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Subject: Guidelines on the Implementation of Sajahatra Bangsamoro Program for the Construction of Day Care Center

I. Rationale

The Framework Agreement on Bangsamoro (FAB) was signed in Malacanang on the 15 October 2012. The FAB sets the parameters for the comprehensive peace agreement that will be signed between the Government of the Philippines (GOP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) at a later date.

In order to jumpstart the initial dividends of peace, President Benigno Simeon Aquino III and MILF Chairman Al Haj Murad Ebrahim launched Sajahatra Bangsamoro (Blessings, Prosperity and Peace upon the Bangsamoro) on 11 February 2013 at the Bangsamoro Leadership and Management Institute (BLMI) Compound, Simuay, Sultan Kudarat, Maguindanao.

The Sajahatra Bangsamoro Program shall deliver health, education and livelihood services to priority MILF communities, households and individuals. This shall be focused on quick-gestation and high-impact social protection programs, and the duration of project implementation shall be determined by both parties.

Services to be delivered include: (1) health insurance through Philhealth; (2) upgrading of community-based health services through the Department of Health (DOH); (3) provision of college scholarships through the Commission on Higher Education (CHED); (4) provision of community-based technical-vocational training through the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA); (5) education assistance to *madaris* and private schools through the Department of Education (DepEd); (6) supplemental feeding program; (7) support to day care centers through the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD); and, (8) livelihood assistance through the Cash for Work/Training Program (CFW/T), also from the DSWD.

II. Project Description

Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) program supports the rights of children which are indivisible: survival (name and identity), development, (cognitive and emotional), protection and participation (respect for their views) and with nutrition intervention to improve psychosocial development and physical growth. This includes Day Care Service and Supplementary Feeding Program.

Day Care Service is the provision of supplementary parental care to 3-4 year old children of parents who find it difficult to fully take care of the children during the day because of work or some other reasons.

Day Care Service is important because it provides children with an early start in the cognitive, motor and psychosocial development.

III. Objective/s

To establish day care centers in the 10 priority areas/site to ensure access to early learning stimulations/experiences of children 3-4 years old.

IV. Target Beneficiaries

The children 3-4 years old and their families in the 10 priority areas/sites identified and validated by the PMT and JFC.

V. Components

1. Preparation of Project Proposal

- 1.1. After identification of lot for day care construction, the PMT with technical input by the DSWD focal person shall prepare the project proposal providing the rationale and details of the project.
- 1.2. The project proposal shall contain the project description, objectives, implementation mechanics, and budgetary requirements.
- 1.3. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) using prototype crafted by DSWD shall be executed by the Project Management Team with the identified POs/local NGOs accredited by BDA and DSWD to define roles and responsibilities of each party.

2. Standard / Requirements for Day Care Center Construction

Part of the lot requirement for day care center construction shall be the following;

- 2.1. The lot is declared as safe by the Mines and Geo-science Bureau (MGB)
- 2.2. Copy of notarized deed of donation (if donated) or documents attesting the availability of lot for day care center construction / Deed of Lease or possession of guarantee for long term of occupancy for at least 15 years.

Other requirements:

- 2.3. Project proposal submitted and approved by the concerned DSWD Field Office
- 2.4. Bill of materials or bills of works
- 2.5. The standard measurement of day care center should be 1sq.m/child (floor area – indoors) and 3sq.m/child (outdoor) per AO No. 15, series of 2011 or the Guidelines in the Accreditation of Day Care Centers and day Care Workers.
- 2.6. The DCC floor areas should be 6 x 8 and basically have restroom, hand washing and toothbrushing facilities, movable chairs and tables, floor mats/rubber mats, cabinets (for storage of manipulative toys, story books, etc.).

3. Funding

- 3.1. For the proposal to be funded, the MILF Project Management Team (PMT) shall submit to DSWD Field Office for review and subsequent approval. The DSWD Field Office shall immediately provide Central Office copy of the approved project proposal with attached master list of beneficiaries.
- 3.2. DSWD Central Office shall sub-allot to DSWD Field Office for release to the accredited POs/local NGOs (to undergo selection process per MC No. 15) or PMT focal.

4. Project Implementation

Construction of Day Care Center shall be participated by the families in the community. The families will assist the skilled workers in the construction of DCC. The construction will be for the duration of three (3) months.

For the honorarium of the day care workers (DCWs), it will be chargeable against SBP funds for the 1st year of implementation at Php 2,500.00 per session per month.

5. Monitoring and Reporting

The Focal Person of DSWD Field Office in coordination with the PMT shall closely monitor the implementation of the project and provide monthly update/report to DSWD Central Office.

6. Evaluation

A Program Implementation Review will be done at the end of the program to measure effectiveness and document lesson learned to improve or enhance future program implementation.

7. Effectivity

This Administrative Order shall take effect on the 24 day of October 2014 for the immediate implementation of the program for Sajahatra Bangsamoro.


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