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UNDERSTANDING THE PROPOSED

# BANGSAMORO BUDGET

# **MESSAGE**



Another historical moment has been made for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) as new set of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA) — Parliament Members are appointed in keeping with the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro and Republic Act No. 11054.

The new set of leaders will build on the progress made by the Bangsamoro Government in establishing or reforming institutions that are able to provide security and social services, and pursue collective goals of enduring peace, justice, and development.

In the past few years, the Ministry of Finance, and Budget and Management (MFBM) has been making significant strides in fiscal transparency and open governance which are the keystones of our mission in promoting moral governance and strengthening fiscal autonomy.

Consistent with this mission, the Ministry provides the public the Budget Technical Notes dubbed as "Almāliyyah Al'āmmah", an Arabic word which means "The Public Finance". This book is an in-depth explanation, and descriptive nature of the FY 2023 Bangsamoro Expenditure Program (BEP). This includes both qualitative and quantitative data to help the people better understand and appreciate fiscal and budget information.

The *Almāliyyah Al'āmmah* is a medium to strengthen transparency, accountability and responsibility, intensify inclusivity as well as encourage participation in public affairs. The Ministry will continue to inform and educate our constituents on public finance as part of our commitment to cultivate a transparent and accountable policy environment

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# **Chapter I**

#### INTRODUCTION

The Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) Government sets new dawn stemming from the extension of the political transition for another three (3) years, new administration of the Government of the Philippines (GPH), and appointment of the new members of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA) Parliament.

With decisions made favorable in sustaining the gains of the peace process in the region, it is noteworthy that it also entails embracing bigger responsibilities. In doing so, the paramount priority is to ensure that the Bangsamoro Government continuously provides tangible and measurable efforts up to the grassroots level. The preparation of the 2023 Budget is heavily guided by and aligned with the Enhanced 12-Point Priority Agenda 2023-2025 of the Chief Minister. These priorities were carefully crafted to zero in on small and large-scale development interventions with the end in mind of ensuring that no Bangsamoro is left behind.

Towards this end, the BARMM Government is continuously strengthening a sound and judicious budget by setting up policies and mechanisms to guarantee that all programs, projects and activities are attainable, implementation-ready, and highly responsive and adaptive to natural or man-made calamities.

#### I. Optimizing the Budget

To improve proper management and utilization of the budget, the BARMM Government plans to manage its financial position more efficiently and secure the feasibility of its interventions in 2023, hence, optimal utilization of financial resources.

Through budget optimization, the proposed FY 2023 budget ensures that the allocation of resources is effective, requiring Ministries, Offices, and Agencies' budgets to be comprehensive, transparent, and realistic in order to maximize efforts. The BARMM Government believes that if expenditure is under-executed, beneficiaries may not receive expected services. Meanwhile, over-executed budgets may result in budget deficits and increased public debt levels and can influence macroeconomic stability. In both cases, lack of budget credibility undermines the usefulness of the budget process for policy making and implementation, and erodes public trust in government. In order to deviate from such, and strengthen proper budget management, the BARMM Government develops a more responsible and credible budget with spending plans measured over a 12-month period (the fiscal year).

For 2023, the BARMM Government prioritizes building better and attainable financial programs, also known as "ABEs". These include Achieving Better sense of social Equity, Accelerate Building for Economy, Accessible and Better healthcare services for Everyone, and

Altruistic and Balanced Education for All. These financial programs intend to increase employment opportunities, extend more social services, improve healthcare programs, adapt to digitalization, intensify education programs, empower local government units, build more infrastructures and allow connectivity, cultivate agricultural and fisheries sectors, and create more sustainable and inclusive programs.

#### **II.** Our Budget Philosophies

The Republic Act No. 11054, also known as the Organic Law of the Bangsamoro, further prescribes the following fiscal spending principles: programmatic, transparent, performance-based, and phased manner. The MFBM provides its operational definitions:

**Programmatic.** Plans and budget are allocated based on measurable programs, activities, and projects indicators.

**Transparent.** There shall be full disclosure of all financial and fiscal-related information on how the public resources are allocated and utilized in a timely and systematic manner.

**Performance-based.** An approach to budget preparation wherein allocation of funds is based on programmatic results and evaluation of productivity that contributes to the organizational goal.

*Phased-manner.* Funding must be guided by the standard budget process and timeframe to ensure effective and efficient utilization.

#### **III.** Strengthening Efforts During Post-Pandemic

In 2023, the budget allocations of the BARMM Government must be carried out effectively so that they can bring maximum benefit to the community, especially spurring the region's economy from a series of destabilizing shocks, and remnants of the COVID-19 pandemic. The unseen enemies introduced tremendous fiscal pressures in the Bangsamoro Government requiring additional spending to mitigate its health, economic, and social impacts.

The 2023 proposed budget has been designed to adapt, recover, and withstand effects of both man-made and natural calamities by strengthening financial inclusion that offers a lens into how the Bangsamoro Government accesses and utilizes financial services during the pandemic when there are still mobility restrictions and health policies in the region.

In spite of the underlying threats and in an environment where the fiscal space is tight, the Bangsamoro Government continuously creates policies and multifaceted response programs that will stabilize the macroeconomic status of the region and bring forth a strong and promising bureaucracy.

#### IV. Creating an Islamic Finance Environment

Several breakthrough initiatives have been undertaken by the Bangsamoro Government to create an enabling environment that will promote and develop Islamic Finance in the Bangsamoro.

The creation of the Islamic Finance Roadmap that will serve as the blueprint for ensuring a progressive, inclusive, and sustainable development of Islamic Finance system in the BARMM has been a priority measure of the Bangsamoro Government. Towards this end, various stakeholder consultations have been conducted which include Theory of Change Workshop with different sectoral leaders across BARMM, focus group discussions with households and cooperatives, round table discussions with business and religious leaders, key informant interviews with established financial players across the country, and the first-ever Ulama Assembly for Islamic Finance in the BARMM.

In implementing Sections 32 and 34 of Article XII of Republic Act No. 11054, the Bangsamoro Government, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), Department of Finance (DOF), and National Commission on Muslim Filipinos (NCMF) issued a Joint Circular on April 26, 2022 establishing the Shariah Supervisory Board (SSB) in the BARMM. The creation of the SSB shall strengthen corporate governance in the delivery of Shariah-compliant financial products and services in the region.

# **Chapter II**

#### **BARMM ECONOMIC STATUS**

The BARMM Government continues to study the economic behavior of the region making room for a productive macroeconomic stance in the next few years. Economic stability and increased growth trajectory are the driving forces of BARMM to strengthen its interventions set for FY 2023.

It is noteworthy that the economic potentials of the region are vast. The common denominator in its potentials is the unique geographical jurisdiction which includes five (5) provinces, two (2) cities, 116 towns from the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (Maguindanao, Lanao del Sur, Basilan, Sulu, Tawi-tawi as well as the cities of Marawi and Lamitan), Cotabato City and the 63 barangays in six North Cotabato towns.

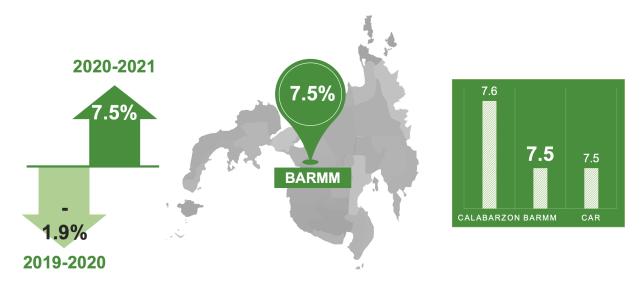
In 2023, the Bangsamoro Government puts forward its commitment to deliver services to its constituents creating recovery and response efforts from the pandemic, as well as increase socioeconomic opportunities to boost the lives of its constituents. The Bangsamoro Government assures that the economy shall remain steadfast for FY 2023.



Figure 1. 2018-2020 Performance of Economy at Constant 2018 Prices, In Billion Pesos

Based on the 2018-2020 data on performance of the economy at constant 2018 prices, the BARMM registered an increase in performance of economy at 5.8% from 2018 to 2019 from PHP235.4 billion to PHP249.2 billion. On the other hand, a drop of 5.8% from 2019 to 2020 was recorded from PHP249.2 billion to PHP244.4 billion.

Figure 2. BARMM Gross Regional Domestic Product (GRDP), 2021



Per data on the 2021 Gross Regional Domestic Product, the economy of BARMM increased from -1.9% in 2019-2020 to 7.5% in 2020-2021, at 7.5% constant 2018 prices. The GRDP covers the value of goods and services produced in the region during the reference period.

It is worthy to note that the BARMM registered the second fastest growth among all regions in the Philippines, between CALABARZON and CAR with 7.6% and 7.5%, respectively. Predominantly a services-based region, the BARMM recorded 38.9% share in services-based industries, followed by Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing at 36.4% share and Industry with 24.7% share.

Figure 3. BARMM Inflation Rate, July 2021-July 2022



On the inflation rate of the BARMM, or the rate of increase in prices over a given period of time from July 2021 to July 2022, a 1.6% increase has been recorded from 2% based on information gathered within the same period. A steady increase from March 2022 was recorded leading to 3.6% by the end of July 2022. It is worth mentioning that the uptrend in the region's inflation rate mirrors the national inflation rate recorded at 6.4% in the same period.

**Table 1.** BARMM Inflation Rate per Province, June 2022

Province	Rate
Basilan	1.6%
Lanao del Sur	9.0%
Maguindanao	3.4%
Sulu	-2.1%
Tawi-tawi	4.2%
Cotabato City	3.4%

From July 2021 to July 2022, a 3.6% increase in inflation rate in the BARMM was recorded. The highest inflation rate of 9.0% was recorded in the province of Lanao del Sur,

followed by a 4.2% increase in the province of Tawi-tawi, 3.4% increase both in the province of Maguindanao and the city of Cotabato, and 1.6% increase in the province of Basilan. Meanwhile, a 2.1% decrease in rate of inflation was recorded in the province of Sulu.

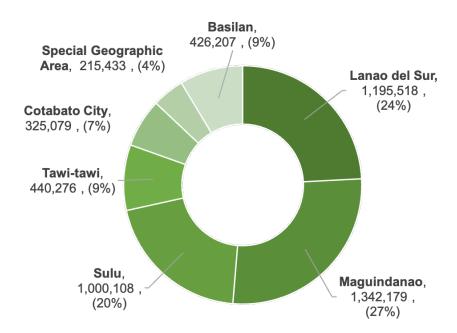
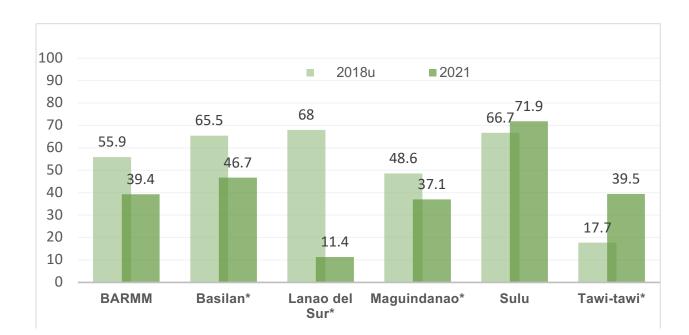


Figure 4. BARMM Population, 2020

In the year 2020, the total population of the country was recorded at 109,035,343 of which the BARMM population contributes 4,404,288 or 4.04%. Geographically, Maguindanao and Lanao del Sur hold more than half of the population count while the island provinces of Sulu, Tawi-tawi, and Basilan share more than 30% of the population. The addition of Cotabato City and Special Geographic Area, with population comprising 7% and 4%, respectively, as areas of BARMM connotes important changes in the service delivery of BARMM commencing from the transition period in 2019.



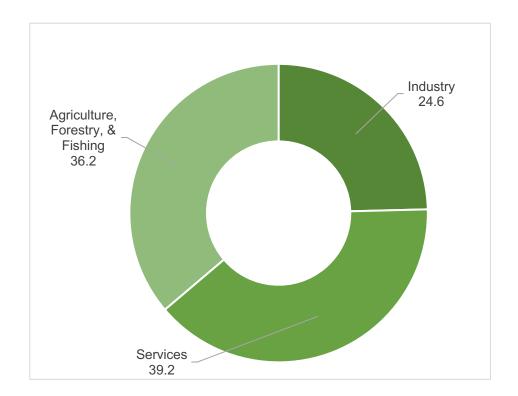
**Figure 5.** 1<sup>st</sup> Semester of BARMM Poverty Incidence Among Families, By Percentage

In the overall BARMM poverty incidence among families in the first semester of 2018, an estimate of 55.9% lived below the poverty threshold. Per official definition of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), poverty incidence among the population is "the proportion of poor Filipinos whose per capita income is not sufficient to meet their basic food and non-food needs."

From a staggering 55.9% poverty incidence or more than half of the population living in poverty in 2018, the BARMM recorded a significant decrease of 16.5%, leading to a 39.4% poverty incidence in the 1st semester of 2021. The province of Lanao del Sur is the highest contributing factor in this decrease by recording at least 65.5% decrease from its 68% record in 2018. Meanwhile, the province of Basilan also recorded an 18.8% decrease from 65.5% in 2018 and Maguindanao recorded 11.5% decrease from 48.6% in 2018.

On the other hand, a slight increase was recorded in the province of Sulu from 66.7% in the 1st semester of 2018 to 71.9% in the 1st semester of 2021, or an increase of 5.2%; while the province of Tawi-tawi recorded the highest increase in its poverty incidence in the course of three years – from 17.7% in 2018 to 39.5% in 2021 or an increase of 21.8%.

**Figure 6.** BARMM Share of Industries to the Regional Economy at Constant 2018 Prices, By Percentage



On the Share of Industries to the Regional Economy in BARMM at constant 2018 prices, Services has the highest share at 39.2% in 2020, followed by the Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing Industries at 36.2%, and Industry at 24.6%.

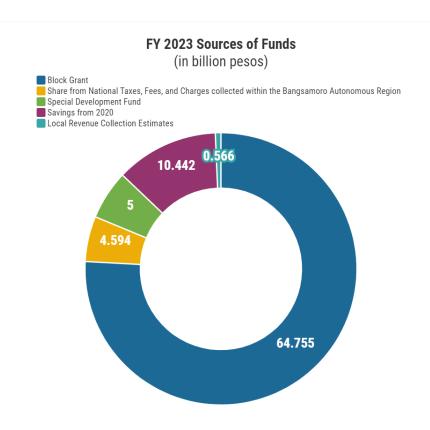
# **Chapter III**

# **BUDGET STRATEGY**

#### 3.1 SOURCES OF FUNDS

A significant block of the Bangsamoro sources of funds is gathered from the National Appropriations. Consistent with the provision of the Bangsamoro Organic Law, these appropriations included in the annual national budget fuels the Bangsamoro government in driving the region towards economic self-sufficiency and genuine development for the Bangsamoro people. Topping up the sources from the national government, the Bangsamoro Government is also empowered by laws to collect, manage, and implement its locally-collected revenues. Altogether, these funds will be the vital spark of this government to ensure the well-being of the people, sustainability of the economic gains, and improving the resiliency of the region.

Figure 7. FY 2023 Sources of Funds, In Billion Pesos



#### 3.1.1. Annual Block Grant

The annual block grant substantially covers the total funding requirement of the Bangsamoro Government. As per National Expenditure Program (2023 NEP), the national government appropriated P64.755 Billion for this year's annual block grant. This is equated to five percent (5%) of the net national internal revenue tax collection of the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) and the net collection of the Bureau of Customs (BOC) from the third fiscal year immediately preceding the current fiscal year.

The annual block grant shall compose 75.86% of the total fund sources of the Bangsamoro Budget. Notably, there has been a consistent decrease of the annual block grant beginning in the fiscal year (FY) 2021. There are two factors attributable to the decrease in the FY 2023 annual block grant: first, as an the impact of the effect of the Mandanas case ruling, there is now an increase in the National Tax Allocation (NTA) for the LGUs due to the inclusion of the revenues collected from the Bureau of Customs (BOC) in the gross national collection; secondly, the effect of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the revenues generated FY 2020 now reflects in the computation being the third year immediately preceding the proposed fiscal year.

#### 3.1.2 Special Development Fund

The Bangsamoro Government shall continue to receive funding support from the National Government to intensify development efforts for the rehabilitation, reconstruction, and development of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region as part of the normalization process. For FY 2023, the Special Development Fund shall be equivalent to P5 billion. This shall continue to be appropriated to the Bangsamoro Government until 2029 as provided under Section 2, Art. XIV of R.A. No. 11054.

#### 3.1.3 Share in Taxes, Fees and Charges Collected in the BARMM

One of the fund sources received from the National Government through the NEP is the National Government region's share in taxes, fees, and charges collected in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region, other than tariff and customs duties. This is allocated between the National Government (25%) and the Bangsamoro Government (75%), provided that for the first ten (10) years following the effectivity of the BOL, the National Government's share shall accrue to the Bangsamoro Government as provided in Section 10(a), Article XII of the R.A. No. 11054.

For FY 2023, the NEP has a proposed appropriation of P 4.594 Billion for the Share of the Bangsamoro Government in the taxes, fees, and charges collected in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region inclusive of the shares of the Constituent LGUs.

### 3.1.4 Projected Regional Collections

The sources of funds for the BEP are not limited to the funds proposed by the National Government, the Bangsamoro Government also includes in its sources of funds the projected regional revenue collected within the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region through enabling laws afforded thereto. The Bangsamoro Treasury Office (BTO) certifies a projected collection of at least P 566 Million of tax and non-tax revenues from the various Ministries and Offices in the BARMM which are lawfully authorized to collect.

#### 3.1.5 Savings from FY 2020 PS Appropriations

The COVID-19 Pandemic has undeniably impacted the Bangsamoro Government in public service delivery, but mostly on the establishment of the bureaucracy. As an aftereffect of the hampered hiring process, the Bangsamoro Government was able to set aside P 10 Billion from the Personnel Services of the FY 2020 Bangsamoro Appropriations Act. This is now prudently included as an additional source of funds for the FY 2023, guided by the principle enunciated in Section 19 (2), Article XII of the R.A. No. 11054.

#### 3.1.6 Savings from FY 2020 Appropriations

The FY 2020 Bangsamoro Appropriations Act was effectively extended by the enactment of Bangsamoro Autonomy Act No. 14. However, this extension of appropriation only covers *Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE)* and *selected Capital Outlays (CO)* for the Service Delivery Inputs of the Ministries and Offices budgets in the Operations Cost Structure. This leaves all other items not extended subject for the reversion to the Bangsamoro Treasury. The amounts reverted for this purpose will be included in the FY 2023's fund sources amounting to P442 Million.

**Table 2.** Comparative Analysis of FYs 2021, 2022 and 2023 Sources of Funds, in Pesos and in Percentage

Sources	FY 2021	FY 2022	% (+/-)	FY 2023	% (+/-)
Total Annual Block Grant (A + B)	71,669,832,961.33	66,963,634,739.61	-6.57%	64,755,501,000.00	-3.30%
A. Net National Internal Revenue Tax Collection (BIR)	46,309,621,414.75	51,668,482,813.21	11.57%	52,563,285,000.00	1.73%
B. Net Collection (BOC)	25,360,211,546.58	15, 295, 151,926.40	-39.69%	12,192,216,000.00	-20.29%
Shares in National Taxes	3,613,514,000.00	2,788,032,000.00	-22.84%	4,594,982,000.00	64.81%
Projected Local Tax Collections	345, 334, 748.26	377, 102, 100.00	9.20%	566,636,507.00	50.26%
Special Development Fund		5,000,000,000.00		5,000,000,000.00	
Savings from 2020 Appropriations		4,637,125,777.14		10,442,196,180.00	125.19%
Excess 2020 Local Revenue		00 131 303 00			
Collections Over Targets		96,121,363.09			
Total	75,628,681,709.59	79,862,015,979.84	5.60%	85,359,315,687.00	6.88%

**Table 2.** For FY 2023, the BARMM's total fund source amounts to Php85,359,315,687.00, a 6.88% increase from the FY 2022 total fund source amounting to

Php79,862,015,979.84. The FY 2022 total fund source was also higher than the preceding year's total fund source amounting to Php75,628,709.59 or 5.60% based on FY 2021.

The BARMM's total Annual Block Grant (ABG) is the sum of the share from the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) and the Bureau of Customs (BOC) which has seen a decrease of 3.30% in FY 2023 at Php64,755,501,000.00 compared with the FY 2022 ABG which amounted to Php66,963,634,739.61. Also, a decrease of 6.57% is seencomparing FYs 2021 and 2022 block grants. The block grant for the BARMM was set at Php71,669,832,961.33 in FY 2021.

For FY 2023, the BARMM's share in national taxes increased by 64.81% or Php4,594,982,000.00 from Php2,788,032,000.00 in FY 2022. As seen, there was a decrease of 22.84% in FY 2022 from the Php3,613,514,000.00 in FY 2021 shares.

Meanwhile, an amount of Php566,636,507.00 certified as the Projected Local Tax Collections for FY 2023. This amount has increased by 50.26% compared with the previous year's collection. This uptrend is seen two years in a row as BTO also reported a 9.40% increase in collection as compared with the FY 2021.

The remaining funds to complete the overall FY 2023 fund source comes from the Php 5,000,000,000.00 which is earmarked for Special Development Fund.

#### 3.2 ENHANCED 12-POINT PRIORITY AGENDA, 2023-2025

The Bangsamoro Government developed a three-year priority agenda or the 1<sup>st</sup> Bangsamoro Development Plan (BDP) 2020-2022 which sets goal alignment of each Ministry, Office, or Agency (M/O/A). The 1<sup>st</sup> BDP was the basis of the Bangsamoro Government in creating highly impactful interventions across the region. However, with the seismic shock of the pandemic, the BARMM was not exempted from the challenges to fully attain its goals in 2022.

Subsequently, an enhanced 12-Point Priority Agenda (12-PPA) shall take in place which include a multi-year investment programming, annual planning and budgeting exercises. It outlines strategic directions to be pursued during the extended three-year transition period, 2023-2025. This is supported by the Memorandum Order No. 0059, series of 2022 prompting the Ministries, Offices and Agencies to align their plans, programs and projects to the Enhanced 12-PPA 2023-2025.

A Stronger BARMM Bureaucracy. Evolve a strong, responsive, and relevant BARMM bureaucracy through the enactment of the remaining priority codes and legislation. Promote good governance by enhancing enabling policies that impel transparency, accountability, and improvement of overall public financial management. Ensure horizontal and vertical alignment and integration of development plans at the national, regional, and local levels. Enhance capacity development support and develop an incentive scheme to encourage full functionality of constituent local government units.

**Digital Infrastructure and E-governance.** Build the needed digital infrastructure allowing for improved availability and accessibility of a digitized government, enhanced data privacy and security, and enhanced e-governance framework across the BARMM.

Revenue Generation and Economic Comparative Advantage. Intensify revenue generation through the creation of government-owned and -controlled corporations and other financial institutions, establishment of economic zones, and introduction of other initiatives to encourage investments and maximize the revenue potentials of the BARMM. Boost the economic development in BARMM by capitalizing on its comparative advantage when it comes to the economic potentials of its natural resources, the halal industry, ecotourism, the investment incentives in its existing and prospective economic zones, freeports, and industrial estates, and the development of Islamic banking and finance in the region. Enhance research and development, maximize science and technology, increase public and private partnerships, and endorse business-friendly policies.;

Agri-fishery Productivity and Food Security. Promote socio-economic development, facilitate poverty alleviation, and strengthen regional food security by improving production in the agri-fishery sector and promoting value chain. Develop and implement responsive policies and innovative convergence programs that increase access to needed capital, resources, training, facilities, and equipment by farmers and fisherfolks, as well as connect their produce and harvest to a bigger market.;

Investment in Transportation, Communications, and Other Strategic Infrastructure. Develop a system of reliable and resilient infrastructure for land, sea, and air transportation, communications, commercial, social, industrial, environmental and other strategic infrastructure, to spur economic growth in the BARMM.;

**Energy Security.** Improve energy security through the exploration, development and utilization of energy resources, and improvement of the investment climate for the energy sector to attract private investment and, in the process, generate more jobs, create more revenue sources, and develop human capital in the BARMM.;

**Social Protection and Universal Health Care.** Boost responsiveness and timeliness of social protection services in order to mitigate vulnerability to economic, social, and environmental shocks and disasters. Improve equitable access to quality and affordable health care services, ensure protection from health financial risk and enhance modalities for diseases preparedness, prevention and management.;

Disaster Resilience and Climate-Change Adaptation. Build resilience of communities to human-induced and natural disasters including emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases, and adaptive capacities to climate change by pursuing holistic approach to disaster prevention and mitigation, preparedness, response, recovery, and rehabilitation. Strengthen environment and natural resources protection, conservation, rehabilitation, and management through strict enforcement of laws and the enhancement of socially-cohesive development initiatives.;

**Quality and Holistic Education.** Improve access to quality and holistic education through the strengthening of the education system including the madaris system by investing in human resource development, skills training, and learning continuity programs, and advancing science, technology, and innovation.;

**Support to the Marawi Rehabilitation.** Provide meaningful and IDP-centered support to the ongoing rehabilitation, reconstruction, and recovery of Marawi City.;

**Peace, Justice, and Security.** Sustain and improve peace, justice, and security across the BARMM through stronger coordination and proactive collaboration with law enforcement agencies, development partners, and other relevant agencies and stakeholders. Operationalize the plural and enhanced justice system under the Bangsamoro Organic Law. Intensify peacebuilding interventions, starting from securing the deliverables and commitments under the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro, including the attainment of transitional justice. Support the normalization process for the transitioning combatants, their families, and communities, through stronger cooperation, accountability, complementation, monitoring, and evaluation with the National Government.; and,

Bangsamoro Culture, Heritage, Identity and Diversity. Advance the mainstreaming of the rich culture, heritage, and identity of the peoples of the Bangsamoro. Provide avenues for the meaningful engagement and participation of the diverse populace of the Bangsamoro and establish appropriate institutions towards a self-sustaining and inclusive development of the women, youth, and other vulnerable sectors.

#### **3.3 2023 BUDGET EXPENDITURES**

The Bangsamoro Government plans to invest in the high-impact programs and projects that are responsive to the needs of its constituents by protecting the Bangsamoro people's welfare, ensuring better healthcare and education systems, and reviving the region's economic status during and after the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Table 3.** Overall Fiscal Expenditure for FY 2022 GAAB and FY 2023 Proposed Budget; In Pesos and In Percent

Ministry/Office/Agency	FY 2022 GAAB	FY 2023 BEP	Percentage (Increase/ Decrease)
1. BTA	3,558,163,162.00	3,153,760,356.00	-11.37%
2. OCM	8,082,220,607.92	5,984,708,318.00	-25.95%
3. MFBM	470,151,428.59	358,293,385.00	-23.79%
4. MSSD	2,699,819,361.91	2,890,639,617.00	7.07%
5. MTIT	368,862,862.29	470,299,072.00	27.50%
6. MOLE	286,753,268.07	287,521,716.00	0.27%
7. MOTC	375,147,877.59	545,157,724.00	45.32%
8. MBHTE	24,712,744,096.16	27,251,090,333.00	10.27%
9. MIPA	110,898,768.73	108,922,862.00	-1.78%
10. MOH	4,680,225,310.31	5,699,914,875.00	21.79%
11. MPW	16,379,335,557.39	16,479,584,419.00	0.61%
12. MILG	1,273,910,996.60	1,268,985,820.00	-0.39%
13. MENRE	642,896,982.26	663,810,332.00	3.25%
14. MHSD	814,359,767.65	214,280,347.00	-73.69%
15. MOST	235,463,163.63	247,048,669.00	4.92%
16. MAFAR	1,504,743,147.06	1,494,739,942.00	-0.66%
17. MPOS	130,435,306.18	135,813,144.00	4.12%
Other Executive Offices			
18. WALI	48,569,152.64	43,263,745.00	-10.92%
19. BYC	78,196,141.51	87,175,402.00	11.48%
20. BWC	76,296,963.46	81,166,604.00	6.38%
21. BSC	63,142,883.75	67,026,627.00	6.15%
22. BCPCH	65,254,000.80	92,369,802.00	41.55%
23. BPDA	93,795,478.64	106,680,195.00	13.74%
24. BAGO	43,053,631.14	49,089,121.00	14.02%
25. BPA	36,544,868.33	90,398,180.00	147.36%
26. CSEA	40,663,074.64	43,792,905.00	7.70%
27. DAB	50,451,702.88	51,797,779.00	2.67%
28. BHRC	97,456,528.90	114,645,095.00	17.64%
TOTAL	67,019,556,091.03	68,081,976,386.00	1.59%

#### 3.4 BUDGET DIMENSIONS BY TRADITIONAL

**Table 4.** Classification of FY 2023 Proposed Budget by Traditional, in Pesos

Sector	FY 2023 BEP
Economic Services	19,944,433,063.00
General Public Services	28,242,120,241.00
Social Services	36,922,304,144.00
Peace and Stability	250,458,239.00
Total	85,359,315,687.00

#### **Social Services**

The Bangsamoro Government provides a bulk of the budget to the Social Services Sector at **Php36,922,304,144.00**. Programs highly prioritized under this sector are Education, Culture, and Manpower Development; Social Security, Welfare and Employment; and Health. This sector covers the following Ministries, Offices and Agencies (M/O/As): MSSD, MOLE, MBHTE, MIPA, MOH, MHSD, BWC, BYC, BSC, BPA, BCPCH, and DAB.

#### **Economic Services**

This Sector receives the second highest budget allocation at **Php19,944,433,063.00** which aims to fund interventions on communications, infrastructure development, and transportation facilities; agriculture, agrarian reform and natural resources; water resources development and flood control; trade and industry; power and energy; and tourism.

The Economic Services sector includes MTIT, MOLE, MOTC, MPW, MENRE, MOST, MAFAR, and CSEA.

#### **General Public Services**

The General Public Services provided with the third highest budget with Php10,964,780,940.00 which comprises efforts to ensure public order and safety including law enforcement, maintenance of public order, and political administration; and general administration such as general government, fiscal management affairs, civil service and policy-making functions. This sector covers the budget of BTA, OCM, MFBM, MILG, WALI, BPDA, and BAGO. This also includes the Personnel Gratuity Fund (PGF), Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund (MPBF), Contingent Fund (CF), Special Development Fund (SDF), and LGSF.

#### **Peace and Stability**

As enablers of socioeconomic development, the Peace and Stability sector focuses its efforts on promoting peaceful and inclusive Bangsamoro society for sustainable development

with access to justice and building effective and accountable institutions. This Sector has a total budget of **PhP250,458,239.00** covering MPOS and BHRC.

#### 3.5 BUDGET DIMENSIONS BY COFOG

Table 5. Classification of FY 2023 Budget by COFOG, in Pesos

Sector	FY 2023 BEP
General Public Services	28,427,404,877.00
Economic Affairs	18,258,328,949.00
Environmental Protection	409,069,239.00
Health	5,798,585,634.00
Public Order and Safety	90,317,336.00
Recreation, Culture and Religion	203,598,852.00
Social Protection	5,825,899,319.00
Education	25,962,510,500.00
Housing and Community Amenities	383,600,981.00
Total	85,359,315,687.00

The MFBM, in accordance with the rules of the DBM, applies the Classifications of the Functions of the Government, otherwise known as the COFOG system, to categorize sector allocation. As a classification standard developed by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) for the structure of government spending and used by the DBM, the COFOG classifies expenditure data by the purpose or function for which funds are used regardless of which Ministry or Office implements them. The COFOG system has 10 categories applied strictly according to their definitions: 1) General Public Services, 2) Defense, 3) Public Order and Safety, 4) Economic Affairs, 5) Environmental Protection, 6) Housing and Community Amenities, 7) Health, 8) Recreation, Culture, and Religion, 9) Education, and 10) Social Protection.

**General Public Service** has the largest allocation amounting to **Php28,427,404,877.00** (refer to Table 5). This is mainly driven by the spending of the executive and legislative organs.

**Education** receives the second highest allocation of **Php25,962,510,500.00** of the total FY 2023 proposed budget. The budget will address the disparities in access and quality of education and will provide a competitive workforce in the future.

The Bangsamoro Government shall allot **Php18,258,328,949.00** of the total expenditures for **Economic Affairs**. To protect individuals, families and communities and to reduce their vulnerabilities to poverty and other forms of structural or induced exploitations, the 2023 proposed budget shall allot **Php5,825,899,319.00** for **Social Protection**.

**Health** shall receive **Php5,798,585,634.00** for affordable and accessible quality medical and health care services across BARMM. Bulk of the health spending goes to the construction and upgrading of health facilities of hospitals, regional operation centers, and provincial health offices. It also includes the support to the monthly operations of barangay health stations and rural health units, and monthly cash allowance of barangay health workers.

The 2023 proposed budget assigns **Environmental Protection** a budget of **Php409,069,239.00** to cover for environmental protection and conservation programs, pollution control, information gathering for geohazard assessment and land inventory.

Provision of shelter as one of the core needs is invaluable for human dignity. Hence, the Bangsamoro Government will fund **Php383,600,981.00** for **Housing and Community Amenities**.

**Recreation, Culture, and Religion** shall receive **Php203,598,852.00**. This covers cultural preservation services, information dissemination including publishing services, recreational and sports services, and religious and other community services.

And lastly, **Public Order and Safety** are essential for the local economy to thrive, communities to be stable, and social relations to flourish. Thus, the 2023 proposed budget shall allot **Php90,317,336.00**, equivalent to 0.1 percent of the total expenditures to complement the National Government programs to quell internal threats and criminality, and efforts on normalization.

#### 3.6 BUDGET DIMENSIONS BY EXPENSE CLASS

**Table 6.** Classification of Expenditures according to Expense Class, In Pesos

Ministry/Office/Agency	PS	MOOE	СО	FY 2023 BEP
1. BTA	1,378,963,023.00	1,774,797,333.00		3,153,760,356.00
2. OCM	416,999,632.00	2,823,180,916.00	2,744,527,770.00	5,984,708,318.00
3. MFBM	180,073,409.00	174,908,776.00	3,311,200.00	358,293,385.00
4. MSS D	300,681,708.00	2,520,288,493.00	69,669,416.00	2,890,639,617.00
5. MTIT	197,614,922.00	239,805,469.00	32,878,681.00	470,299,072.00
6. MOLE	101,060,859.00	183,395,357.00	3,065,500.00	287,521,716.00
7. MOTC	202,307,630.00	303,550,094.00	39,300,000.00	545,157,724.00
8. MBHTE	20,549,697,615.00	5,022,971,151.00	1,678,421,567.00	27,251,090,333.00
9. MIPA	42,320,247.00	66,452,615.00	150,000.00	108,922,862.00
10. MOH	2,613,493,637.00	2,592,321,238.00	494,100,000.00	5,699,914,875.00
11. MPW	400,710,270.00	439,622,837.00	15,639,251,312.00	16,479,584,419.00
12. MILG	371,752,680.00	674,589,140.00	222,644,000.00	1,268,985,820.00
13. MENRE	394,891,607.00	238,746,069.00	30,172,656.00	663,810,332.00
14. MHSD	75,870,037.00	73,343,760.00	65,066,550.00	214,280,347.00
15. MOST	69,945,320.00	144,698,349.00	32,405,000.00	247,048,669.00
16. MAFAR	697,342,403.00	661,646,979.00	135,750,560.00	1,494,739,942.00
17. MPOS	53,175,699.00	81,440,445.00	1,197,000.00	135,813,144.00
Other Executive Offices				
18. WALI	19,112,437.00	24,151,308.00		43,263,745.00
19. BYC	42,592,465.00	44,582,937.00		87,175,402.00
20. BWC	41,823,716.00	39,122,888.00	220,000.00	81,166,604.00
21. BSC	33,827,082.00	32,874,545.00	325,000.00	67,026,627.00
22. BCPCH	36,697,290.00	52,972,512.00	2,700,000.00	92,369,802.00
23. BPDA	62,334,668.00	44,175,527.00	170,000.00	106,680,195.00
24. BAGO	29,452,373.00	19,516,748.00	120,000.00	49,089,121.00
25. BPA	19,269,493.00	70,838,687.00	290,000.00	90,398,180.00
26. CSEA	27,054,795.00	16,633,110.00	105,000.00	43,792,905.00
27. DAB	26,113,218.00	24,984,561.00	700,000.00	51,797,779.00
28. BHRC	61,099,080.00	53,021,015.00	525,000.00	114,645,095.00
TOTAL	28,446,277,315.00	18,438,632,859.00	21,197,066,212.00	68,081,976,386.00

The Bangsamoro Budget is classified into three (3) expenditure class namely Personnel Services (PS), Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE), and Capital Outlays (CO). The largest chunk of the budget goes to the PS amounting to **Php28,446,277,315.00** for the payment of salaries, benefits, allowances, and other compensation of government officials and employees.

For CO, an amount of **Php21,197,066,212.00** is allocated to cover the fixed assets and infrastructure outlays, such as the construction of roads, bridges, schools, and hospitals.

A total of **Php18,438,632,859.00** is allotted as MOOE which supports the day-to-day operations and functions of the regional government. Also covered by this amount are the Ministries' and Offices' expenses for basic utilities (e.g., water and electricity), supplies and materials, transportation, training and seminars, and repairs and maintenance.

#### **CHAPTER IV**

#### **2023 BARMM HIGHLIGHTS**

# **4.1 HEALTH SECTOR**

The following programs under the MOH, MSSD, MOLE, OCM, and MTIT compose the priority programs under the Health Social Services Sector.

#### MINISTRY OF HEALTH

The Ministry of Health (MOH) is a proposed to have a budget of Php1,404,353,546.00 for its 2023 priority programs, to wit:

Tiyakap Bangsamoro Kalusugan Program

An amount of Php84,240,000.00 is allocated for the monthly maintenance and other operating expenses of at least 1,010 Barangay Health Stations (BHSs) and 133 Rural Health Units (RHUs). Of which, Php3,000 is allocated per month for every BHSs, while Php30,000 per month is allocated ber RHUs.

Barangay Health Workers Program and COVID Response Program

At least 6,000 Barangay Health Workers shall benefit from the BHW program allotted with Php72,000,000.00, with the provision of 1,000 monthly MOOE per health worker. Meanwhile, the COVID Response program is allotted with Php230,768,484.00. Php135,495,984.00 is provided for 300 targeted COVID response health workers and Php90,272,500.00 is for Supplies for Region and Covid Isolation Facilities. An amount of Php5,000,000.00 under Professional Services is allotted for the Feasibility Study on the establishment of an Oxygen Generating Plant.

Access to Curative & Rehabilitation Health Care Service Program

For this program a budget is allocated for Building and Structures Outlay amounting to Php360,000,000.00; for its Machinery and Equipment Outlay it was allocated Php91,000,000; for its Furniture, Fixture and Books Outlay it was allocated Php16,750,000.00; for its Transportation Equipment Outlay it was allocated Php3,000,000.00; and for its Other Machinery and Equipment Outlay it was allocated Php15,000,000.00. Overall, the MOH has a total allocation of Php485,750,000.00 for its Access to Curative and Rehabilitation Health Care Service Program.

For the Health Human Resources Development Bureau, Php450,554,508.00 is allocated for the Bangsamoro Human Resource for Health Placement. The Geographically Isolated and Disadvantaged Areas shall be prioritized in the deployment of Health Workers.

#### MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND DEVELOPMENT

The Ministry of Social Services and Development (MSSD) has a total allocation of Php934,050,269.00 for its priority programs FY 2023.

A budget of Php508,559,169.00 shall be allocated for its Unlad Bangsamoro Program which shall be implemented in three (3) phases. During the first phase, the enrolled family shall receive a livelihood seed capital equivalent to Php15,000; skills training which is approximately equivalent to Php4,000 under the Bangsamoro Sagip Kabuhayan (BSK); and one sack of rice. If the household has college-level students, they may also qualify to receive the Php10,000 educational subsidy under the Angat Bangsamoro: Kabataan Tungo sa Karunungan Program (ABaKa). During the second phase, the enrolled family shall receive a monthly rice subsidy equivalent to 25 kg. of rice, medical assistance during emergencies, and an educational subsidy for qualified college-level students under ABaKa. During the third phase, the enrolled families who have exhibited the sustainability and success of their enterprises under BSK, may be qualified to receive additional livelihood grants for scaling up their enterprises in the amount of Php20,000.

They may also receive a supplemental amount of Php4,000 for additional skills training to scale up their enterprises. If the enrolled household is not deemed qualified for the additional enterprise scale up funds, it shall continue to receive the monthly rice subsidy. The qualified college-level students of the household may continue to receive the annual educational subsidy equivalent to Php10,000 during the third phase. All enrolled families under the Unlad Pamilyang Bangsamoro Program shall be prioritized to receive medical and hospitalization assistance under the Bangsamoro Critical Assistance for Indigents in Response to Emergency Situations (Bangsamoro CARES). This may cover the costs for maintenance medicines for elderly or disabled members of the household. All Unlad Pamilyang Bangsamoro households shall be closely monitored and case-managed by MSSD's social workers. This entails monthly monitoring for case management and the completion of the case management reports for each household.

A total of Php67,240,000.00 budget is programmed for the implementation of Layag Bajau—A Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services for Bajau. The Layag Bajau Program is a flagship program specifically for Bajau communities to alleviate their condition through providing Comprehensive Services that address and improve their way of life as a whole. It will be a case managed by the resident social welfare officers. Comprehensive services will include but not limited to the following: Livelihood Seed Capital and skills training for the qualified Bajau families, provision of monthly rice subsidy, in-school children's inclusion to MSSD's educational program under ABaKa, medical assistance C/O under BCARES Program, self-care, health and sanitation sessions, provision of hygiene kits through WASH, referral to SFP Program for inclusion in the Supplementary Feeding Program (for aged 3-4), and a series of sessions on responsible parenting, orientation on IPRA Law and other human rights orientation, and civil registration, if needed.

Another new program called Augmentation of Honorarium for Day Care Workers (DCW) is allocated Php20,340,000.00 as Supplemental Honorarium for Day Care Workers. It targets 1,695 beneficiaries for FY 2023.

For its Financial Assistance for orphans (Kupkop Program), Php90,000,000.00 shall be allocated for 1,500 target beneficiaries. The Kupkop Program is intended for children aged below eighteen (18), single, whose parents had died, and who are now in alternative care arrangements, living with guardians, foster families, or staying in child-care institutions. A maximum of two (2) children per family shall be entitled to this assistance. Each beneficiary will receive an amount of Php5,000.00 per month that should cover their needs such as food, clothing, health, shelter and education.

For its Assistive Devices for Older Persons Program, Php6,258,050.00 is allocated for FY 2023 intended for 1,696 target beneficiaries. "Hadiya: Support for Older Persons," a program with various interventions for the indigent and vulnerable older persons. It seeks to improve the quality of life for older persons in the Bangsamoro Region. The program shall enhance the capacities of older persons to attain more meaningful, productive, and satisfying lives and ultimately become self-reliant.

For the MSSD's Health Care Packages for Older Persons Program an amount of Php17,595,000.00 is planned for 2,070 target beneficiaries.

For its Financial Assistance for PWDs Program, Php217,800,000.00 has been allocated. The Financial Assistance for PWDs is a program designed to help indigent PWDs be protected from hunger, illness, and abuse. It is part of MSSD's comprehensive social protection interventions for differently-abled persons. Under Kalinga, indigent PWDs shall receive a monthly stipend of Five Hundred Pesos (Php500.00)—first in the entire country.

For its Assistive Devices for PWDs Program, Php6,258,050.00 has been allocated for 1,696 target beneficiaries. The upgraded Kalinga Sa May Kapansanan Program seeks to provide a better quality of life, and to improve possibilities for participation and integration into societal life of the PWDs in the Bangsamoro Region. The program shall also provide services on disability prevention, rehabilitation, and management.

#### MINISTRY OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

For FY 2023, the Ministry of Labor and Employment (MOLE) shall have a budget amounting to Php6,100,000.00 for its priority programs.

A total budget of Php2,500,000.00 is intended for the Assistance Program for Repatriated Distressed Bangsamoro OFWs for 250 OBWs. The program aims to provide immediate relief to repatriated distressed Overseas Bangsamoro Workers (OBWs). The Assistance program for Repatriated OBWs is an initiative to provide financial assistance amounting to ten thousand pesos (Php10,000).

Php2,800,000.00 is allocated for Overseas Bangsamoro Worker Social Benefits Program; targeted at 5 for Disability & Dismemberment; 10 for Death Assistance (Natural Death); 5 for Death Assistance (Accident); and 15 for Burial Assistance. Moreover, this is a program consisting of disability and dismemberment assistance amounting to P100,000.00, death assistance of P100,000.00 to 200,000.00 depending on the cause of death and burial assistance amounting to P20,000.00. This program aims to mitigate the impact of the death of Bangsamoro OFWs on their respective families. The amount will also help the families to start a small business to sustain their economic activities. This program is envisioned to provide assistance to returned OFWs while awaiting the eventual turnover of managing their mandatory contributions to MOLE BARMM by OWWA.

For its Social Protection Program for Informal Workers Program, an amount of Php800,000.00 is allocated for 2000 informal workers enrolled in social insurance. The program aims to provide social protection for the informal workers sector enrolled in insurance companies, SSS, PAG-IBIG, Philhealth, in compliance with existing labor laws and policies anchored on International Labor policy on decent work.

#### **OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MINISTER**

Under the Office of the Chief Minister (OCM)'s Priority Programs, the Ayudang Medikal Mula sa Bangsamoro Government (AMBAG) is provided with Php277,854,650.00 for 25,040 Beneficiaries and 44 Target Partner-Hospitals.

This Medical Assistance program aims to enhance the accessibility of health services and help the indigent or poor Bangsamoro people to avail of the needed medicines, medical procedures, and health services.

It is a measure in paying for medical, health and surgical services not currently paid for or sufficiently reimbursed by PhilHealth or other financing sources.

#### MINISTRY OF TRADE, INVESTMENTS AND TOURISM

For its Priority Programs, the Ministry of Trade, Investment and Tourism (MTIT) has a total allocation of Php685,000.00 for FY 2023.

Under its Bangsamoro Youth Entrepreneurship Program, Php275,000.00 is allocated for 200 target youth beneficiaries; while Php410,000.00 is allocated for 120 women beneficiaries under its Bangsamoro Women in Enterprise Empowerment Program.

# 4.2. EDUCATION SECTOR

#### MINISTRY OF BASIC, HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

#### Office of the Minister

The Ministry of Basic, Higher, and Technical Education (MBHTE) under its Office of the Minister is allocated a total of Php 1,850,339,506.00 for its FY 2023 priority programs.

Php150,000,000.00 of the MBHTE-OMIN allocation for FY 2023 is programmed for the Learners' Kit for 60,000 Learners.

For its Teachers' Kit Program, it is allocated Php139,425,000.00 for FY 2023 to benefit 27,885 Teachers; in FY 2022, it targeted 24,544 Teacher beneficiaries.

For its provision of Armchairs Program, it is allocated Php396,550,000.00 in FY 2023 to benefit 100,000 Learners.

For its Provision of Learning Textbooks Program for Basic Education, it was allocated Php761,369,506.00 for FY 2023; and Php150,000,000.00 for its Provision of Learning Textbooks Program for Madaris Education.

Its Bangsamoro Responsive Education System Promoting Effectiveness Competency Teaching (RESPECT) Program, a program that focuses on the continuity of employment of the Provisional Teachers to avoid unhampered delivery of educational services to the Bangsamoro children attending schools especially in the far-flung areas of the region, shall be allocated Php152,995,000.00 for FY 2023 to benefit 809 ParaTeachers in Basic Education and 18 ParaTeachers in Higher Education.

For its Quick Response Fund, the MBHTE OMIN shall be funded amounting to Php100,000,000.00. It serves as a stand-by-fund to be used for the replacement, reconstruction, rehabilitation or repair of school buildings and facilities in order to ease the situation of the learners affected by natural or human-induced calamities, epidemics, crises and catastrophes.

#### **MBHTE's Basic Education**

The MBHTE Basic Education has a total allocation of Php2,722,108,924.00 for its Priority Programs for FY 2023.

For its School-Based Management and Operations Program, it was allocated Php2,211,365,058.00, inclusive of Php161,876,000 for the School Building Program. This Program targets 11 Divisions, 2,595 Schools, 28,761 Classrooms, 27,885 Teaching Positions, 8,655 Non-Teaching Positions, and 913,456 Learners for FY 2023.

For its School-Based Feeding Program, it shall have an allocation of Php423,270,000.00 for 160,000 learners; for its School Dental Health Program, it shall have an allocation Php5,500,000.00 for 100,000 target learners.

For its Alternative Learning System Program, it was allocated Php19,727,575.00 for FY 2023 to benefit 366 ALS Teachers, and 26,250 Out of Youth School Learners; for its Indigenous Peoples Education, it was allocated Php2,756,200.00; for its Abot Kaalaman sa Pamilyang Bangsamoro (AKAP-BM) in the School-less Barangays Program it was allocated Php28,131,000.00, to benefit 93 School-less barangays (140 ParaTeachers; 4,902 learners); and for its Special Education Program, allocating Php4,356,200.00 to benefit 2,684 Special Education Learners.

Finally, for its Barangay School Sports Program, which aims to develop and maintain an integrated and comprehensive Physical Education program and help with the growth and development of the Bangsamoro learners in attaining competitive education, the amount of Php23,859,000.00 was allocated to benefit 11 Divisions. Included in the amount is the conduct of feasibility study on the establishment of Sports Complex amounting to Php10,000,000.00.

#### **MBHTE's Higher Education**

The MBHTE Higher Education has a total allocation of Php348,630,096.00 for its Priority Programs for FY 2023.

For its Access to Higher and Modern Education Scholarship Program, which aims to provide financial benefits to qualified Senior High School (SHS) and Alternative Learning System (ALS) graduates who will enroll in the BARMM Regional Priority Programs, with a budget of Php235,193,150.00 intended for 4,200 scholars in FY 2023; in FY 2022, it targeted 3,500 scholars.

For its Higher Education Services Program, which provides for regular operation of 7 MSHEIs across the BARMM, a budget amounting to Php113,436,946.00 was allocated.

#### **MBHTE's Technical Education**

The MBHTE Technical Education has a total allocation of Php335,772,155.00 for its Priority Programs for FY 2023.

For its TVET Scholarship Program, an amount of Php285,000,000.00 for FY 2023 is set to benefit 13,205 beneficiaries from 14,899 beneficiaries in 2022. The Bangsamoro Scholarship Program for TVET (BSPTVET) covers both community-based and institution-based training programs that seek to address the specific skills needs of the communities and the region, and promote employment through entrepreneurial, self-employment, and service-oriented activities.

For its TVET Training Center Program, it shall allocate Php32,000,000.00 for Maluso, Basilan. The establishment of a Municipal Training Center is seen as a solution to reach far-flung islands in the province and meet their Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) needs.

For its TVET Operating Units Program, it shall have an allocation of Php18,772,155.00 to benefit five (5) Provincial Offices and six (6) TESDA Training Centers. The Program aims to provide for the TESDA Provincial Offices and Training Centers to carry-out the mandate of the Ministry in relation to Technical Education and Skills Development.

#### **MBHTE's Madaris**

The MBHTE Madaris Education has a total allocation of Php1,196,621,500.00 for its priority programs for FY 2023.

For its Financial Assistance Program, it shall have an allocation of Php134,760,000.00 to benefit 26,952 Private Madrasah Learners; in FY 2022, the Program targeted 27,626 Private Madrasah Learners.

For its Madaris Asatidz Program, it shall have an allocation of Php1,061,861,500.00 for 5,190 Asatidz; in FY 2022, it targeted 4,868 Asatidz. This program offers an integrated and comprehensive education that adheres to the primary, secondary and A-level Islamic principles and values in order to enable all children to experience learning success and become life-long learners and contributing members of the community.

#### **MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

The Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) has a total allocation of Php83,013,500.00 for its Educational Priority Programs for FY 2023.

For its Provision of Science Laboratory Apparatus Program, an amount of Php9,000,000.00 is set to benefit 30 schools to be provided with Laboratory Equipment. The provision of Laboratory Apparatus is awarded to STEM Schools for the upgrading of their laboratory science room.

For its Provision of STARBOOKS Program, Php3,040,500.00 shall be allocated for 50 STARBOOKS recipients. STARBOOKS is a digital library that provides offline access to over 500,000 digitized journals, publications, technical and project reports, theses and dissertations, and directories. It is an invention of DOST.

For its Bangsamoro Assistance for Science Education (BASE) Program, a total of Php45,973,000.00 shall be given to 614 BASE Grantees. BASE is a cash assistance-based program applicable only for incoming first-year college students who intend to pursue science and technology courses. Eligible awardees will get monthly cash assistance amounting to P8,000.00 or P40,000.00 per semester.

Its BASE-Merit Program shall have an allocation of Php25,000,000.00 to benefit 150 target student beneficiaries. This program is limited only to S & T highly specialized courses such as petroleum/oil engineering, chemist, meteorology, metrology, geology, aeronautics, anatomy, and alike. Eligible awardees will get monthly cash assistance amounting to P100,000.00 per semester.

#### **MINISTRY OF HEALTH**

Under the Education Sector, the MOH shall be allocating Php34,554,900.00 for FY 2023 under its Medical Scholarship Program targeted to benefit 75 Medical students and 90 Midwifery students. This target is increased compared with the 50 Medical students and 70 Midwifery students targeted in 2022.

#### 4.3. ECONOMIC SECTOR

#### MINISTRY OF TRADE, INVESTMENTS AND TOURISM

For its Priority Programs under the Economic Sector, the Ministry of Trade, Investment and Tourism (MTIT) shall have a total allocation of Php134,658,859.00 for FY 2023.

Under the MTIT's Enterprise and Trade Development are three priority programs. First is the Bangsamoro MSME Development (BMSMED) Program with Php59,738,080.00 allocation. Of the amount, Php50,000,000.00 is programmed for the program dubbed as Propelling Economic and Sustainable Opportunities (PESO) for MSMEs that will be used for the establishment of Halal-compliant micro-financing services.

The Ministry also continues its programs such as the Regional Initiative for Sustainable Enterprise (RISE) Program allocated with Php1,300,350.00 and the Negosyo Center (NC) with Php5,740,480.00 allocation. The Bangsamoro MSME Development (BMSMED) Program is a sectoral MSME development program supporting entrepreneurs geared towards a sustainable and resilient livelihood, and interventions anchored on peace and development; while the Negosyo Center (NC) aims for full implementation of the Go Negosyo Act through continuous establishment and monitoring of Negosyo Centers throughout the region.

Under the MTIT's Local Industry Development and Promotion are two priority programs. First, the Growth Enhancement Approach towards Regional Economic Development (GEARED) Program with Php8,246,400.00 allocation is a convergence program aimed to develop market-driven local industries to reach the economy of scale, capacitate the enablers and industry stakeholders, and provide market opportunities and linkages to actors across the value chain. Second is the Accelerate Competitiveness by Engaging Private Sector for Sustainable Investment and Development (ACE) Program with Php4,152,250.00

allocation, which aims to support programs for Chamber of Commerce and Industries (CCIs) in BARMM to encourage participation in policy formulation and foster partnership for viability of business in communities.

Under the MTIT's Business Regulation and Accreditation Program (RAP) are two priority programs: the Regulation and Accreditation Program (RAP) which has an allocation of Php2,136,500.00 for provision of MTIT regulatory and accreditation services to operators and individuals engaged in individual business proprietors and registered business enterprises; and the Consumer Welfare Protection and Promotion Program (CoPP) which was allocated Php6,750,870.00 for the protection of the interest and welfare of the consumers/clients and to establish standards of conduct for businesses through consumer education and advocacy, monitoring of establishments, and enforcement of fair trade laws.

Under the MTIT's Promotion and Development are two priority programs: the Tourism Promotion and Marketing which has an allocation of Php15,952,500.00 for the design of integrated marketing activities to attract and encourage local and foreign tourists to visit the region and to promote and ensure pleasant and hospitable entry, stay and egress of tourists; and the Product Development and Accreditation and Standards with a budget of Php4,900,500.00, that aims to identify and support community-based tourism development projects; and provide better positioning and visibility in tourism market, regionwide monitoring of tourism-related establishments; and provide support to Regional Halal Development Initiatives, as well as provide accreditation services to tourism-oriented establishments.

Under the MTIT's Investment Promotion and Facilitation are two priority programs: the Investment Research and Development which shall have an allocation of Php5,842,600.00 to facilitate and conduct pre-investment studies and investment related policies on crafting of the Bangsamoro Investment Code (BIC); and the Investment Promotion and Generation, Monitoring and Supervision with an allocation of Php3,102,700.00 to promote investment opportunities by providing information, facilitation services and conduct of relevant activities aimed at attracting potential investors to do business in the region.

Under the MTIT's Ecozone Development are two priority programs: the Establishment and Operations of the Ecozone which shall have an allocation amounting to Php7,458,535.00 to efficiently and effectively operate, administer, manage and develop the ECOZONE according to the principles and provisions set forth in the Bangsamoro Administrative Code. Furthermore, BEZA shall also coordinate with local government units and exercise general supervision over the development, plans, activities and operations of the ECOZONES, industrial estates, export processing zones, free trade zones, and the like; and the Ecozone Regulation and Promotion Program with a budget amounting to Php437,300.00 to regulate and undertake the establishment, operation and maintenance of port facilities and issue rules and regulations to implement the relevant provisions of the Code in so far as its power and functions are concerned.

Under the MTIT's Freeport Ecozone Services are two priority programs: the Industrial, Economic and Social Development with a budget of Php470,000.00, and the Freeport

Supervision & Management Services with a budget of Php8,429,794.00. Both programs are responsible for the port operations, regulations, port developments and maintenance.

#### MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY

For the Economic Sector of the Ministry of the Environment, Natural Resources, and Energy (MENRE), the total allocation for its Priority Programs for FY 2023 is Php91,010,835.00.

For its Integrated Bangsamoro Greening Program (IBGP), it was allocated Php73,993,840.00 for the following FY 2023 targets: Percentage of hectares reforested and rehabilitated - 2% of the Baseline (159,159 has. baseline); No. of hectares of open and denuded forestland reforested - 2,410; No. of hectares of forestland rehabilitated - 760; and No. of hectares of planted area maintained and protected - 1,080. The program seeks to reforest the open and denuded forestlands in BARMM to provide healthier habitats and soil, less erosion, increased ground water retention, carbon sequestration, increased food security and local economic benefits.

Its Integrated Bangsamoro Greening Program (IBGP) Maintenance and Protection Program is allotted with a budget of Php8,933,695.00 for FY 2023, targeting the same numbers as the Integrated Bangsamoro Greening Program (IBGP).

For its Kayud Ka Bangsamoro (KKB) Convergence Program, Php960,000.00 shall be allocated for FY 2023, with the following targets: No. of forest areas monitored - 15; and No. of workshop/seminar/meetings attended - 25.

#### MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND AGRARIAN REFORM

Under the Economic Sector, the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Agrarian Reform (MAFAR) shall have a total budget of Php616,256,810.00 for its priority programs for FY 2023.

Of the amount, Php543,024,813.00 is allotted for the Technical Advisory Support Services. This budget is distributed to various subprograms. First is the Land Tenure Security Program (LTSP) targeting 496 hectares distributed, 165 ARBs installed, 3,868 hectares of subdivided Collective Certificate of Land Ownership Award (CLOA), and 291 hectares of redocumented individual CLOAs.

Second, Sustainable Development for Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries in the Bangsamoro (SDAReBB) Program shall be funding 222 ARBs with , -%1#06#''#01+, #'''(60#.+"8#09'') (%) '(60(0+(%''0#.-0\$'')#04(8#)'') 50-60(\$'':50-;#,&'', <==' ARBs for the Climate Resilient Farm /0-)2, &+1\*&9'>255-0&'/0-;#,&''(%)'=' ARBOs products to be developed or enhanced. The Program is a collective initiative of the MAFAR regional management to bring together its major programs: LUPA, BINHI and ISDA, to be implemented in a community through a cooperative. Basically, it is a mini convergence of MAFAR sectoral programs and projects packaged into one intervention to be given to qualified ARBOs/Cooperatives. To adapt and mitigate practices towards the goal of building resiliency for agrarian reform communities under the realm of climate change. It hopes to enhance and sustain the agricultural productivity of agrarian communities as an adaptation measure towards resilience. This is in compliance with the Climate Change Act of 2009 (Republic Act No. 9729).

Third, Provision of Support Services to Small Landowner Farmers and Fisherfolk Program targeting @AB?C@D'farmers to benefit from various farm inputs, 6,492 fisherfolks shall receive various fisheries inputs, 940 farmers/fisherfolks shall adopt to new technologies to the total number of farmers/fisherfolks trained with new technology generated. These interventions cover agricultural inputs to support the production for rice, corn and cassava, high value crops, organic, livestock, halal and fishery programs like farm and fishery inputs, fertilizers, chemicals, planting materials, livestock, poultry animals and veterinary drugs. These inputs will be provided as support to appropriate beneficiaries who lack investment capital on agri-fishery production.

Fourth is the Marketing Development Services, under which 346 farmers, ARBs and fisherfolks shall be provided with market development services. The activity includes price monitoring, participation in agriculture, aquaculture exhibits showcasing the major and priority commodities in the region. This encompasses the trade fairs and the facilitation of markets for farmers, fisherfolk and agrarian reform beneficiaries. The conduct of MAFAR Local Exchange and Network of Goods in any Kind of Emergency was also the banner initiative of the ministry. The conduct of capacity building on product development like training on packaging and labeling is very vital for improving and enhancing the microenterprises of the clientele.

Fifth is the Extension Support, Education and Training Services, wherein 2,400 farmers, 2,580 fisherfolks, and 4,266 ARBs shall be provided extension support, education and training services. Extension Support, Education and Training Services are set to capacitate farmers, fisherfolk and agrarian reform communities to support their crop and livestock production systems. The conduct of trainings, seminars, workshops, for and field schools are its main activities. The said subprogram will not only enhance the capability of the farmers, fisherfolks and stakeholders but will also make them self-reliant.

The MAFAR also plans to implement Support to Agri-fishery Marketing Enterprise with a budget amounting to Php10,000,000.00 targeting 100 . (0\$#0"?'! EF"'(%)'.+"8#0.-4G'60-25"' H8+, 8'"8(#'I #'50-1+)#)'H#8'\*! J! EKLM3>'"255-0#1 The Program is a start-up and initial capital for farmers and fisherfolk in establishing their agri-fishery based enterprises and includes beneficiaries in the agrarian reform communities.

The Machinery, Equipment, and Infra Facilities is programmed for 604 farmers and fisherfolks groups provided with machinery, equipment, and infra facilities with a budget of Php56,985,180.00. Provision of machinery and facilities will help lower the production costs and labor, shorten time in land preparation and lessen postharvest losses due to the increased yield per hectare. These projects include facilities (structures), and equipment (tractors, implements, machinery, tools, etc.) These will be provided to appropriate individuals or groups of farmers, fisherfolk, agrarian reform beneficiaries and other stakeholders.

Lastly, Provision of Legal Assistance to Farmers and Fisherfolk amounting to Php6,246,817.00 shall be funded to process, resolve, or dispose 2,839 cases. The program refers to the provision of free legal protection to small landowners, especially those beneficiaries of the Agrarian Reform Program. These types of farmers also called small landowners are given free legal protection ranging from simple mediation to Court/Judicial and Quasi-Judicial cases.

#### MINISTRY OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

Under the Economic Sector, the Ministry of Labor and Employment (MOLE) has a total allocation of Php52,750,000.00 for its Priority Programs in FY 2023.

For its Reintegration Program- Hanapbuhay for Bangsamoro Balik Manggagawa, a budget amounting to Php49,000,000.00 is set to benefit 2,450 Bangsamoro Balik Manggagawa; the same target number was identified in FY 2022. The program is a package of livelihood assistance amounting to twenty thousand pesos (P20,000) consisting of: a) basic entrepreneurial skills training and financial literacy seminar; and/or b) such other services that will enable the target beneficiaries to quickly start a livelihood undertaking through self-employment.

For its Bangsamoro Rural Employment thru Entrepreneurial Development Program (BREED) Program, it shall have a budget allocation of Php3,750,000.00 for FY 2023 to benefit 150 RWAs, the same target number in FY 2022. BREED program aims to provide start-up capital to support the informal workers' associations set-up their MSME to generate employment opportunities for the community.

#### MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Ministry of Transportation and Communication (MOTC), under the Economic Sector, shall invest on the Improve Revenue Generation Program with a total allocation of Php9,472,200.00 for 27,850 vessels to be issued with permits/certificates. It aims to improve operational mechanisms to intensify revenue generation and maritime services.

Under its BLTO-BARMM Regulations and Revenue Generation Program, it shall have an allocation of Php111,627,130.00 for 5,861,600 units of various accountable forms.

#### **MINISTRY OF HEALTH**

Under the Economic Sector, the MOH shall have an allocation of Php5,000,000.00 for FY 2023 under its COVID Response Program. The allocation is programmed for the provision of Professional Services for the Feasibility Study of Oxygen Generating Plant. The purpose of the Oxygen Generating Plant is to have its own source of Oxygen and to cater the needs of nearby Provinces/Regions.

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## 4.4. INFRASTRUCTURE SECTOR

#### **MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS**

The Ministry of Public Works (MPW) shall have a total budget allocation of Php15,066,515,000.00 for its priority programs in FY 2023 to help spur socioeconomic growth in the Bangsamoro region.

Of the amount, Php10,471,555,000.00 is planned for the Road Network Development Program to develop 477.63 kilometers of road connectivity to enhance transportation capacity by enabling the supply of goods and services across the region, and improve effectiveness and efficiency of the region, and increase the standard living of its constituents, hence making their lives easier and better.

Php791,750,000.00 shall be allotted for the development of 30 bridges under the Bridge Program which is a critical component of transportation infrastructure by providing a safe means for trade opportunities. The Bridge Program shall increase transportation efficiency and reliability, promote employment, and boost economic activity.

Php2,392,110,000.00 shall also be allotted for the development and management of 89 Flood Control Facilities and Drainage Systems, and 49 Shore/Slope Protections under the Flood Management Program.

The Water Supply Program shall have a budget of Php152,000,000.00 for the construction of 30 water systems paving the way for a safe and sustainable water source.

Php256,000,000.00 shall be allotted for the rehabilitation of 19 ports under the Port Rehabilitation Program, and Php1,003,100,000.00 is intended for the construction or

improvement of 1,935 other infrastructure projects in BARMM provinces in order to induce and sustain socioeconomic activity.

#### MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Ministry shall allot Php15,000,000.00 for the Port Infrastructure Modernization Program to construct a warehouse in replacement of the dilapidated warehouse in the port of Jolo, Sulu.

Also, a budget amounting to Php50,000,000.00 is planned for the Airport Transport Policy and Development Services Program to formulate an airport transportation master plan that will develop and improve access to quality aviation systems, facilities, and services in the region. Further, Php20,000,000.00 is planned for the MOTC Infrastructure Program to rehabilitate and repair the MOTC Regional Office building.

#### MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

A total budget of Php150,000,000.00 is programmed for the implementation of 10 Water Desalination Systems distributed in the provinces of Sulu, Tawi-Tawi, Basilan and Maguindanao. This shall ensure safe and sustainable groundwater resources for the BARMM communities combating water scarcity and climate change.

## 4.5. LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT SECTOR

## **MINISTRY OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT**

As the Bangsamoro Government rebounds from the COVID-19 pandemic, the need to strengthen labor market programs is highly essential. Hence, the Ministry of Labor and Employment (MOLE) shall have a total budget allocation of Php57,262,500.00 for its priority programs in FY 2023 to help the Bangsamoro people recover and build better lives.

Of the total amount, Php5,490,000.00 shall be allotted for the Special Program for Employment of Students to help poor but deserving 1,500 students pursue their education by encouraging them to take temporary employment during summer/or Christmas vacation or anytime of the year to augment the families' income. An incentive granted by the Ministry of Labor and Employment (MOLE-BARMM) allows them to pay 40% of their salary in existing minimum wage.

Php28,710,000.00 shall be provided for the Government Internship Program to provide 1,900 new graduates employment opportunities in the field of public service.

Php8,062,500.00 is planned for the Community Emergency Employment Program to provide a 15-day temporary employment to the 1,750 displaced/disadvantaged informal workers including the MILF and MNLF combatants. This program was patterned from the

Tulong Panghanapbuhay Para sa Mga Disadvantaged/Displaced Workers (TUPAD) of the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE).

Lastly, a Php15,000,000.00 budget shall be allotted for the Sagip Batang Manggagawa Program (SBMP) to provide livelihood assistance to families targeting 750 parents of *batang manggagawa*.

## 4.6. PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT SECTOR

#### **BANGSAMORO HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

The Bangsamoro Human Rights Commission (BHRC) shall have a total budget of Php9,345,250.00 for the implementation of its priority programs for FY 2023.

Of the amount, the Legal Assistance Program targets 720 cases of human rights violations and abuses in the region. Php1,230,250.00 is intended for the Financial Assistance to Victims and Witnesses of Human Rights Violations providing 80 numbers of financial assistance to the victims and witnesses of human rights cases.

And, for the Human Rights Education Program, it shall enable information and knowledge about human rights to be disseminated to the general public. The BHRC targets 2,520 individuals to be properly informed on human rights.

## **MINISTRY OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S AFFAIRS**

In FY 2023, the Ministry of Indigenous People's Affairs (MIPA) shall invest on the following three (3) priority programs:

Conflict Management and Legal Mechanism Program shall have a budget amounting to Php3,591,280.00 targeting 7 of conflict training modules conducted, 20 conflict dialogues provided, and 30 conflicts resolved to strengthen protection and peacebuilding in the region.

Php4,797,162.00 shall be allotted for the Promotion of IP Rights and Legal Aid Program with subprograms of Legal Assistance, Paralegal Trainings and Workshops, Information Drive and Free Legal Assistance; and Empowering Indigenous Peoples' Youth as Advocates and Defenders of IP Rights (IPYAD).

A budget amounting to Php1,192,000.00 shall also be allotted for the Land Tenure Security and Ancestral Domain Program.

#### MINISTRY OF PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

The Ministry of Public Order and Safety (MPOS) shall have a total budget of Php28,971,400.00 for the implementation of its two (2) priority programs in FY 2023.

Php14,203,500.00 shall be allotted for the Peacebuilding Initiatives to foster the different peace initiatives in the region including support to normalization and different listening sessions and dialogue that will help provide assistance to vulnerable combatants, widows of violent extremists, martyrs and their children, and other local insurgents. This Program targets 200 vulnerable combatants, 50 widows of violent extremists, 250 local insurgents, 50 orphans of war, and 30 vulnerable and marginalized institutions.

The remaining Php14,767,900.00 is planned for the Alternative Dispute Resolution Program that targets to settle 72 *rido* cases. This Program aims to enable local mediators to effectively implement their *rido* settlement efforts in the region, engage in the reduction or settlement of existing *rido*, provide a research that will highlight statistics, trends, best practices, and impact of *rido* in the region, and implement programs for the rehabilitation of *rido*-stricken communities.

#### MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Under the Peace and Development Sector, the Ministry of Interior and Local Government (MILG) shall have a budget allocation of Php8,486,000.00 for its priority programs for FY 2023.

Of the amount, Php1,687,000.00 shall be allotted for the Tulong ng Gobyernong Nagmamalasakit (TuGoN) that aims to provide a better life for 100 former combatants/insurgents through rehabilitation and reformation.

Php2,350,000.00 is invested on Bangsamoro Community Resiliency Program (BCoRP) that enables the Regional and Local Government to address overlapping risks and vulnerabilities in its area of jurisdiction through convergent operations. This Program targets 30 LGUs with high to moderate functionality of POC and ADAC, and 100 P/C/M strengthened LADAC.

Php2,184,000.00 shall be allotted for the Local Government Empowerment on Ending Local Armed Conflict that aims to empower and strengthen Local Government Units on peace sustainability and development. This Program targets to capacitate 30 LGUs.

Php2,265,000.00 shall also be allotted for the Bangsamoro Community Policing (B-CoP) that promotes organizational strategies, which support the systematic use of partnerships and problem-solving techniques, to proactively address the immediate conditions that give rise to public safety issues such as crime, social disorder, and fear of crime. This Program targets three (3) development supports provided to law enforcement agencies.

#### BANGSAMORO COMMISSION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

The Bangsamoro Commission for the Preservation of Cultural Heritage (BCPCH) shall have a budget amounting to Php21,694,452.00 for its two (2) priority programs in FY 2023.

The Bangsamoro History & Development - Writing of Bangsamoro History shall have a budget of Php10,438,211.00 that targets to conduct one (1) activity involving research and writing of the Bangsamoro History, two (2) documentations and monitoring of historical accounts and narratives, with forty (40) Bangsamoro participants in the feedback mechanism, inclusive of recommendation through consultation.

The remaining Php11,256,241.00 shall be allotted for the Cultural Preservation and Conservation, under which the School of Living Traditions is a subprogram. The latter aims to strengthen culture and traditions in the region by providing skills training in various aspects which represent Bangsamoro heritage. This amount shall be utilized, among other activities, for the SLT learners, capacitating 60 in Traditional Native Delicacies, 60 in Handicraft-making, 50 in Indigenous Weaving, 10 in Brass-making, and 60 in Cultural Practices.

## 4.7. DISASTER RECOVERY AND RESILIENCY SECTOR

#### MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The Ministry of the Interior and Local Government (MILG), under the Disaster Resilience and Recovery Sector, shall be allocated Php528,891,145.00 for FY 2023.

Under its Rapid Emergency Action on Disaster Incidence (READI) Services Program, it shall be allocated Php521,674,895.00 for FY 2023, an increase from its FY 2022 allocation of Php484,231,110.16. The Program targets to benefit BARMM constituents. The response and services programs of the Bangsamoro READi-MILG are aimed at enhancing and strengthening the region's capacity to immediately respond during emergencies and disasters and in making the Bangsamoro Region climate resilient. Of the amount, a total budget of Php60,000,000.00 shall be allotted to constructing three (3) Emergency Operation Centers in Sulu, Special Geographic Area and Lanao del Sur. This shall serve as an infrastructure component that shall highly make a beneficial impact in providing better services during both human-induced and natural calamities.

Under its Interior Affairs Services, the sub-program Community Preparedness & Resiliency Services specifically on Local Disaster Management shall be allocated Php7,216,250.00 to benefit 20 LGUs. In FY 2022, this program was allocated Php10,926,730.00 and targeted to benefit 20 LGUs. The Ministry, as the Vice Chair for Disaster Preparedness of the Bangsamoro Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council, provides for key strategic actions that give importance to community awareness and understanding, contingency planning, conduct of local drills, competency building for survival and rescue, and the development of needed disaster preparedness and response plans.

Preparedness aims to build the capacities needed to efficiently manage all types of emergencies and achieve orderly transitions from response to sustained recovery.

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The Office of the Chief Minister (OCM), under the Disaster Resilience and Recovery Sector, shall be allocated Php1,703,455,782.00 for FY 2023.

Under its Quick Response Fund (QRF), it shall be allocated Php1,183,000,000.00 for FY 2023 to be broken down as follows: Php290 million for Agriculture; Php290 million for Social Services; Php290 million for Health; and Php313 million for Infrastructures and Equipment. The FY 2023 proposed allocation is higher than the FY 2022 amount at Php1,098,000,000.00, which targeted Php270 million for Agriculture; Php270 million for Social Services; Php270 million for Health; and Php288 million for Infrastructures and Equipment. This program appropriations are made in order that the situation and living conditions of people in the Bangsamoro communities or areas affected by natural or human-induced calamities, epidemics, crises and catastrophes, which occurred in the last quarter of the immediately preceding year and those occurring during the current year may be normalized as quickly as possible.

Under its Marawi Rehabilitation Program (MRP), it shall be allocated Php520,455,782.00 for FY 2023, an increase from its FY 2022 budget allocation of Php 518,151,342.00. The Program aims to strive for the prompt, efficient, and effective implementation of responsive and consultative interventions towards Marawi IDPs and to empower IDPs through the concerted efforts of all stakeholders towards the full rehabilitation of Marawi, and support to the on-going rehabilitation, reconstruction, and recovery of Marawi City.

#### MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND DEVELOPMENT

The Ministry of Social Services and Development (MSSD), under the Disaster Resilience and Recovery Sector, shall be allocated Php1,223,693,000.00 for FY 2023.

The Emergency Relief Assistance Program shall be allocated with Php504,000,000.00 for FY 2023, to benefit 105,000 beneficiaries. In FY 2022, the same program was allocated with Php659,723,750.00 and targeted to benefit 175,645 beneficiaries. MSSD shall provide assistance to families affected by (a) natural and human-induced disasters, (b) the COVID-19 Pandemic, including the laid-off workers, informal settlers, locally stranded individuals (LSIs), returning Filipinos, and (c) poor and disadvantaged household and individuals living in survival status/ below poverty line or are in distress, subject to the assessment by the Ministry's social workers. This will be done through provision of goods and supplies, including food packs, sleeping kits, dignity kits, hygiene kits and family DRR/protection kits, as well as essential "pabaon" packages (for recovery after displacement), among others.

Under its LIGTAS PAMILYA: Provision of DRR Kits (Grab Bag) and Conduct of Community-based Training (Family DRR and First Aid Kit) Program, an allocation of Php48,000,000.00 for FY 2023 is aimed to benefit 8,000 beneficiaries. For FY 2022, the same program was allocated Php95,523,000.00 and targeted to benefit 15,921 beneficiaries. This program is defined as assistance to vulnerable families living in disaster-prone areas that are regularly or potentially affected by emergencies and displacement. The assistance includes distribution of grab bags and community-based training on DRR and first aid.

Under its Multi-purpose Cash Assistance as Support for Anticipatory Action, Response and Recovery Program, an allocation of Php60,000,000.00 for FY 2023 is provided for at least 10,000 beneficiaries. This is to support the preparatory measures of the family in prepositioning essential needs that would protect them and mitigate risks during a crisis situation. It will also assist the crisis-affected families including those who have been in prolonged-displacement to recover from their losses and return to the places of origin or resettle; and assist the affected individuals or families in reintegrating to their communities and secure basic needs that would help them in restoring their life to normalcy. In FY 2022, the same program was allocated Php48,000,000.00 and targeted to benefit 8,000 beneficiaries.

For its Cash For Work (CFW) for DRR - CCA community-based projects and activities, an allocation amounting to Php55,000,000.00 has been set aside for FY 2023 to benefit 10,000 beneficiaries, the same allocation and target from FY 2022. The CFW is aimed to support community projects and activities that would contribute to risk reduction including preparedness, anticipatory, recovery and rehabilitation communities (ie. flood control contouring, community dikes, small infrastructure repairs, etc.), and to provide a temporary source of income to the vulnerable able-bodied family members and contribute to the community disaster risk reduction.

Under its Lingkod Pamayanan Para Sa Kapayapaan: Financial Subsidy to Volunteers of Community Services Program for DRR and Protective Services, an amount of Php86,400,000.00 is allocated for FY 2023 to benefit 1,800 beneficiaries. In FY 2022, this program was allocated Php43,540,000.00 and targeted to benefit 1,145 beneficiaries. This is a community service program that will deploy and mobilize para-social workers and facilitators (i.e. parent leaders, members of the former non-state actors social welfare committees and women auxiliary brigade, protection (including GBV-CP) monitors, peace and development advocates, disaster responders, etc.) for community services including protection monitoring, IDP Profiling, Assessment and Response Tracking, distribution of assistance, camp management and support in facilitating psychosocial activities at the women and child friendly spaces, and community advocacies, family DRR sessions, etc.

Under its Hygiene Kits budget, the MSSD shall be allocated Php75,293,000.00 for FY 2023 to benefit 15,900 beneficiaries. This Program is in assistance to a) families affected with natural and human induced disaster including IDPs, returned and resettled families; and b) those at risk of health hazards like open defecation, no potable water source and poor families exposed to sanitary landfills and other hazardous areas.

Under its Bangsamoro *HATID* Program an amount of Php20,000,000.00 is allocated for FY 2023 to benefit 2,000 beneficiaries; the same amount and target was programmed for FY 2022. This program is classified as assistance to families and individuals who are in transit, locally stranded, Returning Filipinos including those who are in Sabah, separated and unaccompanied, intercepted victims and potentially victims of trafficking and any other forms of abuse. The component would include 3R - Rescue, Return and Reunification. The *HATID* Program will support transportation, communication, food and temporary accommodation.

Under its Bangsamoro Critical Assistance in Response to Emergency Situation (BCARES) Program, it shall be allocated Php 210,000,000.00 for FY 2023 to benefit 14,000 beneficiaries. In FY 2022, the same program was allocated Php205,000,000.00 and targeted to benefit 13,667 beneficiaries. The BCares Program provides assistance (Cash, Hospitalization, Medicines, Assistive Device, Burial, etc.) to individuals and/or families who are indigent, vulnerable, disadvantaged or otherwise in a crisis situation, based on the assessment of the Ministry's social worker. The assistance includes material and financial support including food, medicines, hospitalization, and burial.

Lastly, under the Emergency Shelter Assistance Program, a total of Php165,000,000 shall be allocated for the 5,500 internally displaced persons who shall receive an amount of Php30,000 pesos to help rebuild their homes.

## MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST), under the Disaster Resilience and Recovery Sector, shall be allocated Php657,000.00 for its Early Warning Stations Management for Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Program for Advanced Science and Technology. Said program targets 58 EWS to be updated and utilized for data generation, and 58 EWS to be repaired, maintained and utilized for disaster prevention and mitigation. In FY 2022, this program was allocated Php621,531.20, and targeted to maintain and monitor 50 EWD, and generate 7 DRRM reports.

## **4.8. GOVERNANCE SECTOR**

#### MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The Ministry of the Interior and Local Government (MILG), under the Governance Sector, shall be allocated Php421,333,702.00 for FY 2023.

Under its Local Government Supervision Services, it shall be allocated Php31,456,830.00 to target 70 LGUs and 220 barangays compliant to basic local governance policies. In FY 2022, the same program was allocated Php71,693,952.25. The Standard Supervision Services Programs of the Ministry for BARMM LGUs are the Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG), Local Government Functionality Assessment (LOGFA), Localizing E-Governance (LEAPS), Barangay Governance Performance Management System (BGPMS)/

SGLG for Barangays, Barangay Facilities & Workers (BFAWs), Child-Friendly Local Government (CFLGA) Audit and Engaging People's Participation in Local Governance (EPPLoG).

Under its Local Government Development Services, an allocation of Php22,451,870.00 for FY 2023 is purposely capacitate 70 provincial, city, and municipal LGUs with continuous improvement, and 250 barangays; as well as 35 provincial, city, and municipal LGUs for improved local government fund and operation management. In FY 2022, it was allocated Php34,492,730.00 for the same program. The Standard Government Development Services Programs of the Ministry for BARMM LGUs include the Newly Elected Orientation Program (NEO) Program; Tamang Alituntunin at Hakbang Alay ng Responsableng Kaagapay (TAHARA) Program (Solid Waste Management); Harnessing Organizational Proficiency & Effectiveness (HOPE) for LGUs (Social Governance); Revenue Enhancement Assistance for LGU (REAL) Program; and Engaging the SK, Empowering the Youth (ESKEY) Program.

Under its Oversight, Incentives and Awards Services Program, Php60,804,600.00 shall be allocated for 40 provincial, city, and municipal LGUs and 131 Barangays to be conferred with the recognition for improved governance performance. The Awards/Rewards and Prizes given to identified exemplary LGUs in BARMM are: Salamat Excellence Award on Leadership (SEAL); Lupon Tagapamayapa Incentive Awards (LTIA); Performance Challenges Fund Monitoring Services/SGLG Incentive Fund; LGU Grant Assistance for Innovative Practices (LGAIP); and Search for Model Barangays.

Under its Field Operation Services Program, it shall be allocated Php251,156,464.00 for 80 provincial, city, and municipal LGUs compliant to 7 elements of functionalities. In FY 2022, this program was allocated Php207,194,672.60. The Program includes Field Operation and Monitoring/ Implementation of Ministry's PPAs, on-site coaching, mentoring, technical advice and monitoring services.

Under its Priority Program for Special Geographic Area Development Authority, it shall be allocated Php51,273,580.00 to benefit 63 barangays in North Cotabato for FY 2023. In FY 2022, the same program was allocated Php51,885,144.08. The MILG-SGA Field Office Operations shall assist the MILG Minister in the overall supervision of the 63 BLGUs of the Special Geographic Area and the SGA Development Authority .

Finally, under its Bangsamoro Local Government Academy (BLGA) Program, an amount of Php4,190,358.00 is allocated for the pilot operation of the academy. The creation of the Bangsamoro Local Government Academy, under the direct supervision of the Minister of the Interior and Local Government, will complement and strengthen the capacity development of the technical personnel and operations of the MILG as well as the Local Government Units (LGUs) and any other government entities within BARMM that will partner with the BLGA, thereby improving the capacities for Local Governance based on the needs of its constituents. It is in adherence to Chapter 7, Section 25 under Title VIII of Bangsamoro Autonomy Act No. 13, otherwise known as the Bangsamoro Administrative Code.

#### **OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MINISTER**

The Office of the Chief Minister, under the Governance Sector, shall be allocated a total amount of Php2,925,997,406.00 for FY 2023.

Under its Policy Formulation and Development Program under GAS, it shall be allocated Php1,300,000,000.00 intended for land for Bangsamoro Government Centers.

The Tulong Alay sa Bangsamorong Nangangailangan (TABANG) Program shall be allocated with Php682,788,695.00 for FY 2023 for 159,126 beneficiaries of food package and medical assistance, 902 communities shall receive food and medical assistance, and 6,200 beneficiaries to be served with livelihood support. This Program is a humanitarian project created to alleviate the situation in the Bangsamoro communities. The project aims to provide immediate direct services to the Bangsamoro people, particularly those who are living in poverty and affected by calamities and conflicts. It is a manifestation of the Bangsamoro Government's pledge to help its constituents in the grassroots and bring the government closer to the people.

The conduct of the project brought different Ministries, Agencies, and Offices of the Bangsamoro Government in convergence to provide comprehensive socio-economic services to the region. In FY 2022, the same program was allocated Php1,442,204,822.40 which targeted 307,813 beneficiaries to receive food and medical assistance, 1,756 communities to receive food and medical assistance, 335 cooperatives to be assisted by the livelihood intervention, and 10,650 beneficiaries to be served with livelihood support.

Finally, under its Support to Local Moral Governance (SLMG) Program, an allocation of Php943,208,711.00 shall be provided for FY 2023. Of the amount, Php57,600,000.00 is intended to support 48 barangays without NTA.

The Support to Local Moral Governance aims to empower Bangsamoro constituent local government units to effectively participate in the regional process through improvements of basic utilities and facilities. Specifically, the program aims to achieve the following key objectives: Improve basic local utilities and facilities; Promote a sense of accountability among local government officials; Improve access to basic services and facilities; Improve local capacity in managing community development; Enhance the capacity of law enforcement agencies to maintain public order and safety; Increase the resilience of vulnerable populations and communities; Improve Institutions for Food Security and Nutrition; and Enhance management of natural resources and adaptation to climate change.

To improve the delivery of services of local government units and strengthen its governance, the SLMG has an infrastructure component that includes 100 units of public toilets with water system level II, 100 Barangay Halls, five (5) municipal halls, and three (3) fire trucks. All of these totalling to Php872,800,000.00 for FY 2023.

## **MINISTRY OF TRADE, INVESTMENTS AND TOURISM**

The Ministry of Trade, Investment and Tourism (MTIT), under the Governance Sector shall receive Php4,008,780.00 for FY 2023 under its Local Industry Development and Promotion's Competitiveness of Cities and Municipalities Index (CMCI) Program which targets 30 LGUs to be ranked as competitive. In FY 2022, the same program was allocated Php2,772,010.00 and targeted 70 LGUs ranked as competitive. CMCI is an annual ranking developed by National Competitiveness Council (NCC) through the Regional Competitiveness Committees (RCCs) to stimulate competition among Local Government Units (LGUs) based on the sum of their scores on 5 Pillars: Economic Dynamism, Government Efficiency, Infrastructure, Resiliency and Innovation.

## **CHAPTER V**

## Conclusion

The first half of the transition period is set to conclude this year. In 2023-2025, the Bangsamoro Government is afforded with more opportunities to continue setting the path to genuine development. Its vision gradually becomes clearer, more concrete, and attainable. The Bangsamoro Government continues to build the foundation for a better Bangsamoro. In doing so, maintaining a responsive priority agenda, developing an enabling policy environment, and upholding the principle of moral governance are keys to sustain peace and spur socioeconomic development in the region.

In FY 2023, the Bangsamoro Government has reflected programs, projects, and activities tailored-fit to the needs of the Bangsamoro constituents to empower them, not only through provision of adequate resources but also with the technical capacity, to withstand various adversities that necessarily comes with the changing times. The Bangsamoro Government has taken a more respectable, healthier, responsive, resilient, equitable and holistic approach in its interventions, as well as shifting paradigms in the field of finance and budgeting which are essential for strengthening transparency, accountability, and responsibility.

The Bangsamoro Government also gives emphasis on citizen-engagement and strengthens LGU and stakeholders participation to improve the credibility of government service delivery to each beneficiary regardless of their status and geographical locations. The common goal is to optimize the budget by prioritizing budget allocation to interventions which are expected to maximize the benefits to a larger, if not all members of the community. Ultimately, it is the vision of the Bangsamoro government to drive the region towards a self-sufficient economy where every Bangsamoro lives comfortably, proactive in the government's thrusts, and at the center of development.



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