

Republic of the Philippines Regional Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases XII – Regional Task Force COVID -19

EXCERPTS FROM THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE JOINT VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE REGIONAL INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE ON EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASE (RIATF-EID) XII – REGIONAL TASK FORCE COVID-19 HELD ON JUNE 17, 2020 9:00 AM

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RESOLUTION NO. 2020-017

June 17, 2020

POLICY GUIDELINES AND RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO THE MANAGEMENT OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) SITUATION IN REGION 12

- WHEREAS, in response to the call of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte to send Returning Overseas Filipinos (ROFs) back to their provinces, the Department of Transportation (DOTr) joins the National Task Force for COVID-19, and concerned government agencies, in establishing the "Hatid Probinsya Program", to assist and transport our stranded OFWs in Metro Manila back to their respective provinces;
- WHEREAS, with the implementation of the HATID-PROBINSYA Program and Balik-Probinsya Bagong Pag-Asa Program, the DILG Regional Directors are directed to establish OFW Desks and designate the Regional, Provincial, HUC and ICC OFW Desk Officers;
- WHEREAS, IATF-EID Resolution No. 46-A adopted the recommendations of the IATF Screening and Validation Committed thereby extending the Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) status of Region XII's provinces and HUC General Santos City, and BARMM's ICC- Cotabato City until June 30, 2020;
- **WHEREAS,** the IATF-EID issued Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines with Amendments as of June 3, 2020. Sections 5 and 7 of the Guidelines provide for the following:

SECTION 5.GUIDELINES FOR AREAS PLACED UNDER MODIFIED GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (MGCQ). Areas placed under MGCQ shall observe the following protocols:

- (1) The movement of all persons in areas placed under MGCQ shall be limited to accessing essential goods and services, for work in the offices or industries permitted to operate hereunder, and for other activities permitted under this Section. (As amended by Paragraph A(4)(a) of IATF Resolution No. 43, June 03, 2020);
 - (7) The road, rail, maritime, and aviation sectors of public transportation shall be allowed to operate at the capacity in accordance with guidelines issued by the DOTr. Provided, that in all public transports, a strict one
 (1) meter distance between passengers shall be observed and appropriate engineering controls shall be in place; and
 - (8) Private transportation shall be allowed subject to the guidelines provided by DOTr.

SECTION 7. GUIDELINES FOR INTERZONAL AND INTRAZONAL MOVEMENT.

- (1) The movement as such of the following persons within and across areas placed under any form of community quarantine shall be permitted: (1) health and emergency frontline services personnel, (2) government officials and government frontline personnel, (3) duly-authorized humanitarian assistance actors (HAAs), (4) persons traveling for medical or humanitarian reasons, (5) persons going to the airport for travel abroad, (6) returning or repatriated OFWs and other Overseas Filipinos (OFs) returning to their places of residence, (7) other persons transported through the efforts of the national government upon observance of the necessary quarantine protocols and with the concurrence of the receiving LGUs, and (8) anyone crossing zones for work permitted in the zone of destination, and going back home. Authorized shuttle services shall be allowed to travel within and across areas placed under any form of community quarantine, with priority given to persons rendering health and emergency frontline services;
- (2) The interzonal movement of persons between areas placed under GCQ and MGCQ for any purpose other than leisure shall be permitted; and

Consequent with the abovementioned Policies, all commercial flights in areas placed under GCQ and MGCQ are allowed subject to the approval of the IATF and other appropriate authorities;

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WHEREAS, the duties and responsibilities of the local government officials, DILG and PNP officials and Others concerned on the management of Locally-Stranded Individuals (LSIs) and Returning Overseas Filipinos (ROFs) pursuant to DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-087 dated May 21, 2020 among others are as follows:

Provincial Governors:

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- Endorsed the list of LSIs to the RTF for further action and possible assistance;
- Provide necessary assistance to component City/Municipality in transporting and/or receiving ROFs and LSIs;

City/Municipal Mayors:

- Ensure that all LSIs have undergone 14-day quarantine prior to departure and that the LSIs are neither a contact, probable, nor a confirmed COVID-19 case
- WHEREAS, On May 8, 2020, the IATF approved the Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan (BE-LCP). The BE-LCP provides for the Adoption of various learning delivery options such as but not limited to face-to-face, blended learnings, distance learnings, and home-schooling and other modes of delivery shall be implemented depending on the local COVID Risk Severity Classification and compliance with minimum health standards
- WHEREAS, RIATF-EID XII and RTF COVID-19 Resolution No. 2020-016-B dated June 10, 2020 approves and extends Region 12's Regional Border Lockdown until June 30, 2020;
- WHEREAS, during the Meeting of the Governors and City Mayors of Region XII, DILG XII and OCD XII held last June 15, 2020, a consensus was made that all PUVs operating in Region XII will be allowed point-to-point operations only. Point-to-point operations are being defined as "terminal to terminal" operations for PUVs. Hence, loading and unloading of passengers along highways or city/municipal roads is hereby prohibited.
- WHEREAS, for the past 16 days (June 1, 2020 June 16, 2020) or since Region XII was placed under Modified General Community Quarantine Status, the Region has recorded a total of 13 new COVID-19 cases.

The 13 new cases represent 54.16% increase in COVID cases since the Region started accepting ROFs and LSIs via land, <u>air</u> and water.

The increase was also attributed to the **non-disclosure of the ROFs and LSIs of their health conditions** despite being required by the government before going back to their respective residences and **very lax** implementation of the minimum health standards and protocols by some authorities particularly in the **implementation on the 14-day quarantine and RT-PCR test protocols for ROFs and LSIs**;

- WHEREAS, during the Joint RIATF-EID XII and RTF COVID-19 Meeting, the Body discussed, strategized and resolved emerging local issues and determine appropriate or future actions to avoid the further spreading of the virus given the abovementioned premise;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the Joint RIATF-EID XII-RTF-COVID-19 approves the following Resolutions:
 - A. RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 16-C REGULATING COMMERCIAL IN-BOUND FLIGHTS TO GENERAL SANTOS CITY AIRPORT TO ACCOMMODATE ONLY LSIs, ROFs, APORS AND ESSENTIAL TRAVELS UNTIL JUNE 30, 2020 EVERY MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS ONLY SUBJECT TO STRICTER DOH AND LGU HEALTH PROTOCOLS;
 - B. RESOLUTION REQUESTING CAAP TO PROVIDE HELP DESK AT THE NAIA TERMINAL 2 AND 3 TO ASSIST ROFS AND LSIS OF REGION XII;
 - C. RESOLUTION REQUESTING DOTr TO ENSURE STRICT OBSERVANCE OF HEALTH PROTOCOLS IN THE LAND, AIR AND SEA TRANSPORTATIONS;
 - D. RESOLUTION RESTRICTING NON-ESSENTIAL TRAVELS AT GLAN AND MALUNGON OF SARANGANI PROVINCE BORDERS;
 - E. RESOLUTION ENJOINING LCES TO ALLOW POINT-TO-POINT OPERATIONS OF PUVs WITH ISSUED SPECIAL PERMITS FROM LTFRB XII TO TRANSIT APORS, AND ESSENTIAL TRAVELS AT DESIGNATED TERMINALS;
 - F. RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT TO THE REQUEST OF LGU-KIDAPAWAN TO UTILIZE ITS SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND TO PUT UP RADIO STATION FOR DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAM AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES; AND
 - G. AGREEMENTS:

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- G.1 RD Paterno Reynato R. Padua of LTFRB XII to submit the list of buses that will be allowed to operate and will be granted special permit to the RIATF-EID XII;
- G.2 DILG XII to follow-up the Best Practice documentation of Tacurong City, Sultan Kudarat;

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G.3 Due to insufficient cartridges in Dr. Arturo P. Pingoy Medical Center (DAPPMC) in Koronadal City, LGU concerned may send specimens to Cotabato Regional and Medical Center (CRMC);

- G.4 DOH-CHD XII will be sending teams to different LGUs next week for close coordination and to ensure continuous unified, accurate and timely data;
- G.5 DOH-CHD XII, DILG XII and LGUs to come up with the number of Temporary Treatment and Monitoring Facilities (TTMFs), beds available, beds occupied and their specific location;
- G.6 Continue the use of StaySafe.ph because this will be later merged with COVID Kaya System, a contact tracing system that will be adopted throughout the country and will be used from municipal and provincial level and will be registered automatically in the national level; and
- G.7 OCD XII to provide copy of the Operational Guidelines on the Application of the Zoning Containment Strategy in the Localization of the National Action Plan Against COVID 19 Response to all concerned.
- **RESOLVED FURTHER,** that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the National IATF-EID, NTF COVID-19, CAAP National thru CAAP GenSan, Provincial Governors, City and Municipals Mayors of Region XII, and LTFRB XII for their consideration and appropriate action. The same copy to be furnished to the members of the RIATF-EID XII & RTF COVID-19for their information and or appropriate action.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY as to the appropriateness of the foregoing Resolution.

Attested by:

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