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National Nutrition Council XII  
Regional Nutrition Committee XII



**REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE  
SOCCSKSARGEN REGION  
Resolution No. 001, series. 2023**

**EXPANDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE-  
TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP AND RECONSTITUTION OF THE SAME AS  
REGIONAL NUTRITION EVALUATION TEAM DURING THE CONDUCT OF MELLPI  
PRO**

**WHEREAS**, the National Nutrition Council (NNC) the country's highest policy-making and coordinating body on nutrition, was created by Presidential Decree 491 in 1974, otherwise known as the Nutrition Act of the Philippines which also declares that nutrition is a priority concern of the government and must be implemented by all sectors including Non-government organizations in an integrated approach

**WHEREAS**, at the regional level, the Regional Nutrition Committee was created and mandated to perform the following functions a.) formulate regional policies and nutrition plans and programs, b.) coordinate planning, monitoring, and evaluation of regional and sub-regional nutrition programs, c.) harmonize nutrition and nutrition-related efforts of the RNC member agencies, d.) submit policy recommendations to the NNC related to nutrition and e.) advocate and promote good nutrition in the localities.

**WHEREAS**, the RNC XII, with the end purpose of making it active and efficient in carrying out its mandate and responsibilities has decided to have its composition reviewed and reorganized once every three years;

**WHEREAS**, the RNC XII is an inter-agency-sectoral body composed of regional heads of member agencies and is currently composed of Regional Directors/Heads of the following agencies;

1. Department of Health – Center for Health and Development (Chairperson)
2. Department of the Interior and Local Government (Vice-Chairperson)
3. Department of Agriculture (Vice-Chairperson)
4. Department of Education
5. Department of Social Welfare and Development
6. Department of Budget and Management
7. Department of Agrarian Reform
8. Department of Science and Technology
9. Department of Trade and Industry
10. Department of Labor and Employment
11. Department of Environmental and Natural Resources
12. Commission on Population
13. Philippine Health Insurance Corporation
14. National Food Authority
15. Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
16. Save the Children-Philippines
17. National Economic and Development Authority
18. National Commission on Indigenous Peoples
19. Philippine Information Agency
20. National Nutrition Council (Secretariat)

**WHEREAS**, the RNC should have a technical working group that shall serve as permanent technical focal persons of each Regional Director from the above-listed Regional Offices. Hence, the RNC-TWG shall adopt the composition of the RNC. Further, the technical working group shall recommend



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strategies and activities that can improve the system for nutrition statistics, including collection, dissemination, and utilization of nutrition information.

**WHEREAS**, the National Nutrition Council XII thru the Regional Nutrition Evaluation Team (RNET) monitors and appraises the progress of the implementation of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) at various levels through the conduct of Monitoring and Evaluation of Local Level Plan Implementation Protocol (MELLPI PRO);

**WHEREAS**, the MELLPI Pro tool covers assessment of initiatives along policy and legislation, nutrition service delivery, and capacity-building; emphasizes LGUs' progress toward compliance to quality standards, evidence-based validation, and mentoring through joint discussion for learning and action discussion with the LGU or nutrition workers assessed;

**WHEREAS**, to conduct the MELLPI Pro, the RNET must be composed of three (3) to five (5) interagency evaluators, hence there is a need to expand its membership since its original composition is limited to nine (9) agencies only which includes: Department of Health – Center for Health and Development (Chairperson), Department of the Interior and Local Government (Vice-Chairperson), Department of Agriculture (Vice-Chairperson), Department of Education, Department of Social Welfare and Development, National Economic and Development Authority, Commission on Population, Save the Children-Philippines, and National Nutrition Council (Secretariat), causing the limited participation of other RNC members during the MELLPI PRO.

**WHEREAS**, to exercise the functions of the Technical Working Group as technical focal persons of the agency they hold, the RNC-TWG shall be reconstituted and shall function as RNETs during the conduct of MELLPI Pro. Further, RNC members to designate alternate focal person in the absence of the permanent focal person.

**WHEREAS**, all the members of the expanded RNET shall be trained in the use of MELLPI PRO tools and procedures. The orientation shall be conducted by the NNC Regional Office which serves as the secretariat and coordinating body for all activities related to the MELLPI Pro, with the Regional Nutrition Program Coordinator as lead responsible person.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Regional Nutrition Committee-Technical Working Group in a meeting on February 28, 2023 fully supported the proposed expansion of the RNC-TWG membership cum Regional Nutrition Evaluation Team and shall provide technical support to the Regional Nutrition Committee in line with its roles and functions in the operationalization and implementation of the Regional Plan of Action for Nutrition.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, for the RNC-RTWG/RNET to:

1. prepare and provide inputs to the regional plans, policies and programs, including the Regional Plan of Action for Nutrition.
2. implement nutrition and related programs based on organizational mandates and commitments in the PPAN.
3. coordinate the planning, monitoring and evaluation of the regional nutrition program, as appropriate
4. monitor local government performance, assess the progress of plan implementation, and recommend appropriate actions in line with MELLPI Pro
5. participate in nutrition activities of NNC XII and its structures, such as but not limited to regular meetings, Program Implementation Review, monitoring and evaluation activities, Nutrition Month campaign and other regional initiatives; and share reports and other inputs to RNC XII Secretariat as needed




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**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to all members for information and appropriate action. NNC being the secretariat shall elevate the same to the Regional Social Development Committee XII and Regional Development Council XII for advocacy and support.

Done this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023 in Koronadal City.

Certified Correct:

  
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