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REPORT TO THE JOINT CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 04 MAY 2020

Current developments on the COVID-19 pandemic called for the continued implementation, until 15 May 2020, of the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) in identified high-risk areas in Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao, and the implementation of a General Community Quarantine (GCQ) in other areas throughout the country. This extension will give us time to build on our existing response measures and prepare as best as we can for what will probably be our "new normal." Thus, on 30 April 2020, I issued Executive Order (EO) No. 112 (s. 2020) to implement the foregoing and confirm and adopt the *Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines*, as approved and recommended by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF).

In compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act (RA) No. 11469 or the "Bayanihan to Heal as One Act," I respectfully submit updates and developments from the sixth week of our whole-of-government approach in overcoming the COVID-19 pandemic. This report summarizes the programs, activities, and accomplishments of 94 departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Executive branch of government, reported to this Office through the Executive Secretary, most of which were received on **01 May 2020** (**Friday**).

I acknowledge the continued partnership of the Executive and Legislative branches of government in the implementation of RA No. 11469. Please be assured that the inputs of the members of the Senate are regularly cascaded to the concerned agencies for appropriate study and consideration. Similar with previous reports, I have incorporated herein those proposals which are either already being implemented or integrated to existing programs, and those concerns which are already being addressed.

In this Report, I continue to highlight the existing and newly-initiated measures of our various agencies under the four (4) major objectives of: (1) Providing Emergency Assistance to all Affected Sectors; (2) Securing Facilities and Resources for the Health Sector and Other Frontliners; (3) Establishing Sound Fiscal and Monetary Actions that are Responsive to all Stakeholders; and (4) Formulating a Responsive and Sustainable Recovery Plan.

I. Providing Emergency Assistance to All Affected Sectors

Update on the Social Amelioration Programs (SAPs)

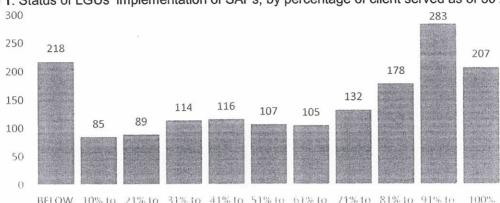
Updates on the: (1) the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Program (AICS) of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD); (2) the COVID-19 Adjustment Measures Program (CAMP) for Affected Formal Workers, the CAMP *Abot-Kamay ang Pagtulong* (AKAP) for Displaced Overseas Filipinos Workers (OFWs) Program, and the *Tulong Panghanapbuhay para sa Ating Disadvantaged/Displaced Workers* (TUPAD) Program, all under the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE); and (3) the Financial Subsidy for Rice Farmers (FSRF) of the Department of Agriculture (DA), as

part of the government's Emergency Subsidy Program (ESP) pursuant to Section 4 (c)ⁱ and (cc)ⁱⁱ of RA No. 11469, are summarized in **Table 1** below:

Table 1: Summary of implementation of SAPs

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	Imple- mentin g Agency	Program	Estimated Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries Served	Allotted Amount	Remarks
1.	DSWD	AICS	Breakdown: • 4.4 Million (Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program beneficiaries [4Ps]) • 13,556,093 (Non-4Ps) • 90,000 [Transport Network Vehicle Service (TNVS) and Public Utility Vehicles (PUVs) in the National Capital Region (NCR)]	10,292,435 as of 01 May 2020 Breakdown: • 3,806,111 (4Ps)** • 6,445,906 (Non-4Ps) • 40,418 (TNVS and PUVs in NCR)	PhP100,901,3 03,261.20 Breakdown: PhP18,138, 483,164.57 (4Ps) PhP82,042, 820,096.63 (Non-4Ps) PhP720,00 0,000.00 (TNVS and PUVs in NCR)	Total disbursed amount is PhP98,053,721,600.00, of which PhP54,647,554,300.00 has been received by the beneficiaries. For 4Ps: Total disbursed amount is PhP17,170,167,150.00, of which PhP16,672,946,650.00 has been received by the beneficiaries. For non-4Ps: Total disbursed amount is PhP80,560,210,450.00, of which PhP37,651,263,650.00 has been received by the beneficiaries. For TNVS and PUVs in NCR: Total disbursed amount, which amount has already been received by the beneficiaries is PhP323,344,000.00.
2.	DOLE	CAMP for affected formal workers	649,354 workers/ beneficiaries	522,855 (80.51%)	PhP3.247 Billion	The utilized amount is PhP2.614 Billion
		CAMP AKAP for displaced OFWs	Total estimates: 150,000 On-site OFWs: 100,000 Repatriated: 50,000	44,878 OFW beneficiaries paid (29.91%)	PhP1.5 Billion	The utilized amount is PhP459 Million
		TUPAD for informal workers	279,028	254,071 (91.05%)	PhP1.146 Billion	The utilized amount is PhP993.1 Million
3.	DA	FSRF	591,246 rice farmers	266,284 as of 28 April 2020	PhP3 Billion	PhP2.956 Billion has been transferred to government financial institutions

Distribution of the DSWD's emergency subsidy to non-4Ps beneficiaries have been coursed through the Local Government Units (LGUs). 207 out of 1,634 LGUs have accomplished 100% payout in their respective localities as of 30 April 2020. **Figure 1** below shows the status of distribution of SAPs by LGUs by percentage of client served, while **Table 2** provides a breakdown of the payouts to non-4Ps beneficiaries per region as of 30 April 2020:



40%

30%

50%

Figure 1. Status of LGUs' implementation of SAPs, by percentage of client served as of 30 April 2020.

Table 2. Summary of payouts to non-4Ps beneficiaries per region as of 30 April 2020.

60%

70%

80%

90%

Field	Total	No. of	Budget Allocation	Funds Downloaded	LGUs	Payout	No. of
Office	No	Target		to LGUs	with	(as of 30 April 2020)	Benefi-
	of	Low			Funds		ciaries
	LGUs	Income					Paid
		Non-4Ps					
1	125	798,206	PhP4,390,133,000.00	PhP4,363,727,500.00	125	PhP2,275,080,500.00	413,651
11	93	593,973	PhP3,266,851,500.00	PhP3,213,419,000.00	93	PhP2,336,785,000.00	424,870
CAR	77	255,676	PhP1,406,218,000.00	PhP1,373,690,950.00	77	PhP988,331,500.00	179,920
III	130	1,515,847	PhP9,853,005,500.00	PhP9,811,184,500.00	130	PhP5,569,135,000.00	856,790
NCR	17	1,558,615	PhP12,468,920,000.00	PhP12,468,920,000.00	17	PhP2,481,496,000.00	310,187
IV-A	142	1,929,422	PhP12,641,973,500.00	PhP12,641,973,500.00	142	PhP5,300,028,500.00	815,389
IV-B	73	416,246	PhP2,081,230,000.00	PhP2,077,445,000.00	73	PhP1,448,520,000.00	289,704
V	114	772,287	PhP3,861,435,000.00	PhP3,861,435,000.00	114	PhP2,676,820,000.00	535,364
VI	133	1,153,784	PhP6,922,704,000.00	PhP6,922,704,000.00	133	PhP3,288,030,000.00	548,005
VII	132	1,058,075	PhP6,348,450,000.00	PhP6,343,218,000.00	132	PhP2,434,512,000.00	405,752
VIII	143	591,612	PhP2,980,470,000.00	PhP2,980,470,000.00	143	PhP1,300,555,000.00	260,111
IX	72	403,185	PhP2,015,925,000.00	PhP2,007,170,000.00	71 ^{iv}	PhP840,035,000.00	168,007
X	93	623,590	PhP3,769,458,000.00	PhP3,769,458,000.00	93	PhP1,684,953,150.00	280,849
XI	49	690,083	PhP4,140,498,000.00	PhP3,036,480,000.00	49	PhP1,442,682,000.00	240,447
XII	50	709,417	Php3,547,085,000.00	PhP3,341,435,000.00	50	PhP2,155,345,000.00	431,069
CARAGA	73	305,096	PhP1,525,480,000.00	PhP1,525,480,000.00	73	PhP1,370,940,000.00	274,188
BARMM	118	180,979	PhP822,983,596.63 ^v	PhP822,000,000.00	NA	PhP58,015,000.00	11,603
TOTAL:	1,634	13,556,093	PhP82,042,820,096.63	PhP80,560,210,450.00	1,515	PhP37,651,263,650.00	6,445,906

The DSWD has also maintained stockpiles of the following: 409,520 Family Food Packs (FFPs) amounting to PhP168,099,596.42; Other Food Items amounting to PhP315,742,134.47; and Non-Food Items amounting to PhP481,449,590.07.

In response to the query of some Senators on the problems encountered in the implementation of SAPs, the DSWD reported challenges arising from (1) postponement of payout due to exposure of staff to positive COVID-19 cases and non-observance by target-recipients of preventive measures against COVID-19 during distribution; (2) threats received by DSWD personnel from LGU officials in some areas; and (3) slow processing by the LGUs, specifically at the barangay level, due to reports of politicizing or inaccurate lists of eligible beneficiaries.

In this regard, the DSWD has created monitoring teams to work closely with LGUs, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), and the Philippine National Police (PNP). Further, the DSWD, in coordination with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), is currently developing an application which will allow beneficiaries to self-register

and receive automated payments. The DSWD has also signed agreements with electronic cash transfer solution providers to accelerate and facilitate the distribution of cash assistance.

The DILG has likewise directed its Regional Directors and the Minister for Local Government of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region for Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) to assist Local Social Welfare and Development Officers in obtaining access to records of barangay inhabitants. In view of the restrictions posed by physical and social distancing, the SAP distribution has been extended for seven (7) additional days from the original 30 April 2020 deadline in high population areas and four (4) more days in other LGUs.

The Department of Finance (DOF) recommends that the total spending for the ESP be kept within the original PhP205 Billion allotment since there are various SAPs running in parallel to the ESP, such as the Small Business Wage Subsidy (SBWS) program, the financial assistance for marginalized farmers and fishers, and the cash assistance program to support OFWs.

The Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) has rolled out its "PaSSOver: ARBold Move for Deliverance of our Farmers from the COVID-19 Pandemic," which seeks to consolidate the efforts of the DAR in addressing the problems brought about by COVID-19. As of 01 May 2020, 103,147 agrarian reform beneficiary (ARB) identification cards have been distributed by the DAR under its ARB ID System.

Implementation of the SAP for Small Businesses

On 28 April 2020, the Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) transferred PhP25.5 Billion to the Social Security System (SSS) account for the 1st tranche of the SBWS program, which is envisioned to provide wage subsidy for affected small businesses during the pandemic. Around 40,000 salary subsidies were uploaded by the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) to the M Lhuillier remittance system, while over 12,000 employees have started receiving their respective subsidies through their nominated bank accounts. By 01 May 2020, remittances for 146,000 beneficiaries should have already been released for pick up at available M Lhuillier branches.

The BTr has allocated PhP51 Billion intended for 3.4 Million target members. More than 70,000 employers have submitted applications for the program as of 30 April 2020, and applications for more than 1.2 million employees from all regions (or around 35% of the program's target) have already been approved.

Continued Transportation, Repatriation, and Mobility Assistance to Health Workers, Frontliners, OFWs, Stranded Passengers, Foreign Nationals in the Country, and Other Entities or Individuals

The government, through its various agencies such as the Department of Transportation (DOTr), the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA), the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB), the Toll Regulatory Board (TRB), the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA), the Clark International Airport Corporation (CIAC), and the Clark Development Corporation (CDC), under their respective programs [e.g., DOTr's Free Bus Ride Program, *Malasakit* Help Desks,

Emergency Operations Center (EOC), MMDA's *Libreng Sakay* Program and Bicycle-Lending Program, MARINA *Uwi-Pamilya* Project] in partnership with other government agencies or with the support of private sector partners, continue to implement measures to address the transportation needs of various sectors affected by existing travel restrictions. These measures include ferrying health workers, frontliners, OFWs, and other persons in need; logistical assistance in the distribution of medical supplies and food relief; assistance and emergency response to vehicles, passengers, and stranded seafarers; and repatriation services of OFWs and foreigners.

Table 3, in particular, provides the number of OFWs and Foreign Nationals assisted by the government:

Table 3. Assistance to OFWs and Foreign Nationals

	Implementing Agency	Form of Assistance	Number of Beneficiaries Served
1.	DFA	Repatriation of OFWs	4,332: consisting of 1,893 sea-based workers and 2,429 land-based workers (24-30 April 2020)
		Monitoring of total OFWs infected with coronavirus	1,677 (555 additional cases as of 30 April 2020)
		Assistance in the repatriation of stranded foreigners	1,125 foreigners via 17 sweeper and repatriation flights (24-30 April 2020)
		Assistance to the World Health Organization	Assisted the entry of 16 COVID responders (24- 30 April 2020)
2.	Department of Tourism (DOT)	Assistance in the repatriation of foreign tourists	24,087 stranded foreign tourists have been assisted since 15 March 2020
		Tourist Care Kits and Vouchers	23,105 kits distributed to OFWs and stranded foreign tourists since 03 April 2020. 939 Tourist Care Vouchers worth PhP2,000.00 have been distributed since 09 April 2020

The DOTr, through the TRB, and in partnership with tollway operators, continues to waive tollway fees for frontliners. As of 30 April 2020, it has issued 9,718 RFIDs for this purpose.

Protection of Consumers and Related Measures

The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) continues to boost its *Diskwento Caravan* program by increasing the number of its operational mobile markets and widening its geographical reach. From 123 *Diskwento Caravans*, 241 are now providing accessible basic goods to consumers nationwide, at or lower than suggested retail prices. Since its launch in January, 825 retailers have participated in this program, which has catered to at least 56,849 households in 725 barangays across 14 regions of the country. Price monitoring and situational reports on basic needs and prime commodities show that 95% of monitored regions have complied with existing price freeze directives.

On 27 April 2020, Joint Circular No. 001 (s. 2020) of the Department of Health (DOH), the DTI, the DA, the Department of Justice (DOJ), the DILG, and the Bureau of Customs on the implementation of seizure and related proceedings for goods necessary to address COVID-19 came into effect. Pursuant to this, the implementing agencies are now set to proceed with the formal seizure, forfeiture or disposition of confiscated goods, including personnel protective equipment (PPEs), face masks, and alcohol estimated to be worth PhP100 Million.

In line with the government's effort to enforce the Price Act, regular price monitoring and enforcement measures continue to be undertaken by Local Price

Coordinating Councils of LGUs and agencies such as the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) (77 monitoring operations) and the DA's *Bantay Presyo Task Force* (10 monitoring operations and 16 Notices of Violation), and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) (2,694 establishments and 50,031 product monitored), in coordination with the DTI.

Other Assistance to Micro, Small and Medium enterprises (MSMEs) and Productive Sectors^{vii}

Table 4 contains the updates on the DA assistance programs which provide zero-interest loan program to marginalized and small farmers and fisherfolk (MSFFs) and agribased micro and small enterprises (MSEs) under the Expanded SURE Aid and Recovery Project:

Table 4. Status of Other Assistance from the DA

	Target Beneficiaries	Number of Beneficiaries Served	Allotted Amount (in PhP)	Utilized Amount (in PhP)
MSFFs	40,000	1,376 as of 28 April 2020viii	1 Billion	244.62 Million
Agri-based MSEs	150	21 as of 28 April 2020	1.5 Billion	160.5 Million

On 27 April 2020, the Philippine Guarantee Corporation (PhilGuarantee) approved a Credit Guarantee Program for MSMEs to provide guarantee coverage of 50% of the principal loan extended by PhilGuarantee-accredited lending banks and financial institutions. This program, which anticipates at least 12,000 MSMEs-beneficiaries, aims to increase availability of credit from the banking sector, encourage more banks to lend to MSMEs, provide means to jumpstart MSMEs using much-needed working capital to be obtained from banks, and support the PhP120 Billion working capital loans to MSMEs affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Access to Agri-Fishery Products and Ensuring an Uninterrupted Supply Chainix

Since the implementation of the ECQ, the DA's *Kadiwa ni Ani at Kita* (KAK) project, which seeks to provide communities access to agri-fishery products, has catered to 155 barangays and 30 subdivisions nationwide through KAK-On Wheels. It has also served eight (8) cities nationwide through KAK-Online and sold 22,841.40 kg of fish and fishery products at affordable prices benefitting 357,000 individuals through the Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA) KAK-*IsDA* on the Go. The PFDA has also facilitated the unloading of 75,138 MT of fish nationwide since the start of the ECQ.

The DA has also dispatched the KAK-Express to bring in 27,428.8 MT of agrifishery products from agricultural trading centers to consumers in Metro Manila since last week. A total of 1,363,316 individuals have been provided with assorted vegetable seeds, starter kits, and livestock amounting to PhP290.116 Million since the implementation of the DA's Urban Agriculture Program.

The DAR is continually assisting ARB Organizations (ARBOs) in the marketing of their agricultural products. As of 30 April 2020, it has assisted 1,196 ARBOs, generating a total gross sale of PhP322.14 Million.

To ensure unhampered movement of cargoes, transit passes continue to be issued by the DA (total of 119,677 food passes since the start of the ECQ), the BFAR (24,046 local transport permit for fish products from 08 April to 28 April 2020), the DAR

(656 quarantine accreditation passes), and the DICT (175,396 passes under the RapidPass System from 08-30 April 2020).

Based on the monitoring conducted by the Sugar Regulatory Administration from 27 April to 30 April 2020, supplies of raw and refined sugar stocks are still good for four (4) and five (5) months, respectively.^x

Protection of Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs)

Board of Pardons and Parole (BPP) Resolution No. OT-04-15-2020 dated 15 April 2020 or the "Interim Rules on Parole and Executive Clemency" which, among others, simplifies the requirements and procedure for the processing of applications for parole or executive clemency, was published on 30 April 2020 and will take effect on 15 May 2020.

The BPP and the Bureau of Corrections are compiling prison records and documents of PDLs who may benefit from the new rules in order to expedite the processing of their application and facilitate the early release from prison of qualified beneficiaries once the Interim Rules take effect.

The prison records of an initial batch of 200 PDLs are now being reviewed pursuant to the Interim Rules, and at least 100 PDLs will be deliberated by the BPP on on a weekly basis.

The Public Attorney's Office has started filing the necessary motions and pleadings aimed at securing the immediate liberty of PDLs, including motions to fix and/or reduce bail, motions for release on recognizance, motions to dismiss, and motions for immediate release of 1,359 PDLs, pursuant to Supreme Court Office of the Court Administrator Circular No. 90-2020 dated 20 April 2020.

The DOH will supply the DOJ an additional 10,000 kits to test PDLs, 3,500 of which will be used to test inmates at the Correctional Institute for Women, where the greatest number of confirmed cases (48) has been recorded.

Ensuring Water and Energy Supplyxi

As of 30 April 2020, the water level in the Angat reservoir decreased from last week's 191.88 meters to this week's 190.60 meters. This is still 10.60 meters above the minimum operating water level of 180 meters and 12.10 meters higher compared to the water level on the same date last year. The water level in the Ipo Dam decreased from last week's 100.61 meters to this week's 99.96 meters while the La Mesa Dam also decreased from last week's 76.79 meters to this week's 76.72 meters respectively. Based on forecasts of the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration, the water level in the Angat Dam will not fall below the minimum operating level in June of this year as the country expects 10 to 13 tropical cyclones to enter or develop inside the Philippine area of responsibility from May to October 2020.

The Department of Energy (DOE) reports sufficient supply in both power and downstream oil sectors. Excess capacity over peak demand in the major power grids have been registered – Luzon at 29% (3,341 MW), Visayas at 33% (858 MW) and Mindanao at 35% (878 MW). As of 27 April 2020, inventory of crude oil and petroleum products stood at 56.7 days (equivalent to 3,291 million liters). The National Power

Corporation reports that the completion of several power development projects^{xii} and the continued operation of the <u>Ag</u>us and Pulangi Hydroelectric Power Plants in Mindanao and SPUG Power Plants and Transmission Line Systems^{xiii} nationwide are benefitting 748,398 household power consumers in the island grids and off-grids nationwide. Meanwhile, the Power Sector Assets and Liability Management Corporation (PSALM) has arranged for the prompt release of funds for the continued operation of the power plants in Mindanao and likewise increased its power allocation to the Lanao del Sur Electric Cooperative, Inc. and the Maguindanao Electric Cooperative, Inc., bringing the total average load from 76.28 MW to 94.74 MW.

Other Forms of Assistance and Partnership with LGUs

The PNP has launched a program called "Kapwa Ko, Sagot Ko," where PNP personnel are encouraged to adopt an indigent family by providing them food packs or grocery items or any voluntary financial assistance. As of 01 May 2020, the PNP has assisted 141,000 indigent families.

The DSWD issued Memorandum Circular No. 12 dated 29 April 2020 mandating the continuous implementation of the Supplementary Feeding Program^{xiv} during community quarantine which targets to benefit 773,804 undernourished children.

The DILG, the DOH, and the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) have finalized and signed a joint memorandum circular operationalizing the Demographic Vulnerabilities Tool (DVT) developed by the Commission on Population and Development (POPCOM). The POPCOM is working closely with its regional partners and LGUs to operationalize the DVT in assessing the demographic vulnerabilities of communities and households to COVID-19 in their respective jurisdictions.

The National Government is continuously monitoring LGUs relative to their compliance with the rules and guidelines enforced during the ECQ. As reported by the DILG, 78 provinces, 139 cities, 1,334 municipalities and 32,139 barangays have been found compliant with the ECQ guidelines.

In line with the synchronization of local policies with the declared national policy in RA No. 11469, the DILG has issued four (4) Memorandum Circulars (MCs) for compliance by LGUs: (1) the establishment of an LGU Task Force Against COVID-19 in all LGUs; (2) the inclusion of indigenous people in LGU programs and assistance during the ECQ; (3) establishment of DILG OFW Desks; and (4) monitoring of children in conflict with the law in LGU-managed detention facilities with suspected and confirmed COVID-19 cases.

The Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS) has provided selected LGUs with additional Community-Based Monitoring System data on the number of poor households in their respective localities and the financial requirements needed to provide adequate assistance to said households.

The PNP Women and Children Protection Desks are working closely with LGUs to ensure that the rights and welfare of women and children are protected during the ECQ. As of 30 April 2020, the PNP has recorded 763 cases of crimes against women and 521 cases of crimes against children since the implementation of the ECQ.

Recognizing the vital need to provide support to the mental health and well-being of Filipinos during the COVID-19 crisis period, the DOH, through various partner agencies and organizations, now offers free online psychological services for COVID-19 via telephone, social media, and other platforms.

As regards the management of the human remains of COVID-19 fatalities, the DILG and the DOH have issued suppletory guidelines, which include a directive to LGUs to provide designated funeral parlors and/or crematoriums for the human remains of suspected and confirmed COVID-19 patients. As of 30 April 2020, there are 47 crematoriums, 64 funeral parlors, and 36 Muslim funeral facilities that accept COVID-19 casualties. A total of 297 or 18% of 1,634 cities/municipalities nationwide have enacted ordinances to put a price cap on burial expenses. Additionally, the same guidelines also provide for the augmentation of the cost of burial for the death of an indigent person.

Assistance to Students, Educators, and Educational Institutions

The Commission on Higher Education (CHED) processed the Tertiary Education Subsidy (TES) of 120,798 grantees enrolled in private higher educational institutions amounting to Php3.6 Billion. The TES amounting to Php480 Million for 33 State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) and 18 Local Colleges and Universities (LUCs) (out of 106 SUCs and 60 LUCs) have also been processed for release.

Upon conducting an online survey, the CHED found that there are 1,229 students and educational institution personnel who are in need of repatriation overseas and 9,367 stranded in dormitories/schools in the Philippines. 142 of those overseas have been repatriated and 45 students stranded in Boracay will be transported to their respective hometowns.

The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Online Program is now hosted by the Amazon Web Service with the support of the DICT. Links to free webinars and courses from several recognized international organizations were provided to give more opportunities to online learners. The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) has also started webinars on DOST Courseware in Science and Mathematics for Grades 1-8 on 24 April 2020 to be held in four sessions daily until 15 May 2020. Elementary science and mathematics teachers can use the DOST-Science Education Institute video conferencing application to interact regarding DOST-developed e-Learning materials.

II. Securing Facilities and Resources for the Health Sector and Other Frontliners

Human Resources for Health (HRH)

As an update to the HRH augmentation measures, the DOH has approved a total of 2,083 slots for emergency hiring, in response to 43 requests from hospitals, diagnostics facilities, and quarantine facilities. As of 30 April 2020, 24% (or 499 HRH) of the total approved slots have been filled up and will be assigned to facilities in the NCR. As of 29 April 2020, an additional 95 HRH trained to collect and encode case data have been deployed to 45 hospitals.

In support of the establishment of the Mega Treatment and Monitoring Facilities, the AFP has deployed 66 personnel to the Ninoy Aquino Stadium, 75 personnel to the

World Trade Center, and 17 personnel to the Quezon Institute quarantine facility. The PNP, on the other hand, deployed 237 personnel (composed of 10 doctors, 78 nurses and 58 medical reserved forces) to the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) quarantine facility.

Referral Hospitals, COVID-19 Bed Capacity and Equipment

As of 29 April 2020, there are now 1,426 COVID-referral hospitals across the country. The total number of dedicated beds for COVID-19 has increased to 9,932 with a 37.57% occupancy rate, while the total number of mechanical ventilators has increased to 1,732, with 948 from private hospitals and 784 from public hospitals.

Quarantine Facilities

The DPWH and other agencies continue to establish new and manage existing evacuation centers to be utilized as health/quarantine facilities, emergency operation centers, food hubs, and quarters for health workers. Four (4) additional evacuation centers are now being used as health/quarantine facilities in Regions I, VI, and VIII and one (1) as food hub in Region VI. The newly converted quarantine facilities have served an additional 41 persons, bringing the total persons served to 725 persons from 684 that was reported on 27 April 2020, as illustrated in **Table 5** below:

Table 5: Distribution of Evacuation Centers converted into Health or Quarantine Facilities

Region	No. of Evacuation Centers being Used as Health/ Quarantine Facilities	Estimated / Target Capacity per Region	Persons Served Per Region
	10	223	37
11	2	70	4
III	2	67	145 (+6)
IV-A	3	152	94 (+11)
IV-B	2	200	114
V	2	64	79 (+9)
VI	6	280	45
VII	7	307	90
VIII	3	92	33 (+15)
IX	3	90	9
X	1	65	-
XI	3	85	32
XII	2	60	2
XIII	2	60	41
Total	48	1,815	725

Table 6 below shows a summary of completed converted quarantine centers, including those with ongoing or planned conversions (excluding evacuation centers), and their respective capacities.

Table 6: Facilities Converted or for Conversion into Quarantine Centers

	Implementing Agency	Site	Estimated / Target Capacity	Date of Completion/ Occupancy ^{xvi}
1.	DPWH and BCDA / AFP	Ninoy Aquino Stadium	116	66
2.	DPWH and BCDA / PNP	PICC-Forum	294	50 ^{xvii}
3.	DPWH and BCDA / AFP	World Trade Center	502	398×viii

e contra	Implementing Agency	Site	Estimated / Target Capacity	Date of Completion/ Occupancy ^{x∨i}
4.	DPWH and BCDA	Rizal Memorial Coliseumxix	97 to 112	-
5.	DPWH, BCDA, CDC and CIAC	ASEAN Convention Center ^{xx}	150	Ready/Awaiting DOH Referral
6.	DPWH, BCDA, CDC and CIAC	New Clark City-National Government Administrative Centerxxi	688	Ready/Awaiting DOH Referral
7.	DPWH and BCDA / PNP	Philippine Sports Complex/ULTRA Stadium ^{xxii}	132	91
8.	DPWH	Philippine Arena	300	29 April 2020/ 0%
9.	DPWH	Filinvest Tent	108	Under construction
10.	DOTr	Floating Quarantine Hospitals	546	292 OFWs as of 30 April 2010
11.	DOTr, PPA, and PCG	South Harbor Passenger Terminal Building	211	203 OFWs as of 30 April 2020
12.	AFP	BRP Ang Pangulo	28	Arrived on 24 April 2020 at Pier 13 in Manila
13.	BCDA	New Clark City-Athletes' Village	520	0%
14.	-	Las Pinas Rehabilitation Center	50	0%
15.	DOH	Quezon Institute	100	90 (90%)
16.		Nayong Pilipino	-	being considered
17.		Alta de Tagaytay	30	0%
18.	DOT	Various locations	974 establishments with 61,408 rooms	
19.	PSALM	Property in Bagac, Bataan	20 patients at any given time	37 14 active patients 23 discharged
20.	CHED	17 SUCs and 18 SUCs	•	As of 1 May 2020

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) authorized the use of its offices and properties as additional facilities to serve as temporary isolation areas, quarters for frontliners, and staging areas for food distribution.xxiii

As of 29 April 2020, the quarantine facilities being managed by the Bureau of Quarantine have increased to 57. For the period 25 to 30 April 2020, 3,454 overseas Filipinos (OFs) were sent to quarantine facilities. As of 30 April 2020, there have been 23,874 repatriates from 235 repatriate vessels, out of which 11,973 have completed their respective quarantine.

Provision of Healthcare Resources, Supplies, and Equipment

The entire government continues to mobilize its resources to provide health and medical supplies and equipment to our frontliners. **Table 7** below is a summary (based on available data) of contributions, either procured from the respective agency budgets of various agencies and instrumentalities of the Executive Department or through distribution of donations from the private sector.

Table 7. Summary of Contributions or Distribution of Healthcare Resources by Government Agencies

	Department/ Agency/ GOCC	PPEs	Face Masks/ Face Shields	Hygiene Kits/ Other Products	Medicine/ Equipment	Food Packs (FP)/ Food Products
	OCDxxiv	14,634 protective suits, 34,034 surgical gloves, 1,000 general hazmat suits, 903 ICU hazmat suits, 7,266 goggles, 2,505 protective jacket, 3,330 face shields, 24,968 shoe covers, and 9,985 rain coats	1,315,805 surgical masks and 87,742 N95 masks	562 gallons of alcohol	20,000 test kits, 435 thermometers, and 103 folding beds	114,111 bottled water and 28 sacks of rice (25kg)
2.	AFP	1550 hazmat suits,1,000 boots cover, 45,500 pair of gloves, 100 isolation gowns, and 1,000 surgical caps	309,706 face masks	7,998 bottles of alcohol	83 bottles, 144 packs and 21,360 tablets of vitamin C, 30 collapsible tents, 537 cot beds, 54 thermal scanners, 23,000 rapid test kits, and 70 portalets	4,700 Meals- Ready-to-Eat, 100,00 loaves of bread, 5,300 dressed chickens, 1,225 canned goods, and 17,350 bottled water
3.	AFP-ADB					For the week: 41,891 family FP
4.	DTI - Philippine International Trading Corporation	88,500 surgical gloves			15,000 Favipiravir tablets and respiratory ventilators for frontliners	
5.	DOTr (distribution to frontliners of donated items)					42,413 food items ^{xxv}
6	OTS	2,500 pairs of gloves		134 gallons of alcohol		312 FP
7.	MIAA			PhP51,800. 00xxvi worth of sanitizers, alcohol, and face masks		PhP904,948.0 0 worth of meals
8.	MMDA (distribution of donated items)			idoo iiidana		snacks to 15 hospitals/ institutions ^{xxvii}
9.	BFAR	2,921 ^{xxviii}		F00.1		4 700 FD
10.	Dangerous Drugs Board	1,000 cover-all isolation suits	1,000 pieces of N95 masks	500 hygiene kits consisting of bath soaps, detergents,		1,700 FP

			Proc	ured, Donated,	or Contributed	
	Department/ Agency/ GOCC	PPEs	Face Masks/ Face Shields	Hygiene Kits/ Other Products	Medicine/ Equipment	Food Packs (FP)/ Food Products
				shampoo sachets, toothpaste, vitamins, and alcohol		612,871 FP ^{xxix}
11.	DSWD			PhP7,857,0		012,07111
12.	PCG			11.00 worth of medical supplies distributed		
13.	DENR-Mines and Geosciences Bureauxxxi			578,449 households xxxii and 43,403 frontliners xxxiii		
14.	DENR					12,861 board feet of lumber (or a total of 151,726 board feet of lumber as of date)
15.	DENR Environmental Management Bureau	796 sets of coverall suits 886 pairs of surgical gloves	7,551 face masks 869 face shields	578 liters of alcohol 99 liters of disinfecting lotion	230 vitamin C capsules, and undetermined amount of single cartridge respirators, and silo drums for garbage collection	5,310 grocery packs 828 kilos of rice
16.	DOE	-	-	-	-	From April 23 to 29, 51,500 pieces of bread and 820 liters of milk
17.	DOST	8,543	300 face masks/ 47,280 face shields	776.95 liters of alcohol, 8 liters of handwash, 3650 pcs herbal soap		31,130 FP, 3,720 bottles of calamansi juice, 530 packs of mushroom, 2,100 kilos of assorted vegetables, 5,020 eggs, 4650 packs of vegetable seeds distributed to farmers
18	. TESDA	3,961	259,276/ 29,040	8,287 liters hand sanitizers	60 goggles, 22 aerosol boxes	33,261 FP and 75,578

			Pro	cured, Donate	d, or Contributed	
	Department/ Agency/ GOCC	PPEs	Face Masks/ Face Shields	Hygiene Kits/ Other Products	Medicine/ Equipment	Food Packs (FP)/ Food Products
19.	SUCs (for the period 27 April to 01 May 2020)	809	20,798 face masks, face shields, and gloves	and surface disinfectant s 515.741 liters of alcohol and disinfectant s, 10 bottles of liquid soap, 1,000 bars of soap	1,000 PVC materials used in the production of face shields	6,782 FP, 541 bottles of vitamins and 1,474 bottled water and other beverages

As of 30 April 2020, the DOH donations team facilitated a total of 181 foreign and local donations. Out of the 181, 122 transactions (67.40%) have already been completed. The medical products donated were 2,414,200 pieces of surgical masks, 51 pieces of ventilators, 221,210 pieces of N95 masks, and 183,819 PPEs/Medical coveralls.

From 24 April to 30 April 2020, a total of 84,400 PPE sets procured by the Procurement Service-DBM were distributed to 66 private hospitals, 21 public hospitals, six (6) Centers for Health Development, and the BARMM. On 27 April 2020, the DOH delivered 1,000 complete PPE sets to the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology in Quezon City. **Table 8** below summarizes the progress of delivery, processing, and allocation of health commodities by the DOH.

Table 8. Summary of Health Commodities Delivered, in Process, and Pending Allocation by the DOH

ble 8. Summary of Health Co Items	Delivered	Processingxxxiv	Pending Allocation***
Coveralls	307,250	63,300	102,488
Face Masks	1,811,000	422,300	1,969,200
Face Shield	41,292	18,000	29,680
Gloves	390,392	117,100	300,108
Goggles	175,013	66,700	200,305
Gowns	188,185	79,200	96,977
Head cap	391,310	66,300	353,290
Kn95	166,785	59,200	301,890
N95	83,840	1,000	14,195
Shoe Cover	170,405	59,200	301,890
Thermal Scanner	2,392	120	570
Non-invasive Ventilators	30	0	0
Sanitation Tent	. 4	0	6

Last 24 April 2020, the DOST, in partnership with the Quezon City Government through the *Kalinga sa Barangay* Program, tested and deployed a prototype Mobile Artificial Intelligence-Enabled Thermal Scanner. This scanner is programmed, with the aid of drone technology, to alert, detect, and take photographs of persons with high temperature readings. The DOST is also in discussions with academic institutions and

private groups for the design and manufacture of ventilators while the TESDA is developing a prototype automatic contactless hand sanitizer dispenser.

The National Transmission Corporation has donated PhP7.5 Million to the Lung Center of the Philippines for testing of police frontliners from the Quezon City Police District and for other COVID-19 measures. The balance shall be used for the purchase of food packs, PPEs, other medical supplies, quarantine/isolation tents, and relief goods for nearby communities.

The Department of Education (DepEd) generated PhP61,507,143.08 worth of resources in the form of cash assistance, PPEs, food packs, grocery items, hygiene kits, and protective gears for the use of frontliners, learners, DepEd employees, and other members of the community.

Update on Test Kits, Testing Centers, and Expanded Testing

As of 29 April 2020, the National Task Force (NTF) Against COVID-19 - National Incident Command submitted a consolidated summary and progress report highlighting the following: (i) the Philippines now has 19 fully functional COVID-19 accredited laboratories, both public and private, with a maximum daily capacity of 6,170 tests, while 47 more laboratories are undergoing the accreditation process; (ii) 103,442 samples from 92,822 individuals have been tested; and (iii) a total of five (5) Mega Treatment and Monitoring Facilities are now operational.

The FDA has partnered with the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM) whereby the latter will conduct performance evaluation of FDA-approved COVID-19 Rapid Antibody test kits for commercial use. Validation tests for each approved kit will take at least ten (10) weeks. In the meantime, the FDA continues to process and approve applications for test kits and other licenses in relation to COVID-19.

Table 9. Processing of Application for Test Kits as of 22 April 2020xxxvi

Type of Application	Total Applications Received	No. of Applications Approved	No. of Applications with pending requirements for compliance
Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	201	82	15
Rapid	414	99	41
Total	615	181	56

Table 10. Total Approved Test Kits as of 22 April 2020xxxviii

Type of Test Kit	No. Approved
PCR Based Kits	34
Rapid Antibody Test Kits	25
Total	59

Table 11. Processing of applications under the Bayanihan One-Stop-Shop (BOSS)xxxviii

Total Applications Received	No. of Applications Approved	No. of Applications Disapproved	No. of Applications Pending Approval
156	48	54	54

Although it is still evaluating 53 laboratories, the DOH reports an increase in the maximum testing capacity of the 19 accredited COVID-19 testing laboratories and hospitals, from 6,220 to 8,935 daily capacity, exceeding the target of 8,000 tests per day.

From the start of the expanded targeted testing on 14 April 2020 to 30 April 2020, COVID-19 testing laboratories processed 59,402 individuals. **xxix** As of 30 April 2020, a total of 108,680 samples and 97,505 unique individuals have been tested for COVID-19.

On 25 April 2020, the RITM received 4,167 SARS-CoV-2 RT-PCR kits from PS-DBM which can test up to 100,008 samples. On 29 April 2020, 3,000 cartridges of GeneXpert Cepheid testing kits arrived in the country, to be distributed to four (4) hospitals pursuant to the guidelines issued by the DOH on their proper use. 700 Q Sens Test Kits donated by the Government of the Republic of Korea arrived in the country on 26 April 2020, which will allow for the conduct of 35,000 tests.

With the arrival of a COVID-19 laboratory equipment capable of processing 45,000 tests on 22 April 2020, medical technicians and pathologists from the RITM and Jose B. Lingad Memorial General Hospital are currently undergoing training, with validation testing expected to run from 04 May to 06 May 2020.

The DOST has also delivered 53 of its 132 Specimen Collection Booths (SCBs) to selected testing laboratories and hospitals in NCR, Region I, Region II and Region III. The remaining 79 SCBs will be delivered to the other regions until 03 May 2020.

Strengthening Contact Tracing Measures

As data remains critical to contact tracing, the DOH has launched the *Oplan Complete Case Information*. To date, there has been a significant overall decrease in incomplete case data of 56%. As of 28 April 2020, the DOH reports that there are 32,107 cumulative close contacts traced from 7,906 cumulative cases. To further improve contact tracing efforts, the DOH has deployed "off-site" technical point persons for all Regional Epidemiology and Surveillance Units and all NCR City Epidemiology and Surveillance Units (CESUs) to conduct contact tracing while ten (10) "on-site" CESUs were deployed to the cities of Pasig, Pasay, Manila, Quezon, Mandaluyong, Makati, Taguig, Caloocan, Parañaque, and San Juan. The DOH also reports that as of 30 April 2020, a total of 17 out of 19 sub-national laboratories are using the COVID-19 Information System. On 27 April 2020, the pilot of the enhanced COVID-19 Information System commenced in the Davao Region and Parañaque City. The transfer of the existing parallel system to the enhanced COVID-19 Information System is set on 01 May 2020.

A distinct and separate community-driven contact tracing tool of the DICT through the StaySafe.ph^{xl} website, has approximately 350,000 registered users as of 30 April 2020.

The DOST is also coordinating with LGUs for the deployment of FASSSTER^{xli} and *TanodCOVID*.^{xlii}

III. <u>Establish Sound Fiscal and Monetary Actions that are Responsive to All</u> Stakeholders

Moratoriums and other Relief Measures

As of 29 April 2020, and since the implementation of the program on 13 April 2020, the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) has granted total net proceeds of PhP511.48 Million as Emergency Loans to 31,524 active members and old pensioners.

It has also released a total of PhP577.55 Million to 22,773 active members and pensioners who applied for loans through the GSIS Wireless Automated Processing System (GW@PS) kiosks. Furthermore, the GSIS, through the *Bayanihan* Frontliners Fund, has also increased the amount of insurance premiums to a total of PhP11.8 Million, which it shall shoulder for 27,682 target beneficiaries-frontliners.

The Mactan-Cebu International Airport Authority (MCIAA) and GMR MEGAWIDE Cebu Airport Corporation have deferred aeronautical charges for a period of three (3) months commencing from February 2020, while said charges have been waived for sweeper flights. Rentals of concessionaires and tenants in the MCIAA that have fully or substantially suspended operations due to COVID-19 restrictions were likewise waived from the start of suspension of operations until the lifting of the restrictions on 15 May 2020.

The DBP extended a moratorium on loan repayments to 55 new borrower accounts through its RESPONSE Program, bringing the total to 163 borrower accounts with approved offering tickets for moratorium of repayments.

Extension of Submission of Documents, Deadlines, and Renewal of Permitsxliv

The SSS has extended deadlines and timelines for the following programs: (1) temporary suspension of rules on compliance with the Annual Confirmation of Pensioners Program for 328,795 beneficiaries; (2) extension of periods in filing sickness notifications and sickness benefit claims of members and employers with 39,312 notifications and claims; (3) moratorium on short-term loan payments of members affected by COVID-19 for the months of February to April 2020, catering to 4.83 Million borrowers; and (4) extension of deadline of remittance of contributions for 976,203 active regular and household employers covering 30.13 Million employed members, and 6.9 Million self-employed and voluntary members. The SSS has also made arrangements with disbursing bank partners for the early crediting of the April 2020 pensions of 1.88 Million SSS and Employees' Compensation pensioners.

Pursuant to Section $4(z)^{x/v}$ of RA No. 11469, various government agencies, such as the DOF, xlvi the Insurance Commission, xlvii the Land Transportation Office, LTFRB, xlviii and the MARINA, xlix have continued to promulgate issuances extending the deadline for application for renewal of licenses and permits and alternative modes of filing within their respective regulatory jurisdictions.

Budgetary Measures to Fund COVID-19 Effort

As of 29 April 2020, the DOF has collected PhP129.45 Billion in dividends, fees, returns of unutilized subsidies, and other remittances from various government-owned or -controlled corporations. Of these, PhP91.63 Billion was remitted to the BTr since 24 March 2020.

On 27 April 2020, the BTr and the DOF raised USD2.35 Billion from a dual-tranche offering of new 10-year and 25-year global dollar bonds. The issuance fetched coupon rates of 2.45% for the 10-year bonds and 2.95% for the 25-year bonds, the lowest ever for a Philippine dollar bond in both tenors.

No additional releases were made out of the total pooled savings from discontinued programs, activities and projects (P/A/Ps) and abandoned special purpose funds amounting to PhP246.283 Billion. Hence, as of 30 April 2020, the total allotments that were released from such savings to concerned departments/agencies remain as follows:

Table 12. Summary of Allotments and Cash Allocations

	Department/Agency/Program	Allotments (in PhP)	Cash Allocations (in PhP)*	Funding Source
1	DSWD	196,044,703,507.00	196,044,703,507.00	FY 2020 GAA
2.	DOLE	1,500,000,000.00	1,500,000,000.00	FY 2020 GAA
3.	ALGU-Bayanihan Grant to Cities and Municipalities	30,823,759,246.00	30,823,759,246.00	FY 2020 GAA
4.	ALGU-Bayanihan Grant to Provinces	6,197,287,773.00	6,197,287,773.00	FY 2020 GAA
5.	DOH	1,912,500,000.00	1,816,875,000.00	FY 2020 GAA
6.	DA	8,500,000,000.00	8,500,000,000.00	FY 2020 GAA
7.	DILG-PNP	93,099,182.00	93,099,182.00	FY 2020 GAA
8.	DND-AFP	150,702,648.00	150,702,648.00	FY 2020 GAA
0.	Total	245,222,052,356.00	245,126,427,356.00	FY 2020 GAA

^{*}Net of withholding taxes.

In accordance with Section 4(x), as of 30 April 2020, the following additional allotments and cash allocations have been released to the following departments/agencies to cover their COVID-19 response activities, which can be attributed to their existing P/A/Ps within the FY 2020 GAA and the FY 2019 Continuing Appropriations:

Table 13. Reprogrammed, Reallocated and Realigned Funds that can be Attributed to the Existing P/A/Ps

	Department/ Agency	Allotments (in PhP)	Cash Allocations* (in PhP)	Funding Source
1.	DOH	600,000,000.00	600,000,000.00	FY 2020 GAA (NDRRMF and Regular Agency Budget)
2.	DFA	5,094,700.00	-	FY 2020 GAA (Contingent Fund)
3.	DSWD**	4,399,565,846.00	3,908,259,846.00	FY 2019 GAA (Regular Agency Budget-Continuing Appropriations) and FY 2020 GAA (Regular Agency Budget)
4.	DILG	548,029,000.00	520,627,550.00	FY 2020 GAA (Contingent Fund)
5.	DOST	-	53,230,732.00	FY 2020 GAA (Regular Agency Budget)
6.	DOLE	2,645,000,000.00	5,065,394,542.00	FY 2019 GAA and FY 2020 GAA (Regular Agency Budget)
7.	DND	378,091,703.00	330,817,337.00	FY 2019 GAA (Regular Agency Budget - Continuing Appropriations)
8.	DOJ	-	41,095,945.00	Trust Receipts
9.	OEO-OPAPP***	500,000.00	21,628,902.00	FY 2020 GAA (Regular Agency Budget)
10.	DTI	203,000,000.00	78,139,146.00	FY 2020 GAA (Regular Agency Budget)
	Total	8,779,281,249.00	10,619,194,000.00	

^{*}Net of withholding taxes

^{**}Including the modification of previously issued allotment released for the Social Pension for Senior Citizens and additional allotments and cash allocation for P/A/Ps that are also under the SAP from its unreleased appropriations under the FY 2020 GAA and FY 2019 Continuing Appropriations.

^{***}Figures are inclusive of modifications on previously issued allotment

IV. Responsive and Sustainable Recovery Plan

The NEDA and the DOF are working with the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) on the ADB's COVID-19 Active Response and Expenditure Support Program, which was declared effective on 27 April 2020. Said program strengthens the government's efforts to: (1) undertake public expenditures to combat the spread of COVID-19 in the Philippines; (2) finance programs for social protection and relief to affected individuals in the country; and (3) provide economic stimulus for affected sectors and industries.

The NEDA is also closely working with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in crafting the proposed COVID-19 Response in Assisting Philippine Industries and SMEs. The NEDA will meet with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization National Steering Committee Member Agencies on 04 May 2020 to discuss the proposal which seeks to cover the following matters: (1) strengthening healthcare, safety systems, and capacities to respond to COVID-19 through production activities; (2) supporting the recovery of the economy through MSME growth and resilience; and (3) socio-economic impact assessment and industrial policy advice.

The NEDA is also studying the feasibility of adopting the UNDP's COVID-19 Integrated Response which offers a three (3)-pronged approach to support countries in responding across the pre-surge, surge, and recovery phases, with a focus on vulnerable populations. Said approach is framed on three (3) objectives: prepare, respond, and recover. The UNDP likewise identified three (3) immediate priorities, namely: (1) health systems support; (2) inclusive and integrated crisis management and response; and (3) social and economic impact needs assessment and response.

The first draft of *We Recover as One*, a technical paper which outlines the three (3) phases of the government's response against the threat of COVID-19, namely: (1) response, (2) mitigation, and (3) transition to the new normal, was circulated among the IATF principals for their review and comments. The NEDA is currently reviewing the submissions of the respective member agencies of the IATF on said paper. It has likewise convened inter-agency committees to formulate additional "new normal" strategies and priority programs, activities, and projects for inclusion in said paper. The IATF shall share said paper with other government agencies and the Congress as a working paper for initiatives to rebuild consumer and business confidence as well as possible basis for the 2021 Budget Priorities Framework.

In preparation for the recovery phase, the DSWD, on 27 April 2020, conducted an online conference with the Sustainable Livelihood Program regional program coordinators for the orientation of the Livelihood Assistant Grants program.

To provide the IATF with parameters for the subsequent partial/total lift or extension/expansion of the ECQ, the PIDS Health Study Team acted on the DOF's request to simulate the impact of different policy scenarios on COVID-19 cases and deaths since 24 April 2020 up to the present.

Section 4(c). Provide an emergency subsidy to around eighteen (18) million low income households: *Provided*, That the subsidy shall amount to a minimum of Five thousand pesos (₱5,000) to a maximum of Eight thousand pesos (₱8,000) a month for two (2) months: *Provided*, *further*, That the subsidy shall be computed based on the prevailing regional minimum wage rates: *Provided*, *finally*, That the subsidy received from the current conditional cash transfer

program and rice subsidy shall be taken into consideration in the computation of the emergency subsidy as provided for in this Act.

Section 4(cc). Implement an expanded and enhanced Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program, responsive to the need posed by the crisis, and provision of an assistance program, whether in cash or non-cash, whichever is more practicable, where the Secretary of Social Welfare and Development, or the Secretary of Labor and Employment, when relevant, shall transfer cash, cash voucher, or goods through the LGUs or directly to households who have no incomes or savings to draw from, including households working in the informal economy and those who are not currently recipients of the current Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program, of an amount adequate to restore capacity to purchase basic food and other essential items during the duration of the quarantine. To carry out this subsection, the Secretary of the Department of Social Welfare and Development and the Secretary of the Department of Labor and Employment may approve the temporary emergency standards of eligibility and level of benefits.

iii As early as 03 to 05 April 2020, 3,721,883 4Ps household beneficiaries with cash card accounts have received their subsidies in the total amount of PhP16,347,295,950.00. On the other hand, from 23 April 2020 to 01 May 2020, 84,228 4Ps household beneficiaries without cash card accounts received their subsidies in the total amount of

PhP325.650.700.00.

iv For Talusan, Zamboanga Sibugay, it was agreed that the funds will be disbursed by DSWD Field Office IX.

The previous report should have reflected PhP822,983,596.63 instead of PhP833,983,596.63.

The EOC, which started formal operations on 19 March 2020, continues to receive and respond to transportationrelated queries from the public to give a better understanding of the policies implemented during the Luzon-wide ECQ. vii Section 4(n). Ensure the availability of credit to the productive sectors of the economy especially in the countryside through measures such as, but not limited to, lowering the effective lending rates of interest and reserve requirements of lending institutions.

The DA cites difficulties in (i) coordinating with partner lending conduits and LGU officials due to connectivity

problems; and (ii) conducting validation activities due to strict quarantine regulations of LGUs.

ix Section 4(p). Ensure the availability of essential goods, in particular food and medicine, by adopting measures as may reasonably be necessary to facilitate and/or minimize disruption to the supply chain, especially for basic commodities and services to the maximum extent possible.

x In the Sugar Regulatory Administration's 27 April 2020 inventory report, the estimated raw sugar stock balance of sugar traders' warehouses in Luzon is 1,820,120 Lkg (50 kg. bags) and the estimated refined sugar stock balance is

2,021,548 Lkg.

* Section 4(u). Conserve and regulate the distribution and use of power, fuel, energy, and water, and ensure adequate supply of the same.

xii Test and Commissioning of 5 x1 MW Basilan Diesel Power Plant – Units 1, 2 and 3 already commercially operated; Reliability tests of Units 4 and 5 completed and for conduct of overload tests.

The following plants have technical issues: Casiguran DPP (Aurora); Capul DPP (Northern Samar); and Tandubas and Sitangkai DPPs (Tawi-Tawi). Meanwhile, service hours were increased for Concepcion DPP, Romblon; and Pandami DPP in Sulu in observance of Ramadhan.

xiv The program involves the provision of food, in addition to the regular meals, to target children ages three (3) to four (4) years old enrolled in Child Development Centers and children two (2) to four (4) years old in Supervised

Neighborhood Play.

xv DILG-DOH Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1 (s. 2020) entitled Suppletory Guidelines on the Management of Human Remains for Patient Under Investigation and Confirmed COVID-19 Cases.

xvi Data for patients occupying or using some of the quarantine centers is not yet available.

xvii Admitted on 28 April 2020.

336 Filipino repatriates from Maldives arrived at the World Trade Center on 26 April 2020 to undergo their 14-day quarantine. This is in addition to the 62 OFWs from Abu Dhabi who arrived at the World Trade Center on 24 April 2020. xix The Rizal Memorial Coliseum Facility is expected to be operational after the construction of the septic tank, which is set to be finished by the 2nd week of May.

** The ASEAN Convention Center is ready to accommodate COVID-19 cases and is awaiting referrals from the DOH.

The medical staff hired by the BCDA will manage the site.

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xxii Turned-over to the PNP medical team on 30 April 2020.

xxiii These are the DENR Operation Center in Barangay Kinabuhayan, Dolores, Quezon, two (2) buildings of Mount Kanlaon Natural Park (MKNP) in Biak na Bato, La Castellana, Negros Occidental, Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) Banganga Monitoring Station in Barangay San Rafael, Cateel, Davao Oriental, DENR Regional Office XI in Banganga, Davao Oriental, CENRO Calanasan Apayao Building, and Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Ifugao Guest House.

Received a total of 61 donations coming from domestic and internationals donors. A total of 27 donations are currently being processed by the OCD. 90% of the donated items were already distributed while the remainder shall

be distributed based on necessity.

xxv Since 19 March 2020.

xxvi From 24 April to 30 April 2020.

xxvii From previously reported up to 01 May 2020.

xxviii From 08 April until 28 April 2020.

xxix As of 01 May 2020 amounting to PhP258,436,870.74. The figure is the total amount from a baseline of 62,359 Family FPs as of 24 March 2020.

xxx Since 03 April 2020.

Utilizing mining companies' re-aligned unutilized funds from their Social Development Management Program in the amount of PhP261.14 Million as of 29 April 2020, an increase from last week's reported amount of PhP151.27 Million, to provide hygiene kits and food packs to households and frontliners in mining host communities and its neighboring areas

xxxii An increase from last week's 432,584 households.

xxxiii An increase from last week's 34,131 frontliners.

xxxiv Items have been assigned to a health facility and are being prepared for releasing or are en route to the recipient.

XXXV Items inside Camp Aguinaldo warehouses that have not been assigned to a health facility.

The table shows total number of received applications from distributors. Some products have multiple distributors.

xxxix This number represents the reported consolidated data from the testing laboratories, and has yet to be validated

by the Epidemiology Bureau.

xl StaySafe.ph is a community-driven social distancing system that enables COVID-19 case mapping and monitoring, symptoms reporting, medical consultation, and contact tracing.

** Feasibility Analysis of Syndromic Surveillance using Spatio-Temporal Epidemiological Modeler.

FASSSTER is the web-based disease surveillance platform that covers COVID-19. The *TanodCOVID*, on the other hand, is a self-reporting application which will enable LGUs to access report summaries, visualization, mobile numbers and addresses of those who reported symptoms. When used by an LGU, *TanodCOVID* will help the local officials and the DOH in the contact tracing of possible and suspected COVID-19 cases and decide on areas where mass testing must be administered.

The DBP's Rehabilitation Support Program on Severe Events (RESPONSE) Program is an existing program that extends financial support to public and private institutions, whether existing or new clients, located and/or operating in

areas affected by a calamity such as the COVID-19 health event.

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DOF Circular No. 002-2020 dated 23 April 2020 extended the deadlines for payment of taxes, fees, and charges imposed by LGUs within their respective territorial jurisdictions from 25 March to 25 June 2020. Revenue Regulations No. 11-2020 dated 29 April 2020 approved the further extension of statutory deadlines and timelines for filing and submission of any document and payment of taxes due to the extended ECQ in Metro Manila and other parts of the country until 15 May 2020, extendable for 15 calendar days in case of further quarantine extension.

Insurance Commission Circular Letter 2020-47 dated 28 April 2020 extends the periods for the submission of quarterly reports on Financial Reporting Framework, Risk-Based Capital, and Insurance Policy Reserve Valuation

Standards, and status reports on International Financial Reporting Standard 17.

xiviii Extended the application for renewal of PUV franchises, licenses, accreditation, and PUV registration until 31 July 2020.

MARINA Advisory No. 2020-26 extended the Seafarers Record Book or Seafarers Identification and Record Book to an additional six (6)-month validity reckoned from the date of expiration without need for filing of an application.

Section 4(x). Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, reprogram, reallocate, and realign from savings on other items of appropriations in the FY 2020 GAA in the Executive Department, as may be necessary and beneficial to fund measures that address and respond to the COVID-19 emergency, including social amelioration for affected communities, and the recovery of areas, sectors and industries severely affected. All amounts so reprogrammed, reallocated or realigned shall be deemed automatically appropriated for such measures to address the COVID-19 situation within the period specified under Section 9 hereof.