## MASBATE GOVERNMENT CENTER: Empowering Public Service through Social Sustainability Approach

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## **ABSTRACT**

The study is focused on proposing a government center in the city of Masbate with the application of social sustainability. The existing government buildings in the city are located in different areas within the city. Due to scattered government buildings, it is difficult to process transactions that involve several government agencies. These buildings are not fully developed and various problems have been identified such as water supply, drainage, incomplete amenities and facilities, etc.

With these findings, the researchers integrated some facilities and amenities to the design of the proposed project that will help to maintain the project which include Overhead Water Tank (OHWT), and Material Recovery Facility (MRF).

Also, to properly design and plan the Masbate Government Center, legal parameters, laws, and policies are considered and applied. Some of the concepts, and systems were in accordance with the different codes like the PD 1096 National Building Code of the Philippines, BP 344 or the Accessibility Law and The Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 9514 or the Fire Code of the Philippines.

The proposed Masbate Government Center includes some of the primary line agencies of the government in the development of the said project in order to create a centralized location that will serve as a one-stop shop for the community of the city. It also integrated social sustainability into the design solution as an approach to the project that will be transparent to the plans and design of the entire project.

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