



Republic of the Philippines

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS

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MEMORANDUM

F O R : **Undersecretary FLORITA R. VILLAR**
Chairperson
DSWD CY 2015 Annual Report Committee

F R O M : **Director CARMEN R. ZUBIAGA**
This Council

SUBJECT : **2015 NCDA Accomplishments for Inclusion to DSWD 2015 Annual Report**

We are pleased to submit to you the Council's 2015 accomplishments (both the hard copy and the soft copy in CD) for inclusion to DSWD 2015 Annual Report printed in eight (8) pages. We just leave it to the Secretariat which of the items thereof could be accommodated as we are allotted a 2-page slot.

In order to easily identify DSWD's involvement and support to our programs and projects, we have highlighted them in yellow color, as requested.

Copies of these accomplishments were submitted electronically to PDPB and Ms. Annette Asinas

We hope that these accomplishments will be considered.


CARMEN R. ZUBIAGA

Attachments: as stated

The National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA). The NCDA is the government's focal agency tasked to formulate policies and coordinate activities of agencies concerning disability issues and recognizes the principles, doctrines and policy guidelines in influencing the promotion, formulation and evaluation of policies, plans, programs and actions at the national, regional and local levels to further equalize the opportunities for persons with disabilities in order to attain the realization of their **"full participation and equality"** in their social, political, economic, and cultural life. It continues to lead in promoting **"disability-inclusive development"** in order to achieve the **"inclusive growth"** thrust of the Aquino Administration and likewise supports the DSWD Strategic Goals.

In 2015, the NCDA focused on the following thrusts:

- enhancing the capacities of its member agencies and other stakeholders in the development and implementation of disability inclusive programs and services, participation in advocacy initiatives and in the whole process of policy formulation and review;
- increasing functionalities of Regional Councils and local government units in line with the SG3 of the Department of Social Welfare and Development;
- Disability Awareness and Sensitivity Workshops of frontline personnel of government agencies, public and private service delivery sector; and
- Facilitation of access of persons with disabilities to resources, information and services necessary for the self-development and full participation in their respective communities.

NCDA has made significant accomplishments that are most beneficial and contributory in promoting the rights of persons with disabilities, amongst are the following:

I. Policy Formulation and Program Development

The Governing Board of NCDA has passed and adopted five (5) policies, as follows:

- ♻ Resolution No. 1/S 2015 – Requesting the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority to Bring Back PC Operation as a Qualification
- ♻ Resolution No. 2/S 2015 – Commending the Department of Foreign Affairs for their Support in the Organization of a Group of Friends on Disability and to Request All Member-Agencies of the Board to Support the Structure for Program Development
- ♻ Resolution No. 3/S2015 – Expressing Gratitude to the Department of Health for Chairing the 2015 NDPR Week Celebration
- ♻ Resolution Mo. 4/S2015 – Requesting the Different NCDA Member-Agencies to Develop a Program or Plan on Disability-Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction Management
- ♻ Resolution No. 6 S/2015 – Adopting the Disability Resource Development Center as a Framework to Make All Programs and Services Accessible for Persons with Disabilities in Every Community