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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR No. 2020- 174

TO : ALL FY 2019 PCF LGU BENEFICIARIES, DILG

REGIONAL DIRECTORS, BARMM MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AND OTHERS

CONCERNED

SUBJECT: ADVISORY REGARDING THE FY 2019

PERFORMANCE CHALLENGE FUND (PCF)

IMPLEMENTATION

DATE : 28 DEC 2020

As the government continues in its efforts to fight the COVID-19 pandemic in the country, the imposition of community quarantines which began in Luzon (per Presidential Proclamation No. 929, s. 2020) and later implemented throughout the Philippines (per Executive Order No. 112, s. 2020) has become one of the necessary means to curtail the spread of the virus.

These movement restrictions not only disrupted the socioeconomic mobility of citizens and other private entities but also limited the operations of the government at the national and local levels. This means that programs, projects, and activities that were planned prior to the pandemic may have been cancelled or postponed to a later date, including those that would have delivered basic services to the people.

As such, the completion of projects under the FY 2019 Performance Challenge Fund has also been affected, with many projects exceeding the one-year project implementation period as prescribed by *DILG MC No.* 2019-202 or the *Operational Guidelines on the Implementation of Performance Challenge Fund (PCF) for FY 2019.*

The aforementioned operational guidelines for PCF 2019 were issued to provide the general policies and procedures in the implementation of the

PCF program for FY 2019, to serve as guide to the (a) PCF LGU beneficiaries to effectively and efficiently implement their PCF-funded projects; (b) DILG on the management of PCF which includes release of financial subsidy, monitoring and reporting; and (c) other concerned stakeholders.

Specifically, Section 5.1.2.3 of said operational guidelines grant PCF LGU beneficiaries one (1) year to complete their respective FY 2019 PCF projects upon receipt of their PCF subsidy.

In this regard, the Department is **extending the implementation period of FY 2019 PCF-funded LGU projects to <u>June 30, 2021</u> (hereby effectively extending the original implementation period provided in Section 5.1.2.3 of DILG MC No. 2019-202) in consideration of the movement restrictions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.**

Aside from the benefit of extension, this is also to enjoin the FY 2019 PCF LGU beneficiaries to strictly adhere to the minimum health standards and practice social/physical distancing rules in the implementation/completion of their PCF-funded projects.

This extension is final.

All DILG Regional Directors, Field Officers, and BARMM Minister of Local Government are hereby directed to cause the immediate dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to FY 2019 PCF LGU beneficiaries for their quidance.

For compliance.

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Secretary

