



Republic of the Philippines

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

No. 2020- 116

TO:

ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY/MUNICIPAL MAYORS, PUNONG BARANGAYS, DILG REGIONAL/PROVINCIAL/CITY DIRECTORS, BARMM MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, CITY/MUNICIPAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS OFFICERS, HEADS OF ALL DILG ATTACHED AGENCIES, PNP/BFP/BJMP REGIONAL AND PROVINCIAL DIRECTORS, ALL OTHERS

CONCERNED

SUBJECT: REFOCUSING THE DISIPLINA MUNA NATIONAL ADVOCACY CAMPAIGNTOWARDS DEFEATING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC THROUGH THE "BIDA ANG MAY DISIPLINA: SOLUSYON SA COVID-19" PROGRAM

DATE:

01 SEP 2020

1. Background

- 1.1. The *Disiplina Muna* national advocacy campaign is an initiative of the DILG as the Chair of the Cabinet's Participatory Governance Cluster (PGC) which seeks to rebuild the culture of discipline among Filipinos as a means of fostering people's participation, which is one of the tenets of good governance.
- 1.2. Its objective is to increase the consciousness among Filipinos of their critical role in sustainable and inclusive development and maintenance of peace and order as a shared responsibility, through the concerted efforts of the

- national and local governments, private sector, civil society and the media in a whole-of-nation approach.
- 1.3. It was launched on November 6, 2019 in the country's capital city of Manila with its first local chief executive (LCE) ambassador, Mayor Francisco "Isko Moreno" Domagoso.
- 1.4. Following the issuance of DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2019-181 dated October 24, 2019, many of DILG Regional Offices, DILG attached agencies, and LGUs have rolled out the *Disiplina Muna* campaign in their respective organizations and jurisdictions to the key target audience namely the youth, the young professionals, and the general public.
- 1.5. This Department is one of the members of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-EID) and is the vice-chair of the National Task Force (NTF) against COVID-19.
- 1.6. The Department of Health (DOH) together with the Presidential Communications Operations Office (PCOO) and this Department is currently leading the implementation of "BIDA Solusyon sa COVID-19" which aims to encourage the Filipino people to take an active role in the fight against our common enemy: COVID-19 (the "COntraVIDa").
- 1.7. BIDA Solusyon promotes the active role of individuals in the fight against COVID-19 by practicing the following behaviors under the acronym BIDA:
 - B Bawal walang mask
 - I I-sanitize ang mga kamay, iwas-hawak sa mga bagay
 - D Dumitansya ng isang metro
 - A Alamin ang totoong impormasyon
- 1.8. The DILG and DOH have agreed to consolidate the *Disiplina Muna* advocacy campaign and the *BIDA Solusyon sa COVID-19* into a common advocacy campaign dubbed as "*BIDA ang May Disiplina: Solusyon sa COVID-19*" that emphasizes the importance of individual self-discipline and behaviour change as one of the solutions to beat COVID-19 in order to secure

the safety of families and the nation thus the slogan, "Ligtas ang Bayan, Ligtas ang Pamilya."

1.9. To support the *BIDA* ang May Disiplina campaign, the DILG has partnered with Limitless Lab, a group of digital graphics designers, through their Adapt PH campaign that aims to utilize the power of design and the nudge theory to help change behaviors of Filipinos with regard to COVID-19 minimum safety guidelines. The group provides five open-source toolkits for key sectors namely: the local government units (LGUs); micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs, including sari-sari stores); public markets; schools; and public utility vehicles. These will be made available to be downloaded online for free.

2. Legal Bases

- 2.1. Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them.
- 2.2. Section 16, Chapter II of the *Local Government Code of 1991* or Republic Act No. 7160 states that LGUs every LGU shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, promote full employment among their residents, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants.

3. Scope and coverage

This Circular applies to all LGUs throughout the entire country. This shall cover all Provincial Governors, City/Municipal Mayors, Punong Barangays, the DILG Regional Directors and Field Officers, the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) Minister for Local Government, and all DILG attached agencies (Napolcom, PNP, BFP, BJMP, PPSC, LGA, NYC, PCW, and the NCMF).

4. Purpose

This Memorandum Circular is issued to provide guidelines to all LGUs, BARMM Ministry of Local Government, DILG Regional and Field Offices, and all DILG attached agencies on the refocusing of the *Disiplina Muna* national advocacy campaign towards the need to practice discipline to defeat the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in their respective jurisdictions and organizations. Further, the refocusing of the campaign shall highlight discipline as the new normal for the safety of families and communities and ultimately the nation.

5. Policy Content Guidelines

5.1. Local Government Units (LGUs)

- 5.1.1. LGUs are enjoined to promote discipline as the new normal to prevent contracting or spreading COVID-19. The new normal practices requiring discipline to be part of people's habit and lifestyle are the following minimum health safety standards prescribed by the World Health Organization (WHO):
 - 5.1.1.1. Frequent hand washing,
 - 5.1.1.2. Cough etiquette,
 - 5.1.1.3 Avoiding touching one's face,
- 5.1.1.4. Observance of at least one-meter physical distancing in public,
- 5.1.1.5. Regular disinfecting of frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- 5.1.1.6. Isolating oneself from others if feeling unwell and seeking of

care, if needed,

- 5.1.1.7. Avoiding confined and closed spaces with poor ventilation,
- 5.1.1.8. Avoiding crowded places, and
- 5.1.1.9. Avoiding close-contact settings, especially where people have close-range conversations.
- 5.1.2. Provincial, city, municipal, and barangay sanggunians are urged to enact their respective ordinances that prescribe discipline in following the aforesaid health safety standards to prevent contraction and spread of COVID-19.
- 5.1.3. LGUs are urged to incorporate the following in their existing, ongoing, or planned advocacy on COVID-19

prevention using digital/ printed/ broadcast/ collateral materials:

5.1.3.1. Slogan- "BIDA ang May Disiplina: Solusyon sa COVID-19.

Ligtas ang Bayan, Ligtas ang Pamilya."

- 5.1.3.2. Hashtag #BIDASolusyon #DisiplinaMuna #BIDAangMayDisiplina
- 5.1.3.3. Logo BIDA ang May #Disiplina logo featuring Rizal

wearing a face mask

5.1.4. LGUs are urged to use the free *Design for the New Normal Toolkit* of

Adapt PH. LGUs only have to print it and put it up around public areas to help change the behaviors of their constituents with regard to COVID-19 minimum safety guidelines. These are available at https://adapt.ph/lgu/. It has a collection of resources that can help LGUs to design and deliver better public services in the new normal.

5.1.5. LGUs are enjoined to have their Public Information Officers (PIOs)

participate in the online training programs to be led by the DILG, through

the Local Government Academy (LGA), and DOH to promote responsible

journalism and accurate reporting to foster credible information amid the

pandemic and discarding fake news.

5.1.6. LGUs are encouraged to organize Barangay Disiplina Brigades in each barangay in the country to drive the core message of the campaign which is individual responsibility and discipline will stop the spread of COVID-19. To be composed of volunteers, barangay tanods, and other concerned residents, the Barangay Disiplina Brigades shall promote the spirit of volunteerism and ensure that minimum health standards are implemented by the community themselves. The Barangay Disiplina Brigades shall advocate in the community the adherence to minimum health standards, compliance to quarantine protocols, and provide factual

information and communicate the message of bayanihan to the community to defeat the pandemic, among others.

5.2. DILG Regional Offices and BARMM Ministry of Local Government

- 5.2.1. All DILG Regional Directors and the BARMM Minister for Local Government are hereby directed to cause the immediate and widespread dissemination of this Memorandum Circular within their respective jurisdictions.
- 5.2.2. Assist and monitor LGUs within their jurisdiction in promoting the *BIDA* ang May Disiplina: Solusyon sa COVID-19 campaign.
- 5.2.3. Tap the *Disiplina Muna* Local Chief Executive (LCE) Regional Ambassadors in promoting the said campaign in the regions in relation to the fight against COVID-19.
- 5.2.4. Initiate own campaign efforts of the DILG Regional Office or BARMM Ministry of Local Government utilizing their existing social media platforms (through posting of infographics, videos, or press release), guesting of officials in local media channels, and other available means. Further, these shall be used in the aforesaid efforts:
- 5.2.4.1. Slogan- "BIDA ang May Disiplina: Solusyon sa COVID-19.

Ligtas ang Bayan, Ligtas ang Pamilya."

- 5.2.4.2. Hashtag -#BIDASolusyon #DisiplinaMuna #BIDAangMayDisiplina
- 5.2.4.3. Logo BIDA ang May #Disiplina logo featuring Rizal

wearing a face mask

5.2.6. Direct the *Disiplina Muna* Regional Focal Person (DM-RFP) of the DILG Regional Offices to do a weekly narrative report on the highlights of the Region's *Disiplina Muna* activities to be emailed every Thursday of the week to disiplinamuna.dilg.pacs@gmail.com.

5.3. DILG Attached Agencies (Napolcom, PNP, BFP, BJMP, PPSC, LGA, NYC, PCW, and the NCMF)

- 5.3.1. The DILG attached agencies are hereby directed to incorporate the *BIDA* ang *May Disiplina:* Solusyon sa COVID-19 in their ongoing or upcoming programs, projects, activities (PPAs) related to beating COVID-19, whenever possible.
- 5.3.2. Utilize their existing social media platforms in promoting discipline as the new normal to beat COVID-19 by posting infographics, videos, or press releases, and other available means. Further, the aforesaid efforts shall use the following:
 - 5.3.2.1. Slogan "BIDA ang May Disiplina: Solusyon sa COVID-19.

Ligtas ang Bayan, Ligtas ang Pamilya."

- 5.3.2.2. Hashtag #BIDASolusyon #DisiplinaMuna #BIDAangMayDisiplina
- 5.3.2.3. Logo BIDA ang May #Disiplina logo featuring Rizal wearing a face mask
- 5.3.3. Direct their respective *Disiplina Muna* Agency Focal Person (DM-AFP) to do a weekly narrative report on the highlights of the agency's *Disiplina Muna* accomplishments or activities to be emailed every Thursday of the week to disiplinamuna.dilg.pacs@gmail.com.
- 5.3.4. The PNP, in particular, shall enforce the minimum health protocols and only make arrest when absolutely necessary, while exercising full restraint and discipline in enforcing the law.
- 5.3.5. The LGA, specifically, shall take the lead in preparing and conducting the online training program for the capacity development of the PIOs of LGUs in Section 5.1.5 of this memo circular.

6. Feedback

Inquiries about this Memorandum Circular should be directed to the Office of the Undersecretary for Plans, Public Affairs and Communication (OUSPPAC) or the DILG Public Affairs and Communication Service (PACS) through telephone numbers (02) 89250349 or via email to disiplinamuna.dilg.pacs@gmail.com for appropriate action or response.

7. Annexes

- 7.1. BIDA ang May Disiplina: Solusyon sa COVID-19 logo
- 7.2. Barangay Disiplina Brigade Pledge Statement Tarp Design
- 7.3. Format of weekly narrative report
- 7.4. BIDA Solusyon IEC Materials from the DOH website (www.doh.gov.ph/bidasolusyon) and from the DOH BIDA Solusyon Facebook page

(www.facebook.com/BIDASolusyon)

- 7.5. #BIDAangMayDisiplina IEC Materials from the Disiplina Muna Facebook page (www.facebook.com/disiplinamunapilipinas)
- 7.6. Adapt PH's LGUs Toolkit in English (but also available in Filipino, Ilonggo,

And other dialect) downloaded from https://adapt.ph/lgu/

7.7. Adapt PH's Nudge Posters downloaded from https://adapt.ph/lgu/

8. Effectivity

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

9. Approving authority

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BIDA ang May Disiplina: Solusyon sa COVID-19 logo Annex 1:



Barangay Disiplina Brigade Pledge Statement Tarp Design Annex 2:





Ako si _____ng

Barangay
Ay nangangakong magiging huwaran ng Disiplina at
Aktibong KATUWANG ng pamahalaan sa
Pagpapairal ng mga polisiya at kautusan tulad ng
Pagpapalaganap ng tamang impormasyon,
Palagiang pagsusuot ng face mask,
Paghuhugas ng mga kamay at
Pagsusulong ng physical distancing

Mangunguna ako sa pagpapaigting ng KOOPERASYON sa KOMUNIDAD

Tungo sa katuparan ng mga layunin ng kampanyang BIDA ang may Disiplina ng DILG at DOH.

Na susi sa tuluyang pagsugpo ng COVID-19 sa pamayanan.

Magiging KABAHAGI ako sa pagsusulong ng mga solusyon Laban sa COVID-19 sa aking pamayanan at Aking isasapuso ang mga paalala ng pamahalaan Sapagkat ito ay aking tungkulin bilang isang Pilipino.

Ito ang aking magiging KONTRIBUSYON sa patuloy na Pagtugon ng bansa sa hamon ng krisis at sa lubusang Pagpapamalas ng KATATAGAN at Pagkakaisa ng mga Pilipino ngayong Panahon ng pandemya.









Annex 3: Format of weekly narrative report to be accomplished by *Disiplina*Muna Regional Focal Person (DM-RFP) of DILG Regional Offices and

Disiplina Muna - Agency Focal Person (DM-AFP) of DILG attached agencies' central or head offices.

Font face:

Cambria

Font size: Spacing:

Single

Paper size:

A4

12

No. of pages:

Maximum of 5 pages

Photos:

Pasted on the Microsoft Word file with captions; and

attached in the email as .jpeg or photo files

Content:

Part I

Narration of the highlight accomplishments of the DILG Regional and Field Offices and the LGUs under their general supervision

Part II

Explanation on how these highlighted activities have contributed to the campaign.

Part III

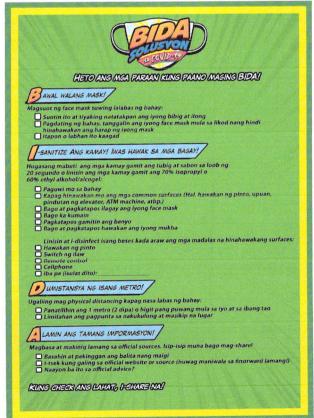
Feedbacks from LGUs/ sectors/ public on the campaign for proper information and/or appropriate action

Annex 4: BIDA Solusyon IEC Materials

(See more at www.facebook.com/BIDASolusyon)







Annex 5: #BIDAangMayDisiplina IEC Materials (See more at www.facebook.com/disiplinamunapilipinas and https://twitter.com/Disiplina_Muna)





Annex 6: Adapt PH's LGUs Toolkit in English

(See complete toolkit at https://adapt.ph/lgu/ with other available materials in in Filipino, Ilonggo, and other dialect)









Annex 7: Adapt PH's Nudge Posters

(See more posters at https://adapt.ph/lgu/)





Wash your hands 6-10 times a day.



