



## COMMITTEE ON DEVOLUTION

### ADVISORY NO. 2021-001

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To : All Heads of Departments, Agencies, Bureaus, and Offices Concerned of the National Government, including Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations, and All Others Concerned

Subject : **ADVISORY FOR THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (NGAs) TO COORDINATE WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs) REGARDING THE DETAILS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE DEVOLUTION TRANSITION PLANS (DTPs)**

- 1.0 Executive Order (EO) No. 138 dated June 1, 2021<sup>1</sup> was issued to direct the full devolution of functions and services from the National Government (NG) to the LGUs.
- 2.0 Pursuant to Section 5 of said EO, the NGAs concerned and all LGUs shall prepare their respective DTPs, which shall conform to the guidelines jointly issued by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG).
- 3.0 In Section 7 (b) of said EO, the Committee on Devolution (ComDev), which was created to oversee and monitor the implementation of the administrative and fiscal decentralization goals, was mandated to evaluate the status and monitor the implementation of the DTPs of NGAs and LGUs, and ensure compliance of NG officials or employees and local chief executives, and initiate appropriate action(s), as may be warranted.
- 4.0 Under item 3.3 of DBM-DILG Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 2021-2 dated August 12, 2021,<sup>2</sup> the NGAs are encouraged to coordinate their transition strategies with the LGUs most important to the achievement of their sectoral goals and strategies under the Philippine Development Plan and the Regional Development Plans through their Leagues.

<sup>1</sup> Full Devolution of Certain Functions of the Executive Branch to Local Governments, Creation of a Committee on Devolution and for Other Purposes

<sup>2</sup> Guidelines on the Preparation of Devolution Transition Plans of the National Government Agencies Concerned in Support of Full Devolution under Executive Order No. 138, s. 2021

- 5.0 Moreover, item 6.2 of said DBM-DILG JMC encourages the NGAs to consult the LGUs so that the NGA and LGU DTPs shall complement and support each other.
- 6.0 Consistent with the afore-cited provisions of EO No. 138 and DBM-DILG JMC No. 2012-2, all NGAs concerned are hereby advised to conduct consultations and coordinate with the LGUs and the different Leagues of LGUs to enhance the likelihood of consistency of their respective DTPs with the DTPs of the LGUs. Further, all NGAs concerned are advised to share relevant information on their full devolution strategies, as contained in their respective DTPs, to the LGUs concerned.
- 7.0 Notwithstanding the foregoing advisories, and in order to avoid misinformation and confusion on the status and approval of the NGA DTPs, the NGAs concerned must emphasize that any information that they may share with the LGUs concerned shall still be subject to the evaluation and approval of their respective DTPs by the DBM.
- 8.0 For any questions, clarifications, and other concerns, your Office may coordinate with the ComDev Secretariat through [dbmcommdevsecretariat@dbm.gov.ph](mailto:dbmcommdevsecretariat@dbm.gov.ph).
- 9.0 For strict compliance. Thank you and God bless.

  
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