unit (PDMU) personnel participated in the seminar-workshop on Engineering for Non-Engineers which was organized by the Regional Office in collaboration with the Office of Project Development Services on October 4 in Cebu City.

The participants, who also include personnel from DILG Region 6, will visit an existing project in Talisay City today for site validation.

LG00 II apprentices assigned in Talisay City present accomplishments



Dasig Cluster Head and Talisay City CLG00 Liza Fernandez and LG00 II apprentices Jaqueline Barilea, Maricar Ollague and Joma Catayas presented to DILG-7 OIC-Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero during an exit conference on October 6 their accomplishments and proposed policy brief for the city.

The said Batch 55 apprentices, who will soon finish the Component II: Supervised Field Work on October 14, also received guidance from Lucero for their oral presentation.

A photograph of the California State Capitol building, featuring its iconic dome and classical architecture. The image is partially covered by a large, semi-transparent pink geometric shape that cuts across the frame from the top left to the bottom right. The text 'Other Highlights' is overlaid on the pink area in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

Other Highlights

Trovela, Lucero join Suroy-Suroy Sugbo



DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero joined Governor Gwendolyn Garcia, tourists, and guests, during the first day of the Suroy-Suroy Sugbo Northern Escapade on January 17.

They visited the towns of Consolacion, Compostela, Carmen, and Tabogon.

Tig-a Cluster Head Roxine Coyoca, Consolacion MLGOO Sheryl Pidol, Compostela MLGOO Binilinda Labayan, Carmen MLGOO Ammie Marie Generale, and Tabogon MLGOO Evalyn Quiros also joined the activity.

To recall, DILG Secretary Atty. Benjamin Abalos Jr urged other local government units to replicate Garcia's initiative to boost the tourism industry.



NBOO lauds Gov Garcia; visits SUGBUSog winners



DILG National Barangay Operations Office (NBOO) Director Dennis Villaseñor commended Governor Gwendolyn Garcia for her initiatives such as the "Sugbuanong Busog, Luwas ug Himsog" (SUGBUSog), Sugbo Negosyo, and Sugbo Kahanas, which he said are worthy to be replicated by other local government units.

Villaseñor and his staff were in Cebu on May 18 to 19 to witness firsthand the successful implementation of the SUGBUSog program.

They were joined by DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero during the courtesy visit on May 18.

A day after, the DILG Central Office delegation visited the 2022 SUGBUSog winners namely the Municipalities of Dumanjug, Ronda, and Alegria to learn from their best practices, including the efficient handling and management of their municipal and barangay nurseries.



KWENTONG TAGUMPAY 2023

Cebu shares local infra initiatives

The DILG Office of Project Development Services chose the Province of Cebu as one of the selected local government units in the whole country to showcase their unique and inventive practices in local infrastructure governance during the Kwentong Tagumpay 2023 on November 16 in Parañaque City.



Cebu Provincial Board Member Glenn Anthony Soco shared the best practices and innovations initiated by Governor Gwen Garcia on enhancing the delivery of basic services in the field of local roads and local economic enterprises.

He was assisted by Provincial Engineer Hector Jamora.



DILG, Metro Cebu LGUs get Bike Lane Master Plan



Representing DILG-7 Regional Director Leocadio Trovela, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero received a copy of the Bike Lane Master Plan for Metro Cebu during a ceremonial turnover on July 18. The Master Plan, which was likewise turned over by the Department of Transportation, United Nations Development Programme, and Global Environment Facility to Cebu City, Lapu-Lapu City, Talisay City, Municipality of Cordova, and active transport advocacy groups, aims to provide a comprehensive bike lane network development plan, inclusive of technical, institutional, and information education components.

COMELEC commends DILG-7, Lucero

DILG-7 OIC Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero represented DILG-7 Regional Director Leocadio Trovela in receiving the plaque of recognition from the Commission on Elections for the Regional Office's contribution in the conduct of the 2023 Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections (BSKE).

Lucero likewise received a certificate of commendation from COMELEC for his contributions to the BSKE.

COMELEC Chairman George Erwin Garcia, together with Regional Election Director Atty. Lionel Marco Castellano, handed the plaques and certificates to Lucero and other awardees during today's Regional Joint Security Control Center Post-Election Conference at the Capitol Social Hall.

PCGA awards DILG Sugbo

Waterfront awards DILG



DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela received a Certificate of Appreciation as an institutional partner of the Waterfront Cebu City Hotel and Casino during its silver anniversary on July 25.

He is joined by DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero.



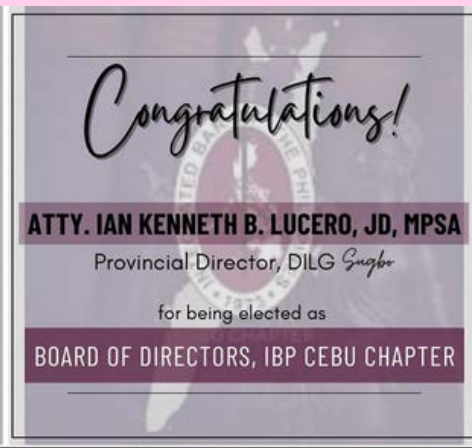
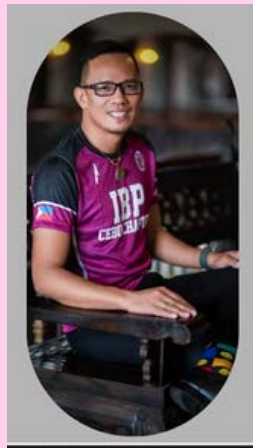
DILG Sugbo headed by Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero received a Certificate of Recognition from the 219th Philippine Coast Guard Auxiliary (PCGA) Squadron for supporting the projects and undertakings during the Squadron's second year of operations in 2023.

Lucero, who is likewise the 219th PCGA Squadron Deputy Director for Administration and 219.2 Division Director, graced the 2nd anniversary celebration of the 219th Squadron Deputy Director for Administration and 219.2 Division Director, graced the 2nd anniversary celebration of the 219th Squadron at Cebu Country Club on July 28 along with other DILG PCGA auxiliaries.

PD Lucero elected as IBP Cebu Director

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero was elected as a Director of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines Cebu Chapter on February 25.

Lucero has been a member of the Chapter since 2014.



PD Lucero gets awards

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero received certificates of appreciation for his outstanding support to and active participation in the programs and activities of the Cebu Elite Marksman Eagles Club (CEMEC) during its first-anniversary celebration on March 17.



DILG Sugbo honors CEMEC



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero handed the plaque of appreciation to Cebu Elite Marksman Eagles Club (CEMEC) as a trusted development partner of the office.



Lucero elevated to Knight Officer of Rizal



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and Knights of Rizal DILG Region 7 Chapter Deputy Commander, Sir Ian Kenneth Lucero, KOR, was elevated to the second-degree rank of Knight Officer of Rizal in recognition of his dedication and commitment to the study, propagation, and practice of the ideals, values, and teachings of Dr. Jose Rizal, among others.

“We at the DILG are one with the Knights of Rizal in our continued pursuit of a better and progressive nation for the present and future generations. Non Omnis Moriar!”

SIR IAN KENNETH LUCERO, KOR

2 Albay LGUS visit Cebu for benchmarking



Delegates from the municipalities of Camalig and Daraga in Albay Province came to Cebu on June 1 to learn from the best practices and initiatives of the Provincial Government headed by Governor Gwendolyn Garcia.

Present during the benchmarking tour were DILG-5 Assistant Regional Director Jhoaden Lucero, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, Sangguniang Panlalawigan members of Cebu, and Capitol department heads.

More DILG personnel join PCGA



Six more DILG-7 personnel officially joined the 219th Philippine Coast Guard Auxiliary (PCGA) Squadron on March 4.

The newly inducted DILG-PCGA auxiliaries, who were recruited by DILG Sugbo Provincial Director, 219th PCGA Squadron Deputy Director for Administration, and 219.2 Division Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, PCGA, were the following:

1. Lieutenant Atty. Grace Melanie I. Lacamiento, PCGA (DILG-7 LGMED);
2. Lieutenant Junior Grade Jupiter E. Dawa, PCGA (DILG-7 LGMED);
3. Lieutenant Junior Grade Jean Marvette A. Demecillo, PCGA (DILG Sugbo);
4. Lieutenant Junior Grade Joie Ann T. Audiencia, PCGA (DILG Sugbo);
5. Lieutenant Junior Grade Rosanna Jane A. Cabanag, PCGA (DILG-7 LGMED); and
6. Lieutenant Junior Grade Christellan G. Feliciano, PCGA (DILG-7 RICTU).

They took their oath before Coast Guard District Central Visayas Central Cebu Station Commander CG CDR Mark Larsen Mariano, with the presence of PCGA Central Visayas District Auxiliary Director AUX COMMO Manolita Faelnar, PCGA, and 219th PCGA Squadron Director CAPT Ludwig Amandoron, PCGA.

Lucero also received PCGA National Convention and Civic Action Awards.



Lucero tapped as 3rd party rep during Capitol raffle draw



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero served as a third party representative during the Cebu Provincial Government's online raffle draw for online voters of the 2023 Sinulog sa Carmen Festival on Valentine's Day.

"Cebu Province, through the dynamic and hands-on administration of Governor Gwendolyn Garcia, has always raised the bar for good and effective local governance, hence setting a good example to other local government units," he said.

"Congratulations, Governor Gwen, and also congratulations, Mayor Carlo Villamor of the Municipality of Carmen, *sa malampusong pagsaulog sa Sinulog sa Carmen, ilabi na sa pagpasiugda aning online raffle draw nga diin ang mga makaapil dili lang taga diri sa Sugbo apan apil na sab ang atong mga kaigsuonan sa tibuok kalibutan,*" he added.

The Sinulog sa Carmen raffle draw was the second raffle draw conducted by the Capitol following the first in September last year for Pasigarbo sa Sugbo online voters wherein Lucero also served as third party representative.



Photos courtesy of Sugbo News and Gov. Gwen Garcia



2 DILG Sugbo personnel now lawyers

Pinamungajan MLGOO Jeffrey Lopez and LGOO II Tereza Ruby Leprozo of DILG Sugbo were among the 3,992 passers of the 2022 Bar examinations.

They paid a courtesy call on DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero on April 14, the same day the results were released, to extend their gratitude for the

support and assistance.

Meanwhile, DILG-7 Regional Director Leocadio Trovela personally congratulated Lopez and Leprozo during the Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan (BIDA) Serbisyo Caravan on April 21 at the Mandaue City Sports Complex wherein they provided free legal assistance to the residents.

DILG Sugbo welcomes student trainees

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero welcomed on March 10 the student trainees from Cebu Normal University taking up Bachelor of Arts major in Political Science.

Lucero oriented them at the LGRC Sugbo Hall regarding the guiding principles and functions of the Department.

Five interns will render 100 to 200 hours of immersion at the DILG Sugbo office, while one trainee will be deployed to the DILG Minglanilla field office.



PD Lucero gets KoR award



The Knights of Rizal (KoR) Supreme Council awarded DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and KoR DILG Region 7 Deputy Chapter Commander, Sir Ian Kenneth Lucero, KOR with the Distinguished Service Medal for his outstanding achievement through preeminent and exemplary activities or projects that bring honor and distinction to the Order and/or the Philippines.

The award was conferred by Sir Dr. Henry A. Sojor, KGOR of the Central Visayas Council of Elders during the Knighthood and Chartering Ceremonies in Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental on June 8.



“ Just like Dr. Jose Rizal, may we all strive to be heroes in our own right. May we continue to make a difference, no matter how big or small. May we serve as models for the present and future generations to emulate as the legacy of our national hero lives on. Non Omnis Moriar! ”

SIR IAN KENNETH B. LUCERO, KOR
DILG Sugbo Provincial Director
Knights of Rizal DILG R7 Chapter Deputy Commander



KOR Segunda Katigbak Chapter officers take oath



Officers of Knights of Rizal (KOR) Segunda Katigbak Chapter headed by Chapter Commander Sir Ian Kenneth Lucero, KCR took their oath before KOR Deputy Regional Commander Sir Edison Delos Angeles, KCR at the Rizal Memorial Library and Museum Building in Cebu City today, December 30 as the country commemorates Dr. Jose Rizal's 127th death anniversary.

The KOR Segunda Katigbak Chapter, whose members are mostly from DILG Sugbo personnel led by Provincial Director Lucero, is a newly created chapter from the KOR DILG-7 Chapter headed by Sir Leocadio Trovela, KCR, who is the Regional Director of DILG-7.

The new chapter is named after Segunda Katigbak who was said to be the national hero's first love and inspiration of his early poetry.

The following are the KOR Segunda Katigbak Chapter officers:

Chapter Commander: Sir Ian Kenneth Lucero, KCR
Deputy Chapter Commander: Sir Roy Vincent Singco, KCR
Chancellor: Sir Emmanuel Pedralba, KOR
Exchequer: Sir Marven Ecarma, KOR
Pursuivant: Sir Jupiter Dawa, KOR
Auditor: Sir John Michael Monillas, KOR
Deputy Chancellor: Sir John Michael Legaspi, KOR
Deputy Exchequer: Niño Vincent Fiel, KOR
Depute Pursuivant: Sir Louies Martin Gabutin, KOR



Lucero exalted to Knight Commander of Rizal



As the country remembers the 127th anniversary of the martyrdom of Dr. Jose Rizal, the Knights of Rizal (KOR) exalted DILG-7 OIC-Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero to Knight Commander of Rizal (KCR) at the Rizal Memorial Library and Museum Building, Cebu City on December 30.

In response, Lucero, who is the Chapter Commander of the KOR Segunda Katigbak Chapter, expressed commitment that they will uphold and exemplify Rizal's ideals, values and principles; his courage and idealism, and his love and sacrifice for the country, towards a better and brighter future for the present and succeeding generations.

"Surely, the legacy of the nation's greatest hero, who died as he had lived, lives on. Non Omnis Moriar," he added.

Lucero joins 127th anniversary of Rizal's martyrdom



DILG-7 OIC-Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, who is also the Chapter Commander of the Knights of Rizal (KOR) Segunda Katigbak Chapter, joined the Cebu City Government's celebration of the 127th anniversary of the martyrdom of Dr. Jose Rizal on December 30.

He was likewise accompanied by personnel from the DILG Regional Office, DILG Sugbo, and DILG Cebu City who are also members of the KOR Segunda Katigbak Chapter and KOR DILG-7 Chapter headed by Sir Leocadio Trovela, KCR, such as DILG Cebu City Cluster Head Michael Eltanal, LGCDD Assistant Division Chief Jerson Obo, PDMU Chief Rommel Correa, Ginatilan MLGOO Emmanuel Pedralba, Tuburan MLGOO John Michael Monillas, and LGOO VI Jupiter Dawa of LGMED, among others. They offered flowers at the Rizal monument at Plaza Sugbo.

Ginatilan mayor, 3 PDMU engineers join KOR



Newly-knighted Ginatilan Mayor Roy Vincent Singco with the rank of Knight Commander of Rizal and DILG Sugbo engineers Louies Martin Gabutin, Carlos Cena, and Devon Paredes were initiated to the order of the Knights of Rizal (KOR) during the Knighthood, Elevation, Exaltation, Chartering Ceremonies, and Oathtaking in Negros Oriental on November 15.

They will belong to the newly formed KOR Segunda Katigbak (DILG Sugbo) Chapter which will be formally launched as one of the local chapters of KOR - DILG Region 7 Chapter led by DILG-7 Director Sir Leocadio Trovela, KCR.

The Segunda Katigbak (DILG Sugbo) Chapter is headed by its Chapter Commander, DILG-7 OIC-Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Sir Ian Kenneth Lucero, KCR, with Mayor Singco as Deputy Chapter Commander and Ginatilan MLGOO Emmanuel Pedralba as Chapter Chancellor.

LGRC Sugbo conducts leadership training



As a knowledge broker and sharer of best practices and innovations on effective local governance, the Local Government Resource Center (LGRC) Sugbo partnered with the Cebu Provincial Government in conducting a leadership training with Capitol employees on February 15 at the Capitol Social Hall.

The knowledge sharing activity, facilitated by former DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and now DILG Region V Assistant Regional Director Jhoaden Lucero, aimed to train department heads and personnel on how to lead in a continuously changing environment.

Attendees were from the Provincial General Services Office, Provincial Legal Office, Provincial Veterinarian's Office, Provincial Engineering Office, Provincial Tourism Office, Sugbo News, Provincial Accounting Office, Provincial Budget Office, Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office, Provincial Administrator-Human Resource Management Division, and Provincial Administrator's Office.





DILG-PCGA auxiliaries assist passengers



In line with the "Oplan Biyaheng Ayo: Semana Santa & Summer Vacation 2023", the DILG auxiliaries from the 219th Philippine Coast Guard Auxiliary (PCGA) Squadron provided augmentation to PCG Central Visayas by rendering assistance to the passengers flocking Terminal 2 in Pier 3, Cebu City on April 5.

The DILG-PCGA team providing volunteer service on Holy Wednesday was led by DILG Sugbo Provincial Director, 219th PCGA Squadron Deputy Director for Administration,

and 219.2 Division Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero, PCGA.

Joining PD Lucero were fellow DILG-PCGA auxiliaries LT Jerson Obo, PCGA; LT Atty. Grace Melanie Lacamiento, PCGA; LTJG Jupiter Dawa, PCGA; LTJG Jean Marvette Demecillo, PCGA; LTJG Jomari Lavador, PCGA; and LTJG Christellan Feliciano, PCGA, who addressed queries and concerns of the passengers and assisted in controlling the crowd at the seaport.

DILG attends Gov Garcia's SOPA



DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero joined other government leaders and officials during the State of the Province Address (SOPA) of Cebu Governor Gwendolyn Garcia on August 11 at the Capitol Social Hall.

Among the achievements Garcia emphasized in her SOPA was the Seal of Good Financial Housekeeping awarded by the DILG to the Province of Cebu in 2022.

She also stressed that the Caravan of Provincial Government Services, which aims to bring services closer to the people, has now evolved to Caravan of Services and has expanded to include DILG, other government agencies, and private organizations, as well as the Kadiwa ng Pangulo Diskwentong Caravan of President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. To date, the Cebu Provincial Government has conducted a total of 147 Caravans since December 2019.

Garcia likewise thanked the regional and provincial directors of the different national agencies as well as law enforcement agencies for the all-out support to the Province's direction and position on issues concerning Cebu and the benefit of Cebuanos.

DILG joins Cebu's 454th year opening salvo



DILG-7 Director Leocadio Trovela and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero graced the formal opening of the month-long celebration of the Cebu Province's 454th founding anniversary led by Governor Gwendolyn Garcia on August 1 at the Capitol grounds.

Highlighting the opening salvo was the signing of the Wall of Commitment to the country's newest tourism campaign "Love the Philippines".

Meanwhile, Lucero joined Garcia and other officials during the formal opening of the Tabo sa Kapitolyo at the Capitol compound on the same day.

The annual agro-trade fair, which runs until August 6 showcasing fresh produce and local products of the component cities and municipalities of Cebu, is among the activities lined up for the month-long celebration of the Province's 454th founding anniversary.





Lucero graces “Sugbo Merkadong Barato” launch

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero joined the Cebu Provincial Government headed by Governor Gwen Garcia in the historic launch of the "Sugbo Merkadong Barato", wherein Cebuanos, especially the poorest of the poor, can purchase National Food Authority (NFA) rice for P20 per kilogram as well as products from farmers, fisherfolk, and micro-entrepreneurs at cheaper costs.

The activity, which was hosted by the Talisay City Government led by Mayor Gerald Anthony Gullas, Jr., was graced by House Speaker Martin Romualdez, Third District Representative Pablo John Garcia, Deputy Speaker Duke Frasco, Presidential Assistant for the Visayas Undersecretary Terrence Calatrava, Cebu's Seventh District Representative Peter John Calderon, Cebu's Second District Representative Edsel Galeos, Cebu's First District Representative Rhea Gullas, Mandaue City Lone District Representative Emmarie Ouano-Dizon, Mandaue City Mayor Jonas Cortes, mayors from the component cities and municipalities in Cebu, regional directors, provincial directors, and representatives of national government agencies, and other local officials and functionaries.





Trovela, Lucero attend Pasko sa Kapitolyo

DILG-7 Regional Director Leocadio Trovela and OIC Assistant Regional Director and Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero graced the Pasko sa Kapitolyo Christmas light up ceremony of the Cebu Provincial Government headed by Governor Gwen Garcia at Capitol grounds on December 14.

Vice Governor Hilario Davide III, members of Sangguniang Panlalawigan, local chief executives of cities and municipalities of the province, regional and provincial directors of national government agencies, private partners, and other stakeholders likewise joined the activity.

Also part of the activity was the awarding of Sugbo Negosyo Season 2.





Lucero graces SUGBUsoG awarding

DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero attended the awarding of the Sugbuanong Busog, Luwas, ug Himsog (SUGBUsoG) Season 4 winners on December 21 at the Capitol Social Hall for the top performing households, puroks, cities and municipalities, district hospitals, schools, and police stations.

Governor Gwendolyn Garcia declared the SUGBUsoG Season 5 open, which will also include BFP and BJMP as participants.

Garcia led the awarding ceremony which was likewise graced by Vice-Governor Hilario Davide III, members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, and city and municipal mayors.



DILG Sugbo, 4L Cebu plan for upcoming activities

Lady Local Legislators League (4L) Cebu Chapter President Nerissa Corazon Soon Ruiz and Vice President Arlene Zambo met with DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero on November 7 at Toledo City to discuss future activities of the Chapter in partnership with the Department.

Both DILG Sugbo and 4L Cebu participated in the first leg of the Cebu Provincial Government's Caravan of Services for the fourth quarter this year.



DILG Sugbo monitors cash aid distribution to rice retailers



DILG Sugbo provided assistance to the personnel of the Department of Social Welfare and Development during the distribution of financial assistance to the micro rice retailers from the different cities and municipalities in Cebu - that came in three batches in September 14, 22, and 29.

On behalf of Secretary of Interior and Local Government Atty. Benjamin Abalos Jr. and DILG Sugbo, Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero extended his gratitude to the rice retailers in Cebu for cooperating with the government and understanding the current situation on rice shortage.

He likewise reiterated that President Ferdinand Marcos Jr., through the issuance of Executive Order No. 39 imposing mandated price ceilings on rice, wanted to ensure that the basic necessities such as rice are not only sufficient but likewise reasonably priced and conveniently accessible to the Filipinos especially those underprivileged and marginalized.





DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero commended the Sangguniang Bayan and Panlungsod in Cebu for their laudable efforts in crafting meaningful policies for their constituents and likewise urged them to help the executive body in bringing good and effective local governance closer to the people.

"This way, through the synergy and collaboration of the different bodies of the government, we are more than capable and effective in serving the best interests not only of your respective constituents but also for the greater good," said Lucero who was invited by the Philippine Councilors League (PCL) Cebu Federation as its keynote speaker during the PCL Week opening ceremonies on September 6.

He likewise served as chairperson of the board of judges for Mr. PCL 2023.

Lucero joined PCL National Chairman Atty. Raul Corro, PCL Cebu Provincial Federation President Ricardo "Kuya Nick" Pepito, Cebu Provincial Board Members Dr. Stanley Caminero and Mike Villamor, retired Philippine Marine Corps Officer COL Ariel Querubin, and other PCL Cebu officials and members.

DILG Sugbo graces City of Naga's Purok Day

DILG Sugbo Program Manager Rothwel Pulido represented Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero during the 1st Purok Nagahanon Congress of the City of Naga on September 2 at Enan Chiong Activity Center.

In his keynote address delivered by Pulido, Lucero commended the city government headed by Mayor Valdemar Chiong for giving value and to the crucial and significant contributions of the puroks in the development of the communities.

"Rest assured that the DILG Sugbo is one with the City Government of the City of Naga and the Nagahanons in our joint pursuit of open, transparent, accountable, and participative local governance," Lucero's message read. Pulido also served as one of the judges during the search of the Best Purok Negosyo Booth.



Tuburan, Asturias mayors visit DILG Sugbo



Tuburan Mayor Democrito Diamante visited on August 11 the DILG Sugbo office which features a coffee bar and the renowned Tuburan's homegrown coffee.

Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero toured Diamante around the office which likewise showcases other #ProduktongSugboanon.

Moreover, Asturias Mayor Dana Andrew Dumdum paid a courtesy visit to Lucero on September 13 to discuss the status of the programs and projects implemented in the Municipality such as the formulation of the Comprehensive Development Plan.

Lucero likewise gave Dumdum a quick tour in the office which houses the LGRC Sugbo Hall and the coffee bar.



Tudela mayor consults PD Lucero



Tudela Mayor Greman Solante, accompanied by Tudela MLGOO Lovie De La Cruz, visited DILG-7 OIC-Assistant Regional Director and DILG Sugbo Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero in his office on October 4 to seek guidance on legal matters.

On December 21, German once again went to the office of Lucero to discuss the progress of Locally Funded Projects implemented in the municipality.



Lucero thanks BFP Cebu



DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and Sugbo Provincial Management and Coordinating Committee Chairperson Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero expressed gratitude to the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) Cebu Province headed by Provincial Fire Marshal SUPT Manases Bautista for going the extra mile in serving the public.

Lucero served as the Guest of Honor and Speaker during the BFP Cebu's 50th Fire Service Recognition on December 19 at Mezzo Hotel, Cebu City.

Lucero said BFP Cebu actively participated in the expansion of Sugbo PMCC's services during the Caravan of Services of the Cebu Provincial Government by helping in distributing free rice, providing free haircut and legal services, and conducting basic fire safety training for the residents.

"We hope nga naa tay more powerful synergism sa atong Department and other partner government and non-government agencies kay para ni sa kaayohan sa probinsya sa Sugbo, sa mga Sugboanon, ug sa tibuok Departamento," Lucero said.

Deputy Provincial Fire Marshal CINSP Cecil Alicaya, Administrative Branch Chief CINSP Marlyn Macatangay, and other officials and personnel of various fire stations in the province were also present during the recognition ceremony.

DILG awards USJ-R



DILG-7 Regional Director Leocadio Trovela and OIC Assistant Regional Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero accompanied the University of San Jose-Recoletos in receiving the NextGen Regional CapDev Accelerator in Local Governance award during the 2023 Capacity Development Accelerator Awards: Gabi ng Pasasalamat at the Manila Hotel on December 12.

The CapDev Accelerator Awards is a recognition program of the Department in honor of the significant contributions of local governance partners and stakeholders in advancing the goals and attaining excellence in local governance.



DILG Sugbo donates to Lapu-Lapu City fire victims



The DILG Sugbo headed by Provincial Director Atty. Ian Kenneth Lucero and other organizations joined the donation drive on December 21 for the families displaced by a massive fire that recently hit Barangay Pusok, Lapu-Lapu City.

Aside from DILG Sugbo, DILG Lapu-Lapu City headed by City Director Jonah Pino, 219.2 Division of Philippine Coast Guard Auxiliary (PCGA), Knights of Rizal Segunda Katigbak Chapter, and Cebu Elite Marksman Eagles Club also distributed bottled water, slippers, shoes, noodles, plastic drums, canned goods, biscuits, and blankets, among other necessities.

Other organizations include 202nd PCGA Squadron, Queen Mother of Cebu, JP Morgan Chase CE&I Team, JCI Womandaue, and Rotary Club of Metro Mandaue.

USJ-R taps PD Lucero as Bar review lecturer

Lawyer Ian Kenneth Lucero, DILG Sugbo Provincial Director and faculty member of the University of San Jose-Recoletos (USJ-R) School of Law, was invited anew by the Recoletos Cebu Law Center (RCLC) as one of its lecturers for the 2023 Pre-Bar Review on August 1.

Citing Supreme Court decisions and previous Bar questions, Lucero gave a comprehensive lecture on Local Government, which is part of this year's Bar syllabus for Political Law.

Attending onsite and via Zoom were RCLC reviewees and 4th year USJ-R School of Law students.

Lucero likewise served as RCLC's Pre-Bar Review lecturer on Political Law and Remedial Law for the 2020-2021 and 2022 Bar examinations.





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MISSION

The Department shall ensure peace and order, public safety and security, uphold excellence in local governance and enable resilient and inclusive communities.

VISION

A highly trusted Department and Partner in nurturing local governments and sustaining peaceful, safe, progressive, resilient, and inclusive communities towards a comfortable and secure life for Filipinos by 2040.

DILG SHARED VALUES

Ang DILG ay Matino, Mahusay at Maaasahan

QUALITY POLICY

We, the DILG, imbued with the core values of **Integrity, Commitment, Teamwork and Responsiveness**, commit to **formulate sound policies** on strengthening local government capacities, performing oversight function over LGUs, and providing rewards and incentives. We pledge to **provide effective technical and administrative services** to uphold excellence in local governance and enhance the service delivery of our Regional and Field Offices **to become trusted partners in nurturing local governments and sustaining peaceful, safe, progressive, resilient, and inclusive communities.**

We commit to continually improve the effectiveness of our Quality Management System compliant with applicable statutory and regulatory requirements and international standards gearing towards organizational efficiency in pursuing our mandate and achieving our client's satisfaction.

We commit to consistently demonstrate a **“Matino, Mahusay at Maaasahang Kagawaran Para sa Mapagkalinga at Maunlad na Pamahalaang Lokal.”**



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