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# **Vision of Change: An Inclusive Society for Persons with Disabilities where “No One is Left Behind”**

## **MISSION**

**Provide direction to all stakeholders through policy formulation, coordination, monitoring and evaluation of all activities to “Make The Rights Real” for all persons with disabilities to achieve disability inclusive development.**

## **VISION**

**All persons with disabilities are able to attain their fullest potential and to become active contributors and participants in nation-building.**

## **Core Values**

**Work with integrity, accountability and professionalism**

**Foster sense of community and stakeholdership on the disability agenda**

**Respect the rights and unique experience of persons with disabilities**

**Sense of quest for excellence as disability technocrats**

## **Legal Bases**

**The National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA) was created by virtue of Presidential Decree No. 1509 in June 11, 1978 which was originally named as the National Commission Concerning Disabled Persons (NCCDP) which was attached to the Office of the President. Subsequently, it was amended by the following Presidential issuances:**

- **Executive Order No. 33 issued on April 5, 2011 by President Benigno C. Aquino, III and was attached to the Department of Social Welfare and Development**
- **Executive Order No. 709 issued on February 26, 2008 by then President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo and was attached to Office of the President**

## **Mandate**

**The NCDA is mandated to act as the lead government agency in policy formulation, coordination with all stakeholders for its implementation, monitoring and evaluation for full enjoyment of the rights of persons with disabilities.**

# Strategies

## **FY 2017 THRUSTS AND DIRECTIONS**

For Calendar Year 2017, the execution of NCDA's programs and projects are guided by the following Thrusts and Directions:

- Consultation with all stakeholders from the national to local levels to establish disability structures responsible for policy formulation, monitoring and evaluation.
- Capacity building of stakeholders in the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities as well as local laws on disability.
- Demonstrate the model of accessible facilities and infrastructures to promote barrier-free physical environment including public transportation, and information and communication services.
- Strengthen data base on disability for policy formulation and program development.
- Augment and assist in the setting up of social enterprises and livelihood projects.
- Coordinate the distribution of assistive devices for persons with disabilities in partnership with national government agencies, non-government organizations, and people's organizations.
- Undertake research and development on disability.
- Implement responsive human resource development programs for NCDA personnel to effectively carry out their duties and responsibilities.

# Message



We are pleased to present the 2017 NCDAA Annual Report which capsulizes the operationalization of disability inclusive development through the programs/projects and activities conducted with the participation of persons with disabilities.

As we work together to achieve the goals of the Duterte Administration, this Council fulfills its mandates, aspirations and core values to promote “Disability Inclusive Development” through numerous policy developments, monitoring and program evaluation and consultation workshops which were successfully conducted together with partner agencies and stakeholders. Our consultations from the national to the regional level resulted into major policies relevant to the needs of persons with disabilities in the areas of inclusive economic growth, employment, health, accessible and quality education, accessible built environment and information and communication technology, among others.

Our collaboration with lawmakers in both Senate and House of Representatives to provide inputs to a number of proposed legislations with the national government agencies, non-government organizations and disabled people’s organizations through the hard work of the different sub-committees for policy recommendations on disability-inclusive development and with the local government units through the Persons with Disability Affairs Office (PDAO) and local committees for monitoring the implementation of disability-related laws and policies is seen with positive results.

The NCDAA also partnered with different government agencies, non-government organizations, disabled people’s organizations and other stakeholders including the media in the conduct of information dissemination and advocacy campaigns to promote the rights of persons with disabilities and to generate positive public awareness, prevent discrimination, empower them to be independent and lead meaningful and dignified lives.

In the international arena, a milestone was achieved through the sharing of the government’s good practices in program implementation during the “High Level Intergovernmental Meeting on the Midpoint Review of the Asian and Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities, 2013-2022 held in Beijing, China on November 27-December 1, 2017 and in other similar endeavours to keep abreast on international disability trends. Our participation in international conferences ensured the inclusion and full participation of persons with disabilities in the implementation of the “UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities”.

The NCDAA in its journey to “Make the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Real” in support of the 3rd Asian and Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities” will still need the support of both the duty bearers and claimholders in meeting the challenges that lies ahead for the sector with disabilities. We are positive that “No One is Left Behind” in our efforts and initiatives to achieve our goal of disability inclusive development.

**CARMEN R. ZUBIAGA**  
Officer-in-Charge

# Introduction

As the government's focal agency on disability, the National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA) has consistently led in promoting ***"Disability Inclusive Development"*** through policy formulation and program development to upscale engagement of Filipinos with disabilities especially for the vulnerable members of the society which are in line with the 10-Point Socioeconomic Agenda of the Duterte Administration.

With the vision of having ***"Filipinos with disabilities live in an inclusive, enabling, barrier-free and rights-based community by 2030"***, the NCDA provides directions thru (a) policy formulation, program development, technical and resource augmentation services assistance, (b) coordination, consultation and partnership building, (c) advocacy and awareness raising, and (d) monitoring, research and evaluation.

Specifically, the NCDA focuses on the following six (6) strategic goals, to with;

- 1) *Disability Sensitive, Informed and Inclusive Communities*
- 2) *Enhanced Data on Disability*
- 3) *Accessible and Quality Education and Health, Rehabilitation and Habilitation Services*
- 4) *Reduced Inequality thru Enhanced Social, Economic and Political Participation*
- 5) *Inclusive Economic Growth and Access to Job Market*
- 6) *Accessible Built Environment, Public Transport and Information and Communication Technology*

# Highlights of Accomplishments

*Consistent with its mandate, the NCDA has accomplished the following for FY 2017:*

1. Engaged with partner agencies and other stakeholders in the adoption of disability-inclusive policies. Among them include the following:

- 1.1 **National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)**:-for the inclusion of major issues in the Medium Term Development Plan of the Philippine Development Plan (MTDP-PDP) 2017-2022, which indicate concerns on (a) Social Protection, (b) Shelter Security, (c) Nutrition, Health and Basic Education, and (d) Culture.

Other concerns that were considered for inclusion are the amendment to Batas Pambansa Bilang 344 otherwise known as the Accessibility Law, to include information, communication and technology including the enactment of “An Act Establishing a Disability Support Trust Fund,” “Philippine Adoption Act for Abandoned and Neglected Children and for Children with Special Needs”, and the National Mental Health Care Delivery System which will consolidate mental health provisions in existing laws, such as the Magna Carta for Persons with Disabilities.

- 1.2 Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) for forging a Memorandum of Agreement to pursue a joint project entitled “**Uplifting the PWDs Through Skills Development**”, that would provide free skills training to persons with disabilities nationwide. Under its so called “Training for Work Scholarship Program (TWSP), TESDA will provide skills training so that the persons with disabilities could be issued and receive the National Certificate which is necessary for job application here and abroad.

The TWSP project is also in line with TESDA’s Two-Pronged Strategy on Poverty Reduction which aims to provide interventions through skills development by providing access to training to qualified persons with disability for self or wage employment to uplift their socio-economic status.

Likewise, the Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions promised to help the project in providing skills for persons with disabilities.

- 1.3 Department of Public Works and Highways for the allocation of P83 Million under FY 2017 General Appropriations Act for the construction of “**Disability Resource and Development Center (DRDC)**” to be a model as a one-stop disability resource center. The building is still under construction and located at the NCDA compound along Isidora Street in Barangay Holy Spirit, Quezon City. The groundbreaking ceremony of the edifice was held in February 24 this year



which coincided with the 34th anniversary of the signing of Batas Pambansa Bilang 344 otherwise known as the Accessibility Law.

- 1.4 Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) for the joint issuance of supplemental guidelines to implement the provisions of Republic Act No. 10754 entitled “An Act Expanding the Benefits and Privileges of Persons with Disability (PWD)” as indicated hereto:
  - **DTI** Joint DTI-DA-DOE Administrative Order No. 17-01, Series of 2017 dated February 17, 2017 entitled “Amendments to Joint DTI-DA Administrative Order (JAO) No. 02, Series of 2008, entitled “**Granting of Discounts to Persons with Disability on the Purchase of Basic Necessities and Prime Commodities pursuant to R.A. No. 9442, otherwise known as the Magna Carta for Persons with Disabilities.**”
  - **DILG** Memorandum Circular No. 2017-17 addressed to “**All Provincial Governors, City and Municipal Mayors, Punong Barangays, DILG Regional Directors and Other Concerned**” dated February 2, 2017 informing them on the IRR of RA No. 10754 and expecting them to ensure the full implementation of said law. All Regional Directors are also directed to cause the widest dissemination of the said IRR to ensure the awareness and responsiveness of local government officials in its promotion and implementation.
2. Participated in the launching of the **ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) Pillar** held in Marque Mall, Angeles City, Pampanga on January 24. The occasion gave impetus in the promotion and protection of the rights of persons with disabilities in the country and in the ASEAN region which is considered among the vulnerable sectors along with women, children, older persons and internally displaced persons.
3. Attended the ASCC Senior Officers Committee Meeting held in Iloilo City on March 5-10. The NCDA generated the commitment of the ASEAN ASCC Secretariat including the support of Indonesian Senior Official, Mr. George Ruma, for the submission of a proposal to hold the **PWD Asean Summit** in 2017-2018.
4. Lobbied with the Civil Service Commission (CSC) which led to the adoption of policy guidelines on the (a) extension of time limit, and (b) provision of separate room for Deaf/ Hard of Hearing examinees of the October 23, 2016 CSE-PPT
5. Forged a Memorandum of Agreement with Grain Foundation for PWDs, Inc. (GFPI), formerly named as Joy Divine Mission, to boost training and creation of market-based work opportunities for persons with disabilities in Quezon City.
6. Prepared and submitted to the House of Representatives position papers/ recommendations on 20 disability-related House Bills where titles, proponent-authors and other details are contained thereof. These include the following:
  - HB No. 209 “An Act Providing For The Mandatory Philhealth Coverage For All Persons With Disabilities (PWDs), Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 7277, As Amended By Republic Act No. 9442, Otherwise Known As The “Magna

Carta For Disabled Persons”, And For Other Purposes” by Rep. Micaela S. Violago

- HB No. 524 “An Act Providing For Mandatory Philhealth Coverage For All Persons With Disabilities, Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 7277, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The Magna Carta For Persons With Disability”, Providing Funds Therefore And For Other Purposes”, Short Title: Mandatory Philhealth Coverage For PWDs Act by Reps Alfred A. Garbin, Jr., Rodel M. Batocabe, and Christopher S. Co
- HB No. 495 “An Act Providing for the Mandatory Establishment of Women-Child Friendly Spaces in All Evacuation Centers in the Country, and Providing Funds Thereof”, by Rep. Sitti Djalila A. Turabin-Hataman
- HB No. 591 “An Act Providing For The Mandatory Philhealth Coverage For All Persons With Disability Amending For The Purpose R.A. 7277 Otherwise Known As The “Magna Carta For Disabled Persons” by Reps Mariano Michael M. Velarde, Jr.
- HB No. 656 : “An Act Granting Additional Benefits To Persons With Disability, Amending For This Purpose Republic Act 7277, As Amended By Republic Act 9442” by Rep Jerry P. Treñas
- HB No. 743 “An Act Providing for Qualified Early Voting for Senior Citizens, Persons with Disabilities, and workers Required to Work on Election Day” by Rep. Emmeline Aglipay-Villar.
- HB No. 1584 “An Act Granting Additional Privileges to Marginalized Persons with Disabilities”, by Rep. Alfredo D. Varga.
- HB No. 2487 “An Act Providing for Local Absentee Voting for Persons with Disabilities”, by Reps. Estrellita B. Suansing, and Horacio P. Suansing, Jr.
- HB No. 3160 “An Act Establishing a Credit Assistance for Persons with Disabilities” by Rep. Gus S. Tambunting
- HB No. 1586 “An Act Providing for Lifetime Validity of Persons with Disabilities’ Identification Cards”, by Rep. Alfredo D. Vargas.
- HB No. 1831 “An Act Granting Mandatory Philhealth Coverage To All Persons With Disability (PWDs), Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 7277, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The “Magna Carta For Persons With Disability”, Providing Funds Therefor And For Other Purposes by Rep Alfredo D. Vargas.
- HB No.1916 “An Act Amending Republic Act No. 7277, Otherwise Known as the Magna Carta for Disabled Persons” by Reps Micaela S. Violago.
- HB No. 2173 “An Act Granting Mandatory Philhealth Coverage To All Persons With Disability (PWDS), Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 7277, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The ‘Magna Carta For Persons With Disability’, Providing Funds Therefor And For Other Purposes by Rep Vilma Santos-Recto.
- HB No. 2378 “An Act Strengthening The Barangay Unit Through Support For

Barangay Officials And Barangay Volunteer Workers, Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 7160, Providing Funds Therefor, And For Other Purposes” by Rep Lorna C. Silverio.

- HB No. 2396 “An Act Amending Republic Act No. 7277 Otherwise Known As The ‘Magna Carta For Disabled Persons” by Reps. Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado.
  - HB No. 2513 An Act Providing For The Mandatory Philhealth Coverage For All Persons With Disability Amending For The Purpose R.A. 7277 Otherwise Known As The ‘Magna Carta For Disabled Persons “ by Rep Chiqui Roa-Puno.
  - HB No. 2546 “An Act Granting Mandatory And Automatic Philhealth Coverage To All Persons With Disability (PWDs), Thereby Amending ‘The Magna Carta For Persons With Disability’ Or Republic Act No. 7277 by Reps Enrico A. Pineda, Michael Odylon L. Romero, Ph.D.
  - HB No. 3490 An Act Providing For Mandatory Philhealth Coverage To All Persons With Disability (PWDs), Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 7277, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The ‘Magna Carta For Persons With Disability’, Providing Funds Therefor And For Other Purposes by Rep Angelina “Helen” D.L. Tan, M.D.
  - HB No. 4865 An Act Strengthening And Ensuring The Employment Of Persons With Disability (PWD), Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 7277, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The “Magna Carta For Persons With Disability” by Rep Dennis C. Laogan.
  - HB No. 5058 An Act Expanding The Mandatory Positions Reserved For Persons With Disability In Private Corporations, Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 7277, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The Magna Carta For Persons With Disability by Rep. Emmeline Aglipay-Villar.
  - IRR of RA No. 10121 “Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010”, in coordination with the Office of Civil Defense and Save the Children and other NGAs/NGOs
7. Provided significant disability-related inputs to the Administrative Order entitled **“Defining and Strengthening Government Policies, Plans and Programs for the Effective Promotion, Protection and Fulfillment of Human Rights in the Business Sector”** being proposed by the Presidential Human Rights Committee.
  8. Collaborated with the Department of Health (DOH), the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) and Department of Justice (DOJ) on the issuance of supplemental guidelines/ regulations relative to the provisions of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 10754 entitled **“An Act Expanding the Benefits and Privileges of Persons with Disability (PWD).”**
  9. Collaborated with the Commission on Audit on monitoring/auditing the implementing agencies relative to their compliance to Section 31 of the General Provision of the 2017 General Appropriations Act on disability-related programs/projects/services.
  10. Lobbied with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Department of

- the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) for the issuance of a **Joint Memorandum Circular** to establish the Guidelines to Implement the GAA FY 2017 provision on the allocation of budget for programs and projects related to persons with disabilities.
11. Collaborated with the DOH and the University of the Philippines-College of Public Health in the preparation of the “**Multisector Action Plan on Drowning Prevention in the Philippines (2016-2026)**,” which aims to enhance interventions on drowning prevention especially in high risk groups, strengthen implementation and enforcement of policies and regulations on drowning prevention, among its objectives
  12. Collaborated with the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) for the inclusion of disability criteria in the issuance of the 2017 Seal of Good Local Governance National Quality Committee.
  13. Engaged with the DOH and RPRH National Implementation Team chaired by Dr. Esperanza Cabral in ensuring equitable availability of and access of all Filipinos to Modern Family Planning (MFP) and other reproductive health services. As a result, the NCDA is being requested to issue a Board Resolution to support Executive Order No. 12, entitled “Attaining and Sustaining Zero Unmet Needs for Modern Family Planning through development of guidelines for handling RH needs of persons with disabilities and promoting disability sensitivity training for health workers and service providers.
  14. Engaged with the DOH for the inclusion of disability context in its “**Soil Transmitted Helminthiasis Control Program – Mass Drug Administration Field Guide.**”
  15. Attended Congressional hearings on the following pending Bills covering disability-related measures, to wit:
    - Senate Bill Nos. 390 and 966 on May 3, 2017 entitled “**An Act Declaring Sign Language for the Filipino Deaf and Other Alternative Modes of Communication for Persons with Disabilities, as one of the National Languages in the Philippines**”. Senator Chiz Escudero instructed NCDA to come up with a substitute Bill in which the thrust and direction focusing on Sign Language of the Deaf as a mother tongue language is geared towards attaining global competency of the Deaf Filipinos.
    - Senate Bill No. 996 -“Inclusive Education for Children and Youth with Special Needs Act of 2016” by Senator Sherwin T. Gatchalian
    - SBN 1298 - “Individual Disabilities Education Act of 2016” by Senator Emmanuel Joel Villanueva
    - SBN 133 - “Inclusive Education Learning Resource Center Act” by Senator Juan Edgardo M. Angara
    - SBN 468 -“Special Education Act” by Senator Antonio Trillanes
  16. Lobbied with the Department of Agriculture – Agricultural Training Institute (DA -ATI) for the inclusion of disability concerns in the Plan of Action of ATI Regional Office 4A.
  17. Lobbied with various stakeholders for the enhancement of data collection mechanisms

on disability through the conduct of the following:

- Orientation on the **NCDA Regional Reporting Template System (RRTS)** held on February 3 in Selah Garden Suites, Pasay City, which was attended by representatives of national government agencies, non-government organizations and people's organizations based in the National Capital Region (NCR). The activity was spearheaded by the Regional Committee on Disability Affairs – NCR.
  - **Orientation /Training on DOH Philippine Registry of Persons with Disability** held on March 14-15 in Agusan del Sur which was attended by 12 representatives of local government units of the Province of Agusan del Sur consisting of City/Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officers, Health Officers, PWD leaders and other local service providers.
  - Generated current status report on the Philippine Registry for Persons with Disabilities (PRPWD) from CY 2008 to May 24, 2017 based on Online Report.
  - Conducted orientation for 20 member-agencies of the Regional Committee on Disability Affairs held in Tuguegarao City, Cagayan on the use of the “**Regional Reporting Template System**” (RRTS) to standardize and facilitate the region's timely reporting of disability programs and services; and
  - Forged a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Polytechnic University of the Philippines Information Technology (IT) Team in developing the Council's disability information system to boost timely and seamless data generation and sharing.
18. Lobbied with the Department of Health (DOH), Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), Department of Tourism (DOT) and the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) for the issuance supplemental guidelines to implement the provisions of Republic Act No. 10754 entitled “**An Act Expanding the Benefits and Privileges of Persons with Disability (PWD).**” As a result, the following directives were issued by the respective agencies, to wit:
- DOH Administrative Order No. 2017-0008 dated June 1, 2017 entitled “**Implementing Guidelines of Republic Act No. 10754 Otherwise Known as “An Act Expanding the Benefits and Privileges of Persons with Disability”, for the Provision of Medical and Health-related Discounts and Special Privileges.**”
  - TESDA Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 01-006 dated January 9, 2017 entitled an “**Act Expanding the Benefits and Privileges of Persons with Disability**”, for the granting of educational assistance to persons with disability to pursue primary, secondary, tertiary, post tertiary as well as vocational or technical education.
  - DOT MC No. 2017-02, Series of 2017 dated March 6, 2017 entitled “**Guidelines on the Provision of the Expanded Benefits and Privileges to Persons with Disability Pursuant to Republic Act No. 10754, Otherwise Known as the “Magna Carta for Persons with Disability”, and otherwise Known as the**

**“Magna Carta for Persons with Disability”, and**

- BIR Revenue Regulations No. 5-2017 dated April 11, 2017 which provides the “Rules and Regulations Implementing RA No. 10754, entitled **“An Act Expanding the Benefits and Privileges of Persons with Disability Relative to the Tax Privileges of Persons with Disability and Tax Incentives for Establishments Granting Sales Discount and Prescribing the Guidelines for the Availment Thereof, Amending Revenue Regulations No. 1-2009”**.”
19. Lobbied with the Department of Transportation (DOTr) Commuters Affairs Office – PWD Commuters Rights Group in mobilizing commuters with disabilities nationwide to demand for their rights to have accessible public transport in land, air and sea travels. As a result, the group proposed to conduct a “Commuters Summit” in 2018. air and sea travels. As a result, the group proposed to conduct a **“Commuters Summit”** in 2018.
  20. Collaborated with the DOH in the conduct of a **“Writershop on the Development of Module for Disability Sensitivity Training (DST) for Health Workers”** held on June 21-23. The NCDA DST module was used as one of the reference documents.
  21. Collaborated with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) in the conduct of **“Community Action and Resources for Accessible, Better Learning Environment (CARE-ABLE’s) Mid-Term Program Review and Evaluation Workshop”** held on April 3-7, 2017 and CARE-ABLE’s National Project Advisory Committee Meeting on April 25.
  22. Collaborated with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) in the preparation of its General Assembly of DTI PWD Focal Persons and Consultative Meeting of DTI officials thru partnership with other government representatives and national PWD organizations.
  23. Conducted a **“Writershop for NCDA Strategic Direction 2017-2022 for NCDA Officers”** held on April 27 at the NCDA Board Room which aims to enhance the vision, mission and strategies that were discussed during the NCDA Strategic Planning 2017 to align its direction with the thrust of the Duterte Administration.
  24. Led in the organization of functional disability-related structures in cities and municipalities to increase the number of disability-related structures in the Local Government Units.
- Nine (9) Persons with Disability Affairs Offices (PDAOs) established/Focal Person designated

	<b>Region</b>	<b>Ordinances/EOs Passed/Focal Persons</b>
<b>Region I</b>		
1.	Municipality of Bacarra, Ilocos Norte	Ordinance No. 2017-004 creating the PDAO in the Municipality of Bacarra, Ilocos Norte
2.	Province of Ilocos Sur	Executive Order No. 34, series of 2014
3.	Municipality of Sta. Cruz	Executive Order No. 4, series of 2015 dated February 20, 2015

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| 4. | Municipality of Luna, La Union      | EO No. 5, Series of 2014 Creating the PDAO Appointment Order for Ms. Cecilia Reyes, (Orthopedically Handicapped) as PDAO Head signed by Mayor Marron |
| 5. | Municipality of Naguilian, La Union | Ordinance No. 10, Series of 2014   |
| 6. | Municipality of Rosario, La Union   | Ordinance No. 3, CS 2012   |

**Region IV – MIMAROPA**

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| 1. | Municipality of San Teodoro, Oriental Mindoro | Executive Order No. 04, series of 2016S  |
| 2. | Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro                | Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2016<br>Job Order signed by the Mayor appointing Mr. Quirino Manzano, (Orthopedically handicapped) as the PDAO Head |
| 3. | Province of Marinduque                        |  |

- Six (6) Local Committees on Disability Affairs created

**Region I**

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| 1. | Municipality of Banayoyo, Ilocos Sur      | Ordinance No. 2017-02 - Creating the Municipal Committee on Disability Affairs (MCDA) this Municipality   |
| 2. | Municipality of Bantay, Ilocos Sur        | Resolution No. 16, Series of 2017 – Creating the Municipal Committee on Disability Affairs (MCDA) under the administrative supervision of the Office of the Mayor |
| 3. | Municipality of Cervantes, Ilocos Sur     | Ordinance No. 338, Series of 2017 – Creating the Municipal Council on Disability Affairs  |
| 4. | Municipality of San Vicente, Ilocos Sur   | Ordinance No. 04, Series of 2017 – Creating the Municipal Sub-Committee on Disability Affairs (MSCDA)   |
| 5. | Municipality of Sta. Catalina, Ilocos Sur | Ordinance No. 001, Series of 2017   |

**Region IV MIMAROPA:**

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| 6. | Mun. of El Nido, Palawan | Ordinance No. 025, Series of 2016 Creating the Municipal Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities Monitoring |
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25. Monitored the replication of “Non-Handicapping Environment Project” for persons with

disabilities in selected local government units of Regions VI and X indicated hereunder:

Name of LGU	Region
1. Municipality of New Lucena, Iloilo	VI
2. Municipality of Guimbal, Iloilo	VI
3. Municipality of Banga, Aklan	VI
4. Municipality of Opol, Misamis Oriental	X
5. Municipality of Laguindingan, Misamis Oriental	X
6. City of El Salvador, Misamis Oriental	X
7. Municipality of Manolo Fortich, Bukidnon	X
8. Province of Misamis Oriental	X

26. Conducted the “National Conference on Disability Inclusive Governance” attended by 77 participants from all regions (except for Region VIII) held on December 11-14 at the Manila Pavilion Hotel. The Conference goal is to institutionalize disability inclusion in the whole cycle of governance and management relative to program and policy development and in the service delivery toward development/empowerment of persons with disabilities and their families.

The Conference discussed the mechanisms that will operationalize disability inclusive development at the local level vis-s-vis to building capacities of persons with disabilities in creating inclusive and sustainable communities. It has also provided an in-depth assessment of the “inclusiveness” of local government, non-government organizations’ programs and services, gaps, and specific interventions to facilitate inclusion and access of persons with disabilities in the community.

This also resulted to the identification of some issues and recommendations to realize disability inclusive governance.

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27. Facilitated the conduct of a National Consultation on the establishment of regional/local “Disability Resource and Development Center (DRDC)” attended by representatives from 22 agencies composed of the DRDC Core Group, PDAO Leaders, NGAs and other leaders with disabilities from six (6) regions. The participants, who learned about the model information hub, shared their disability-related data which could be inputted in the DRDC e-disability portal. They also signed a “Manifesto of Commitment” assenting to join the DRDC Infonet to continuously collect and share relevant disability-related data and information as basis for sound policy and program development on disability, promote replication of the DRDC goals at the national, regional and local levels towards creating inclusive communities where no one is left behind, among others.

28. Attended Congressional Hearing on the following pending bills on disability:

- Resolution No. 2 S/2017 entitled “Resolution Recognizing the Important Role of the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) in the Promotion of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities”;

29. Lobbied with Congress which resulted to the passage of RA No. 10905 “An Act



Requiring all Franchise Holders or Operators of Television Stations and producers of Television Programs to Broadcast or Present their programs with Closed Captions Option, and for Other Purposes”;

30. As a mechanism for the development of policies, programs and projects and advocacy for disability inclusive programming, the NCDA Sub-Committees and Regional Committees on Disability Affairs are strengthened and regular meetings, consultations and other engagements were conducted together with various stakeholders and persons with disabilities, to wit:

### **RCDA Consultation Meetings Facilitated**

Region	Date	No. of Members/Participants (RCDA members, MSWDOs, LGUs, Focal Persons on PWD and PWD Leaders)	Venue
1. NCR	Feb 1	62 NGAs, LGUs, NGOs & POs	Pasay City
2. CAR	Feb 2	30 NGAs, LGUs, NGOs & DPOs	Baguio City
3. Region I	Feb 10	35 NGAs, LGUs, NGOs & DPOs	City of San Fernando, La Union
4. Caraga	Feb 27	44 NGAs, LGUs, NGOs & POs	Butuan City
5. MIMAROPA Region	March 22	40 NGAs, LGUs, NGOs & DPOs	Malate, Manila
6. Region XI	March 22	35 NGAs, LGUs, NGOs & POs	Davao City
7. Region XI	March 28	35 NGAs, LGUs, NGOs & POs	Koronadal City
8. Region I	April 18	35 regular members: NGOs, LGUs, NGOs & DPOs	Dagupan City
9. Region 4A	May 31	15 regular members: NGAs, LGUs & DPOs	DSWD FO 4A
10. MIMAROPA Region	June 5	28 regular members:NGAs, LGUs, NGOs & DPOs	SWADCAP, Taguig City
11. NCR	June 8	22 regular members: NGAs, LGUs NGOs & DPOs	Manila Grand Opera Hotel, Sta. Cruz, Manila
12. Region II	June 14	27 regular members:NGAs, LGUs NGOs & DPOs	TAJ Hotel, Tuguegarao City
13. Region IX	June 20	27 regular members:NGAs, LGUs NGOs & DPOs	Grand Astoria Hotel, Zamboanga City
14. Caraga Region	August 18	32 representatives from member-agencies of the RCDA	Goat2Geder Hotel & Restaurant, Butuan City
15. RCDA II	August 28	34 representatives from NGAs, LGUs, PWD Federations, NGOs	Wilmers Hotel, Santiago City
16. RCDA XI	Sept 5	39 representatives from NGAs, LGUs, PWD Federations, NGOs	Sunny Point, Function Plaza, Ma-a, Davao City
17. RCDA XII	Sept 8	35 representatives from NGAs, LGUs, PWD Federations, NGOs	Sunny Point, Function Plaza, Ma-a, Davao City
18. RCDA NCR	Sept 29	22 representatives from member-agencies of the RCDA	Manila Grand Opera Hotel, Sta. Cruz, Manila
19. Caraga Region	October 8	32 representatives from member-agencies of the RCDA	Almont Island Hotel, Butuan City
<b>19 Regions</b>		<b>629 Members/Participants</b>	

33. One (1) Engagement with the Caloocan City – Barangay 177’s “PWD Desk VM

Plan 2017” on the preparation with corresponding budget allocation, which aimed at accessing persons with disabilities in their barangay to basic programs and services starting 2017 as the banner year.

34. Passed and subsequently adopted three (3) resolutions, as follows:

- Resolution No. 2 S/2017 entitled “Resolution Recognizing the Important Role of the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) in the Promotion of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities”;
- Resolution No. 3 S/2017 entitled “Resolution Establishing a National Technical Working Group on the Development of Skills of Persons with Disabilities for Local and International Competitions; and
- Resolution No. 4 S/2017 entitled “Resolution Accepting the Philippine Hosting of the 2018 Global IT Challenge for Youth with Disabilities”.

# Capacity Building for Stakeholders and Partner Agencies

*As the government focal agency on disability, it provides policy directions and capacity building among stakeholders and partner agencies in both government and non-government organizations of and for persons with disabilities. Along this area, the NCDA undertook the following programs and activities:*

1. Conducted trainings for program implementers and parents of children with disabilities in order to enhance their capabilities in the delivery of appropriate services for persons with disabilities that include the following:
  - 1.1 Training for Behavioral Modification Techniques for Parents of Children with Disabilities held in Caloocan City on February 18-19; and
  - 1.2 Training on Updates on Rehabilitation Management of Children with Disabilities organized by the Stimulation and Therapeutic Activity Center (STAC) held in Tagbilaran City, Bohol on March 8-9.
2. Conducted “Disability Sensitivity Training and Writeshop to Enhance the Manual on Sexuality for Persons with Disabilities” intended for City Health Officers and PWD Focal Persons for local government units of the National Capital Region.
3. Participated in the “1st Regional Interagency Committee (RIACA) Action Planning” held in Casablanca Hotel, Legazpi City which was attended by different stakeholders from Region 5 (Bicol Region). The “Global IT Challenge for Youth with Disabilities” was presented and got RIACA Chair/DSWD Region V Director Arnel Garcia’s commitment to field bets to the “2017 National Competition” on April 21, 2017 at the DICT.
4. Provided guidelines and inclusive employment/entrepreneurship tips to PWC Consulting Philippines and the Puku Puku Corporation’s representative Mr. Koji Takatsuka on possible hiring/engagement of qualified PWD groups and exchanged inputs on potential social entrepreneur projects to create work opportunities including a Japanese-Filipino youth exchange program.
5. Exchanged regional current issues, trends and possible partnerships focused on inclusive business ventures and social enterprise with the Bangkok-based Asia Pacific Center on Disability (APCD) team led by Executive Director Akiie Ninomiya.
6. Participated/provided technical assistance on the following disability-related activities:
  - Resources for the Blind World and Intellectual Property Office’s forum dubbed as “The Opportunities and Challenges in the Implementation of the Marrakesh Treaty”, held at UP Taguig Auditorium. Discussion focused on making copyright materials available for the blind and low vision in accessible formats.

The treaty provides that the contracting party shall introduce a standard set

of limitations and exceptions to copyright rules to permit the reproduction, distribution, and making available published works accessible to the blind, visually impaired and otherwise print disabled. It aims to end “book famine” across the world by facilitating access to published works by visually impaired persons and those suffering from print disabilities and by permitting exchange of these works across borders by the authorized entities.

- Philippine Council of Cheshire Homes for the Disabled website (EQUAL) launch, an online resource hub linking persons with disabilities to employers in the corporate, private and government.
- Sto. Cristo Barangay’s “Sign Language as an Inclusive Tool” for 15 teachers, PWD advocates and barangay officials as trainers.
- National Institute of Physicals, University of the Philippines “2017 Universal Health Care Summit” on March 4, 2017.
- Resources for the Blind’s “Forum on Unified English Braille”
- Round Table Discussion on Media and Information Library, Philippine Social Science Center, Quezon City on March 29
- Light Railways Transit Authority - April 11, 2017
- Philippine National Railways – June 20, 2017
- “Information Caravan cum Assessment of Children with Disabilities” held in Hagonoy, Bulacan on April 27, 2017 where twenty-one (21) children and adults with disabilities were assessed and were given rehabilitation assessment by the Philippine Physical Therapy Association (PPTA) team, the hearing screening by Audio-Phil Hearing Solutions and provision of Propan Multi-Vitamins courtesy of Dr. Andro Escobar of Valenzuela Persons with Disability Federation, Inc.
- “Gender, Disability and Leadership Development Training” for 54 persons with disabilities, including focal persons from the provinces of Aklan, Antique, Capiz, Iloilo and Guimaras. It was recommended that the Provincial Government of Aklan to organize a Strategic Planning after the adoption of an ordinance on the creation of PDAO, with NCDA’s participation and to provide the necessary technical assistance in the development of Provincial and LGU action Plan. The NCDA was also enjoined to partner with the Provincial Government of Aklan in the conduct of the Regional Conference on Disability Inclusive Development.
- Perkins International and Philippine Partners on Teacher Training Program and Education of Children with Visual Impairment held on May 13, 2017 to orient participants on the initiatives of Perkins on the education of children with visual impairments and to discuss opportunities for potential partnership with government agencies particularly the NCDA, Early Childhood Care and Development and DSWD.
- Life Haven’s “Disability Inclusive Development Training Workshops” on May 15-

18, 2017 in Cebu City and June 5-8, 2017 in Bayview Hotel;

- Pharmaceutical and Healthcare Association of the Philippines' Forum on Universal Health Care dubbed as "Bringing Health to Juan and Juana" held on May 18, 2017 at the Asian Development Bank. The NCDCA shall continue to find ways and approaches on how to integrate in its strategic plan, activities and or projects, particularly that of the Sub-Committee on Health, the Universal Health Care Agenda of the government.
- Kids World Integrated School's Seminar on Special Education titled "Navigating the Special Education Maze: from Diagnosis to Schooling and Beyond" held on May 20, 2017 at the DepEd, San Juan City, and which was attended by 34 individuals composed mainly of teachers, parents of special children and representatives of the PSWDO of Pangasinan.
- National Youth Commission's "Philippine Youth pment Plan (2017-2022) Advocacy Strategic Planning Workshop" held on May 24, 2017 at the NYC, Quezon City.
- 1st Steering Committee meeting on "Setting the Agenda for Inclusive DRRM in the Philippines: A National Conference" held at the Sulo Riviera Hotel, Quezon City on May 24, 2017.
- Tripartite Conference on Climate Change with the theme "Transition to Climate Change Economy: Philippine Roadmap for the Paris Accord (A Government, Civil Society, International Community Partnership) held on May 29-31, 2017 at the Manila Hotel.
- PCW's "Consultation Forum on Shaping The Women's International Agenda" held at Hive Hotel and Convention Place on June 15, 2017, to tackle partners' inputs on issues n Opportunities to push Gender Equality and Empowerment of Rural Women and Girls, in a big way, nationwide. It was attended by over 150 representatives from government, private, civil society, private advocacy groups as well as women leaders from various religions.
- "Forum on Problematizing Access to Justice for Women with Disabilities" organized by the CHR's Gender Equality and Women's Human Rights Center which served as a venue for persons with disabilities particularly women with disabilities to share their experiences in their access to justice and for government agencies to share/inform their initiatives/programs in terms of providing accessible justice system. It focused on the three (3) types of disabilities namely visual, mobility and hearing.
- Community-Based Inclusive Development Forum on April 6 at SM Aura Conference Room
- "National IT Challenge 2017" for 18 Youth with Cross-Disabilities last April 21, 2017 in partnership with the DICT to select the four (4) official bets to the "Global IT Challenge" to be held in Hanoi, Vietnam on September 18-22, 2017.
- Region II PESO Manager's Orientation on Governance and Employability of

Persons with Disabilities, August 4, 2017.

- Workshop on the Disability Inclusion for Humanitarian Workers”, August 16, 2017.
  - National Heroes Day’s Commemoration for Soldiers with Disabilities Day held at the AFP Medical Center, August 29, 2017.
  - Center for Humanitarian Dialogue’s “Seminar on Workshop of the Task Force Bangon Marawi-Information Management and Strategic Communications Support Group, September 5, 2017, in coordination with the Philippine Information Agency and Presidential Communications Operations Office, September 5, 2017.
  - Persons with disabilities and the Peace Process” with MILF Chairman Iqbal and Undersecretary Nabil Tan of Government Peace Panel representatives of Human Dialogue and invited PWD leaders from Mindanao held on September 6, 2017.
  - DSWD NCR’s “Forum: The Reality of Accessibility of PWDs in NCR” held on September 20, 2017 in Lancaster Hotel, Mandaluyong City. NCDA OIC Carmen Zubiaga and other senior staff gave an update on SCABET and shared personal experience in coping with the inaccessible transportation in the country.
  - PHILHEALTH’s Consultation Meeting on the National Health Insurance Program, September 25, 2017
  - Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources’ Workshop I: Benchmarking and Direction Setting of the Comprehensive Post Harvest and Ancillary Industry Plan (CPHAIP), September 27-28, 2017
  - SM Cares’ Special Movie Screening for the Blind and Deaf featuring movies with audio description and closed captioning held in cooperation with AKAP Pinoy, Philippine Blind Union, PFRD and NCDA at the SM City Manila.
  - Lecture at the Intellectual Property Office in Fort Bonifacio, Global City, Taguig City.
  - Disaster Resilience Conference 2017 for Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens held at SM MOA on July 25, with SM Cares at the helm.
7. Conducted Disability Sensitivity Training on Handling Persons with Disabilities for the following:
- MRT Personnel - July 13, 2017
  - Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) - July 26-28, 2017
  - Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) -Small Business Corporation - July 31, 2017
  - Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) - August 22-23, 2017

- Elsie Gaches Village Staff – September 7-9, 2017
  - Philippine Physical Therapy Association (CBR Group) – September 23, 2017
  - Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP), September 30, 2017
  - SM City Bacoor, September 30, 2017
8. Conducted pilot testing of the “Manual on Sexuality and Responsible Parenthood for Persons with Disabilities” on September 27-28, 2017 at the Area Vocational Rehabilitation Center, Dagupan City.
  9. Conducted the Non-Handicapping Environment Stakeholders Forum in the municipality of Baggao, Cagayan Valley.
  10. Workshop on “How to Start an Online Business” for 100 would-be-online entrepreneurs from DPOs, academes, GOs and NGOs to mark the ICT Month 2017 held at the GT Toyota Asian Institute Building, UP Diliman on June 28, 2017.
  11. “Work-at-Home Entrepreneurship for Persons with Disabilities – Trainer’s Training on How to Start an Online Business” held at the Ramada Hotel, Manila on June 29-30, 2017. The 35 PWD entrepreneurs and service providers who were trained were required to submit individual/group action plans for NCDAs’ progress monitoring.
  12. Stimulation and Therapeutic Activity Center (STAC)’s training entitled “Updates on the Rehabilitation of Children with Disabilities” on April 27, 2017 in Rosales, Pangasinan attended by 25 parents of children with disabilities. The training increased awareness on disability laws and the need to re-activate PDAO in the Municipality of Rosales and enhanced skills in managing children with disabilities at home.
  13. Conducted sports and other related activities for persons with disabilities to hone their athletic prowess, amongst are the following:
    - “Sportsfest for Persons with Autism and other Developmental Disabilities” held at ULTRA, Pasig City on February 27, which were participated in by persons with disabilities from SPED Centers in Quezon City, Las Piñas, Manila, San Juan City and Pasay City.
    - “Visually-Impaired Sports Training and Advocacy (VISTA) Games” spearheaded by the Parent Advocates for Visually Impaired Children (PAVIC) held on March 10 at the Marikina Sports Complex, Marikina City.
    - Boccia Sports Tournament spearheaded by the Philippine Association for Citizens with Developmental and Learning Disabilities (PACDLD) held on May 12 at the National Children’s Hospital, Quezon City.
    - “Philippine Para Sports Summit” organized by the Philippine Paralympics Committee and the Philippine Sports Association for the Differently-Abled (PHILSPADA) held on June at the Microtel, UP Technohub, Quezon City. The summit which has “Transcending Barriers Through Sports” as its theme gathered sports officials, athletes, coaches and trainers, sports doctors, marketing experts

and policy makers – all key players in the industry, to look into the state of Paralympics Sports in the Philippines.

- “Sports Clinic for Students with Disabilities” in Baguio City which was participated by 100 students with disabilities, SPED Teachers/Physical Education Teachers and Intern Students. This was conducted in collaboration with St. John II Learning Center and Eastern Colleges, both located in Baguio City and aims to identify potential athletes with disabilities who can compete in national and international sports competitions, adoptive sports among persons with intellectual disabilities for program development of inclusive sports in schools and communities.
14. Conducted a “Writing Workshop for Project Proposal Making” on October 18-20 at the Ramada Hotel which was participated by 35 individuals representing 20 organizations, most of whom were beneficiaries of the social enterprise fund of NCDCA. This resulted to the development of 18 organizational project proposals for submission to possible funding organizations such as Voice Global, Australian DFAT and DOLE to enhance their current livelihood and income generating projects.
  15. Conducted “Appropriate Paper-Based Technology Training (APT)” from October 24 to 26 at Sta. Maria, Laguna where 25 members of “Ikapit Bisig Mo, Kaunlaran ng may Kapansanan ng Laguna” developed their skills in creating usable products for their income-generating projects.
  16. Conducted “Disability Sensitivity Training and Writeshop to Enhance the Manual on Sexuality for Persons with Disabilities” for the City Health Officers and PWD Focal Persons” from 15 LGUs of the National Capital Region. This aimed to raise awareness of the participants on the rights of persons with disabilities and how to assist them in accessing health services at the LGU health facilities. Moreover, for the participants to provide inputs in enhancing the draft manual on sexuality for persons with disabilities.
  17. Conducted “Disability Inclusive Development and Disability Sensitivity Training” with the following government agencies/local government units for awareness and effective and efficient performance of their functions/mandates toward better implementation of their disability-related programs and services:
    - Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) - A vision for an accessible sea vessel on Feb. 11, 2017
    - “Gender, Disability and Leadership Development Training” for 54 women, girls and men with disabilities from Aklan, Guimaras, Iloilo, Capiz and facilitated their strategic planning resulting to 5 provincial Action Plans to echo and advocate their training insights.
  18. Participated in Perkins International and Philippine Partners on Teacher Training Program and Education of Children with Visual Impairment held on May 13, 2017 to orient participants on the initiatives of Perkins on the education of children with visual impairments and to discuss opportunities for potential partnership with government agencies particularly the NCDCA, Early Childhood Care and Development and DSWD.
  19. Conducted three (3) “Gender and Development Trainings” which resulted to 38 GAD



plans:

- November 7-9, Pagadian City (63 PWDs and 7 focal persons)
- November 27-29, Bayview Park Hotel (46 PWDs, 13 of them are focal persons)
- December 11-13, Bislig City (50 PWDs composed of parents, staff and CBR workers)

- 20 .Provided technical support to the Year-End Meeting and Capability Building and Planning Workshop of San Juan City PDAO held on December 6-7 at the ICON Hotel, North EDSA, Quezon City.

The NCDA also provided publicity support by conducting photo and video documentation, uploading of advocacy materials in social media and at the NCDA website, and facilitated media guestings of resource persons to promote the celebrations.

21. Disability Sensitivity Training and Planning Workshop and on Handling Persons with Disabilities for the following:

- Department of Trade and Industry – Competitive Bureau PWD Sensitivity Awareness Seminar, October 6, The A Venue Hotel
- Barangay Officials of Manila City – November 24, Manila City Hall
- Community-Based Inclusive Development Assembly of Stakeholders in Central Luzon, November 28-29, San Fernando, Pampanga
- Department of Trade and Industry – December 19-20 at One Tagaytay Hotel
- Department of Science and Technology – December 20, Taguig City

22. Engaged with Nestle on the possibility of tapping its distributors as possible employers of persons with disabilities and the following agencies in the conduct of trainings for NCDA staff, to wit:

23. Facilitated the DTI Consumer and Trade Protection and Advocacy on the conduct of training on granting discount for persons with disabilities and senior citizens.

24. Facilitated the conduct of Orientation Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino for the “Pagsasanay sa Korespondensiya Opisyal Implementasyon ng EO No. 335”

25. Conducted “Symposium on Education and Assistive Technologies of Learners with Visual Disabilities” on November 24 at the Polytechnic University of the Philippines, Manila. The research of Dr. Pasumbal entitled “Seeing through Their Vision: Library Needs, Expectations and Experiences of Learners with Visual Impairment” and the way forward how to improve the delivery of library support services for learners with visual impairment were discussed to the 179 stakeholders from 23 universities and colleges in the NCR. Selected PWDs also shared their experiences on how assistive devices and technologies helped them in their studies

26. Participated/Provided technical assistance/facilitated the following disability-related

activities/advocacy campaigns featuring disability mandates in various agencies and entities thru public forums, seminars and similar activities:

- “Public Consultation on Nationally Determined Contribution” conducted by the Climate Change Commission held on November 24 at Sofitel Hotel, which aims to orient the stakeholders on how the government plans to address climate change while pursuing national economic and social development, in line with the President’s directive, among others. Ms. Carmen Zubiaga who is one of the resource persons in the parallel sessions, discussed the vulnerability of persons with disabilities during disasters.
- Impetus 2017 Convention of Philippine Physical Therapist Association held at Stotsenberg Hotel Clark Freeport Zone in Angeles City. The Association adopted its “PT in every Community” as its battlecry.
- Unveiling of the renovated student hostel of “Bahay Biyaya Foundation in Cubao, Quezon City. The occasion which was dubbed as “Tuloy Po Kayo: Removing Barriers through Interior Design” was made possible by the UP CHE BS Interior Design Class of 2018.
- DSWD 2017 Year-End National Management Development Conference (NMDC) held on November 28 – 30 at Marco Polo Hotel, Davao City. Ms. Zubiaga presented some policy recommendations including the provision of appropriate assistive devices to persons with disabilities during the 3-day conference.
- Seminar/Workshop on Building Resiliency among Persons with Disabilities, October 6, Rembrandt Hotel, Quezon City
- “Inclusion Starts with “I”: A National Conference on Disability Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (#DiDRR Natcon)”, October 11-14, Golden Prince Hotel, Cebu City
- Seminar/Workshops on the Promotion of NHE for Persons with Disabilities”
- October 24, 2017 / PPA Corporate Building, Port Area, Manila, of Philippine Ports Authority attended by 35 PPA Port Management Officials (PMOs) from NCR South and North Harbors, Manila;, Bataan, Aurora, Batangas, Oriental and Occidental Mindoro, Bicol, Palawan, MarQuez, Negros Oriental/Siquijor, Panay/ Guimaras, Western Leyte/Biliran and Eastern Leyte/Samar.
- November 15-17, 2017 / Davao City. This was attended by 26 PMOs and personnel who are stationed in Visayas and Mindanao Region and composed of Port Manager, HRMOs, Supervising Engineers, Port Operation Analyst, Managers of Admin and Finance Divisions, Acting Terminal Supervisor, Harbor Operation Officer, Senior Cashiers, Civil Security Officers, GSO-A, Insurance/ Risk Analyst, Executive Assistant and Construction Foremen.
- “Sensitivity Seminar on Disability” held on December 14, 2017 at the Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City. Two (2) topics namely (1) Key mandates on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, and (2) Overview of Accessibility Law and NHE for

Persons with Disabilities were delivered.

- Seminar on Laws and Issuances on Persons with Disabilities and Orientation on Best Practices - Inclusive Education for Persons with Disabilities – November 8-10/Naga Regent Hotel, Naga City. Participants were Barangay Officials and the Barangay PWD Association of the twenty-seven (27) barangays of Naga City and public school teachers of Naga City, respectively.
- Research on “Enhancing the Child Rearing Skills of Parents of Children with Special Needs through a Parent Training Program”, November 19/University of Santo Tomas, España, Manila
- State of the World Population 2017 Report held at Ascot Residences, Makati City conducted by the United Nations Population Division
- Unifast Consultations for the “Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act” held on October 20, December 2 and December 14 held at the PICC, Pasay City; Centennial Resort and Convention Center, Iloilo City; and University of the Cordilleras, Pasig City, respectively.
- Autism Partnership Philippines – 4th Annual Conference on Effective Behavioral Management Strategies using Progressive AGA” held on November 18 at the Eastwood Richmond.
- 2017 Education Summit held on December 5-6 at the Tent City, Manila Hotel, Manila
- 2017 National Nutrition Awarding Ceremony held on December 12 at the PICC
- Zonal Orientations on the IRR of RA No. 10931 held on December 8 and December 14 at the Centennial Resort and Convention Center, Iloilo City and in University of Cordilleras, Baguio City, respectively.
- Manila Earthquake: Pre-crisis Information Mapping survey and community International Organization for Migration Office held on October 4 in Makati City.
- Inter-Agency Consultation Meeting on WIPO-Standing Committee on Copyright and Related (SCCR) Issues and Marrakesh Treaty, Intellectual Property of the Philippines, November 6.
- Yogyakarta Principles: A Review on the LGBT Rights in the Philippines, conducted by the Commission on Human Rights held on December 1 at the Max’s Restaurant, Quezon City.
- DOLE ECC’s “Forum on Job Retention and Return to Work of Persons with Work-Related Disabilities” held on November 28 at the I”M Hotel.
- NORFIL Foundation’s session on “Living, Learning and Advocating” held in NORFIL Office, Quezon City on April 5, 2017.
- Philippine Cerebral Palsy, Inc.’s “Awareness Accessibility Caravan Project” on

April 17-19, 2017 in Dumaguete City.

- Philippine National Red Cross' "Orientation on Lahat 2017"
- Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines' Access Audit and Sensitivity Training on Handling PWDs for the Air Sector" held on May 16-17, 2017 in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan, where 42 participants, mostly staff from Puerto and Busuanga Airport Terminals and other stakeholders such as airline companies and City Tourism Offices attended. Three (3) Action Plans were also developed which organizing a similar disability sensitivity training, installation of tactile floor inside the Puerto Princesa airport terminal and issuance of a memorandum on compliance to RA No. 7277 and other disability-laws relevant to air transportation (Puerto Princesa group), among others.
- "Training on Child Protection and Disability Laws and Workshop on Reporting and Referral" of the Save the Children" on May 17, 2017.
- Little People of the Philippines's "Big Dreams for Little People Forum: Understanding Our Rights and Welfare" held on May 20, 2017 in Tomas Morato, Quezon City.
- AVRC's "Summer Camp cum Leadership Training" on May 30-31 to 54 clients with disabilities of AVRC Pangasinan.
- Tripartite Conference on Climate Change for the Thematic Group on Education, Culture and Development Communications held on May 30, 2017 at the Manila Hotel.
- RCDA IV-A Policy Forum on May 31 at the DSWD IV-A, Alabang Muntinlupa City where the implementation of laws and other disability-related concerns were discussed.
- Bohol Association of Hotels, Restaurants and Resorts' "Forum on Exploring Inclusive Employment in the Tourism Sector in Bohol" held at Panda Tea Garden Suites, Tagbilaran City, Bohol on June 22-24, 2017.
- Diocese of Novaliches Pastoral Outreach for the Welfare and Resources of PWDs' Forum on the Legal Rights and Privileges of PWDs for Parents, Guardians, SPED Teachers and PWD Ministry Volunteers" on June 24, 2017.
- Orientation of three (3) Korean visitors of Grain Foundation on the role of NCDA as its partner in connecting and advocating their vocational skills training and employment programs of person with disabilities in NCR held at the GT Toyota Asian Institute Building, UP Diliman on June 28, 2017.
- CWC's "Workshop on the Development of the Advocacy and Communication Plan for the PPA to End Violence Against Children" held in Baguio City on June 20-23, 2017.
- CHR's "Road Equality: A Forum on Access to Justice for LBTIs" held at the CHR

on June 23, 2017

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  - "Training on Child Protection and Disability Laws and Workshop on Reporting and Referral" of the Save the Children" on May 17, 2017
27. Acted as keynote/resource person/speaker/facilitator in public fora and seminars, among others, in different disability events and observances for duty bearers and claimholders on the different laws, policies and mandates on disability. These included the Center for Social Concern and Action (COSCA)'s "For the Kids (FTK)", Canlubang Organization of PWDs' "Orientation on the Rights and Privileges of Filipino Persons with Disabilities", 54th Graduation Day of AVRC I in Dagupan City, Pangasinan, "Forum on Inclusive Education" in Urdaneta University on February 16, and the Philippine Cerebral Palsy Incorporated (PCPI) "Awareness/Accessibility Caravan Project in Hagonoy, Bulacan on January 10-12.

The NCDA officials also advocated during the Kiwanis Club Sports Event in Quezon City on January 12, Benildean Inclusion Framework Clarification Workshop in Hotel Benilde, Manila on January 25, Forum with Best Practices in Inclusive Education in Urdaneta City University on February 15, Training for Parents and Advocates in the Local Government Units on the Rights of the Child with Disability in Virac, Catanduanes on March 23, Forum on Women with Disabilities on March 29, and Regional Summit of Persons with Disabilities in Region VII (Cebu)

28. Six (6) DPOs consulted and provided with Technical Assistance
- CAR – Regional Federation of Persons with Disabilities, CAR- Feb. 1
  - Region I - Regional Association of PWDs (RAPWDs) - Feb. 10
  - Region IVB - Regional Federation of PWDs of MIMAROPA – March 14
  - Provincial Association of Women with Disabilities, and Provincial Association of

Parents of Children with Disabilities, Marinduque – March 15

- Region IV-A – PDAO Batangas Province (Implementation of PDAO Law)
  - NCR – Lyceum of the Philippines University (Information on organizations of persons with disabilities)
29. Conducted three (3) Engagements in the LGUs/DPOs/NGOs attended by 75 participants from the Teaching and Non-Teaching personnel with disability of the Department of Education (Region 12); PDAO Heads/Focal Persons in selected regions nationwide; and LGU officials, federation of PWDs, MSWDO, PWD Focal Person and WWD officers and members from Baggao, Cagayan.

These included the conduct of a “Workshop on the Development of a Training Module to Enhance the Management Skills of PDAO Heads/Focal Persons towards the Effective Implementation of RA No. 10070 (PDAO Law)” held on December 11-13 at the Manila Pavilion Hotel.

# Provision of Support Services for Persons with Disabilities, their Families, Support Groups and Advocates

*The agency in its desire to uplift the lives of persons with disabilities led in the provision of support services for persons with disabilities and their families, support groups and advocates. These were done through referrals for medical/rehab assistance, employment, research and information including augmentation support in the form of financial assistance, assistive devices and gadgets. Inquiries, complaints and clarifications and other request for assistance from DPOs, NGOs, individual PWDs and other stakeholders were responded and addressed specifically on disability-related issues and concerns such as the availment of the expanded benefits and privileges of persons with disabilities.*

Type of Support Services/ Assistance	No. of Beneficiaries	Region/Agency/Organization
1. Assistive Devices		
Wheelchairs	6	NCR
White canes	56	NCR - 12 Cebu Rehab Center - 44
Hearing aids	3	Unknown location - 1 NCDA Staff - 2
2. Employment	2	NCR - 1 4A
3. Medicines	3	MCR - 2 4A - 1
4. Financial Support	2	NCR - 1 4A - 1
5. Livelihood	1	NCR
6. Legal	1	NCR
7. Counselling/Home visitation	2	NCR - 1 4A - 1

- Selected NCR partners to help Operation SMILE Foundation’s search for hare/ cleft lip palate patients interested to avail of their mission’s operation in Sta. Ana Hospital, Manila on June 26-28.

*As one of the major provisions in Article 8 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons*

# Advocacy

*with Disabilities on awareness raising to foster respect and dignity of persons with disabilities and to promote their rights, positive perceptions and greater social awareness on their plight, various advocacy activities are being spearheaded and conducted to include disability events and observances all year-round including its activities. Seminars/fora on how to handle persons with disabilities were also undertaken.*

1. Facilitated the conduct of the following disability-related events, celebrations and observances:

- a) **21st Autism Consciousness Week (February 5 - 12)**

*(Note: The celebration of this event to the date indicated hereof to give way to the holding of this year's Miss Universe Pageant which was hosted by the Philippines whose venue – the SM Arena at the Mall of Asia, was incidentally the same venue to be used in the kick-off activity).*

Several activities were held during the ACW celebration that include, among others, the (1) Angels Walk for Autism, (2) recitation of “**1Bansa, 1Pangako**” among employees of government agencies held simultaneously nationwide, (3) Sportsfest for Persons with Autism/Developmental Disabilities, (4) Keeping up with Autism: The Diagnosis and Medical/Behavioral/Dental Interventions, (5) Forum on the New PhilHealth Package for CWDs and Orientation on RA 10754, and (6) “Love, Friendship and Romance”.

Memorandum Circulars and related directives were issued by different government agencies to support the celebration, amongst are the following:

- DILG MC No. 2017-05 dated January 13, 2017 for all Chief Executives of Local Government Units and its Regional Directors to extend full support to the celebration.

Press releases were also syndicated/published with the different print media and subsequently were published (Tempo, Manila Bulletin, The Philippine Star, and the Philippine Daily Inquirer). A text blast was also done thru the PIA Central. It was uploaded in the NCDCA website.

- b) **National Women's Month (March)**

Participated in the following activities:

- ❖ DOJ-GAD Committee on the Women's Month Celebration held at the Luneta Park, Manila on March 7;
- ❖ COMELEC GAD Forum held at Bayleaf Hotel, Manila on March 8 and the launching of inclusive and gender sensitive information materials;
- ❖ Women's Summit 2017 on Women's Political Participation on March 30;



- ❖ “Women’s History Month and Art in Embassies in Manila” hosted by the US Ambassador to strengthen collaboration with American partners on March 30, 2017; and
- ❖ “A Day for Women” with Digong (President Rodrigo Duterte) held at Kalayaan Grounds, Malacañang on March 31.

**c) Women with Disabilities Day (Last Monday of March – March 26 this year)**

The Day’s celebration chaired by the Department of Justice and held at the Philippine Arena was highlighted with several activities that involved the participation of more than 5,000 people composed of women with disabilities and other persons with disabilities, officials and employees of different national government agencies and its sub-national offices based in Regions I, III, IV-A, IV-B, and the National Capital Region.

Activities that were conducted during the celebration are the following:

- ❖ Simultaneous trade exhibits and bazaars consisting of products made by women and other persons with disabilities
- ❖ Cultural presentations, and
- ❖ Photo exhibits on Women with Disabilities

The CSC and DILG issued their respective Announcement/Memorandum Circular encouraging the conduct of related activities and to display/hang in conspicuous place the event streamer. Press releases on the celebration were also syndicated with the different Metro Manila-based print media and were uploaded at the NCDA Website.

**d) 10th World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD) (April 2)**

Activities that were highlighted during the day are as follows:

- ❖ “Light-It-Up-Blue (LIUB) Ceremonies”
  - ◆ Quezon City Memorial Circle (April 2)
  - ◆ Smart Araneta, Quezon City (April 3)
- ❖ “Seminar on Understanding Autism” held on April 3 at the Greenhills Shopping Center.

The CSC and the DILG issued their respective MC/Announcement requesting the conduct of fitting activities for the celebration of the 10th WAAD encouraging the conduct of related activities and to display/hang in conspicuous place the event streamer. Press releases on the celebration were also syndicated with the different Metro Manila-based print media, PIA Central and social media – Rappler, Twitter, Facebook, etc. It was also uploaded at the NCDA website.

- ❖ Media guestings of resource persons were held in the following broadcast

networks in their respective programs to advocate disability-related observances and disability inclusive development, as follows:

- ❖ On-cam interview over PTV 4 on WAAD celebration of Mr. Rizalio Sanchez, Chief, IECD of NCDA, with Mr. Kenneth Pasencia, reporter.
- ❖ The NCDA also arranged TV guesting of Ms. Iris Nacionales and Ms. Rhoda Abaluna of Autism Partnership Philippine over PTV 4 Good Morning Pilipinas about WAAD celebration

**e) Freedom Walk (June 10)**

The Walk was spearheaded by the Alyansa ng mga Maykapansanang Pinoy on June 10. It was participated by representatives of NGAs, DPOs, LGUs, NGOs and civil society groups. Around 1,500 participants joined the activity which has a slogan “For Each Rightful Step, Barriers We Break”. The Quezon City Government hosted this half-day event.

**f) 39th National Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation Week July 17-23)**

The celebration with the theme “Karapatan at Pribilehiyo ng Maykapansanan: Isakatuparan at Ipaglaban!” was chaired by the NCDA and with the Autism Society Philippines and the Philippine Association for Citizens with Development Disabilities as Co-Chairs.

Several high-impact activities were conducted during the NDPR Week, such as the following:

- ❖ Holy Mass, Recitation of Loyalty Pledge of an Advocate on the Rights of PWDs
- ❖ Forum on Governance in Health and Wellness Program for PWDs in Local Government Units
- ❖ Employers’ Talkshop
- ❖ Lakbay Aral Para sa Maykapansanan
- ❖ Paligsayan sa May K sa Kasaysayan at Kultura
- ❖ Simultaneous Film Showing entitled “A Beautiful Pain”
- ❖ Lecture on the Rights to Health and Education of A child with Disability cum Arts Workshop and Developmental Games for Children with Disabilities
- ❖ Cultural Show of Persons with Disabilities, Raising Awareness for ADHC, Lupus and Rare Diseases
- ❖ DRAW Disability on the Rights of Children with Disabilities
- ❖ Handog Sayawan at Kantahan
- ❖ Activities of Archdiocese of Manila Ministry on Persons with Disabilities.
- ❖ Media Guesting in RMN 558 on July 30 with Vice President Leni Robredo and Mr. Manuel Agcaoili of the Philippine Foundation for the Rehabilitation of the Disabled (PFRD) to advocate disability-related observances and disability inclusive development

**g) Cerebral Palsy Awareness and Protection (CPAP) Week (September 16-22)**

The celebration has for its theme “Towards an Inclusive Philippine Society for Persons with Cerebral Palsy”.

Various activities were undertaken to generate awareness on the plight and sensitivity to persons with cerebral palsy, to wit:

- ❖ Holy Mass
- ❖ Tree Planting
- ❖ Awareness Seminar on Cerebral Palsy
- ❖ Psycho-Spiritual Retreat for Persons with Cerebral Palsy
- ❖ Scientific Congress on Cerebral Palsy
- ❖ Sensitivity Training on Cerebral Palsy for Employers
- ❖ Assessment of Persons with Cerebral Palsy cum Medical Services
- ❖ Boccia Tournament for Persons with Cerebral Palsy

**h) National Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (AD/HD) Awareness Week (October 15-21)**

Several activities were conducted to drum beat the weeklong celebration consisting of the following and held in different venues, to wit:

- ❖ Art Workshop and Exhibit for children with ADHD held in Shangri-La Plaza Mall, Mandaluyong City;
- ❖ Tree Planting held in La Mesa Watershed reservation, Lagro, Quezon City;
- ❖ AD/HD Awareness Seminar held in the Old Gymnasium, San Juan City; and
- ❖ AD-HD Congress 2017 held in Baliwag Star Arena, Baliwag, Bulacan; and

The Civil Service Commission (CSC) issued Announcement No. 39 S. 2017 dated October 2, 2017 to Heads of Constitutional Bodies, Departments, Bureaus and NGAs, LGUs, Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations with original Chapters, and State Universities and Colleges to support the celebration.

**i.) Deaf Awareness Week (November 10-16)**

Acted as resource person (Mr. Rizalio R. Sanchez, IECD Chief) in the “Seminar on Deaf Awareness” as a post-celebration activity which was organized by the San Juan City PDAO held on November 27 at the San Juan National High School, San Juan City, Metro Manila.

**j.) International Day of Persons with Disabilities (December 4)**

The Day’s celebration has its international theme “Transformation Towards Sustainable and Resilient Society for All” with counter-part local sub-theme “#PWD Matatag: Larawan ng Katatagan at Kahandaan sa Lipunan”.

The following activities were conducted to drum beat the Day’s celebration that include:

- ❖ Photo Exhibition and Arts Exhibit of persons with disabilities
- ❖ Policy Commitment and Dialogue
- ❖ Awarding of winners of the Photo Competition entitled “Kahit May K, Okay!”
- ❖ Public Launching of Accessible E-Jeepney for persons with disabilities
- ❖ Orientation on Access Audit for public buildings and other infrastructures

Senator Risa Hontiveros led the signing of Policy Commitment for PWD during the Policy Commitment Dialogue as the Guest of Honor.

The Day’s celebration was jointly spearheaded by NCDA in partnership with INCITEGov, Quezon City PDAO and IDPWD National Working Committee composed of representatives of government agencies and NGOs. Senator Hontiveros announced her policy commitments that include the strengthening of NCDA by renaming it into “National Commission on the Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities” with regional and local offices to serve persons with disabilities right in their communities and the automatic membership of persons with disabilities in PHILHEALTH.

2. Facilitated the establishment of Disability Sections in institutional libraries, to wit:
  - ❖ Memorandum of Agreement for each institutional library were also forged as legal basis to formalize the undertaking of commitment of support.
3. Facilitated the conduct of “**Seminars on How to Handle Persons with Disabilities in Tourism Industry**” held in 1) Baler, Aurora (Region 3) 2), April 20 Cebu City (Region 7) on May 25, 3) Naga City, Camarines Sur (July 6), 4) Iba, Zambales (Aug. 7), 5) Bacolod, Negros Occidental (Oct. 5) and 6) Davao City (Nov. 3), in partnership with the Department of Tourism and its Regional Offices. The seminars imparted valuable information and knowledge to 135 frontliners and personnel from the tourism industry composed of travel tours and transport, hotel and restaurants, resorts and Spas, suites and residences, rent-a-car service, family hotels, pension houses, guest houses, among others on how persons with disabilities will be accorded with utmost treatment and accommodation in tourism destinations and establishments in accordance with the universal policy on “Accessible Tourism for All.”
4. Conducted “Trainers’ Training for Speakers’ Bureau on Disability Rights Promotion” held at The President’s Hotel, Lingayen, Pangasinan on Sept. 26-28, 2017
5. Collaboration with the Komisyon ng Wikang Filipino for the translation of disability laws into the 19 major languages of the country.
6. Media Guestings/resource person in the following television and radio programs in different broadcast networks in their respective programs to advocate disability-related observances and disability inclusive development, as follows:
  - ❖ RTV Guesting Channel 5 in Metro Sabado Program hosted by Mr. Alex Tinsay and Ms. Izza Reniva-Cruz, March 4, 2017
  - ❖ DZRH – “kDSWD-May Malasakit” radio program – episode on persons with disabilities featuring updates on programs and services of DSWD and its attached

agencies, anchored by Karen Oyong, March 9, 2017

- ❖ TV4 program “Good Morning Pilipinas” and on radio at DZRB’s program “RadyoBisyon”
  - ❖ PTV, Manila Bulletin and Malaya newspapers interview on women with disabilities
  - ❖ DZRH phone patch interview on the IRR of RA 10524
  - ❖ Radio/TV Program of “Metro Sabado” of Radyo 5/TV, March 4, 2017
7. Acted as resource person/panelist/speaker/facilitator in public fora and seminars, among others, in different disability events and observances for duty bearers and claimholders on the different laws, policies and mandates on disability. These included the following:
- ❖ “Epilepsy Forum of the Philippines” on September 4, 2017
  - ❖ DSWD’s “Forum on Initiatives in Mainstreaming the Rights of Persons with Disability” held on September 6, 2017 at the DSWD Quezon City
  - ❖ Forum on How to do an Access Audit at San Carlos City, Pangasinan on September 6, 2017
  - ❖ Access Ngayun Exhibit 2017 held at Asian Institute of Management (AIM) held in Makati City on July 4, which was hosted by Telecommunication Service Network for the Deaf, Inc. The exhibit aims to provide Disability Inclusive Early Warning Systems for the Deaf
  - ❖ Lecture at the Intellectual Property Office in Fort Bonifacio, Global City, Taguig City.

# International and Technical Cooperation

*To keep abreast on the current international trends on disability concerns and to strengthen international networks and linkages, the Council facilitated and participated in various international endeavours such as the following:*

- Facilitated/Participated in foreign disability-inclusive activities/scholarship training programs:
- “International Leadership Summit and Seminar on Inclusive Education” in SMX Convention Center, SM Mall of Asia on February 22-24, 2017 which aimed to change the mindset about education to make sure that everyone is included even people with disabilities. It was hosted by The Teacher’s Gallery, in partnership with various stakeholders including the Australian Aid, Leonard Cheshire disability Philippines foundation and Save the Children.
- Participation of four (4) Philippine Delegates from DSWD, PIA, and DOH in the “55th Session of the Commission for Social Development” on March 1-10, 2017 and the preparation and submission of the Philippine Policy Statement presented by DSWD Assistant Secretary Aleli Bawagan as the Delegation Head in the United Nations, New York, USA.
- Participation of the three (3) Philippine Delegates to the International Braille Chess Competition held on March 22-31, 2017 in India, including tapping of sponsors for their travel expenses.
- APEC “Symposium on Promoting the Employment of Persons with Disabilities” held on May 10, 2017 in Ha Noi, Viet Nam, with NCDA participants Ms. Myrla P. Sedenio, Project Evaluation Officer III and Mr. Dandy C. Victa, Program Development Officer IV. The Philippines shared its initiatives to enhance economic participation of persons with disabilities through legislations that created employment of persons with disabilities such as RA No. 10524 entitled “An Act Expanding the Positions Reserved for Persons with Disabilities” and RA No. 10070 on the creation of Persons with Disability Affairs Office in every province, city and 1st, 2nd and 3rd class municipalities and designation of a Focal Person in the 4th, 5th and 6th class municipalities, and EO No. 417 “Economic Independence Program for Persons with Disabilities” where 10% of goods and services that government needs can be outsourced from organizations of persons with disabilities.
- “10th Session of the Conference of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (COSP-UNCRPD)” held at the UN Headquarters, New York City, USA on June 13-15, 2017, with the theme: “The Second Decade of CRPD: Inclusion and Full Participation of Persons with Disabilities and their Representative Organizations in the Implementation of the Convention”

- “6th United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) International Conference on Tourism Statistics Measuring Sustainable Tourism” organized by the Philippine DOT and the UNWTO held on June 21-23, 2017 in Marriott Hotel, Pasay City. It was attended by 987 delegates from 87 different countries including the Philippines and PWD sectoral representatives, to wit: NCDA, Alyansa Ng Maykapansanang Pinoy, Inc. and the Philippine International Network on Accessible Tourism Inc.

As a result of the conference, the “Manila Call for Action on Measuring Sustainable Tourism” was adopted. The Philippine Statistics Authority also stressed the inclusion of persons with disabilities in the “Statistical Framework for Measuring Sustainable Tourism”.

- Entry of the AFS-KL-YES alumni batch 2016-2017 in the higher level in the Philippine School for the Deaf based on the one-year exchange scholarship program in the US academic performance.
- “Australian Award-Australian Development Scholarship” of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Australian and the Philippine Australia Human Resource Organization Development Facility (PAHRODF) from September 6, 2016 to June 2017. Ms. Virginia S. Rabino, Administrative Aide VI, completed her Graduate Certificate in Human Resource Management at the University of Newcastle, Australia.
- Partnered with the Department of Information and Technology (DICT) on the participation of four (4) Youth with Cross-Disabilities in the “Global IT Challenge (GITC)” held in Hanoi, Vietnam on September 18-22, 2017. The GITC is an international competition that capacitate youth with disabilities to break barriers thru the use of ICT. The event has four disability categories: visual, hearing, physical and intellectual, middle and high school students whose age ranges from 13-19 will compete in the individual and group events namely e-Life (web browsing), e-Tool (MS Office Applications), e-Design (Poster Making) and e-Creative (Game/Story Application).

The Philippine Team composed of representatives from the Philippine School for the Deaf, Philippine National School for the Blind, Miriam College Southeast Asian Institute for the Deaf and Gen. Pio del Pilar National High School won two (2) Gold Medals in e-Tool Challenge and two (2) Silver Medals in E-Life Challenge under the hearing category and development/learning disability categories. For the first time in the history of the IT Global Challenge event, the Philippine representative was conferred the IT Global Leader/MVP Award for the year 2017.

- Attended the “**ASEAN Conference on Non-Communicable Disease i(NCD)**” held on October 25 at Marriott Hotel in Pasay City which was graced by Officer-in-Charge/Secretary Herminigildo Valle of the Department of Health. In his remarks, he cited the pressing need to step up actions against non-communicable diseases (NCDs) and their risk factors in the ASEAN Region. This was in fulfilment of the country’s international commitment to the Asean Health Cluster 1 Work Programme 2016-2022 on Promoting Healthy Lifestyle which was

endorsed by the ASEAN Health Ministers.

- Conducted the “**Philippine-Korea Knowledge Sharing on Disability Development Programs**” held on October 27 at the Discovery Suites Manila, Ortigas Center, Pasig City. This was an offshoot of the attendance of two (2) NCDA staff, Mr. Rizalio R. Sanchez and Mr. Dandy Victa, during the “Korea-Singapore Comprehensive Joint Development cooperation Partnership Capacity Development on Disability Policies” held in Korea on October 23 to November 12, 2016.

The **Philippine-Korean Fellows Association (PHILKOFA)**, Inc. provided the funding assistance amounting to One Hundred Twenty Pesos (P120,000.00) thru Ms. Judy Vermudo, the President. More than 100 stakeholders and representatives from national government agencies, international organizations with local affiliates/partners, non-government organizations, Disabled People’s Organizations, and other entities who are directly or indirectly responsible in delivering services to persons with disabilities attended the activity.

- Facilitated the “**Soft Launching of the Accessible E-Jeepney**” held during the sneak review of COMET accessible e-jeepney designed by Canadian Engineers held on November 13 at the Manila Peninsula Hotel, Makati City.
- Attended the “**31st ASEAN Summit and Related Summits**” during the Opening Ceremony held on November 13 at the Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP) and Closing Ceremony on November 14 at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC).
- Spearheaded the “**Symposium on the Implementation of Incheon Strategy Framework**”, with Rehabilitation International (RI) Korea held on November 3 at the NCDA Board Room.
- The RI delegation discussed with NCDA Officials the possibility of the Philippine hosting the 2018 “**Global IT Challenge**” with the RI Korea representatives.
- Participated in the “**High Level Intergovernmental Meeting on the Midpoint Review of the Asian and Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities, 2013-2022**” held in Beijing, China from November 27 to December 1. The NCDA which was represented by Mr. Mateo A. Lee, Jr., Deputy Executive Director and Mr. Dandy C. Victa, Officer-in-Charge of the Technical Cooperation Division, also provided technical assistance and inputs to the policy statement of the Philippine Delegation to the said meeting.
- Engagement with the UN-Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN-DESA) sending letter of commendation for the PDAO-Carmona’s “**My Embrace, Your Hope Project**” for its Public Service Awards 2017 and to the Civil Service Commission certifying PDAO-Carmona as the only A-OK LGU in the country and among the few Deaf-Friendly Localities in the Philippines for its “2017 Public Service Awards”



## FY 2017 BUDGET UTILIZATION

**DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT**  
**AGENCY : NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS**

Program/Activity/Project	Allotment Received (1)	Obligated (2)	Disbursement
<b>I. NEW APPROPRIATIONS</b>			
<b>A. PROGRAMS</b>			
<b>I. General Administration and Support</b>			
a. General Management and Supervision	17,800,043.00	15,461,094.11	14,461,704.00
PS	11,534,358.00	8,900,667.00	7,926,667.09
MOOE	6,194,000.00	6,150,238.02	6,150,238.02
CO	71,685.00	25,390.00	25,390.00
b. Administration of Personnel Benefits			
PS	384,799.00	384,799.00	384,799.00
<b>II. Support to Operations</b>			
<b>III. Operations</b>			
oo: Coordination of government policies, programs and services in the promotion, protection and fulfillment of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities improved	34,830,491.83	32,415,091.20	31,890,212.05
MFO: Policy Advisory Services on Disability Affairs	34,830,491.83	32,415,091.20	31,890,212.05
Formulate policies and coordinate the implementation of plan and programs on disability prevention and rehabilitation	34,830,491.83	32,415,091.20	31,890,212.05
PS	22,681,000.00	21,553,523.66	21,553,523.66
MOOE	8,391,261.83	8,372,693.16	8,292,083.01
CO	3,758,230.00	2,488,874.38	2,044,605.38
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMS</b>	53,015,333.83	47,876,185.31	46,377,306.16
PS	34,600,157.00	30,838,989.75	29,864,989.75
MOOE	14,585,261.83	14,522,931.18	14,442,321.00
CO	3,829,915.00	2,514,264.38	2,069,995.38

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

For the Period Ended December 31, 2017  
With Comparative Figures with FY 2016

	2017	2016	Adjustments	2016 Restated
<b>Current Operating Expenses</b>				
Personnel Services:				
Salaries and Wages- Regular	19,536,540.54	19,655,272.65	0.00	19,655,272.65
Salaries and Wages- Casual	0.00	99,594.90	0.00	99,594.90
Personnel Economic Relief Allowance	1,190,864.43	1,273,356.41	0.00	1,273,356.41
Representation Allowance	424,500.00	405,375.00	0.00	405,375.00
Transportation Allowance	209,461.11	204,568.08	0.00	204,568.08
Clothing Allowance	255,000.00	275,000.00	0.00	275,000.00
Subsistence Allowance	6,100.00	15,175.00	0.00	15,175.00
Honoraria	4,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Overtime and Night Pay	66,941.70	36,079.54	0.00	36,079.54
Year-End Bonus	1,686,598.80	1,601,617.10	0.00	1,601,617.10
Cash Gift	252,750.00	263,500.00	0.00	263,500.00
Collective Negotiation Agreement Incentive	974,000.00	1,300,000.00	0.00	1,300,000.00
Productivity Enhancement Incentive	240,000.00	250,000.00	0.00	250,000.00
Performance Based Bonus	882,358.00	627,000.00	0.00	627,000.00
Midyear Bonus	1,607,436.00	1,688,658.00	0.00	1,688,658.00
Life and Retirement Insurance Premiums	2,354,591.22	2,369,116.10	0.00	2,369,116.10
PAG-IBIG Contributions	59,400.00	64,100.00	0.00	64,100.00
PHILHEALTH Contributions	183,825.00	193,437.50	0.00	193,437.50
ECC Contributions	59,700.00	64,281.58	0.00	64,281.58
Terminal Leave Benefits	779,172.95	2,952,259.57	0.00	2,952,259.57
Other Personnel Benefits	65,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00
<i>Total Personnel Services</i>	<u>30,838,239.75</u>	<u>33,369,391.43</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>33,369,391.43</u>
Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses:				
Travelling Expenses- Local	1,142,088.25	1,467,596.16	3,980.00	1,471,576.16
Travelling Expenses- Foreign	452,606.93	475,476.44	3,000.00	478,476.44
Training Expenses	469,865.29	1,179,666.66	0.00	1,179,666.66
Office Supplies Expenses	859,117.25	668,040.73	326,850.40	994,891.13
Fuel, Oil and Lubricants Expenses	404,899.09	322,501.53	7,997.32	330,498.85
Semi-Expandable Machinery and Equipment	254,913.12	0.00	0.00	0.00
Semi-Expandable Furniture, Fixtures and Books	6,999.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Water Expenses	167,371.75	147,932.84	13,609.51	161,542.35
Electricity Expenses	842,925.63	830,960.15	67,044.29	898,004.44
Postage and Courier Services	59,321.00	51,661.00	2,495.00	54,156.00
Telephone Expenses- Mobile	379,042.53	416,103.91	35,000.00	451,103.91
Telephone Expenses- Landline	298,393.51	294,365.82	2,282.32	296,648.14

Internet Subscription Expenses	181,324.00	160,552.25	0.00	160,552.25
Printing and Publication Expenses	288,684.80	151,400.00	1,845.00	153,245.00
Representation Expenses	5,399,780.50	6,410,074.21	51,725.63	6,461,799.84
Transportation and Delivery Expenses	121,063.64	154,545.10	9,578.75	164,123.85
Subscription Expenses	36,692.00	36,652.00	0.00	36,652.00
Other Professional Services	1,111,654.50	1,275,691.11	9,000.00	1,284,691.11
Security Services	899,032.57	791,044.98	0.00	791,044.98
Repairs and Maintenance- Office Building	166,302.75	110,979.34	0.00	110,979.34
Repairs and Maintenance- Office Equipment	205,567.40	180,097.00	0.00	180,097.00
Repairs and Maintenance- ICT Equipment	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Repairs and Maintenance- Motor Vehicles	212,288.12	295,232.55	(450.00)	294,782.55
Extraordinary Expenses	117,600.00	117,600.00	0.00	117,600.00
Fidelity Bond Premiums	17,100.00	25,500.00	0.00	25,500.00
Insurance Expenses	124,278.15	123,907.90	0.00	123,907.90
Advertising Expenses	-	123,745.04	0.00	123,745.04
Donations	54,385.00	180,932.00	1,000.00	181,932.00
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	117,788.27	118,707.30	900.00	119,607.30
Depreciation Expenses- Land Improvements	296,340.92	296,340.93	0.00	296,340.93
Depreciation Expenses- Office Building	534,471.24	534,471.24	0.00	534,471.24
Depreciation Expenses- Machinery and Equipment	1,698,889.89	1,377,535.88	(10,303.14)	1,367,232.74
Depreciation Expenses- Transportation Equipment	281,333.06	215,428.61	151,617.86	367,046.47
Depreciation Expenses- Furniture and Fixtures	54,071.97	53,724.02	0.00	53,724.02
Depreciation Expenses- Other PPE	4,014.00	4,014.00	0.00	4,014.00
<i>Total Maintenance and Operating Expenses</i>	<u>17,261,706.13</u>	<u>18,593,980.70</u>	<u>677,172.94</u>	<u>19,271,153.64</u>

<b>Total Current Operating Expenses</b>	<b>48,099,945.88</b>	<b>51,963,372.13</b>	<b>677,172.94</b>	<b>52,640,545.07</b>
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#### Financial Assistance/Subsidy

Subsidy from National Government:

Notice of Cash Allocation (NCA)	53,247,157.00	57,952,413.00
Add (Deduct) Tax Remittance Advices	4,055,981.70	4,186,675.01
Reversion of Unused NCA	(10,813,214.20)	(5,898,774.61)
Subsidy from National Government (Net)	<u>46,489,924.50</u>	<u>56,240,313.40</u>
Deduct Financial Assistance to NGAS/NGOs/POs	-	-
Net Financial Assistance/Subsidy	<u>46,489,924.50</u>	<u>56,240,313.40</u>

<b>Other Gains</b>	2,500.00	8,830.92
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<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the Period</b>	<b><u>(1,607,521.38)</u></b>	<b><u>4,285,772.19</u></b>
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## CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As of December 31, 2017

### ASSETS

	NOTES	2017	2016	Adjustments	2016 Restated
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents		126,851.00	3,489,376.25	(1,737,264.73)	1,752,111.52
Receivables		1,194,323.28	1,638,196.69	8,746.82	1,646,943.51
Inventories		658,764.10	1,197,094.14	(160,068.40)	1,037,025.74
Other Current Assets		418,388.11	290,443.78	(69,545.00)	220,898.78
<i>Total Current Assets</i>		<u>2,398,326.49</u>	<u>6,615,110.86</u>	<u>(1,958,131.31)</u>	<u>4,656,979.55</u>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>					
Total Property, Plant and Equipment		56,738,409.31	55,180,272.27	(23,480.00)	55,156,792.27
Deduct Accumulated Depreciation		26,771,303.46	22,629,647.48	(141,314.72)	22,770,962.20
Property, Plant and Equipment (net)		<u>29,967,105.85</u>	<u>32,550,624.79</u>	<u>(164,794.72)</u>	<u>32,385,830.07</u>
Intangible Assets		297,977.34	133,330.00	(133,330.00)	0
Other Assets		1,419,152.72	1,419,152.72	0	1,419,152.72
<i>Total Non-Current Assets</i>		<u>31,684,235.91</u>	<u>34,103,107.51</u>	<u>(298,124.72)</u>	<u>33,804,982.79</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b><u>34,082,562.40</u></b>	<b><u>40,718,218.37</u></b>	<b><u>(2,256,256.03)</u></b>	<b><u>38,461,962.34</u></b>

### **LIABILITIES AND EQUITY**

Current Liabilities		1,155,393.88	1,765,481.34	682.48	1,766,163.82
<b>Equity</b>					
Government Equity, Beginning		38,952,737.03	39,153,076.81	0	39,153,076.81
Retained Operating Surplus:					
Current Operations		(1,607,521.38)	4,285,772.19	(2,256,938.51)	2,028,833.68
Prior Year's Adjustments		(4,418,047.13)	(4,486,111.97)	0	(4,486,111.97)
Government Equity, Ending		<u>32,927,168.52</u>	<u>38,952,737.03</u>	<u>(2,256,256.03)</u>	<u>36,695,798.52</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		<b><u>34,082,562.40</u></b>	<b><u>40,718,218.37</u></b>	<b><u>(2,256,256.03)</u></b>	<b><u>38,461,962.34</u></b>

## CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

For the Period Ended December 31, 2017

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>Current Operating Expenses</b>		
Personnel Services	30,838,239.75	33,369,391.43
Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	17,261,706.13	18,593,980.70
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<u>48,099,945.88</u>	<u>51,963,372.13</u>
Financial Assistance/Subsidy	46,489,924.50	56,240,313.40
Other Gains	2,500.00	8,830.92
<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the Period</b>	<u>(1,607,521.38)</u>	<u>4,285,772.19</u>

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS/EQUITY

For the Period Ended December 31, 2017

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Government Equity, January 1	38,952,737.03	39,153,076.81
Period Adjustments	(4,418,047.13)	(4,486,111.97)
Restated Balance	<u>34,534,689.90</u>	<u>34,666,964.84</u>
Surplus for the Period	<u>(1,607,521.38)</u>	<u>4,285,772.19</u>
<b>Government Equity, December 31</b>	<u><b>32,927,168.52</b></u>	<u><b>38,952,737.03</b></u>

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
For the Period Ended December 31, 2017

Cash Flow from Operating Activities:	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>Cash Inflows:</b>		
Receipt of Notice of Cash Allocation	53,247,157.00	57,952,413.00
Constructive Receipt of NCA for TRA	4,055,981.70	4,186,675.01
Receipt of Subsidy from Other NGAS	-	675,365.00
Other Receipts:		
Refund of Clothing Allowance	-	5,000.00
Refund of Productivity Enhancement Incentive	-	5,000.00
Refund from Cash Advances:		
Current Year	53,023.78	40,131.02
Prior Year	-	38,108.19
Receipt of Refund from Overpayment	-	11,642.06
Proceeds from Sale of Scrap	2,500.00	8,550.00
Proceeds from Seminar Fees	-	96,851.00
Other Miscellaneous Receipts	1,552.66	2,601.79
Adjustments:		
Restoration of Cash for Unreleased Checks	-	1,645,049.42
<b>TOTAL CASH INFLOWS</b>	<u>57,360,215.14</u>	<u>64,667,386.49</u>
<b>Cash Outflows:</b>		
Remittance to National Treasury of Refunds/Overpayments	57,076.44	111,033.06
Payment of Operating Expenses:		
Payment of Personnel Services	17,260,154.31	21,048,068.17
Payment of Maintenance and Operating Expenses	11,482,325.76	12,505,089.82
Payment of Capital Outlay	1,945,273.00	2,961,784.02
Liquidation of Cash Advances	1,874,546.74	2,383,814.48
Purchase of Inventories for Consumption	481,215.80	925,392.81
Grant of Cash Advances (Unliquidated):		
Advances for Operating Expenses	30,000.00	25,000.00
Advances for Special Purpose/Time-Bound Undertaking	8,520.22	66,879.84
Advances to Officers and Employees	-	7,330.00
Cash Payment of Prepaid Insurances	127,511.10	123,686.17
Payment of Prior Year's Accounts Payable	-	1,425,000.00
Remittance of Taxes Withheld Covered by TRA	4,055,981.70	4,186,675.01
Remittance of Taxes Withheld Not Covered by TRA	-	31,847.74
Remittance of GSIS/Pag-Ibig/PHILHEALTH	7,567,587.76	7,603,174.80
Remittance of Other Payables	1,661,808.11	1,270,942.45
Grant of Financial Assistance to NGOs/POs	-	-
Release of Funds for the Implementation of Projects from NGAs	-	2,588,913.84
Reversion of Unused NCA:		
Current Year	10,813,214.20	5,898,774.61
Prior Year	1,712,475.83	4,610,689.90
Reversing Entry for Unreleased Checks of Prior Year	1,645,049.42	1,011,499.87
<b>TOTAL CASH OUTFLOWS</b>	<u>60,722,740.39</u>	<u>68,785,596.59</u>
Cash Provided by Operating Activities	(3,362,525.25)	(4,118,210.10)
Add Cash Balance, January 01	3,489,376.25	7,607,586.35
<b>CASH BALANCE, December 31</b>	<u>126,851.00</u>	<u>3,489,376.25</u>

	<b>PS</b>	<b>MOOE</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
JAN	2,605,535.44	442,486.45		3,048,021.89
FEBRUARY	1,095,800.50	1,076,112.96		2,171,913.46
MARCH	2,643,927.86	982,695.64		3,626,623.50
APRIL	1,871,999.44	551,418.06		2,423,417.50
MAY	3,259,278.03	972,224.85	748,934.52	4,980,437.40
JUNE	1,840,469.59	982,177.99		2,822,647.58
JULY	2,151,094.76	941,648.50	236,512.50	3,329,255.76
AUGUST	1,007,039.01	1,010,798.07		2,017,837.08
SEPTEMBER	1,671,298.90	1,156,176.75		2,827,475.65
OCTOBER	2,591,082.22	888,779.53	487,410.71	3,967,272.46
NOVEMBER	3,424,158.96	1,452,907.03		4,877,065.99
DECEMBER	2,327,865.47	3,541,693.79	472,415.27	6,341,974.53
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26,489,550.18</b>	<b>13,999,119.62</b>	<b>1,945,273.00</b>	<b>42,433,942.80</b>
				4,055,981.70
				46,489,924.50
	(7,567,587.76)	(30,000.00)		
	(1,661,808.11)	(8,520.22)		
		(127,511.10)		
		(1,874,546.74)		
		(481,215.80)		
	17,260,154.31	11,477,325.76	1,945,273.00	30,682,753.07



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