EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.12

STRENGTHENING THE MUNICIPAL RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (MDRRMC) AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALIWAG, BULACAN

WHEREAS, Section 444 of Republic Act 7160, provides that one of the functions of the Municipal Mayor shall issue such executive orders as necessary for the proper enforcement and execution of laws;

WHEREAS, Section 11 of Republic Act 101211 requires the establishment of a Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (LDRRMO) in the Municipality, and a Barangay Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Committee (BDRRMC) in every barangay which shall be responsible for setting the direction, development, implementation and coordination of disaster risk management programs within their territorial jurisdiction.

WHEREAS, there is a need to establish standard operating procedures on the communication system in municipal, and barangay disaster risk reduction and management councils, for purposes of warning and alerting them and for gathering information on disaster areas before, during and after disasters;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND V. ESTRELLA, Municipal Mayor, Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 11 Republic Act 101211 of Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (MDRRMC)
   (a) Composition: The MDRRMC shall be composed of, but not limited to, the following:
Pamahalaang Bayan ng Baliwag
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LALAWIGAN NG BULACAN

(1) Municipal Mayor, Chair;
(2) Municipal Administrator, Vice Chair;

(3) Head of the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, member;
(4) Head of the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office, member;
(5) Municipal Planning and Development Office, member;

(6) Head of the Municipal Health Office, member;
(7) Head of the Local Agriculture Office, member;
(8) Head of the Gender and Development Office, member;
(9) Head of the Municipal Engineering Office, member;
(10) Head of the Municipal Veterinary Office, member;
(11) Head of the Municipal Budget Office, member;
(12) Schools Division Superintendent of the Department of Education, member;
(13) Highest-ranking officer of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) assigned in Baliwag, Bulacan, and member;
(14) Municipal Chief of the Philippine National Police (PNP), member;
(15) Municipal Fire Marshall of the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), member;
(16) President of the Association of Barangay Captains (ABC), member;
(17) Philippine National Red Cross (PNRC), member;
(18) Four (4) accredited CSOs, members; and
(19) One (1) private sector representative, member.

(b) The MDRRMCs shall have the following functions:

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(1) Approve, monitor and evaluate the implementation of the MDRRMPs and regularly review and test the plan consistent with other national and local planning programs;

(2) Ensure the integration of disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation into local development plans, programs and budgets as a strategy in sustainable development and poverty reduction;

(3) Recommend the implementation of forced or pre-emptive evacuation of local residents, if necessary; and

(4) Convene the local council once every three (3) months or as necessary.

Section 2. Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (MDRRMO). –

(a) There shall be established a Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (MDRRMO) in the Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan and a Barangay Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Committee (BDRRMC) in every barangay which shall be responsible for setting the direction, development, implementation and coordination of disaster risk management programs within their territorial jurisdiction.

(b) The MDRRMO shall be under the office of the Municipal Mayor, and the Punong Barangay in case of the BDRRMC.

The MDRRMO shall be initially organized and composed of a DRRMO to be assisted by three (3) staff responsible for:

(1) Administration and Training;
The MDRRMOs and the BDRRMCs shall organize, train and directly supervise the local emergency response teams and the Accredited Community Disaster Volunteers.

(c) The Municipal DRRMO and BDRRMCs shall perform the following functions with impartiality given the emerging challenges brought by disasters of our times:

(1) Design, program, and coordinate disaster risk reduction and management activities consistent with the National Council’s standards and guidelines;

(2) Facilitate and support risk assessments and contingency planning activities at the local level;

(3) Consolidate local disaster risk information which includes natural hazards, vulnerabilities, and climate change risks, and maintain a local risk map;

(4) Organize and conduct training, orientation, and knowledge management activities on disaster risk reduction and management at the local level;

(5) Operate a multi-hazard early warning system, linked to disaster risk reduction to provide accurate and timely advice to national or local emergency response organizations and to the general public, through diverse mass media, particularly radio, landline
communications, and technologies for communication within rural communities;

(6) Formulate and implement a comprehensive and integrated MDRRMP in accordance with the national, regional and provincial framework, and policies on disaster risk reduction in close coordination with the Municipal Development Council;

(7) Prepare and submit to the Sanggunian Bayan through the MDRRMC and the Municipal Development Council the annual MDRRMO Plan and budget, the proposed programming of the LDRRMF, other dedicated disaster risk reduction and management resources, and other regular funding source/s and budgetary support of the MDRRMO/BDRRMC;

(8) Conduct continuous disaster monitoring and mobilize instrumentalities and entities of the LGUs, Civil Society Organizations, private groups and organized volunteers, to utilize their facilities and resources for the protection and preservation of life and properties during emergencies in accordance with existing policies and procedures;

(9) Identify, assess and manage the hazards. Vulnerabilities and risks that may occur in their locality;

(10) Disseminate information and raise public awareness about those hazards. Vulnerabilities and risks, their nature, effects, early warning signs and countermeasures;
(11) Identify and implement cost-effective risk reduction measures/strategies;

(12) Maintain a database of human resource, equipment, directories, and location of critical infrastructures and their capacities such as hospitals and evacuation centers;

(13) Develop, strengthen and operationalize mechanisms for partnership or networking with the private sector, Civil Society Organizations, and volunteer groups;

(14) Take all necessary steps on a continuing basis to maintain, provide, or arrange the provision of, or to otherwise make available, suitably-trained and competent personnel for effective civil defense and disaster risk reduction and management in the locality;

(15) Organize, train, equip and supervise the local emergency response teams and the Accredited Community Disaster Volunteers, ensuring that humanitarian aid workers are equipped with basic skills to assist mothers to breastfeed;

(16) Respond to and manage the adverse effects of emergencies and carry out recovery activities in the affected area, ensuring that there is an efficient mechanism for immediate delivery of food, shelter and medical supplies for women and children, endeavor to create a special place where internally-displaced mothers can find help with

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breastfeeding, feed and care for their babies and give support to each other;

(17) Within its area, promote and raise public awareness of and compliance with this Act and legislative provisions relevant to the purpose of this Act;

(18) Serve as the Secretariat and Executive arm of the MDRRMC;

(19) Coordinate other disaster risk reduction and management activities;

(20) Establish linkage/network with other LGUs for disaster risk reduction and emergency response purposes;

(21) Recommend through the MDRRMC the enactment of local ordinances consistent with the requirements of this Act;

(22) Implement policies, approved plans and programs of the MDRRMC consistent with the policies and guidelines laid down in this Act;

(23) Establish a Municipal and Barangay Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Operations Center;

(24) Prepare and submit, through the MDRRMC and the Municipal Development Council, the report on the utilization of the LDRRMF
and other dedicated disaster risk reduction and management resources to the local Commission on Audit (COA), copy furnished the regional director of the Office of Civil Defense and the Local Government Operations Officer of the DILG; and

(25) Act on other matters that may be authorized by the MDRRMC.

(d) The BDRRMC shall be a regular committee of the existing Barangay Development Council and shall be subject thereto. The punong barangay shall facilitate and ensure the participation of at least two (2) Civil Society Organization representatives from existing and active community-based people's organizations representing the most vulnerable and marginalized groups in the barangay.

Section 3. Accreditation, Mobilization, and Protection of Disaster Volunteers and National Service Reserve Corps, Civil Society Organizations and the Private Sector. - The government agencies, Civil Society Organizations, private sector and LGUs may mobilize individuals or organized volunteers to augment their respective personnel complement and logistical requirements in the delivery of disaster risk reduction programs and activities. The agencies, Civil Society Organizations, private sector, and LGUs concerned shall take full responsibility for the enhancement, welfare and protection of volunteers, and shall submit the list of volunteers to the Office of Civil Defense, through the MDRRMO, for accreditation and inclusion in the database of community disaster volunteers.

A national roster of Accredited Community Disaster Volunteers, National Service Reserve Corps, Civil Society Organizations and the private sector shall be maintained by the Office of Civil Defense through the LDRRMOs. Accreditation shall be done at the municipal level.
Mobilization of volunteers shall be in accordance with the guidelines to be formulated by the NDRRMC consistent with the provisions of this Act.

Any volunteer who incurs death or injury while engaged in any of the activities defined under this Act shall be entitled to compensatory benefits and individual personnel accident insurance as may be defined under the guidelines.

Section 4. Integration of Disaster Risk Reduction Education into the School Curricula and Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) Program and Mandatory Training for the Public Sector Employees. - The DepED, the CHED, the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), in coordination with the Office of Civil Defense, the National Youth Commission (NYC), the DOST, the DENR, the DILG-BFP, the DOH, the DSWD and other relevant agencies, shall integrate disaster risk reduction and management education in the school curricula of secondary and tertiary level of education, including the National Service Training Program (NSTP), whether private or public, including formal and non-formal, technical/vocational, indigenous learning, and out-of-school youth courses and programs.

The NDRRMC, the RDRRMCs, the LDRRMCs, the LDRRMOs, the BDRRMCs and the SK councils shall encourage community, specifically the youth, participation in disaster risk reduction and management activities, such as organizing quick response groups, particularly in identified disaster-prone areas, as well as the inclusion of disaster risk reduction and management programs as part of the SK programs and projects.

The public sector employees shall be trained in emergency response and preparedness. The training is mandatory for such employees to comply with the provisions of this Act.

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Section 5. Coordination during Emergencies. - The LDRRMCs shall take the lead in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from the effects of any disaster based on the following criteria:

(a) The Barangay Development Council, if a barangay is affected;
(b) The Municipal DRRMC, if two (2) or more barangays are affected;

The NDRRMC and intermediary MDRRMCs shall always act as support to LGU which have the primary responsibility as first disaster responders. Private sector and civil society groups shall work in accordance with the coordination mechanism and policies set by the NDRRMC and concerned LDRRMCs.

Section 6. Declaration of State of Calamity. - The declaration of the state of calamity may be issued by the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan upon the recommendation of the MDRRMC based on the results of the damage assessment and needs analysis.

Section 7. Repealing Clause. All previous executive orders and issuances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 8. Effectivity. This order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 22nd day of July, 2016 at the Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan, Philippines.

FERDINAND V. ESTRELLA
Municipal Mayor

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