Department of the Interior and Local Government - Regional Office X (DILG-X): Information Dissemination and Management of Sustaining the Gains of L-EPM Project in Cagayan de Oro City;

Bureau of Local Government Development (BLGD): LGUs' Replication and Adaptation of the L-EPM processes;

League of Cities of the Philippines (LCP): Advocacy for GO-FAR/L-EPM Program and advisory services to LGUs replicating the L-EPM project, tools, and processes; and

Local Government Academy (LGA): Mapping of LEPM program offerings in the country, documentation of good practices in LEPM process, and dissemination of the process in trainings and other learning events.

Bureau of Local Government Supervision (BLGS): Policy development

**PROGRAM FUNDING**

Funds that will be coming from UN Human Settlement Programme (UN-HABITAT) will be utilized to implement some activities in the different phases and components of the program. The DILG will contribute counterpart resources for payment of personnel to be assigned in the project, use of office space, communication costs, and some supplies and materials.

Some available resources from other funding institutions like UNDP-LOGIC and KAAKBAY will be earmarked to support replication of exemplary practices with proven and effective solutions to common or similar problems of LGUs to include L-EPM processes.

Additional counterpart funds will also be generated from partner institutions like LRIs, LCP and LGUs. These, however, will depend on the partnership agreements and the nature of project to be implemented. Moreover, LGUs who will avail of the funds will also be required to put up counterpart funds.

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Good Practices in Local Governance: Facility for Adaptation and Replication/Local Environmental Planning and Management (GO-FAR/L-EPM) supports local government units (LGUs) in their efforts to address their environmental concerns and issues by replicating and using the L-EPM tools and processes. It is a resource facility for other stakeholders in local governance as it intends to disseminate and make use of the lessons generated from the program for other purposes like project, program, and policy development.

The GO-FAR: Environmental Planning and Management Program has four major goals:

- Sustain gains of L-EPM process in Cagayan de Oro City;
- Scale knowledge on L-EPM process;
- Capacitate the League of Cities of the Philippines (LCP) in advocacy works in the replication of L-EPM program, tools, and processes; and
- Strengthen capacities of other LGUs and partners to address priority environmental issues through replication, adaptation, and demonstration projects.

OBJECTIVES

- Ensure that the knowledge gained from the L-EPM and replication processes are properly stored, managed, disseminated, and processed.
- Enhance LGUs understanding of the key environmental issues confronting their respective localities and provide them opportunity to identify and apply specific tools and techniques to address the identified concerns;
- Establish partnerships and linkages both at the local, national, and international levels to maximize access as well as dissemination of the experiences in applying local L-EPM methodologies, and;
- Document and publish information materials on the adaptation and replication processes in Cagayan de Oro City and other L-EPM activities in the regions with the end view of using such materials for other learning events such as training, conferences, information exchange as well as reference materials for policy and program development.

COMPONENTS

The GO-FAR/L-EPM will be implemented in four components. These are:

Component 1: Sustaining the Gains of L-EPM Process in Cagayan de Oro City and Expansion of the L-EPM Projects to other Barangays. This component is primarily concerned with sustaining the gains and improving the L-EPM process in Cagayan de Oro City. This can be done through proper documentation of activities, processes, and demonstration projects to ensure replication in other barangays as well as linked the L-EPM process to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP) and the City Development Plan.

Component 2: Up Scaling Knowledge on L-EPM Process. This component focuses on mapping the EPM studies in the three island cluster. This entails organizing the Local Resource Institutes (LRIs) and other institutions with EPM offerings to share their knowledge and technologies on the process.

Component 3: Capacitating the League of Cities of the Philippines (LCP). This component involves capacitating selected staff of the League of Cities of the Philippines (LCP) to perform advocacy works for the replication of L-EPM program, tools, and processes to other cities. LCP has been an active partner in the implementation of the Sustainable Cities Programme (SCP) and the localization of the Philippine Agenda 21.

Component 4: Translation of Knowledge into Specific Action. This component is the core of GO-FAR/L-EPM implementation. It is the facility that provides financial assistance for actual replication and use of knowledge gained from the program. The component includes installation of support system, network establishment, replication of good practices, and institutionalization of knowledge management.

PROGRAM PARTNERS

The program shall be executed by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) under the supervision of the Program Manager of UNDP-Local Governance Institutional Capacity Development (LOGIC) who will chair the Program Steering Committee (PSC) and be responsible for the overall implementation of the program. The Bureau of Local Government Development (BLGD) of the DILG will head the Project Management Team. They will coordinate program implementation with the other members of the team composed of the following units: