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PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 01 Series of 2026

REORGANIZING THE GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT FOCAL POINT SYSTEM (GFPS) OF ISABELA AS A STRATEGY IN IMPLEMENTING R.A. 9710, THE MAGNA CARTA OF WOMEN, THROUGH THE MAINSTREAMING OF GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT (GAD) IN LOCAL POLICY-MAKING, PLANNING, PROGRAMMING, BUDGETING, IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING, AND EVALUATION

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State, as embodied in Republic Act 9710, otherwise known as “*AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA OF WOMEN*,” to achieve gender equality as a fundamental value that should be reflected in development choices, and endeavor to develop policies, plans, projects, measures, and mechanisms to address inequality and discrimination in the economic, political, social, and cultural life of men and women;

WHEREAS, RA 9710 promotes the concept of GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT (GAD) as a development perspective and a process that is participatory and empowering, equitable, sustainable, free from violence, respectful of human rights, and supportive of self-determination and actualization of human potentials;

WHEREAS, Section 37 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. 9710 provides for GAD mainstreaming as a strategy in implementing the Magna Carta of Women (MCW) through the mainstreaming of Gender and Development in local policy-making, planning, programming, budgeting, implementation, monitoring and evaluation;

WHEREAS, the Joint Memorandum Circular 2013-01 of the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW), the Department of the Interior and Local Government, Department of Budget and Management, and Department of Economy, Planning, and Development emphasizes the role of local government units (LGUs) in gender mainstreaming;

WHEREAS, the Circular also provides for the Guidelines in the localization of the Magna Carta of Women, GAD mainstreaming, and the deepening of knowledge and building of competencies of LGUs on GAD-related laws, and international commitments, gender mainstreaming and analysis, gender-responsive planning and budgeting, and GAD-related tools, among others;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 13 was issued on January 5, 2024, Establishing the Gender and Development Focal Point System (GFPS) of Isabela as a Strategy in Implementing R.A. 9710, the Magna Carta of Women, through the Mainstreaming of Gender and Development (GAD) in Local Policy-making, Planning, Programming, Budgeting, Implementation, Monitoring, and Evaluation;

WHEREAS, there is a need to reconstitute the GAD Focal Point System of the province of Isabela to continue the mainstreaming or localization of GAD and to implement all GAD-related programs, projects, and activities for the Isabela constituency and the employees of the provincial government;

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NOW THEREFORE, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby decree the following:

Section 1. Reorganization of GFPS. The GFPS shall be reconstituted and will discharge specific functions as follows:

a. The Executive Committee (ExeCom)

1. Composition

- Chairperson : **HON. RODOLFO T. ALBANO III**
Governor
- Vice Chairperson : **HON. FRANCIS FAUSTINO A. DY**
Vice Governor
- Alternate Chairperson : **EDUARDO R. CABANTAC**
GAD Focal Person/ Provincial Planning & Dev't Coordinator
- Action Officer : **CHRISTOPHER A. MAMAUAG**
Provincial Administrator
- Members :
- HON. JOSE T. PANGANIBAN, JR.**
Chair, SP Committee on Finance and Appropriations
- HON. MARIA KATRINA JESSICA G. DY**
Chair, SP Committee on Women's, and Children's Affairs
- HON. ABEGAIL V. SABLE**
Chair, SP Committee on Gender and Dev't and Gender Equality
- ELIZABETH C. BINAG**
Provincial Information Officer/ Head Executive Assistant
- TERESA F. RESPICIO**
Provincial Budget Officer
- MARIA THERESA A. FLORES**
Provincial Treasurer
- GINA G. RIVERO**
Provincial Social Welfare & Development Officer
- JOHN RYAN P. TORIO**
Provincial Legal Officer
- JANETTE A. CASTILLEJO**
Provincial Human Resource Management Officer
- SERGIO ST. GALAMGAM**
Provincial Agriculturist
- GERONIMO P. CABACCAN, JR.**
Environment & Natural Resources Officer
- NELSON O. PAGUIRIGAN**
Provincial Health Officer II
- JOANNE D. MARANAN**
Provincial Tourism Officer

CECILIA CLAIRE N. REYES

PESO Isabela Manager

ADRIAN PHILIP S. BAYSAC

Provincial Youth Development Officer

RICK JUSTICE E. ANGOBUNG

Provincial Cooperative Livelihood, Enterprise & Dev't Officer

PAUL ANGELO R. UY

Provincial Economic Dev't & Investment Promotion Officer

HELEN C. SEVILLA

Provincial Veterinarian

GRETCHEN F. VALDEZ

Isabela Coastal Development Officer

PCOL MANUEL B. BRINGAS

Provincial Director, Isabela Police Provincial Office

SHEHEMIA P. PUMIHIC

GAD Focal Person, National Commission on Indigenous Peoples

ELENA C. ARIOLA

President, Saint Ferdinand College

BOYET L. BATANG

President, Isabela State University

JONATHAN L. GALUTERA

President, Isabela Federation of Persons with Disability

GLORIA TAGARIAN

President, Rural Improvement Club - Isabela Chapter

CONCHITA M. PALENCIA

Executive Director, Isabela Green Ladies Organization

ANDREA ASWIGUE

President, Indigenous Enabel Craft

MARIA VICTORIA S. ANAHAW

President, Caviteño Isabelino Multipurpose Cooperative

2. Functions

The GFPS EXECOM shall:

- 1) Provide policy advice to the LCE to support and strengthen the GFPS and the LGU's gender mainstreaming effort;
- 2) Direct the identification of GAD strategies, PPAs and targets based on the results of gender analysis and gender assessment, taking into account the identified priority needs of the LGU and the gender issues and concerns faced by the LGU's Constituents and employees;
- 3) Ensure the timely submission of the LGU GPB, GAD AR, and other GAD-related reports to the higher-level LGU and/or DILG, as appropriate, for consolidation for the submission to PCW and appropriate oversight agencies;
- 4) Ensure the effective and efficient implementation of the GAD PPAs and the judicious utilization of the GAD budget;

- 5) Build and strengthen the partnership of the LGU with concerned stakeholders such as women's groups or CSOs, national government agencies, GAD experts, and advocates, among others, in pursuit of gender mainstreaming;
- 6) Develop and institutionalize an award and/or incentive system for outstanding GAD PPAs or notable GAD efforts within the LGU; and
- 7) Provide guidance to the members of TWGs in the review of the LGUs GPB and GAD AR.

b. Technical Working Group (TWG)

1. Composition

Chairperson : **LALAIN C. DELMENDO**
Provincial Planning & Development Office

Members :

JOHN CHRISTOPHER R. DELA CRUZ
Office of the Governor

JOLLY BHEE B. LOZANO
Provincial Budget Office

ELEANOR I. DY
Provincial Human Resource Office

ROSE J. NICASIO
Provincial Social Welfare & Development Office

MA. GLORIA L. DALUDDUNG
Provincial Economic Dev't & Investment Promotion Office

JESSI ANN C. COLEGADO
President, Isabela Provincial Cacao Industry Dev't Council

ELENA C. ARIOLA
President, Saint Ferdinand College

RUBEN G. TUMBAGA
Isabela Senior Citizens Organization

P/CPT PERLA S. PAGULAYAN
IPPO Women's Desk

2. Functions

The GFPS TWG shall:

- 1) Facilitate the gender mainstreaming efforts of the LGU through the GAD planning and budgeting process;
- 2) Formulate the LGU GPB in response to the gender gaps and issues faced by their constituents, including their female and male employees; and ensure its alignment with the PDPFP and investment programs of the LGU;
- 3) Assist the capacity and competency development of and provide technical assistance to the offices or units of the LGU. In this regard, the GFPS-TWG shall work with the Human Resource Development Office on the development and implementation of a capacity development program on GAD for its employees, as necessary;
- 4) Coordinate with the various unit/offices of the LGU and ensure their meaningful participation in strategic and annual planning exercises on GAD, including the preparation, consolidation, and submission of GPBs;
- 5) Lead the conduct of advocacy activities and the development of information, education and communication (IEC) materials to ensure critical support of local elected officials,

- department heads and staff, and relevant stakeholders to the GFPS and to gender mainstreaming;
- 6) Monitor the implementation of GAD- related PPAs and suggest corrective measures to improve their implementation;
 - 7) Prepare and consolidate LGU GAD ARs and other GAD-related reports;
 - 8) Provide regular updates and recommendations to the LCE or GFPS EXECOM regarding GFPS' activities and the progress of the LGU in gender mainstreaming based on the feedback and reports of concerned LGU offices/units, stakeholders, and constituents; and
 - 9) Review all submitted GPBs of their component LGUs and provide comments or recommendations for revision as needed. The review of GPBs shall focus on the alignment of the GAD plan with the GAD agenda, MCW, CEDAW and/or other related GAD laws, and the correctness and alignment of the entries in each column of the GPB form.

c. Secretariat

1. Composition

Head : **MA. NOEVIE M. SALDO**
Provincial Planning & Development Office

Members : PPDO Staff
PSWDO Staff
PHRMO Staff

2. Functions

The GFPS Secretariat shall assist the GFPS EXECOM and the TWG in the performance of their roles and responsibilities, specifically on the provision of administrative and logistical services; preparation of meeting agenda; and documentation of GFPS' meetings and related GAD activities.

Section 2. Establishment and Maintenance of GAD Database. There shall be established in accordance with MC 2013-01, a GAD Database to serve as basis for gender-responsive planning, programming, and policy formulation. The GAD Database may be manually operated or developed through software and shall form part of the overall management information system (MIS) of LGU-Isabela. The Provincial Planning and Development Office shall spearhead the establishment of the Database.

Section 3. Funding. Funding for the operations of the GFPS shall be sourced from the annual appropriations for GAD which is 5% of the total annual provincial budget.

Section 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Repealing Clause. – All Orders and issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 6. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 14th day of January, 2016 in the Provincial Capitol, City of Ilagan, Isabela.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor

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