

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. Series 2016

AN ORDER CREATING THE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) WORKING COMMITTEE AS ONE OF THE WORKING COMMITTEES OF THE PROVINCIAL COMPETITIVENESS AND INNOVATION COUNCIL (PCIC)

WHEREAS, Article XIV, Section 10 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares that science and technology are essential for national development and progress. The State shall give priority to research and development, invention, innovation, and their utilization; and to science and technology education, training, and services. It shall support indigenous, appropriate, and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, and their application to the country's productive systems and national life;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 571 of former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo created the Public-Private Sector Task Force on Philippines Competitiveness;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 44 of former President Benigno S. Aquino, III which amended EO No. 571 (S. 2006) creating the Public-Private Sector Task Force on Philippines Competitiveness, renamed the Task Force as the National Competitiveness Council (NCC) and expanded its membership;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 25 of former President Benigno S. Aquino, III created an interagency task force on the harmonization of national government performance monitoring, information, and reporting system;

WHEREAS, it is the collective desire of both the provincial government and the business sector to jointly address the competitiveness indicators that will impact on our competitiveness ranking and strengthen our industry, agriculture and service sectors, create jobs and increase income as we move up the value

WHEREAS, there is a need to rationalize, harmonize, integrate, and unify the efforts of regional government agencies, the provincial government, the local government units, and the private sector in pursuing programs and projects that would further the competitiveness and innovation of the province;

WHEREAS, the current administration upholds "Abilidad" (Competitiveness) and "Malasakit" (Welfare) as its main thrusts, which includes engaging in programs and projects to boost the competitive cluster (governance and economic sectors) of the province;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 33, Series of 2016 created the Provincial Competitiveness and Innovation Council to provide a mechanism for the public and private sectors to work closely together in encouraging competitiveness and pursue meaningful and effective legal, regulatory, institutional, procedural, and other appropriate reforms;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANTONIO RAFAEL G. DEL ROSARIO, Provincial Governor, by virtue of the powers vested in my law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Governance Working Committee. There is hereby created an Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Governance Working Committee under the Provincial Competitiveness and Innovation Council (PCIC).

SECTION 2. Mandate. The ICT Governance Working Committee shall facilitate all proposal, projects, and other endeavors that aim to boost competitiveness and innovation in the field of multi-platform media development, telecommunications, and other improvements in communications technology.







SECTION 3. Composition. The ICT Governance Working Committee shall be composed of the following:

${\it Section~3.1.~Public~Sector~Representatives}. \ {\it The~following~offices~shall~be~represented:}$

- a) Department of Information and Communications Technology
- b) Provincial Administrator's Office
- c) Provincial Budget Office
- d) Provincial Accounting Office
- e) Provincial Treasurer's Office
- f) Provincial Planning and Development Office
- g) Information Technology Division

Section 3.2. Private Sector Representatives. The following offices shall be represented:

a) Four (4) private sector representatives

SECTION 4. Powers and Functions. The ICT shall have the following powers and functions:

- a) Serve as the primary collection point of investor issues and proposals that need to be addressed in order to improve national and international competitiveness in the field of ICT.
- b) Coordinate, monitor, and assess implementation of ICT-related programs and projects and, when necessary, recommend appropriate adjustments thereon in the light of changing conditions in both the domestic and international environment.
- c) Direct specific departments and agencies to attend to the bottlenecks and problems constraining competitiveness in any of the areas mentioned in a concerned ICT-related program or project, and require the concerned members to deliver progress report(s) on the actions/initiatives taken to resolve these areas of concern.
- d) Coordinate with Local Government Units (LGUs) through the respective leagues for the formulation of standards and policies to be observed by LGUs in order to ensure that plans and budgets of LGUs are supportive of the thrusts of the concerned ICT-related program or project, and ensure optimal allocation of expenditures.
- e) Coordinate with concerned agencies for the generation of resources, both governmental and non-governmental, local, national and international, as may be appropriate, in and for the development, marketing, growth and competitiveness of the provincial economy as set by the concerned ICT-related program or project.
- a) Perform such other powers and functions as may be necessary, incidental or proper to its mandate, or as may be assigned from time to time by the Chairperson.

SECTION 5. Funding. Operation Expenses and other identified activities of the ICT Working Committee shall be charged to the available appropriate funds from the Provincial Governor's Office (PGO) and funds from private partners of the respective projects. The Chairperson of the PCIC may, upon the authority of the Sanggunian, negotiate and secure financial grants or donations in kind in support of the appropriate projects, from local and foreign assistance agencies without necessity of securing clearance or approval therefor from any department, agency, or office of the national government or from any higher local government unit. Provided, that projects financed by such grants or assistance with national security implications shall be approved by the national agency concerned. Provided, further, that when such national agency fails to act on the request for approval within thirty (30) days from receipt thereof, the same shall be deemed approved. The Chairperson of the PCIC shall, within thirty (30) days upon signing of such agreement or deed of donation, report the nature, amount, and terms of such assistance to both House of Congress and the President.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. All Executive Orders, other issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE this _____ day of September 2016 at the Government Center, Mankilam, Tagum City, Davao del Norte Province, Philippines.

ANTONIO RAFAEL G. DEL ROSARIO Provincial Governor