



**BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO
MINISTRY OF FINANCE, AND BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT
BANGSAMORO GOVERNMENT CENTER, COTABATO CITY**

BANGSAMORO BUDGET CIRCULAR

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**TO : All Heads of Ministries, BTA Parliament, and Offices of the
Bangsamoro Government and all Others Concerned**

**SUBJECT : GUIDELINES ON THE RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS UNDER THE FY 2021 GENERAL
APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF THE BANGSAMORO (GAAB)**

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Title IV, Chapter 1 of the Bangsamoro Autonomy Act No. 13 or the Bangsamoro Administrative Code declares that it is the policy of the Bangsamoro Government to promote, adopt, and implement sound and efficient use of government resources for regional development and for the attainment of economic self-sufficiency and genuine development.
- 1.2 Pursuant thereto, the Ministry of Finance and Budget and Management (MFBM), as the Ministry primarily mandated for institutionalization of sound and efficient fiscal management and utilization of resources, is responsible for the formulation of fiscal policies that will best address the concerns and issues of the ministries and offices of the Bangsamoro Government.
- 1.3 Bangsamoro Budget Circular No. 2021-01 was issued on January 13, 2021, prescribing the guidelines on the release of funds for FY 2021. According thereto, expenditure items under For Later Release (Negative List) shall require the submission of Special Budget Request (SBR) supported with separate/detailed Financial Plan (BED 1), Physical Plan (BED2), Monthly Disbursement Program (BED 3), and other necessary documents which include but not limited to Program Implementation Plan and Guidelines, Common Engineering Documents, and Technical Specifications, as may be required by the specific special provision provided in the 2021 GAAB to MFBM.

2.0 PURPOSE

This Circular is being issued to prescribe the guidelines and procedures on the release and utilization of funds for infrastructure projects under the GAAB FY 2021.

3.0 COVERAGE

All Ministries and Offices with approved and funded infrastructure projects stated in the General Appropriations Act of the Bangsamoro FY 2021.

4.0 GENERAL GUIDELINES

4.1 The following policies shall be observed in the release of funds for Infrastructure Projects for FY 2021:

- 4.1.1 All funds for infrastructure projects fall under expenditure items FOR LATER RELEASE. Release of such funds shall be in accordance with the accomplishment targets set forth under the MFBM-evaluated Budget Execution Documents (BEDs) for FY 2021 prepared and submitted by Ministries and Offices.
- 4.1.2 The obligational authority for Infrastructure projects shall be released in lump sum through issuance of Special Allotment Release Order. Submission of Special Budget Request for infrastructure projects shall be accompanied by duly signed common engineering documents, such as Program of Works, Detailed Engineering Plan, and Approved Budget for the Contract.
- 4.1.3 The MFBM-evaluated Monthly Disbursement Program (MDP) or BED No. 3 shall serve as basis for the release of disbursement authorities such as Notice of Cash Allocation (NCA).
- 4.1.4 Ministries and Offices are discouraged to program its disbursements in lump sum (i.e., one month). Disbursement program shall be in accordance with the reasonable estimate of percentage of completion of the infrastructure projects.

5.0 RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The responsibility and accountability in the implementation of programs and projects, and proper utilization and disbursement of the Infrastructure Projects shall rest upon the Minister or Head of Office and those who take part in the disbursement of funds. It is also the responsibility of said officials to ensure that the funds released to the Ministry are utilized strictly in accordance with applicable budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations, and pertinent provisions of RA No. 9184.

6.0 SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

If any part of provision of this Circular is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

7.0 REPEALING CLAUSE

All provisions of existing circulars and other issuances inconsistent with this Circular are modified accordingly.

8.0 EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect immediately.

MINISTRY OF FINANCE, AND
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BY: *JD* DATE: 6/30/2021 TIME: 3:10

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