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THE DUTERTE ADMINISTRATION YEAR-END REPORT

2017 KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

DECEMBER 2017

This Report does not include the numerous other accomplishments of all the agencies concerned. We thank all the offices under the Executive Branch for their cooperation.

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This year-end report highlights the key accomplishments of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte and his administration to give the Filipino people a safe, secure, and comfortable environment through his key platforms of providing law and order, lasting peace, and prosperity for all.

The Duterte administration is committed to eliminate illegal drugs, criminality, and corruption in government. It is, likewise, serious in addressing poverty and inequality across the archipelago.

Crucial reforms being instituted by the Duterte administration to resolve the nation's problems have been gaining ground, paving the way for the economy to maintain its growth and allowing the government to pursue more sustainable and inclusive socio-development programs.

Rest assured that we, in government, will act in urgency to implement the Philippine Development Plan for 2017-2022, which covers the socioeconomic agenda and strategic infrastructure development of President Duterte.



- The total number of hectares of land distributed from January to September 2017 is **36,051 has** which benefitted a total of **31,737 agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs)**.





- **Assistance to farmers and fisherfolks:** From January to 30 September 2017, the Department of Agriculture (DA) provided good quality seeds, planting materials, animals, fertilizer and other soil ameliorants, and other production support services to **88,678** farmers and **4,518** farmer association/groups. In addition, **8,475** individuals and **117** fisherfolk associations and marginal fisherfolk benefitted from the provision of various environment-friendly fishing gears.



- **Financial Assistance:** As of 30 September 2017, a total of **P14.8-million** financial assistance were provided to **1,012** farmers affected by Typhoons Nina (in Camarines Sur and Catanduanes), Auring (in Agusan Norte and Agusan Sur), Tropical Depression

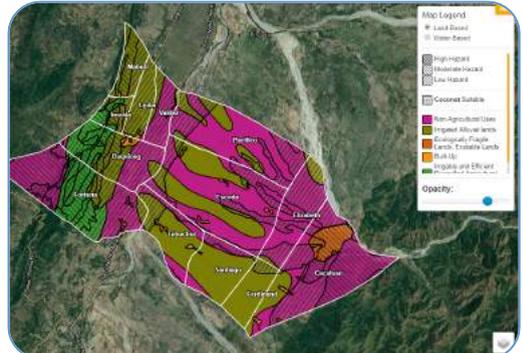
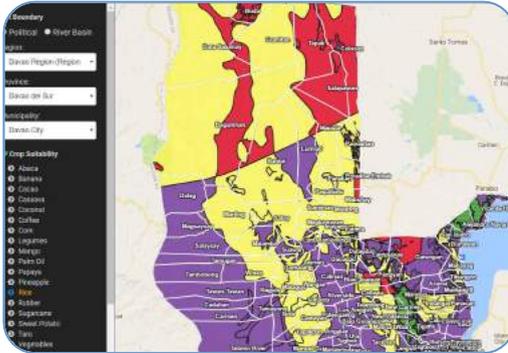


Crising (in Carmen and Danao, Cebu) Avian Influenza (in San Luis, Pampanga, and San Isidro and Jaen, Nueva Ecija, and the Marawi armed conflict in Marawi City. To hasten the release of the much needed financial assistance, the services of current financial institutions (FI) partners (lending conduits) such as cooperatives, cooperative banks, NGOs, and farmer/fisher associations under various programs of DA, Agricultural Credit Policy Council, Landbank, and other government agencies are tapped.



- **Irrigation Services:** The installation/ construction of small--scale irrigation projects (SSIPs) is one of the strategies developed by the Department to provide supplemental irrigation in times of dry season particularly in rice, corn, and high--value crop production. As of 30 September 2017, a total of **3,489** SSIPs was installed/constructed generating **11,823.27** hectares of new service area.





- The **National Color-Coded Agricultural Guide Map (NACCAG)** was launched. This internet-based agri-mapping helps farmers and fisherfolks to make informed decisions by identifying the agricultural areas that are naturally suitable for 20 crops. (7 March 2017)

2.32% growth of Philippine Agriculture in the third quarter of 2017;

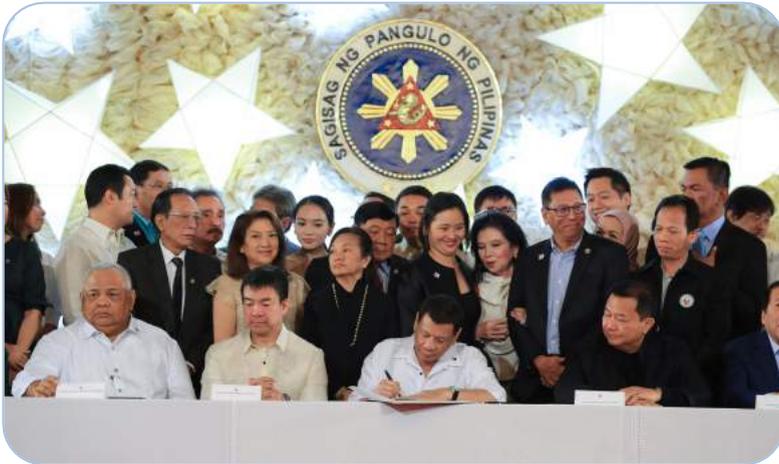
16 November 2017



4.64% growth in agricultural production in the first nine months of 2017

16 November 2017

Department of Budget and Management



o 2018 Budget

On his second State of the Nation Address (SONA), President Rodrigo Roa Duterte submitted to Congress the administration's proposed 2018 national budget. This is the earliest submission of a proposed budget since the Ramos administration. The **P3.767-trillion** budget was ratified by Congress on December 12, and signed into law by President Duterte on 19 December 2017.



o Public Spending

The increased efficiency in public spending has been credited to reforms instituted at the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and line agencies including improved budget preparation, streamlined procurement processes, and strict project monitoring for the swift implementation of programs and projects.

The country's first semester performance for 2017 revealed greater potential in achieving our spending targets. National government spending recorded a robust **22.6 percent** growth in June 2017.



- From July 2016 to June 2017, the Department of Education (DepEd) has:



- constructed **36,838** classrooms;
 - delivered **448,935** school seats; and
 - hired **29,725** teachers for the implementation of the K to 12 Program.
- As of March 2017, **93.7% (1.8-million students)** benefitted from the DepEd's school-based feeding program.



- **P997,405,080 special hardship allowances** were distributed to teachers assigned to multi-grade classes, mobile teachers, and Alternative Learning System (ALS).

(18 January 2017)

Commission on Higher Education



- **Free College Tuition Fee - Republic Act (RA) No. 10931**, the “Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act,” exempts qualified Filipino students from paying tuition and other school fees in pursuance of their bachelor's degree or comparable undergraduate degree in the **112** state universities and colleges (SUC) and **108** local government created colleges and universities (LUC) that pass the Commission on Higher Education's (CHED) standards.

3 August 2017

- **Tuition Subsidy for Medical Students** – Doctor of Medicine students in **eight (8)** State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) can now avail full tuition subsidy through the Cash Grants to Medical Students enrolled in State Universities and Colleges (CGMS-SUCs) program (June 2017).



- The Commission on Higher Education (CHED) led the implementation of the **P8.3-billion** Free Tuition in State Universities and Colleges which benefitted a total of **990,899** students and an additional **2,163** Medical Students covered under Special Provisions No. 6 Applicable to SUCs, Volume 1-A. page 964 of R.A. No. 10924 also known as the General Appropriations Act (GAA) of FY 2017.

- As of 20 December 2017, CHED supported training of **9,775** faculty members in the following areas:

- **2,737** faculty to teach the New General Education Core Courses;
- **655** faculty to teach Business Analytics Courses;
- **223** maritime faculty in the adoption of Outcomes-based Teaching and Learning;
- **235** Shipboard Training Officers of maritime higher education institutions; and
- **5,925** faculty in HEIs have been trained for Senior High School Teaching.



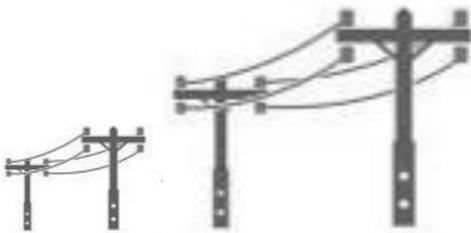
- As of 20 December 2017, CHED also supported the following:

- **454,554** students supported through scholarships and grants; and
- **9,302** faculty and staff supported through scholarships for Masters and Doctorate and other grants, locally and abroad.





- **Electrification.** The Department of Energy (DOE) accomplished its target of **90%** household electrification by end-2016 from its original timeline of end-2017 and energized nearly **237,000** households from July to December 2016, increasing the household electrification level from **89.6% to 90.7%**.



- On 28 June 2017, the DOE launched the Mindanao Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM) to create a competitive and transparent power market for Mindanao electricity consumers.

Department of Environment and Natural Resources



- The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has assessed and mapped **94,121** hectares of coastal habitats for potential livelihood opportunities as of 30 November 2017.

- In terms of geo-hazard assessment and mapping, the DENR reported **199 LGUs** underwent Vulnerability and Risk Assessment; **22 LGUs** updated their **1:10,000** scale of Geo-hazard maps; **15 LGUs** finished their Detailed Subsurface Assessment; and **263 LGUs** completed their Coastal Geo-hazard Assessment, as of 30 November 2017.



- On 27 September 2017, the DENR has confiscated more than **70,000** board feet of undocumented wood products with an estimated value of **P30-million** from a warehouse in Brgy. Bagbag, Novaliches, Quezon City.

Department of Finance



- The President on 19 December 2017 signed into law the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) Act or Republic Act (RA) No. 10963. This is a milestone for the Department of Finance (DOF), which has worked hard for the bill to come into fruition. This Act seeks to make the country's tax system simpler, fairer and more efficient.

- The DOF has reported a **P1-billion** Parametric Insurance Pilot project for 25 disaster-prone provinces which started last 28 July 2017.

- The government pursued high-profile tax cases, which resulted in the following:
 - Philippine Airlines (PAL)'s **P6-billion** settlement with the administration
 - Mighty Corporation's **P40-billion** settlement with the Administration
 - Sunvar Realty Development Corporation's compliance to leave the Mile Long commercial property



- Bureau of Customs (BOC) released **Memorandum Order (MO) No. 24-2017**: five-day mandatory time frame to respond to all clients, be it external or internal.



Foreign Visits



The President visited Myanmar and Thailand from 19 to 23 March 2017. Common areas of cooperation identified with the two countries are on trade, tourism, agriculture, defense and security, intelligence, science and technology, cultural exchange, education, energy, and humanitarian assistance and development cooperation programs.

From 10 to 16 May 2017, the President visited Cambodia, China, and Hong Kong.

President Duterte arrived in Phnom Penh to participate in the World Economic Forum (WEF) for Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) 2017 and proceeded to the Informal Gathering of World Economic Leaders and to the Multilateral Meeting with the ASEAN Regional Strategy Group. The Chief Executive also attended the ASEAN Regional Business Council Special Session on DuterteNomics and ASEAN with business leaders. In all these, the President spoke of the opportunities for mutually beneficial partnership, especially in the Build-Build-Build, the Philippines' infrastructure development program.

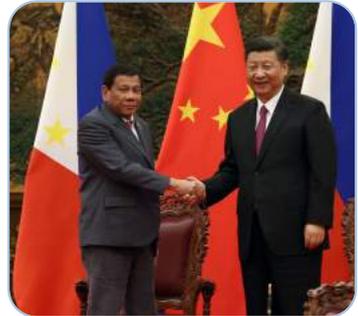


While in Hong Kong, President Duterte met with the Filipino community at the Regal Airport Hotel. There are some 210,000 Filipinos working and residing in the Special Administrative Region.

The last leg of the President's trip was China to attend the One Belt One Road Forum for International Cooperation. The Belt and Road Initiative was launched in 2013 as President Xi Jin Ping's signature program for international cooperation. It complements President Duterte's Build Build Build infrastructure plan, given the initiative's emphasis on infrastructure and connectivity.

Foreign Visits

The Philippines and China inked the Agreement on Economic and Technical Cooperation which will be the basis of China's grant, amounting to around **RMB 500-million**, for the conduct of feasibility studies for major projects, construction of the drug abuse treatment and rehabilitation center and bridges crossing the Pasig River. In addition, the Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) on Cooperation in Human Resource Development, on Energy Cooperation, and on News Publishing were also signed.



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QATAR



The President went to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of Bahrain, and the State of Qatar from 10 to 17 April 2017.

During the President's week-long three-country visit, he and his Cabinet delegation signed investment deals among Saudi, Bahraini, and Qatari businessmen amounting to over **US\$925-million**. These are expected to create **62,000** jobs.

The President and his Cabinet delegation also signed agreements on investment; labor cooperation; strengthening of diplomatic ties; air services; avoidance of double taxation; and cooperation on culture, health, and technical and vocational education and training.



On 22 May 2017, the President arrived in Moscow, Russia for a four-day official visit to further strengthen our ties.

The following day, President Duterte held a bilateral meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin saying that the Philippines is seeking friendship with Russia.

Source: Office of the Executive Secretary

Foreign Visits

However, the President had to cut short his trip to attend to a pressing matter in the Philippines – the Marawi siege – where the President had to declare martial law in Mindanao.

While the President had immediately returned to the country, cabinet secretaries led by Foreign Affairs Secretary Alan Peter Cayetano remained in Moscow and signed several agreements related to tourism, agriculture, defense cooperation, trade and industry, foreign affairs, transportation, and culture and the arts on 24 May 2017. These agreements broaden relations between the Philippines and the Russian Federation in various spheres.



The President visited Japan for the second time from 30 to 31 October 2017 where he reiterated the Philippines' strong commitment to the strategic partnership with Japan.

President Duterte said he was pleased with Japan's reiteration of its full commitment to "give flesh" to the **1 trillion yen** pledge of assistance to the Philippines to boost economic and infrastructure development in the next five years, including a subway in Metro Manila and improving projects for the North South Commuter Rail.



The President likewise thanked Japan for its continuing assistance in other areas such as countering terrorism and violent extremism, defense and capacity building, which include maritime safety and coastal surveillance, combating illegal drugs and pursuing lasting peace in Mindanao.



From 8 to 12 November 2017, the President visited Vietnam to attend the Asia Pacific Economic Conference. The President together with other APEC Economic Leaders, agreed to work tirelessly for free and open market and investment towards quality and innovative growth in the 21st century.

Foreign Relations

The Philippines' successful chairmanship of the ASEAN 2017 and hosting of the 50th year anniversary of the ASEAN where **eight (8) priority economic deliverables fully achieved**.



The Philippines gained signed agreements or partner commitments in bilateral discussions during the 31st ASEAN Summit and Related Summits from 12-14 November 2017.



US – an aid amounting to **\$14.3-million** for the rehabilitation of Marawi City and **\$2-million** for anti-drug programs



China – 14 cooperation agreements on areas such as the economy, infrastructure, transportation, environment, intellectual property, national security, and finance



Japan – For the first phase of the Metro Manila Subway, a total of **¥104.53-billion (P46-billion)** will be provided by the Japanese government, while a loan amounting to **¥9.399-billion (P4-billion)** will be given to cover the construction of a bypass road along the Philippine-Japan Friendship Highway in Plaridel, Bulacan. Further, the Japanese government has committed to provide an aid grant of **¥2.5-billion (P1-billion)** for the procurement of equipment and materials for counterterrorism, such as coast watch radars, and the reconstruction of man-torn Marawi.

Foreign Relations

- **Russia** – eight bilateral agreements on areas such as criminality, extradition, energy, communication, education, intellectual property, and audits and accounts
- **Canada** – \$17.8-million for sexual health and empowerment projects for the women in the Philippines
- **New Zealand** – three agreements on education, tourism, and geothermal industry



- The government, likewise, was able to push mutual interests like:



- Generalized System of Preferences (trade arrangements with US) and to start exploring talks on the Philippines-US Free Trade Agreement
- Improving market access for Philippine bananas in Australia, Japan and Korea
- Indian pharmaceutical companies to set up operations in the Philippines and provide cheaper medicines
- Cooperation against sea piracy threat in Sulu with Australia

Department of Foreign Affairs



Efficient Delivery of Government Services



- On 18 December 2017, the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) — OFWs and their families in the Philippines can now look forward to quicker response and improved services from the DFA with the signing of new guidelines on the use of the more than **P1-billion** in funds that President Rodrigo Duterte ordered released to assist Filipinos who encounter emergencies and other problems abroad.

- The DFA released the Implementing Rules and Regulation (IRR) of Republic Act No. 10928 otherwise known as “An Act Extending the Validity of Philippine Passports”, which extends the validity of Philippine Passports from five years to **10 years starting January 2018**.

(25 October 2017)



- **1,200** slots reserved daily for travel agencies were removed and converted into additional slots for regular applicants. (1 August 2017)





Drug Rehabilitation

As of January to September 2017 (*Mega DATRC excluded)



16,103 drug dependents

undergoing Department of Health (DOH) drug rehabilitation program

2,236 drug dependents

already completed DOH drug rehabilitation program



14,046 drug surrenderers received livelihood and skills training by the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)

(September 2017)

Sources: Inter-Agency Committee on Anti-Illegal Drug Secretariat Report; Office of the Assistant Secretary for Special Projects, September 2017



- The Philippines earned a **Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus Elimination (MNTE) status**, which means that the country has less than one case of neonatal tetanus (NT) per 1,000 live births in every province/city, according to the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and the World Health Organization (WHO). (November 2017)

- **Republic Act No. 10932** states that “in emergency or serious cases, it shall be unlawful for any hospital or medical clinic to request, solicit, demand or accept any deposit or any other form of advance payment as prerequisite for administering basic emergency care, for confinement or medical treatment, or to refuse to administer medical treatment and support to any patient.” (3 August 2017)



- **945,953 indigent patients** obtained financial assistance for diagnostics, medicine, medical supplies, and services under DOH’s Medical Assistance Program (1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017)



- **Executive Order No. 26** provides for the establishment of smoke-free environment in public and enclosed places (16 May 2017)

- Creation of **PhilHealth All Case Rates (ACR) Search**
 - Free mobile application for easy access of information on compensable illnesses, procedures, and benefit rates (February 2017)



- **Executive Order No. 12** aims to intensify and accelerate the implementation of critical actions necessary to attain and sustain “zero unmet need for modern family planning” for all households by 2018 within the context of the Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health Law and its implementing rules (9 January 2017)



Department of Information and Communications Technology



- The Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), and the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) signed on 20 December 2017 a Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) that will make the prepaid loads from all telecommunication companies last for one year. This will lighten the burden of subscribers and ease the worries of consumers that their prepaid loads will quickly expire.



- Launched the **Strategic Engagement and Collaboration to Undertake a Reliable and Efficient Government Internet (SECURE GovNet)** project to build the Luzon Bypass Infrastructure (15 November 2017)

- The DICT launched **Free WiFi in EDSA** on 12 June 2017, which initially covers the stretch from Cubao to Guadalupe.



- Grounded on the principle of “internet for all”, the DICT initiated the **Pipol Konek**, which is a free wi-fi internet access in public places nationwide. Currently, there are **907 sites** where people from Metro Manila and 47 other provinces can connect and use up to 50 megabytes of data per person daily.

Sources: PCOO, BCDA, DICT in partnership with Facebook.

Department of Interior and Local Government



Ensuring the Provision of Clean and Potable Water



- The implementation of the Sagana at Ligtas na Tubig (SALINTUBIG) Program paved the way for the completion of **800 water projects in 523 waterless municipalities** and are now benefitting **835,956 households** while the remaining **1,258 projects** are on various stages of completion.



- Similarly, the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG)'s Assistance to Disadvantaged Municipalities-Water Project has completed a total of **2,409 out of 4,140 water projects** that benefitted a total of **1,053,411 households** nationwide.

October 2017

911 Emergency Hotline

- Through its 911 Emergency Hotline Service, the DILG was able to respond to **101,130** legitimate emergency calls with an average response time of **8.37 minutes** per emergency call.



- **Recapture of Jail escapees.** The Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP)'s Oplan Dakip-Balik Piitan resulted to a **71%** efficiency recovery rate or a recapture of **175 out of 248** jail escapees. (October 2017)

- **93% barangays** organized their Barangay Anti-Drug Abuse Council (BADAC)

Source: Inter-Agency Committee on Anti-Illegal Drug Secretariat Report; Office of the Assistant Secretary for Special Projects, September 2017



Fighting Illegal Drugs: #RealNumbers

- **Executive Order No. 15** created the Inter-Agency Committee on Anti-Illegal Drugs (ICAD) and National Anti-Illegal Drug Task Force to harness the entire bureaucracy to assist in the implementation of anti-illegal drugs campaign. (6 March 2017)
-  PDEA was tasked to be the lead agency in the government's campaign against illegal drugs as directed by the President. (10 October 2017)
- The President signed **Memorandum Order No. 17** which directed the PNP, National Bureau of Investigation, Armed Forces of the Philippines, Bureau of Customs, Philippine Postal Corp to resume in providing active support to the PDEA in the conduct of anti-illegal drug operations. Meanwhile, the DDB remains to be the policy-making and strategy-formulating body in the planning and formulation of policies and programs on drug prevention and control. (5 December 2017)

#RealNumbers



79,193

Anti-drug operations conducted | July 1, 2016 to November 27, 2017



118,287

Drug personalities arrested | July 1, 2016 to November 27, 2017



1,308,078

Surrenderers facilitated | July 1, 2016 to July 26, 2017



3,967

Drug personalities who died in anti-drug operations
July 1, 2016 to November 27, 2017



P18.92-billion

Value of seized illegal drugs including drug paraphernalia
July 1, 2016 to November 27, 2017



16,355

Homicide Cases under Investigation | July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017



4,747 barangays declared drug-free | as of 27 November 2017

Sources: Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency, Philippine National Police, National Bureau of Investigation, and Bureau of Customs

Fighting Illegal Drugs



77% satisfied and 14% dissatisfied or **+63 (very good)** – net satisfaction rating with the administration's campaign against illegal drugs

Source: Third Quarter 2017
Social Weather Stations Survey

88% of Filipinos support the Duterte administration's campaign against illegal drugs

Source: Third Quarter 2017
Pulse Asia Survey



78% support President Duterte's handling of the illegal-drugs issue

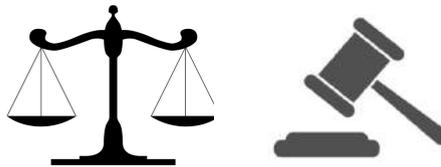
62% say the Philippine government is making progress in its anti-drug campaign

Source: Pew Research Center,
21 September 2017





Service Center - The Department of Justice (DOJ) has started the operation of its DOJ Frontline Services Center with a soft opening and trial run on 4 July 2017. The DOJ Frontline Services Center, located at the DOJ Main office grounds has **fifteen (15)** transaction windows to allow the public immediate access to the following DOJ Offices: National Prosecution Service Docket; Board of Claims; Witness Protection Program; Internal Affairs Unit; Releasing of Request with DOJ, that has two transaction windows and manned by National Prosecution Service; Records; Legal Staff, which has two transaction windows; Personnel; Finance; Office of the Secretary Docket; Cashier and Personnel.



The Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking monitored additional trafficking in persons (TIP) which convicted **315** persons.

The National Bureau of Investigation in five successive operations in August 2017, seized several counterfeit products with an aggregate amount of **P49,585,000** consisting of branded bags, footwears, soaps, and tablets/capsules of drug products.



The Bureau of Immigration (BI) launched the border control information system (BCIS), which requires computers to be equipped with cameras and finger scan device that all passengers lining up for immigration inspection must go through every time they travel in or out of the country. Aside from speeding up the processing time for passengers, it is capable of detecting attempts by undesirable aliens, such as wanted fugitives and terrorists, to enter the country even if they come in as impostors or in disguise. (December 2017)



Philippine National Police



Lowering Crimes

8.44% decrease in total crime volume

493,912 in January-October 2016
452,204 in January-October 2017

Source: PNP

20.56%

decrease in index crime
Source: PNP

23.61% decrease in robbery incidents

18,259 in January-October 2016
13,948 in January-October 2017

Source: PNP



78% of Filipinos express appreciation to the national administration's work in fighting criminality

PNP Internal Cleansing



- Recommended for dismissal from service during the period of **July 2016 to December 2016** is **51**, while during the period of **January 2017 to December 2017** is **375**. Total of **426**.
- Dismissal of two cops involved in the death of 19-year-old Carl Arnaiz. (November 2017)
- Dismissal of PCSupt. Edgardo G. Tinio and PDir. Joel Pagdilao due to drug-related charges (5 October 2017)
- The National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) relieved **1,000** police personnel of the Caloocan City Police Station in batches to undergo retraining and reorientation at Camp Bagong Diwa in Taguig City on 2 October 2017.
- More than **1,900 drug-related investigations** have been carried out against law enforcers during the period of 1 July 2016 and 15 June 2017.

Source: PNP – Internal Affairs Service



Philippine National Police and Armed Forces of the Philippines

Military and Police Recognition

- **Executive Order (EO) No. 35** - President Rodrigo Duterte signed EO 35 expanding the order of Lapu-Lapu medals to more truly reflect the honor being bestowed on its recipients.
- The President visited Camp Evangelista Station in Cagayan de Oro City and presented medals of the Order of Lapu-Lapu to Armed Force troopers who sustained injuries in the government's efforts to liberate Marawi City from the terrorist Maute group (9 September 2017).



- President Rodrigo Roa Duterte posthumously awarded the Order of Lapu-Lapu Kalasag Medal to the AFP and the PNP personnel who died in the Marawi rebellion during the National Heroes Day Commemoration at the Libingan ng mga Bayani in Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City on August 28, 2017.



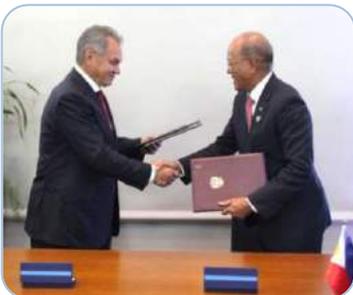
- The President signed **Proclamation No. 164** declaring **25th of January** of every year as a Day of National Remembrance for the heroic sacrifice of the 44 uniformed personnel of the PNP-SAF. (21 February 2017)
- President Duterte approved awarding of Medal of Valor (Medalya ng Kagitingan) to the remaining **42** Special Action Force (SAF) personnel, who died during the botched Mamasapano anti-terror raid in 2015. The Medal of Valor is the highest award that can be bestowed to a member of the Philippine National Police (PNP). (8 February 2017)

Department of National Defense



- Held on 26 October 2017, Defense Secretary Delfin Lorenzana and Vietnamese Minister of National Defense Ngo Xuan Lich had a bilateral meeting to further strengthen the defense relations between the two countries.

- Secretary Lorenzana met with his Chinese counterpart, General Chang Wanquan and agreed to strengthen their defense and military-to-military relations by increasing bilateral security engagements last 25 October 2017.



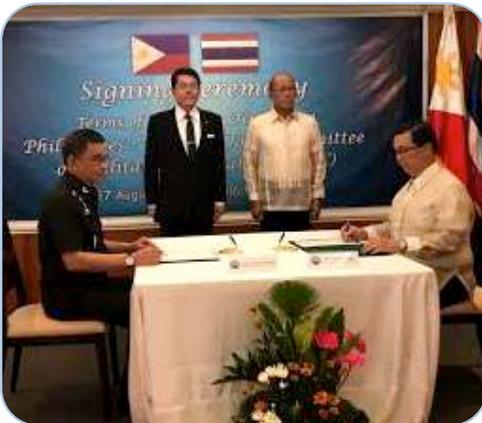
- The Philippines and Russian Federation signed an Agreement for Military-Technical Cooperation between the two countries and a contract for the Philippines' procurement of defense articles from Russia's state-owned company during the sidelines of the 4th Association of the Southeast Asian Nations Defense Ministers Meeting (ADMM)-Plus held last 24 October 2017.



- The DND hosted the ASEAN-related activities last 23-24 October 2017 where Secretary Lorenzana chaired the 11th ASEAN Defense Minister's Meeting (ADMM) and 4th ADMM-Plus. Through these, defense ministers exchanged views on regional and security issues; signed the Joint Declaration on Partnering for Change, Engaging the World; adopted documents on ADMM and ADMM-Plus initiatives; and issued a Joint Statement on Countering Extremism, Radicalization, and Terrorism, among others.



- On 12 October 2017, Secretary Lorenzana, Indonesian Defense Minister Ryamizard Ryacudu and Malaysian defense minister YB Dato' Seri Hishammuddin Tun Hussein launched the joint Trilateral Air Patrol. They expressed their commitment to continue working together, especially on countering the movement of violent extremists and terrorists across the porous borders of the three countries. In addition to this, on 19 June 2017, Secretary Lorenzana also participated in the launching of the Trilateral Maritime Patrol (TMP) in Tarakan, Indonesia where the defense ministers of PH, Indonesia and Malaysia witnessed the launching of the Maritime Command Centers (MCCs). The MCCs will facilitate the trilateral cooperation among three countries to address security challenges.



- The Philippines and Thailand signed on 17 August 2017 Terms of Reference (TOR) on the Joint Committee on Military Cooperation which expresses a shared sense to explore cooperation in the areas of research and development, as well as science and technology, in recognition of the increasing need to develop defense capabilities that are indigenous to the two countries.

Camps Visited by the President

President Rodrigo Roa Duterte's Camp Visits in 2017

Armed Forces of the Philippines/ Philippine National Police	Date Visited
Camp Siongco, Awang Satu Odin Sinsuat, Maguindanao	January 27
Camp Edlberto Evangelista, Patag, Cagayan de Oro City	February 5
Naval Station Felix Apolinario Hospital in Panacan, Davao City	February 17
Camp Teodulfo Bautista Station Hospital in Sulu	March 3
Camp Evangelista Station Hospital, Cagayan de Oro City	December 1
Camp General Artemio G. Ricarte in Puerto Princesa, Palawan	April 2
Camp Teodulfo Bautista Station Hospital in Jolo, Sulu	September 9
Camp Brig. Gen. Salipada K. Pendatun, Parang, Maguindanao	April 6
2nd Mechanized Infantry (Magbalantay) Brigada Philippine Army in Maria Cristina, Iligan City	April 6
Camp Teodulfo Bautista Station Hospital in Jolo, Sulu	May 5
102nd Infantry Brigade, Ipil Zamboanga Sibugay	May 26
Camp Lucero, Carmen, North Cotabato	May 27
Camp Leono, Tacurong, Sultan Kudarat	June 2
Camp BGen. Edilberto Evangelista, Cagayan de Oro City	June 6
Camp Iranun, Sultan Kudarat, Maguindanao	June 6
Camp Evangelista Station Hospital in Cagayan de Oro City	June 7
Camp Bahian, Malaybalay, Bukidnon	June 8
Camp Teodulfo Bautista Station Hospital in Jolo, Sulu	June 9
Camp Ranao, Marawi City, Lanao Del Sur	June 9
Fort Magsaysay, Palayan City, Nueva Ecija	June 11
Camp Brigadier General Rafael Crame in Quezon City	July 6
Camp Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City	July 6
	July 15
	July 20
	November 22
	December 18
	December 20



Department of Labor and Employment



Labor

- Effective 15 December 2017, a **P1,000** increase in the minimum wage of kasambahay or domestic workers in the National Capital region was approved by the Regional Tripartite Wages and Productivity Board. They will now receive a minimum wage rate of **P3,500**.
- The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) **Department Order (DO) No. 178**, or “Safety and Health Measures for Workers who by the Nature of their Work have to Stand at Work”, no longer requires private workers particularly women to wear high-heeled shoes (24 September 2017)

- The **DOLE anti-illegal contractualization** campaign **benefitted 125,352 workers** from regular employment status, including those set for regularization towards the end of December.



- Streamlined key frontline services across all the DOLE agencies by reducing transaction time to within 6 hours to 72 hours, a marked improvement from the previous five (5) days to two (2) weeks response time. As of October 2017, DOLE had served **6.058 million clients** under the 72-hour policy. Of this number, **4.653 million** or **77%** were served in less than 24 hours.



Launched Hotline 1349 for labor-related concerns. To help address labor-related concerns, DOLE launched **Hotline 1349 (1800-8888-1349 for domestic and 800-8888-1349 for international)** in September 2016 through the DOLE. As of October 2017, the Hotline attended to **120,297 queries** from **85,874 calls received**.

Labor – Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW) Assistance

- OFWs are now exempted from paying the airport terminal fee starting 30 April 2017.
- **Executive Order No. 44** approved the Land Bank of the Philippines' (LBP) acquisition of Philippine Postal Savings Bank (PPSB) and authorized PPSB conversion into **Overseas Filipino Bank (OFB)**, which aims to efficiently deliver microfinance and micro-insurance products and services for overseas Filipinos.

Department of Labor and Employment

Labor – OFW Assistance

- The **Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA)** has established **17 One-Stop Service Center for OFWs (OSSCO)** located nationwide. As of October 2017, the OSSCOs had served **1,171,836 clients nationwide**.



- The government through the Philippine Overseas Labor Offices (POLO) provided workers training, case management, custodial, repatriation, and other welfare assistance to **1,170,514 OFWs from July 2016 to September 2017**.
- Assistance to Overseas Filipinos from July 2016 to June 2017
 - ✓ **11,824 overseas Filipinos** benefitted from DFA's Assistance-to-Nationals (ATN) Fund worth **PhP369.91-million**
 - ✓ **360 overseas Filipinos** were given legal assistance through DFA's Legal Assistance Fund worth **PhP73.80-million**
- On 12 July 2017, the **Idole Identification (ID) Card** was launched, which will undergo a three-month pilot run; after which, it will serve as the OFW's Automated Overseas Employment Certificate. The Idole ID Card will eventually serve as an Automated Teller Machine (ATM) card with the OFW bank.

Monetary Benefits signed by the President:

- **Executive Order No 33** - increases the employment compensation funeral benefits in the private and public sectors. (17 July 2017)
- **Social Security Service (SSS) – Pension** - P2,000 across-the-board pension increase will be granted to the Social Security System's over two million pensioners in two tranches– with the first tranche (P1,000) effective January 2017 followed by the second tranche (another P1,000) sometime in 2022 or earlier. (22 February 2017)
- **Administrative Order No. 2** - granting the gratuity pay for job order and contract service workers in government (31 January 2017)

Marawi Rehabilitation Plan

- Since the start of the conflict, the government through various agencies immediately provided assistance in the form of food and non-food items to the affected families in evacuation centers and home-based IDPs. In order to have an orderly coordination of functions and responsibilities to hasten the recovery and rebuilding program, the President signed **Administrative Order (AO) No. 3** which created and inter-agency Task Force called the Task Force Bangon Marawi (TFBM).
- The TFBM is tasked to ensure that all efforts towards recovery, rehabilitation and rebuilding are coordinated and will serve the best interests of the affected communities.



- **AO 3** was amended through **AO 9** signed on 27 October 2017 to highlight the transition from military operations to rehabilitation and recovery. **AO 9** states that the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) will take over the chairpersonship of the Task Force.



Marawi Rehabilitation Plan

TFBM's early interventions:

- **Internally Displaced Persons.** As of 3 November 2017, the DSWD recorded **77,170** displaced families or **353,636** internally displaced persons. Of which, **29,122** families received **P1,000** financial assistance. Through the Cash for Work Program, **P76.61-million** benefited **38,307** persons. As of 31 October 2017, **6,469 families** or **37,913 persons** from nine barangays have already returned to their homes.
- **Electricity.** Marawi City is **100%** energized as of 3 November 2017.
- **Transitory Shelter.** Barangay Sagonsongan is the identified location of **1,175** temporary housing units. The location is subdivided into six areas for site development. The task force is putting up electrical posts and deep wells to ensure electricity and water supply. The transitory shelter is 22 square meters in size with a toilet and bath per unit. Septic tank and drainage system will be provided to ensure that it will last for two to three years. The TFBM commits to provide a minimum of **500** housing units not later than 20 December 2017.



- **Permanent Shelter.** 33 hectares of land is provided by the local government and available for development. On the part of HUDCC, National Housing Authority (NHA), PAGIBIG, and Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB), these agencies are working together to provide socialized or low-cost housing units for government employees or gainfully employed civilians in Marawi City.

Marawi Rehabilitation Plan



- o **Post Conflict Needs Assessment (PCNA).** PCNA in Marawi City has been completed for cluster I composed of 49 barangays. Damage and Loss Assessment as part of the PCNA is ongoing in 23 barangays of Cluster II. Once completed, the PCNA findings shall be the basis for crafting a Marawi Comprehensive Recovery and Rehabilitation Plan, the basis for building back a better Marawi City in consonance with the plans submitted by the Local Government.



- o **Comprehensive Rehabilitation and Recovery Plan.** The crafting of the Comprehensive Rehabilitation Plan will be done by NEDA in coordination with other concerned agencies, the local government units, NGOs and civil society organizations.



- o The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) granted livelihood packages to the over 29 families of soldiers who were killed in action in Marawi as honor to the fallen soldiers. Each family received a Kabuhayan Starter Kit, a book on stories of DTI-assisted entrepreneurs to inspire them, several gift items and gift certificates, and toys for their children.

77% of Filipino adults are satisfied with the Duterte administration's efforts to rebuild Marawi City
 (Source: Third Quarter 2017 Social Weather Stations Survey)



Department of Public Works and Highways



- On 15 December 2017, the widened Barkadahan Bridge in Taytay, Rizal was opened. The **245-lineal** meter bridge will benefit thousands of motorists utilizing Laguna Lake Highway as an alternative route to the congested EDSA and C-5 Road.



- After 20 years, the Cagayan de Oro Coastal Road is now accessible to the public. It was opened last 10 November 2017, which is expected to lessen the travel time by **20 minutes** from Laguindingan Airport to Cagayan de Oro City.
- The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) inaugurated the completed **P62-million** widening and drainage improvement project along the west bound of Quezon Avenue from Elliptical Road to Agham Road in Quezon City (3 November 2017).
- Rolled out the use of the Project and Contract Management Application (PCMA) which will serve as a tool for inspection and reflect accomplishments of DPWH projects real-time (October 2017)



Department of Public Works and Highways

- Groundbreaking ceremony of the **961.43 lineal-meter** Bonifacio Global City – Ortigas Center Link Road Project (19 July 2017)

- On 7 July 2017, the DPWH officially opened two additional east bound lanes of Laguna Lake Highway. It is the first highway in the Philippines to have a **3-meter wide** space for bikers and joggers.



- Completed the widening of a **4.75 km** section of Radial Road 10 (R-10) which reduced travel time between Manila and Navotas City from 1 hour to 30 minutes (June 2017)

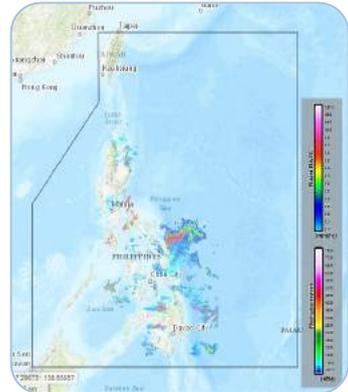


- Completed the widening of the Governor Miranda Bridge II along Daang Maharlika Davao del Norte (April 2017).



DOST Scholarship Programs

As of 3rd quarter, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) supports **30,604** scholars (secondary – **7,881**; undergraduate – **19,058**; graduate: Masters – **2,669**; PhD – **996**).



Weather Forecasting Capability

For the period, the Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) reached the average of 94km forecast track error beating the 90.65km (2016) against the 100km target for 24-hour forecast.

As of December 2017, there are **13 Doppler radars** and 3 x-band radars which contributed to low forecast track error or 90.64 km. The 13 Doppler radars are located in 1) Iloilo, 2) Palawan, 3) Guiuan, 4) Subic, 5) Tagaytay, 6) Mactan, 7) Hinatuan, 8)Tampakan, 9) Basco, 10) Zamboanga, 11) Aparri, 12) Virac and 13) Baguio. The 3-x band radars are in PAGASA Central Office, Mindanao and Baler while the construction of the buildings for the Busuanga and Daet Doppler Radars is ongoing. The x-band radars are needed to cover gaps and blind areas that the existing radars cannot cover due to rugged terrains.

Disaster Preparedness

The DOST's Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) technology aims to produce flood hazard and resource maps using Phil-LiDAR 1 and reduce disaster risks in vulnerable areas identified through Phil-LiDAR 2. DOST turned over Flood Hazard Maps to **482** municipalities and provided LiDAR and derived datasets to **821** LGU requesters as of 7 December 2017.

Department of Social Welfare and Development



- On 1 August 2017, **five (5)** additional public hospitals in NCR also started to provide LINGAP. These were Jose Reyes Memorial Hospital; East Avenue Medical Center; Lung Center of the Philippines; Philippine Children's Hospital and; San Lazaro Hospital.

Meanwhile, as of 7 July 2017, free medicines with the total amount of **P96,659,339.76** was already given to **13,142 indigent patients** by the initial 6 partner hospitals.

- **P600 rice subsidy to 4.3-million** Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program household-beneficiaries (Starting March 2017)



- Also in March 2017, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) started the distribution of free medicines through the Libreng Gamot para sa Masa (LINGAP) to indigents from **six (6)** hospitals in Regions 3, 6, 7, 11, and NCR. These were;
 - Philippine General Hospital for NCR;
 - Jose B. Lingad Memorial Hospital in San Fernando City, Pampanga for Central Luzon;
 - Western Visayas Medical Center in Iloilo City for Western Visayas;
 - Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center in Cebu City for Central Visayas and;
 - Southern Philippines Medical Center in Davao City and Davao Regional Hospital in Tagum City, both for the Davao Region.
- **Relief Assistance**
 - On 6 July 2017, Ormoc City was hit by a 6.5 magnitude earthquake. More than 4,100 families or 16,000 persons were affected. The DSWD provided almost **P16-million** worth of food and non-food items as of 21 July 2017.
 - On 10 February 2017, Surigao City was hit by a 6.7 magnitude earthquake. About **10,300** families or **51,900** persons were affected. The department provided almost **P27-million** with the help of the local government and some non-government agencies.



- The Department of Tourism (DOT) reported that from January to September 2017, international arrivals reached up to **4,950,683 visitors**. This is **10.88% higher** compared to the **4,464,992 arrivals** for the same period in 2016.





As of 5 December 2017:

- DTI has built a total of **720 Negosyo centers**
- **583,067 micro and small entrepreneurs** were assisted by DTI Negosyo centers
- Exports up by 12.2%



○ **Total trade sums up to \$13.10-billion in September 2017**

“The country’s total external trade in goods in September 2017 reached **\$13.10-billion**, posting an increment of **2.8 percent** from **\$12.74-billion** registered during the same month of the previous year. Total exports went up by **4.3 percent** to **\$5.59-billion** in September 2017 from **\$5.36-billion** in the same month of previous year. Correspondingly, total imports increased by **1.7 percent** to **\$7.51-billion** in September 2017 from **\$7.38-billion** in September 2016. The country’s total balance of trade in goods (BoT-G) amounting to **\$1.91-billion** in September 2017, lower than the **\$2.02-billion** in September 2016.”

Source: PSA, November 2017

Department of Trade and Industry



- The Board of Investment (BOI) recorded the highest investment approvals in the agency's 50-year history reaching to an amount of **P616.7-billion**. This is **39.5%** higher from last year's **P442-billion** and **23.5%** higher over our target at the start of 2017, which is, **P500-billion**. With the increase in investment approvals, the number of projects has also increased by **13%** from **378** projects in 2016 to **426** projects this year. This means more work will be available to Filipinos with **76,065** jobs to be created upon full operations of these projects.



- **P585-million** worth of P3 funds have been lent to over 30,888 micro enterprises in 76 provinces (September 2017)
- Pondo sa Pagbabago at Pag-asenso (P3) Program - **P5,000** to **P100,000** per micro borrower with maximum interest rate at **2.5%** monthly based on diminishing balance (February 2017)

National Economic and Development Authority



Economic Gains and Investments



- **6.9% Gross Domestic Product (GDP)** growth in the third quarter of 2017. Manufacturing, trade, and real estate, renting and business activities were the main drivers of growth for the quarter.

(PSA, 16 November 2017)



Announcement of the Three-Year Rolling Infrastructure Program (TRIP) 2018-2020: 1,313 region-specific infrastructure projects amounting to Php157.44 billion.

(Source: NEDA, 2 May 2017)

- **Memorandum No. 12** - approval and signing of the 2017 Investment Priorities Plans (IPP)

(28 February 2017)

Department of Transportation



- The **Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA)** gave a **10-year validity** extension of Seafarer's Identification and Record Book. MARINA also took note that the **15-day issuance** of seafarer's book now only takes a day. (November 2017)



- The **Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA)** is no longer included in the top 20 worst airports in the world, and even in the top 5 worst airports in Asia 2017 according to "The Guide to Sleeping in Airports" travel website posted on 15 October 2017.

- Reforms in NAIA (as of July 1, 2017)
 - **Free Wifi** – The DOTR signed a non-exclusive agreement with SMART to Provide 1 hour free 1GB WiFi service in all NAIA terminals.
 - **Additional Seats** – **200 seats** have been added in Terminal 3 while **500** more are being ordered for all NAIA Terminals



Efficient Delivery of Government Services and Anti-Corruption Measures

- The Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) lifted the suspension of Uber after the transport service company paid the fine of **P190-million** for defying the moratorium of LTFRB on accepting new drivers.



- **LTFRB Memorandum** – allows students to avail **20%** fare discount from Monday to Sunday including summer breaks, legal and special legal holidays starting 28 October 2017. (28 October 2017)



- On 29 September 2017, the Department of Transportation (DOTr) led the groundbreaking ceremony of the Common Station which will connect four major railways -- LRT-1, MRT-3, MRT-7, and the Metro Manila Subway. The Common Station aims to provide seamless transfer of passengers from one railway line to another and a convenient walk for platform transfers.

- The DOTr-Land Transportation Office (LTO) has started distributing the **driver's license with five-year validity** on 29 August 2017.



- **20% discount** on domestic flight to senior citizens and persons with disability (PWDs) who purchased through the carrier's website or through mobile communication. (Sources: DOTr – Civil Aeronautics Board, 13 July 2017)

- The DOTr led the groundbreaking ceremony of LRT 1 Cavite Extension (4 May 2017).

Bases and Conversion and Development Authority



The Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA)'s contribution to the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) modernization program tripled in the first year of President Rodrigo Duterte, as compared to the average contribution in the past 10 years. For 2017, the agency remitted almost Php5 billion to the Bureau of Treasury—the highest amount generated by BCDA for the AFP.

The BCDA went full-steam ahead in implementing its big-ticket infrastructure projects in 2017 namely:



1) **Clark International Airport (CRK) Expansion Project** - In 17 May 2017, the project was approved by the National Economic Development Authority (NEDA) Investment Coordination Committee (ICC). It was subsequently approved by the NEDA Board on June 2017. The **groundbreaking** was held on 20 December 2017.

2) **Subic-Clark Cargo Railway Project** - On 1 August 2017, Feasibility Study was completed.

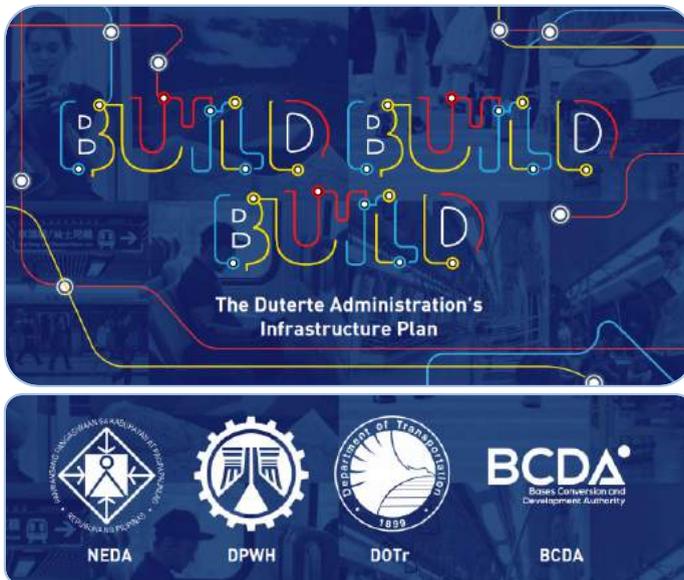
Bases and Conversion and Development Authority



3) Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) to Bonifacio Global City (BGC) Bus Rapid Transit System - The project involves the development of a 19-kilometer bus system connecting the BGC Central Business District (CBD) with NAIA Airport Terminals. The feasibility study is currently being finalized for submission to the NEDA ICC.

4) New Clark City – This mixed-use development is envisioned to be the first smart, green and disaster-resilient master-planned community in the Philippines. In 2017, the Master Development Plan was finalized.

These high-impact infrastructure projects are all part of the Build Build Build infrastructure program under the Duterte's administration.



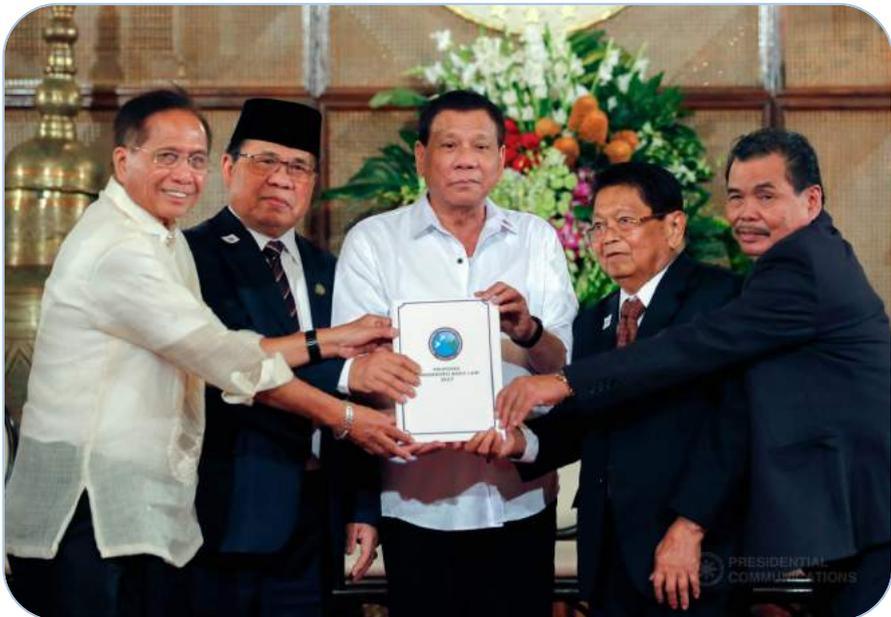
In April 2017, the Build Build Build (BBB) Portal which lists down the high impact infrastructure projects of different agencies such as BCDA, DPWH, DOTr, DBM, DOF was formally launched during the first Duterthenomics forum in Manila. After the launch, there was a surge of public access to the portal.

Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process



Inclusive Bangsamoro Law

- Creation of expanded Bangsamoro Transition Commission (10 February 2017)



- Turnover of the proposed Bangsamoro Basic Law to the President (17 July 2017)
- Presidential Legislative Liaison Office (PLLO) submitted the draft of the Bangsamoro Basic Law (BBL) to the Congress (14 August 2017)





- Instituted the Citizens' Complaint Hotline 8888 – **87% resolved complaints**; 27,000 out of 31,000 complaints referred to concerned agencies (as of 30 June 2017)
- Launched Emergency Hotline 911 – received **248,282 legitimate calls**, of which 58,126 are classified as emergencies; 28,308, non-emergency; and the remaining 161,848 as other queries or requests for assistance (August 2016 up to June 2017)

Yolanda Rehabilitation/ NHA/ HUDCC



- The Duterte administration has pursued rehabilitation and reconstruction of Yolanda-affected communities. The administration rehabilitated seaport and airport facilities and classrooms. Its shelter assistance in Tacloban City is the most successful model in the Yolanda Permanent Housing Program with the most number of resettlement houses occupied at **10,073** units from a total housing target of **14,433** houses. More so, the government is committed to bid out the final shelter requirements of **10,674** to complete the total target of **205,128** for the people affected by Super Typhoon Yolanda.

Presidential Communications Operations Office



Efficient Delivery of Government Services

- The People's Freedom of Information (FOI) Manual was launched on 25 November 2016, alongside which launching of the eFOI, its online portal (www.foi.gov.ph) with 15 pilot agencies, and allows requests to be automatically sent to the agencies concerned for immediate processing.
- As of 5 December 2017, the eFOI platform, now with 217 participating agencies, received **2,635 requests for information from the public**.
- FOI Manual Submission Compliance:
 - National Government Agencies (NGAs): 181 out of 189
 - Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations (GOCC): 72 out of 143
 - State Universities and Colleges (SUCs): 30 out of 113



The Presidential Communications Operations Office (PCOO) held the first FOI Awards Ceremony on 4 December 2017. The President signed **Executive Order No. 2**, where PCOO led the implementation of FOI program across the executive branch.

The DBM emerged as the champion in the department category of the executive FOI program a year after its implementation nationwide. As for the agency category, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) was proclaimed as the winner. Other FOI awardees were the National Housing Authority (NHA) for the GOCC category and University of the Philippines (UP) for the SUC.



Presidential Communications Operations Office

Efficient Delivery of Government Services

On 16 December 2017, PCOO Secretary Martin Andanar announced that the PCOO and his Cambodian counterpart, Minister of Information Khieu Kanharith signed a Memorandum of Cooperation to address each government's communication needs and challenges. This will foster cooperation in the areas of information exchange, multimedia programs, personnel training, and fight against the proliferation of fake news.

On 7 December 2017, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) has been signed between the PCOO and China Central Television (CCTV) on the rebroadcasting of China Global Television Network (CGTN) Program.



The PCOO and the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications of the Government of Japan signed a Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) for the Proof of Concept and testing of Road Traffic Information System through Data Broadcasting on 12 January 2017.

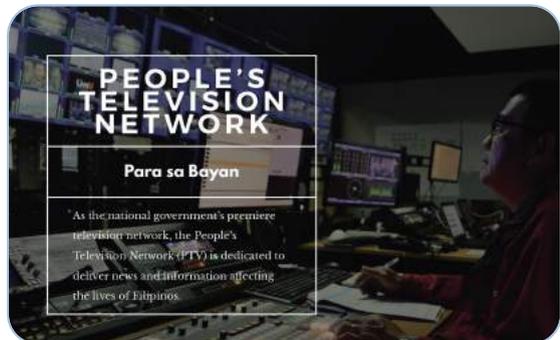
The PCOO and China Radio International (CRI) also signed a MOC on 14 February 2017 covering a visiting mechanism and cooperation in the fields of audio, video, and new media production and dissemination.

A Memorandum of Cooperation between the PCOO and Japan was signed on 9 September 2017 during the ASEAN-Japan Television Festival in Manila. The memorandum between the two countries concerns the mechanisms to communicate disaster information through the Emergency Warning Broadcasting System and Data Broadcasting of Digital Terrestrial Television Broadcasting.

Presidential Communications Operations Office

Efficient Delivery of Government Services

- **Stronger online presence** – Radio TV-Malacanang (RTVM) has used the Presidential Communications Facebook page to bring the Presidential activities to the people. This is the first government and Facebook livestreaming partnership established in Asia. Through this, RTVM has increased its online following. Moreover, PTV has also increased its social media presence from 53,192 likes last June 2016 to more than 900,000 in June 2017 by uploading its telecasts and creating more digital content.



- **Newscast reprogramming** – PTV News now airs in the morning, noontime, evening, and late night.

Presidential Communications Operations Office

Efficient Delivery of Government Services

- **Increase of transmission** – PTV has prioritized improving the quality of transmission by increasing it from 25,000 watts in June 2016 to the current 55,000 watts; at par with international counterparts. It is accelerating its expansion by establishing the Davao and Cordillera hubs. Salaam Digital TV was likewise launched.
- PTV is now the fourth largest network, according to Kantar Media Third Quarter 2017 Report.



- The government radio gets a much welcome improvement, from Radyo ng Bayan to Radyo Pilipinas during the start of the Duterte administration. RP1, RP2 (Radyo Magasin), RP3 (Sports Radio), RP4 (DZRP) were launched.
- Radyo Pilipinas is now among the top ten radio stations, according to the RAM Mega Manila Top AM Radio Stations October 2017 Report.



Presidential Communications Operations Office

Efficient Delivery of Government Services

- The PCOO successfully chaired the Committee on Media Affairs and Strategic Communications (CMASC) during the Philippine Chairmanship and 50th Anniversary of the ASEAN. The CMASC provided local and international media organizations technical and media services such as the putting up of the International Media Center and International Broadcast Center, media registration and accreditation, media relations and media pool, airport courtesies for media delegates, publicity and promotions, and press kits.



RTVM



- After more than a decade, the PCOO inaugurated the newly-renovated Malacañang Press Briefing Room (MPBR) at the New Executive Building. (12 October 2017).



- The new press briefing area is being used by the Presidential Spokesperson to give regular updates on the President's activities, directives, and other issues of national concern.

Presidential Communications Operations Office

Efficient Delivery of Government Services

- PCOO and attached agencies covered the 2017 Southeast Asian Games held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia where the PTV is the official broadcaster. Sports Radio (Radyo Pilipinas 3 - DZSR 918 kHz) and the Philippine News Agency also covered the event by providing updates and tallies through the airwaves and the internet, respectively. Office of the Secretary (OSec)-Media also promoted the 29th SEA Games online thru its social media pages.



August 2017



- PCOO holds Mindanao Hour and Bangon Marawi press briefings which share live updates on the efforts of different government agencies in relation to the pursuit of peace in Mindanao. (May 2017 to present)

2017 Executive Orders

These are some of the Presidential directives which form part of the overarching goals of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte to build a nation that serves everyone. A proof that the Duterte Administration is continuing its efforts to establish law and order and bring back the people's trust in government.

EO No. 12 - ATTAINING AND SUSTAINING "ZERO UNMET NEED FOR MODERN FAMILY PLANNING" THROUGH THE STRICT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ACT, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (9 January 2017)

EO No. 13 - STRENGTHENING THE FIGHT AGAINST ILLEGAL GAMBLING AND CLARIFYING THE JURISDICTION AND AUTHORITY OF CONCERNED AGENCIES IN THE REGULATION AND LICENSING OF GAMBLING AND ONLINE GAMING FACILITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (2 February 2017)

EO No. 15 - CREATION OF AN INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE ON ANTI-ILLEGAL DRUGS (ICAD) AND ANTI-ILLEGAL DRUG TASK FORCE TO SUPPRESS THE DRUG PROBLEM IN THE COUNTRY (6 March 2017)

EO No. 16 - DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO ADOPT THE NATIONAL SECURITY POLICY 2017 – 2022 IN THE FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THEIR NATIONAL SECURITY RELATED PLANS AND PROGRAMS (4 April 2017)

EO No. 17 - CREATING THE ORDER OF LAPU-LAPU (7 April 2017)

EO No. 18 - REPEALING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 235 (S. 2003), STREAMLINING THE RULES AND PROCEDURES OF DEFENSE CONTRACTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (7 April 2017)

EO No. 25 - CHANGING THE NAME OF "BENHAM RISE" TO "PHILIPPINE RISE" AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (16 May 2017)

EO No. 26 - PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENTS IN PUBLIC AND ENCLOSED PLACES (16 May 2017)

EO No. 27 – DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES, INCLUDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, TO IMPLEMENT THE PHILIPPINE DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND PUBLIC INVESTMENT PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD 2017-2022 (1 June 2017)

EO No. 28 – PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION AND CONTROL OF THE USE OF FIRECRACKERS AND OTHER PYROTECHNIC DEVICES (20 June 2017)

EO No. 33 - INCREASING THE EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUNERAL BENEFITS FOR EMPLOYEES IN THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS (17 July 2017)

EO No. 34 - FURTHER AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 423(S. 2005), AS AMENDED, PRESCRIBING THE RULES AND PROCEDURES ON THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF ALL GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9184, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT OF 2003" (17 July 2017)

EO No. 35 - AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 17 (S. 2017) CREATING THE ORDER OF LAPU-LAPU (28 July 2017)

EO No. 43 – CREATING THE PRESIDENTIAL ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION AND PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (4 October 2017)

EO No. 44 – APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF PHILIPPINE POSTAL SAVINGS BANK BY THE LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES (28 September 2017)

Philippine Outlook Under the Duterte Administration



The Duterte administration continues to receive positive socioeconomic reviews from the international and local communities, which resulted to an increasing people's trust in the economy and the government.



The Fourth Quarter 2017 Social Weather Stations (SWS) Survey showed a +58 net satisfaction rating to President Rodrigo R. Duterte's performance from last September's +48. This figure is classified by SWS as very good.

December 2017

The World Bank revised its growth projection for the Philippines from its previous forecast of 6.6 percent to 6.7 percent. For 2018, WB's growth projection remains at 6.7 percent.



December 2017

THE WORLD BANK

FitchRatings

Fitch Ratings has upgraded the Philippines' Long-Term Foreign-Currency Issuer Default Rating (IDR) to 'BBB' from 'BBB-'. The global leader in credit ratings and research likewise made its forecast that the Philippines will have a real GDP growth of 6.8% in 2018 and 2019 due to expected higher infrastructure spending.

December 2017

The Social Weather Stations (SWS) survey results showed adult joblessness dropping from 22.2% in June to 18.9% in September. Fewer jobless Filipinos means we are on the right track in making inclusive growth and pro-poor agenda part of our development plans.

December 2017

The Third Quarter 2017 Social Weather Survey shows a Net Personal Optimism score of +42 which means that Filipinos are expecting their personal quality of life to improve in the next 12 months. Moreover, the same survey showed a +30 Net Optimism about the Economy. Both figures are classified by SWS as "excellent."

December 2017



Asian Development Bank (ADB), in its Asian Development Outlook 2017, raised the Philippines' growth forecast for 2017 from 6.5% to 6.7% and for 2018, from 6.7% to 6.8%.

December 2017

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The Nikkei Philippines Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) reported that the country's manufacturing sector got a score of 53.7 for the month of October which is higher than last month's score of 50.8. This makes the Philippines on top of ASEAN countries in overall growth ranking in manufacturing sector.

October 2017



The Third Quarter Pulse Asia Survey showed that 80% of Filipinos continue to approve of and trust Pres. Rodrigo Roa Duterte.

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Pinoys have, once more, gained the top spot as the world's most confident consumers. The results of the Second Quarter Nielsen Global Survey of Consumer Confidence and Spending Intentions showed that the Philippines posted an index score of 130 points. The survey was conducted among 63 countries with more than 30,000 respondents. The high confidence of Filipino consumers affirms the gains of the Duterte administration in creating a more sustainable and inclusive economy for all Filipinos.

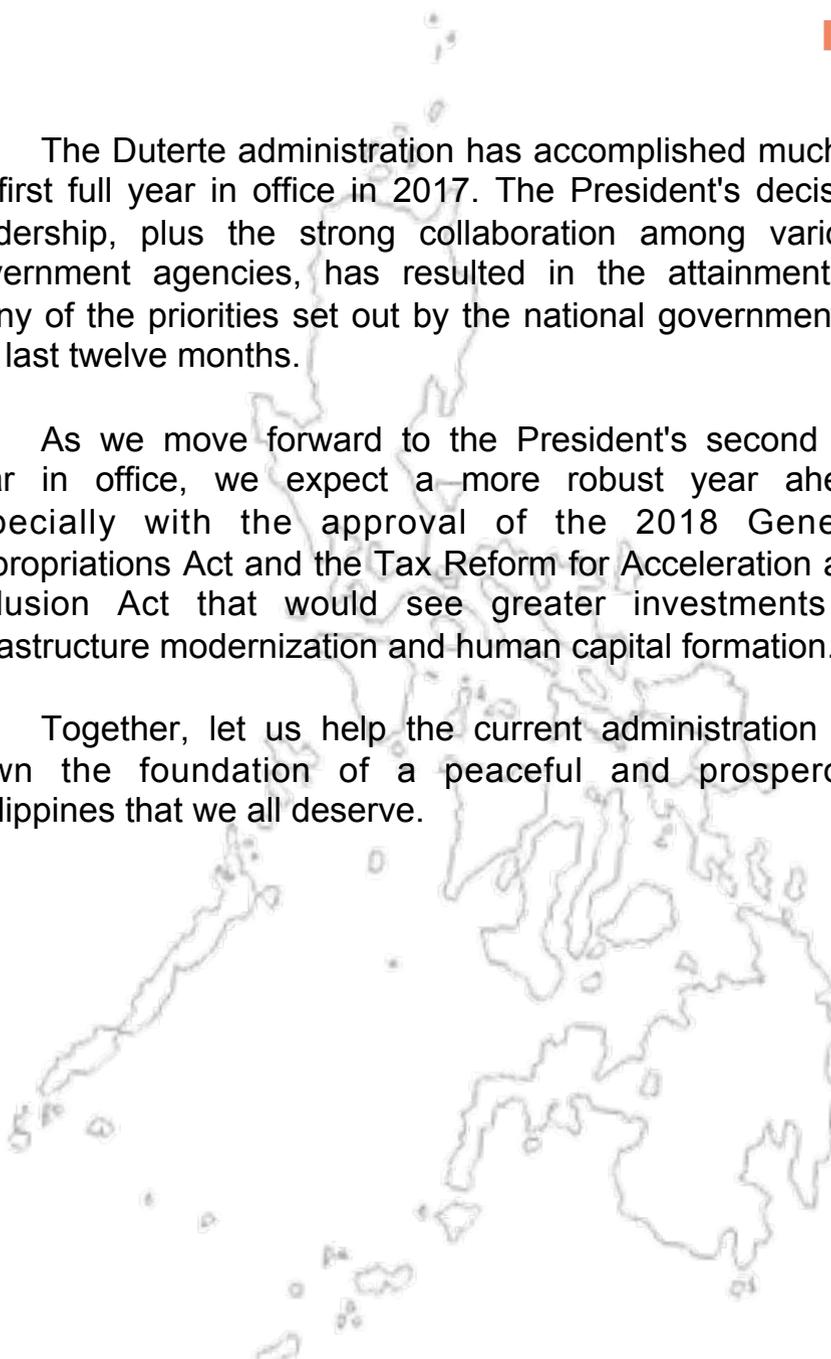


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In the 2017 Brookings Financial and Digital Inclusion Project (FDIP) Report, the Philippines ranked fourth among 15 countries which provide accessible financial services to the public gaining an overall score of 76 percent. Hence, the country remains as Asia's top financially inclusive country. The FDIP report evaluates four dimensions of financial inclusion including country commitment, mobile capacity, regulatory environment, and adoption of selected traditional and digital financial services.

August 2017



The Duterte administration has accomplished much in its first full year in office in 2017. The President's decisive leadership, plus the strong collaboration among various government agencies, has resulted in the attainment of many of the priorities set out by the national government in the last twelve months.

As we move forward to the President's second full year in office, we expect a more robust year ahead especially with the approval of the 2018 General Appropriations Act and the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion Act that would see greater investments in infrastructure modernization and human capital formation.

Together, let us help the current administration lay down the foundation of a peaceful and prosperous Philippines that we all deserve.

“Let us work together and lay a new foundation upon which a better Philippines can be reconstructed. Help me build a better tomorrow.”



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