

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR SAJAHATRA BANGSAMORO

1. INTRODUCTION

The Framework Agreement on Bangsamoro (FAB) was signed in Malacañang on the 15th day of October 2012. The FAB sets the parameters for the comprehensive peace agreement that will be signed between the Government of the Philippines (GPH) 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 the 11th of February 2013, at the Bangsamoro Leadership and Management Institute (BLMI) Compound, Simuay, Sultan Kudarat, Maguindanao.

2. DEFINITION OF TERMS

2.1 MILF Task Force Sajahatra - the task force created by the MILF through a Resolution of the Central Committee (CC) of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), dated 7 March 2013 at Camp Darapanan, tasked to deal closely with the GPH Task Force on Bangsamoro Development.

2.2 GPH Task Force on Bangsamoro Development - the task force created by the Government of the Philippines through Administrative Order No. 37, series of 2013.

2.3 Sajahatra Bangsamoro - a development program jointly implemented by the GPH and the MILF that aims to uplift and develop the health, education and livelihood conditions of Bangsamoro communities.

3. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION OF SAJAHATRA BANGSAMORO

The Sajahatra Bangsamoro Program shall deliver health, education, and livelihood services to priority MILF communities and targeted individual beneficiaries. This shall be focused on quick-gestation, high-impact, social-protection type programs and will be implemented the duration of which shall be determined by both parties.

Services to be delivered will include: (i) health insurance through PhilHealth; (ii) upgrading of community-based health services through the Department of Health (DOH); (iii) provision of college scholarships through the Commission on Higher Education (CHED); (iv) provision of community-based technical-vocational training through the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA); (v) educational assistance to *madaris* and private schools through the Department of Education (DepEd); (vi) a supplemental feeding program and (vii) support to daycare centers through the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD); and (viii) in the initial three months after every provincial launch, livelihood assistance through the Cash for Work Program, also from the DSWD.

Subsequent livelihood support through the Department of Agriculture (DA) will be identified through a community-based livelihood needs assessment for which support from the World Bank as the Secretariat of the Mindanao Trust Fund is being requested by the GPH and MILF.

4. GPH's and MILF's TASK FORCES FOR THE SAJAHATRA BANGSAMORO

- 4.1 Both the GPH and MILF will have their respective Task Forces that will be the mechanism that each party will utilize in accomplishing their respective roles and mandates under Sajahatra Bangsamoro.
- 4.2 For the MILF, the MILF Task Force Sajahatra was created by the Central Committee under a resolution dated 7 March 2013.
- 4.3 For the GPH, the GPH Task Force on Bangsamoro Development was created under Administrative Order 37 dated 13 February 2013.

5. SAJAHATRA BANGSAMORO MODE OF DELIVERY

5.1 Coordination within MILF/ GPH

- 5.1.1 All coordination from the MILF shall be done through the MILF Task Force Sajahatra.
- 5.1.2 All coordination from the GPH Government Agencies shall be done through the GPH Task Force for Bangsamoro Development.

5.2 Implementation

5.2.1 The Joint Coordination Committee



The Joint Coordination Committee provides overall coordination and supervision over the implementation of the Program.

Composition:

Co-Chair : MILF Task Force Sajahatra Chair

Co-Chair : GPH Task Force Bangsamoro Development Chair

Members :

4 MILF representatives

4 GPH representatives


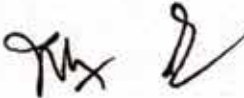
Functions:

- a) Reviews and approves plans of the Sajahatra Bangsamoro Program, ensuring that the projects have strong symbolic meaning to Bangsamoro communities, addressing their most immediate needs and covering as many beneficiaries as possible. The JCC should also guarantee that the projects are quick-gestating, with a quick turnaround time.
- b) Receives list of areas for coverage, list of beneficiaries submitted by the MILF;
- c) Oversees the monitoring and periodic evaluation of the Program;
- d) Establishes security protocols in coordination with the GPH and MILF Coordinating Committees on the Cessation of Hostilities (CCCH).
- e) Approves and implements communication plan for Sajahatra Bangsamoro;
- f) Raises issues to the Panels that may require policy guidance;
- g) Reports progress of the Program to the Panels;
- h) Implements other development projects as may be jointly identified by the GPH and MILF Panels;
- i) Adopts protocols on confidentiality of information relative to MILF members and other information.

5.2.2 Joint Field Coordinating Office

A Joint Field Coordinating Office (JFCO) shall be established.

The JFCO shall be responsible for the day to day monitoring of Sajahatra Bangsamoro. It shall ensure the smooth implementation of Sajahatra Program at the community level in coordination with

the MILF Project Management Team (PMT) and the various government agencies involved in the Program.

5.2.3 Field Implementation

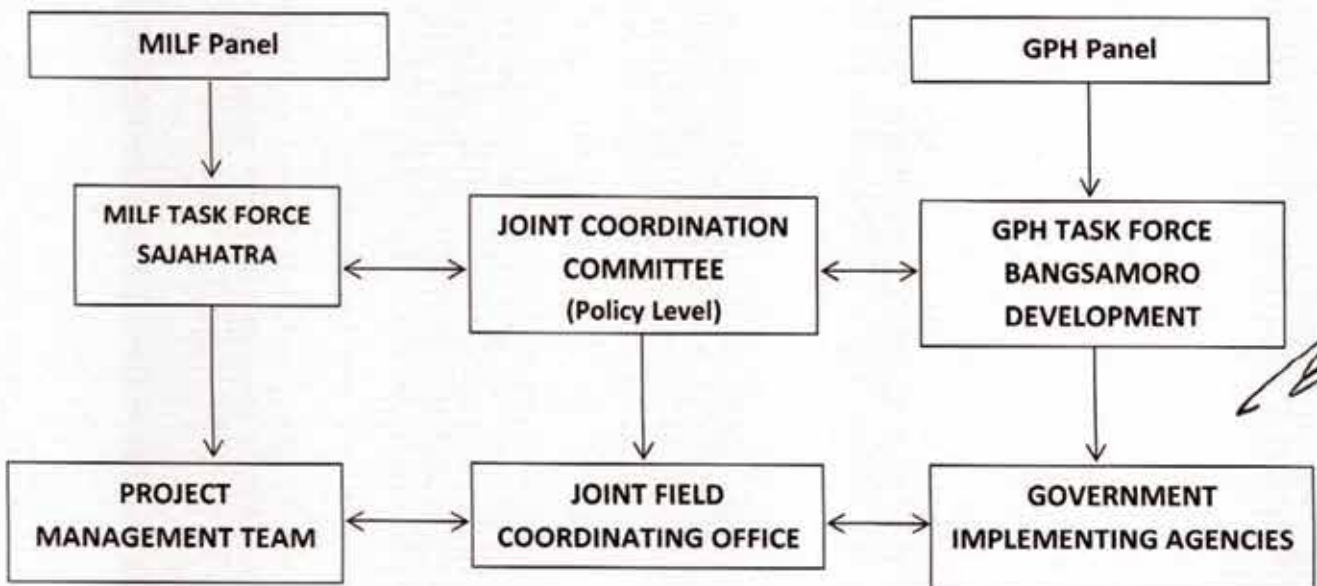
The MILF shall establish its Project Management Team that will be responsible for the following:

- a) Identify all individual and community beneficiaries for the Program, always guided by the principles of inclusiveness and gender balance.
- b) Provide the required social and community preparatory work in order to ensure smooth delivery of basic services under the Program

For the GPH, the respective government agencies shall ensure that the necessary technical and financial resources are made available for the successful implementation of the various components of the Program. All funds shall be under the stewardship of the GPH.

Implementation at the community level shall always be a joint effort of the GPH and the MILF.

5.2.4 Organizational Structure



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5.3 Monitoring

5.3.1 Monitoring of the Program shall be done by the JFCO, although both GPH and MILF may use other monitoring systems applicable to their respective agencies.

6. FUNDING

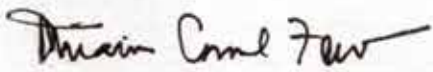
The GPH shall provide funding requirements for Sajahatra Bangsamoro. Both Task Forces may however mobilize technical expertise, and whenever applicable financial support from local and development partners on matters related to the implementation of Sajahatra Bangsamoro.

7. AMENDMENTS

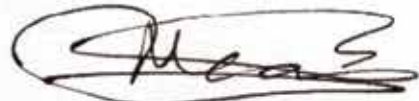
This Terms of Reference shall be periodically reviewed by the GPH and MILF Peace Panels and may be altered to meet the prevailing situation.

Done this 11th day of April 2013 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.


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