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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
REGION IV-A CALABARZON

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 2018-23**

TO : ALL PROVINCIAL /HUC DIRECTORS

SUBJECT : CLARIFICATORY GUIDELINES ON THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN

DATE : OCTOBER 17, 2018

I. BACKGROUND

On August 29, 2018, Undersecretary for Barangay Affairs, Martin B. Diño issued an advisory with the subject "Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) on matters concerning the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK). However, despite the said issuance, relevant concerns have been raised to the regional office which necessitate further enlightenment and clarification. This has prompted the regional management to issue a Regional Circular for the guidance of everyone, especially on pressing matters concerning SK Officials in the region.

II. QUESTIONS AND ISSUES RAISED

1. Will the Sangguniang Kabataan Secretary and Treasurer be allowed to join trainings initiated by the LGU/Barangay/SK Officials?

Answer: Appointed Sangguning Kabataan Secretaries and Treasurers may be allowed to undergo a barangay initiated SK Training subject to the availability of funds and the usual accounting and auditing procedures.

2. Will there be a specialized training for the SK Chairperson and SK Treasurer with regard to budgeting and disbursement of funds?

Answer: A specialized training for the SK Chairperson and SK Treasurer may be conducted in cooperation with their respective Commission on Audit officers within their respective local government unit.

3. For SK Officials who were declared disqualified thru an Omnibus order issued by the COMELEC, will their post be considered vacant or is there a need to declare it vacant?

Answer: An Omnibus Order issued by the COMELEC merely suspends the proclamation or if there was already a proclamation, suspends the effect of the proclamation. Nonetheless, it is of



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our view that the said Order created a vacancy (whether temporary or permanent) to the said position for failure to qualify any of the candidate. Thus, provision on filling up vacancy under Section 19 of Republic Act No. 10742 otherwise known as "Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015", shall apply.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.


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