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

BANGSAMORO BUDGET CIRCULAR

No. **2023-09**

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TO : All Heads of Ministries, BTA Parliament, and Offices of the Bangsamoro Government, Budget Officers, Accountants; and all Others Concerned

SUBJECT : GUIDELINES ON THE CONTINUED USE OF FUNDS FOR SETTLEMENT OF UNPAID OBLIGATIONS OF FISCAL YEARS 2020, 2021, AND 2022 PER BANGSAMORO AUTONOMY ACT (BAA) NO. 38

1.0 RATIONALE

The Bangsamoro Parliament passed Bangsamoro Autonomy Act (BAA) No. 38¹, enabling the continued use of funds for the release and disbursement of unpaid obligations of Fiscal Years (FY) 2020, 2021, and 2022 appropriations.

BAA No. 38 amended Section 47 of the Bangsamoro Appropriations Act FY 2020 (BAA No. 3), Section 47 of the General Appropriations Act of the Bangsamoro (GAAB) FY 2021 (BAA No. 15), and Section 48 of the GAAB FY 2022 (BAA No. 23) to read as follows:

*"For Fiscal Year 2020, the appropriations for **infrastructure and capital outlays, and continuing programs under MOOE** shall be valid for obligation until **December 31, 2022**. The appropriation shall continue to be effective until fully released and disbursed."*

¹ BAA No. 38, An Act Authorizing the Continued Use of Funds for the Release and Disbursement of Unpaid Obligations of FY 2020, 2021, and 2022 Appropriations, dated June 22, 2023.

*"For Fiscal Year 2021, the appropriations of infrastructure, capital outlays, and **MOOE** shall be valid for obligation until December 31, 2022. The appropriation shall continue to be effective until fully released and disbursed."; and,*

*"For FY 2022, the appropriations for infrastructure, capital outlays, and **Support to Operations and Operations under MOOE** shall be valid for obligation until December 31, 2023. The appropriation shall continue to be effective until fully released and disbursed."*

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 authorized to issue the necessary guidelines for the effective implementation of the provisions on release and disbursements.

2.0 PURPOSE

This Circular is issued to prescribe the guidelines, rules, and regulations on the continued use of funds and availability of cash allocation for settlement of unpaid obligations of the FY 2020, 2021, and 2022.

3.0 COVERAGE

All Ministries, Offices, and Agencies (M/O/As) receiving budgetary support from the Bangsamoro Government stated in the GAAB.

4.0 PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES

- 4.1 All released cash allocations of appropriations from FYs 2020, 2021, and 2022 which remain unobligated as of December 31, 2022, shall be reverted to the Bangsamoro Treasury under a Special Fund in accordance with Section 19, Article XII of RA 11054. Once complied, the Bangsamoro Treasury Office shall issue Certification of Funds Reverted in favor of the M/O/A.
- 4.2 The reversion of unobligated cash allocations shall be done on or before August 31, 2023.
- 4.3 The reversion of unobligated cash allocations to the Bangsamoro Treasury shall serve as a pre-requisite for the issuance of a new disbursement authority authorizing the MOAs to use the cash allocations for payment of obligations recorded as of December 31, 2022.

- 4.3.1 For M/O/As which have not reverted their unutilized cash allocation as prescribed by BBC 2023-006, MFBM shall issue an Authority to Disburse (ATD) to cover the validity period of disbursement for unpaid obligations in the FYs 2020, 2021, and 2022 with the extended payment period in accordance with BAA No. 38.
- 4.3.2 For M/O/As which have reverted their cash allocation as prescribed by BBC 2023-006², MFBM shall issue a Notice of Cash Allocation (NCA) to cover the unpaid obligations in the FYs 2020, 2021, and 2022 with the extended payment period in accordance with BAA No. 38.
- 4.4 M/O/As shall submit a request to the MFBM for issuance of ATD or issuance of NCA together with the complete set of Budget and Financial Accountability Reports (BFARs) and Certification of Funds Reverted issued by the BTO.
- 4.5 The basis of the amount to be reflected in the ATD or NCA are the obligated amounts but not yet paid at year-end as reported in the BFARs, specifically FAR No. 3 (Aging of Due and Demandable Obligations) per budget year, submitted to the MFBM on or before April 30, 2023.

5.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Heads of Ministries, Offices, and Agencies shall be responsible for the proper implementation of the provisions of this Circular. They shall ensure that the funds released to the Ministry/Office/Agency are utilized strictly in accordance with applicable budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations, and pertinent provisions of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184.

6.0 SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

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

² BBC No. 2023-006, Guidelines on the Reversion of 2020, 2021, and 2022 Funds and Cash Allocation Without Authority to Use, dated March 21, 2023

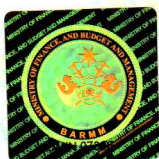
7.0 REPEALING CLAUSE

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

8.0 EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect immediately.

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