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Following the approval of the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2017-2022 by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board on February 20, 2017, the NEDA has worked together with various implementing agencies of the government to prioritize and sequence programs, activities, and projects, including proposed legislations. Executive Order (EO) No. 24, s. 2017 which effectively reorganized the Cabinet Cluster system requires that each cluster shall formulate a Performance and Projects Roadmap to be aligned with the PDP. Meanwhile, EO No. 27, s. 2017 directs all government agencies and instrumentalities to implement the PDP and the Public Investment Program for the period 2017-2022.

With the mandate of the NEDA, its Board, and its Committees to shepherd the policy reform agenda, there is a need to integrate the Cluster system in the coordination mechanism of the PDP implementation and monitoring. To this end, the NEDA has been consulting with the Office of the President and is set to issue Memorandum Circular No. 1, s. 2018<sup>2</sup> by the Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning, wherein the coordination mechanism for the PDP 2017-2022, as presented in Chapter 21 of the Plan, will be updated to integrate the Cabinet Cluster system to ensure consistency of policies and efficient coordination among government agencies.<sup>3</sup> The policy reform agenda under the PDP would then be integrated in the work plans of relevant NEDA Board Committees, Cabinet Clusters, and national government agencies to ensure the efficient implementation of the reform agenda and its corresponding programs and projects.

The development of instruments to measure the qualitative indicators in the PDP is equally important to better capture the full range of development outcomes of the Plan. For instance, an appropriate measure for achieving a "high-trust society" will effectively gauge improvements in gaining peoples' trust in public institutions and in each other, while a measure for having "resilient communities" indicates the extent to which vulnerabilities of individuals and communities have been reduced. NEDA will also pursue a study to develop a Quality of Life Index that will help track progress towards attaining Ambisyon Natin 2040. These, as well as the other PDP and Sustainable Development Goals indicators (especially those classified as Tier 2 and Tier 3) that need to be developed are being integrated in the Philippine Statistical Development Program 2018-2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Per Section 10 of EO No. 24, issued on May 16, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Memorandum Circular No. 1, s. 2018 by the Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning entitled "Integrating the Reorganized Cabinet Cluster System in the PDP Coordination Mechanism and Directing All Concerned National Government Agencies to Align their Performance and Projects Roadmap with the PDP Implementation Workplan."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Per Section 5 of EO No. 27, issued on June 1, 2017.