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REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE X Resolution No. <u>3</u>, s. 2023

ENJOINING THE REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE (RNC) MEMBERS TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PHILIPPINE MULTISECTORAL NUTRITION PROJECT (PMNP) IN THE TARGETED AREAS OF BUKIDNON AND LANAO DEL NORTE PROVINCES

- WHEREAS, the Philippine Multisectoral Nutrition Project, a government project funded by the World Bank (WB), will set the stage to support the Philippines in addressing malnutrition by focusing assistance to the poorest municipalities in the country;
- WHEREAS, on 21 December 2021, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board confirmed ad referendum the Investment Coordination Committee-Cabinet Committee (ICC-CC) approval of the PMNP. The PMNP Loan Agreement was signed by the Philippine Government and WB on 25 June 2022, followed by the declaration of Loan Effectiveness on 17 August 2022, and will close in December 2025;
- WHEREAS, the Philippine Multisectoral Nutrition Project, adopts a bold, multi-sectoral nutrition approach to deliver a coordinated package of nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive interventions across varying local government unit (LGU) platforms together with a harmonized social and behavior change communications (SBCC) strategy;
- WHEREAS, the design and implementation of the PMNP are guided by the following overarching principles:
 - Design and roll out an evidence-based multisectoral approach that will draw upon the science-based and global recommendations and best practices for improving nutrition;
 - Establish geographic convergence of key sectors down to the household level to address the multidimensional causes of undernutrition;
 - Invest in both supply-side interventions (Component 1), which will be complemented by demand-side interventions (Component 2) to remove financial, geographic, and behavioral barriers to using essential nutrition and health services by project beneficiaries;
 - Incentivize achievement of nutrition results at the LGU level through the provision of performance-based grants (PBG); and
 - 5. *Emphasize equity* to ensure that lagging LGUs catch up with their well-performing peers and improve the country's overall achievement on the Human Capital Index (HCI).
- WHEREAS, the targeted areas include 11 municipalities in Region 10, four (4) in Bukidnon Province, namely, Cabanglasan, Kalilangan, San Fernando, and Talakag, and seven (7) in Lanao del Norte Province, namely, Baroy, Kauswagan, Maigo, Matungao, Pantar, Salvador, and Tubod;
- WHEREAS, the National Nutrition Council (NNC) will be mainly responsible for strengthening multisectoral collaboration for nutrition in the Project with the regional and municipal levels. The agency will contribute technical guidance to the Department of Health, particularly on LGU mobilization to facilitate implementation of the activities under Component 1;
- WHEREAS, the members of the PMNP-Regional Technical Working Group (RTWG) in the region led by DOH Center for Health Development-Northern Mindanao and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) 10 are the NNC X, Department of Agriculture Regional Field Office (DA RFO) 10, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) X, Department of Science and Technology (DOST) X, National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) X, Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement Network Northern Mindanao, and NEDA-X (Social Development Committee representative);



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WHEREAS, the PMNP-RTWG shall have the following responsibilities and functions in the whole duration of the project:

- Review and provide technical assistance in the formulation and implementation of the 2022-2025 Regional PMNP Work Plan and Milestones;
- Review and provide technical assistance to MNAPs formulation and PBG performance in Project municipalities;
- c. Provide technical direction/assistance to PBG proposals submitted by the target municipalities, and monitor utilization;
- d. Review and endorse training plans for project municipalities;
- Monitor the progress of implementation and outcome, and review/endorse the Annual Regional PMNP Accomplishment Report to the national level;
- f. Review and act on any project-related issue brought to their attention and recommend measures; and
- g. Mobilize other partner agencies including non-government institutions and development partners for support to the PMNP implementation, as needed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Regional Nutrition Committee in a meeting duly assembled and upon recommendation of the RNC Technical Working Group, supports the implementation of PMNP to increase the simultaneous utilization of a package of nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive interventions, and improve key behaviors and practices known to reduce stunting of targeted households in select areas of Bukidnon and Lanao del Norte Provinces.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the PMNP-RTWG will fully support by participating in all the activities relative to the implementation of the project.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that NNC Regional Office X, as Secretariat of the RNC to cause the widest dissemination of by furnishing all the member agencies of the RNC, the LGUs particularly Bukidnon and Lanao del Norte, and other regional partners and stakeholders a copy of this Resolution and project briefer for appropriate action and support.

APPROVED, 20 June 2023 Joint RNC, RNCl, RTWG and ECCD-F1K 1st Semester Meeting Chali Resort and Conference Center, Cagayan de Oro City

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