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List of Projects with Issues vis-à-vis Actions Taken or to be Taken

Site condition/availability

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Resolved			
1.	New International Container Port Project (NCICPP)/ DOTr/ KEDCF	Cebu There were delays in the conduct of parcellary survey to identify Project Affected Families (PAFs).	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr and LGU of Consolacion, Cebu entered into a MOA in December 2020 for the former to conduct parcellary survey to identify PAFs in coordination with Consolacion LGU.</p> <p>After continuous negotiation with the PAFs, the LGU of Consolacion submitted the parcellary report to DOTr on 30 June 2022.</p>
2.	Epifanio De Los Santos Avenue (EDSA Greenways Project)/ DOTr/ ADB	Utility relocation was delayed due to the limited work hours window approved by MMDA. MMDA only permitted night works for utility relocation within EDSA, while DOTr proposed closing the EDSA lane for the entire day to expedite relocation works.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr convened a meeting dated June 2022 with MMDA to re-appeal its prior request for 24/7 relocation works and as of date of reporting, only night works are allowed.</p> <p>MMDA requires a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) to review the impacts of the 24/7 relocation to the traffic along EDSA.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr to re-appeal once the TMP is drafted.</p>
3.		The delayed submission of parcellary survey and property appraisal reports for the Detailed Engineering Design (DED) Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) prohibited the timely access by the contractor to the project sites.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> As of September 2022, the parcellary survey and property appraisal report were already completed.</p> <p>Further, the following documents have been issued to the affected lot owners: (a)</p>

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				Notice of Taking (NOT); (b) Request for Donation (RFD); and (c) Offer-to-buy (OTB).
4.	Metro Interchange Construction Project, Phase VI (MMICP VI)/ DPWH/ JICA	Manila	The location of the Light Rail Transit (LRT)/ Metro Rail Transit (MRT) Common Station is in conflict/overlaps with the alignment of the EDSA North Avenue/West Avenue Interchange.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Based on the Consultant's report submitted in November 2022, the EDSA North Avenue/West Avenue Interchange is not implementable due to technical issues and the implication of the LRT/MRT Common Station, even with the adoption of a flyover or underpass scheme for grade separation.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> DPWH submitted its proposal to NEDA through a letter dated 28 November 2022 (received on 29 November 2022), for a decrease in scope from four interchanges to one interchange, decrease in total project cost (TPC) from PHP 4,007.00 million to PHP 2,905.84 million, five-year loan validity extension, and nine-year implementation period extension.</p>
5.			The procurement of civil works contractor for the North Avenue/ Mindanao Avenue Interchange was deferred due to conflict/overlap in alignment with the MRT-7 project of DOTr.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH closely coordinated and held several meetings with DOTr, DPWH-BAC, JICA, the Construction Supervision Consultants, and other stakeholders to expedite resolution of the conflict in alignment.</p> <p>DOTr, in a letter dated 7 October 2022, manifested that the MRT-7 concessionaire, San Miguel Corporation (SMC), has no objection to the</p>

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		proposed structural mitigating measures to address the interfacing issue between MMICP VI and the MRT-7 project.
6. Binondo-Intramuros and Estrella Pantaleon Bridges Project (BI-EP BCP)/ DPWH/ China	The project encroaches the buffer zone of San Agustin Church, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The project was inaugurated by President Duterte on 5 April 2022 and was opened to traffic the following day.</p> <p>DPWH, through its 16 May 2022 letter to NEDA, conveyed that there was a 45-m decrease in length of the Binondo-Intramuros Bridge from 725 lm to 680 lm, which was approved as recommended by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) and concurred by the Chinese Project Management Consultant to preserve the San Fernando Bridge, an important cultural property located at the original alignment of the Binondo-Intramuros Bridge.</p>
7. Arterial Road Bypass Project III (ARBP III)/ DPWH/ JICA	The imposition of truck ban by the LGU of Bustos, Bulacan caused limited delivery of construction materials at the project site, resulting in the delayed completion of embankment works of service roads. Consequently, this delayed the start of bored piling works at northbound side of Flyover No. 1.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The DPWH Unified Project Management Office (UPMO)-Roads Management Cluster (RMC) 1 and the project consultants advised the civil works contractor (C.M. Pancho Construction, Inc.) to request for truck ban exemption from the LGU to hasten the service roads embankment works for of Flyover No. 1 and other sections of the project.</p>

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		<u>Update:</u> The truck ban has been lifted on 16 January 2023. Delivery of materials has resumed.
8. Chico River Pump Irrigation Project (CRPIP)/ NIA/ China	Construction of farm ditches and structures was halted due to farming activities and presence of crops. The landowners refused to grant the contractor access to their land.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The PMO held dialogues with the PAPs and suspended the ongoing civil works contract while negotiations with the landowners were ongoing. Ultimately, the contract was terminated on 20 September 2022 due to a 60-calendar day continuous suspension of work resulting from the right-of-way (ROW) issue.

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9. Health System Enhancement to Address and Limit (HEAL)/ DOH/ ADB	Contracts for the construction of facilities were temporarily suspended due to difficulties faced by contractors and hospitals in complying with the documentary requirements (e.g., land title) to secure building permits from concerned LGUs, and in securing the Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) from DENR-Environmental Management Bureau (EMB). Affected facilities include: (a) Ilocos Training and Regional Medical Center (Type II isolation facility); (b) Ilocos	<u>Actions taken:</u> DOH provided technical support to complete the documentary requirements and requested assistance from recipient facilities. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOH to closely coordinate with the contractors to facilitate compliance with all documentary requirements to secure building permits and the ECC.
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	Training and Regional Medical Center [Biosafety Level 2 (BSL2) laboratory]; (c) Batangas Medical Center; (d) Davao Regional Medical Center; (e) Western Visayas Medical Center; (f) Dr. Paulino J. Garcia Memorial Research and Medical Center; (g) Lung Center of the Philippines; (h) Southern Philippines Medical Center; and (i) Jose B. Lingad Memorial Regional Hospital.	
10. Philippine COVID-19 Emergency Response Project (PCERP)/ DOH/ WB	Contracts were suspended in some facilities (e.g., Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center Subnational Laboratory, Southern Philippines Medical Center Subnational Laboratory, and Bureau of Quarantine in Pasay) due to obstructions in construction sites, relocation issues of in-patients, and conflicts/dependencies with activities carried out by other contractors.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOH prepared Variation Orders (VOs) for proposed additional works and revised work plans submitted by the contractors.</p> <p>Further, the DOH, through a letter dated 25 November 2022, requested a one-year loan validity extension from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024 in anticipation of further delays in the procurement and actual implementation of civil works contracts¹.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOH will engage a construction supervision firm to complement the human resources in the project sites to ensure smooth implementation of project activities and prevent similar delays in the future.</p>

¹ The request also included a proposal: (a) to use USD 17.5 million from the undisbursed loan balance of AF-1 (originally intended for the procurement of vaccines) for activities related to strengthening vaccine administration, vaccine demand generation, vaccine logistics and cold chain support, vaccination monitoring, COVID-19 diagnostics and management, and COVID-19 epidemiological readiness and surveillance including BARMM areas; and (b) for a one-year loan validity extension for AF-1.

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		<p>DOH to submit complete and compliant Investment Coordination Committee (ICC) requisite documents relative to its request for one-year loan validity extension.</p> <p><u>Updates:</u> The ICC-Technical Board (ICC-TB) during its 24 May 2023 meeting, endorsed for ICC-Cabinet Committee (ICC-CC) approval the one-year loan validity extension of PCERP Parent Project and PCERP Additional Financing (AF) 1 from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024. Meanwhile, the ICC-TB deferred its decision on the request for loan validity extension of the PCERP AF-2, pending submission by the DOH of the final restructuring proposal.</p>
11.	<p>The refurbishing of Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM) was originally scheduled for completion in January 2023. However, unprogrammed requisite works (i.e., relocation of container van for the new transformer house and the crowded ceiling for the electrical roughing-ins at Northward GF Hallway, Virology to Low Voltage Switchgear Room), posted variations to the original works and hampered the progress of construction with just six percent actual</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The Contractor requested for a Variation Order to proceed with the unprogrammed works on July 2022. Said request was not granted due to the lack of submitted documents.</p> <p>The variation order was no longer processed as DOH issued a Notice of Termination to the construction firm (R. R. Encabo Contractors Inc.) on 29 December 2022.</p>

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	accomplishment as of fourth quarter of 2022.	
12. Capacity Enhancement of Mass Transit Systems in Metro Manila – LRT Line 1 South Extension Project (L1SEP)/ DOTr/ JICA	Revocation by the Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA) in 2018 of its earlier MOA with LRTA on the use of the former's properties free of charge for the project.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr acquired properties from Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA) via Deed of Absolute Sale in March 2020 for the ROW acquisition (ROWA) of lots for depot works.</p> <p>DOTr negotiated with PRA for the remaining affected properties, specifically on: (a) leasing of affected property through a Joint Venture Agreement with another concessionaire that is part of the CAVITEX; (b) existing pledge with reclamation consortium; and (c) affected lots without titles.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr to continue the discussion with PRA to finalize the required documents (Deed of Absolute Sale and/or Contract of Lease) for the remaining affected properties of PRA.</p>

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13.	<p>There were delays in the relocation of project-affected utilities due to the absence of the Engineering, Procurement, Construction (EPC) Contractor of the Light Rail Manila Corporation (LRMC), the project concessionaire, and pending finalization of the Utilities Management Plan (UMP) to identify the project-affected utilities.</p> <p>The affected utility companies include Meralco, Maynilad, and five telecommunications companies.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The Project Grantors, DOTr and LRTA, coordinated with the LRMC, for their concurrence on the relocation works prior to actual implementation.</p> <p>For Meralco, 32 out of 34 electric posts were already relocated. An amendment to the MOA with Meralco was signed on 14 April 2021.</p> <p>For Maynilad, a MOA was already executed and relocation of utilities was completed in February 2021.</p> <p>For telecommunications utilities, all of the 64 affected utilities were relocated in July 2021. Out of the nine target MOAs to be executed, one was already signed, five were ongoing finalization of annexes, and three were canceled as the concerned telecommunication companies decided to fund the relocation themselves.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr and LRTA to secure concurrence of LRMC by the fourth quarter of 2023 to implement the relocation works, and to finalize the LRTA-UPC MOA.</p>

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14.	There were delays in ROWA through expropriation.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr filed a motion to concerned RTCs for the issuance of Writs-of-Possession (WOP) for six expropriation cases.</p> <p>LRTA and DOTr made efforts to pursue pending cases and secure permits to enter (PTEs) from lot owners but encountered limited court transactions and were denied entry by lot owners. To address this, the Legal Services of DOTr sought assistance from Regional Trial Courts to schedule hearings and expedite WOP issuances for ongoing expropriation cases. Currently, two lots have received WOP from the court.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> Expropriation cases for the remaining 25 lots for Package 2 (Mauno Uno station, Las Pinas station, and Zapote station) are targeted to be completed by the third quarter of 2023. Likewise, expropriation cases for Package 3 along Zapote-Niog Station and the parcellary survey are targeted for completion by first quarter of 2024.</p> <p>The Regional Trial Court to issue WOP for the five lots within 2023.</p>
15.	There were delays in ROWA due to existing obstructions along the alignment.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> In partnership with the Paranaque LGU and the LRTA in clearing the ROW for the project in February 2022.</p>

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		<p>DOTr and Paranaque City agreed to execute a MOA to transfer funds to the latter to implement project works. DOTr started working with Las Pinas and Bacoor LGUs in preparing similar MOAs covering Packages 2 and 3.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr to execute the MOA with Paranaque LGU to proceed with the ROWA within CY 2023.</p>
16.	Delays in the transport, coupling, post-delivery inspection, and Static and Dynamic testing of train sets from Mexico due to unavailability of stabling tracks in Baclaran depot to accommodate the upcoming train sets, and ongoing welding rectification on the trains already delivered.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> To give way for the delivery of the 10 (of 30) remaining fourth generation light rail vehicles (G4 LRVs), nine out of 15 G1 LRVs were already relocated, four are ready and waiting for the concessionaire's necessary action for relocation, while the remaining two without signaling will be relocated thereafter.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> Target completion of relocation of the remaining G4 LRVs is by June 2023. DOTr will coordinate with the contractor to ensure timely delivery of the remaining ten G4 trains within January 2024 to May 2024 (after the welding rectification in Mexico).</p>
17. EDSA Greenways Project/ DOTr/ ADB	Delay in securing concurrence of the Makati City LGU on the project alignment, particularly regarding the project's possible interface with the Makati Subway Project.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Following the 12 and 19 December 2022 meetings with DOTr, the Makati City LGU, in principle, has no objection to the project but has yet to issue a NOL. Notwithstanding, the</p>

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		<p>said LGU has further concerns on the interface between the Makati Subway Project and the Metro Manila Priority Bridges Seismic Improvement Project (MMBSIP) of DPWH.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr will facilitate further coordination meetings with Makati City LGU and DPWH to discuss concerns on the interface between the Makati Subway Project and the MMBSIP.</p>
18.	<p>The alignment of the Balintawak Segment Footbridge 9 is in conflict with a road widening project of DPWH.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> On 20 October 2022, DOTr, DPWH, and Ove Arup and Partners Hong Kong Ltd (ARUP) held a meeting to discuss the proposal of DPWH to shift the alignment of Footbridge 9 to avoid the latter's road widening project at the northbound side and to include ROWA for the proposed new alignment.</p> <p>On 14 November 2022, DPWH provided some section drawings along EDSA of the proposed widening project.</p> <p><u>Action to be taken:</u> DOTr to finalize the plans necessary to overlay the alignment of the Greenways Project to identify potential conflicts with the road widening project and to determine possible adjustments.</p>

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19.	Delay in securing concurrence of DepEd on the project alignment and timelines, particularly regarding the project's possible impact on public schools near the project alignment.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Comments on the ROW Usage Agreement (ROWUA) between DepEd and DOTr were finalized on 4 October 2022. However, DepEd is still in the process of identifying its signatories and awaiting the authorization letter to facilitate the signing of the said agreement.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr will follow up with DepEd on the authorization letter needed to finalize the signatories from DepEd.</p>
20. Maritime Safety Enhancement Project (MSEP)/ DOTr/ KEDCF	There are project sites in conflict/overlapping with another project in Cebu [i.e., the Mactan North and Reclamation Development Project (MNRDP) a joint venture between the Lapu-Lapu City LGU and the Salug Valley Enterprises and Development Corp. (SVEDC) Group]	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The PCG Commandant, through memorandum dated 11 November 2022, recommended to the DOTr Secretary the removal of the construction of the Mactan Buoy Base in the project scope, and to focus instead on the construction of the Romblon Buoy Base and the acquisition of two buoy tenders². The PCG also proposed the acquisition of one tugboat and the construction of port facilities to complement the ongoing construction of the Casiguran Buoy Base as part of Phase 2 of the project. Subsequently, the signed proposal for change in project scope was forwarded to KEDCF via email on 22 November 2022.</p>

² A *buoy tender* is a vessel used to transport, install and recover buoys. A *buoy* is a floating device which can be anchored or allowed to drift with the sea wave. It is commonly used as a sea mark to aid the safe navigation of approaching vessels by marking maritime channels, hazards or administrative areas. (Source: AtoN Development Plan)

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		<u>Actions to be taken:</u> The PCG-PMO to facilitate approval of the change in project scope.
21. New Bohol Airport Construction and Sustainable Environment Protection Project II (NBACSEPP II)/ DOTr/ JICA	Completion of Deeds of Exchange (DEs) was delayed due to missing technical documents.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The Provincial Government (PG) of Bohol through its Legal Office assisted landowners to secure technical documents to prepare the DEs. Regarding the remaining 13 DEs (18 lots): (a) two lots were provided with technical descriptions for the preparation of evidence of ownership by the claimants; (b) one lot is awaiting the result of a settlement between claimants/heirs; (c) documents for one lot were returned to the original owner as the lot falls outside the project site; and (d) 14 lots were under preparation of DEs and with pending requisite documents such as SPA, copies of titles, deeds of sale, and subdivision of plan of private lots. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> PG Bohol to continue assisting landowners to secure technical documents and complete the preparation of DEs.
22.	The compensation for five remaining lots (not directly affected by airport structures) was delayed due to missing technical documents.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The PG Bohol, through its Legal Office, assisted landowners to secure technical documents to facilitate the compensation for the five remaining lots.

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		<u>Actions to be taken:</u> PG Bohol to continue assisting landowners to complete the compensation process for the remaining five lots.
23. New International Container Port Project (NCICPP)/ DOTr/ KEDCF	Cebu Delay in the conduct of parcellary survey to identify Project Affected Families (PAFs).	<u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr and LGU of Consolacion, Cebu executed a MOA in December 2020 for the former to conduct parcellary survey to identify PAFs. After continuous negotiation with the PAFs, the LGU of Consolacion Cebu has submitted the parcellary report to DOTr on 30 June 2022.
24. Cavite Industrial Area-Flood Risk Management (CIA-FRMP)/ DPWH/ JICA	The project incurred delays due to expropriation issues, non-issuance of PTE/WOP on affected properties.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The DPWH-Flood Control Management Cluster (FCMC) ROW Team is coordinating with lot owners to secure PTEs and expediting document preparation, in coordination with the project consultant, for expropriation cases. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH-FCMC to negotiate and expropriate affected properties (lots, structures and improvements) as necessary for the prompt issuance of PTEs/WOPs.
25. Cebu-Mactan Bridge and Coastal Road Construction Project/ DPWH (CBM CRC)/ JICA	Mandaue City LGU proposed a new alignment for Mandaue Coastal Road to start at FE Zuellig Avenue instead of Ouano Avenue.	<u>Actions taken:</u> On 28 March 2022, DPWH and the Mandaue City LGU discussed the relocation of affected port operations in relation to the proposed new alignment. Additionally, a meeting was held on 17 September 2022 with Cebu Ports Authority (CPA) to inform them about possible affected

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		<p>port operators in Brgys. Centro and Looc.</p> <p>Meanwhile, a series of meetings were conducted between DPWH and Lapu-Lapu LGU to resolve the issues.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> A MOA will be executed for the relocation of affected port operations. DPWH will request JICA to consider the new alignment in the ongoing DED.</p>
26. Central Luzon Link Expressway Project Phase I (CLLEX)/ DPWH/ JICA	Some affected lot owners rejected the Letter Offers (LOs) and have adverse claims.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Out of 738 affected lots, 117 were partially paid, 53 were fully paid, 94 were forwarded to the District Engineering Office (DEO), 521 were under process, and 23 were not interested in receiving compensation.</p> <p>On 21 December 2022, the DPWH RMC 1-ROW Team coordinated with the Municipal Government of Aliaga, Nueva Ecija for the creation of Inter-Agency ROWA Task Force composed of LGUs, DPWH, DAR, BIR, Registry of Deeds, PSA, and LBP.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH-RMC 1 to continue coordinating with concerned DEOs for the acquisition of RROW, and with the OSG and RTC for expropriation cases.</p>
27. Davao City Coastal Bypass Project (DCBCP)/ DPWH/ JICA	DPWH was unable to secure PTE for lots under expropriation due to resistance from PAPs.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH requested assistance from the LGU in securing the PTEs while the OSG facilitates</p>

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				<p>the filing of expropriation cases.</p> <p>For Package I-1, the total workable area (i.e., with PTE) reached 88 percent.</p> <p>For Package II-1: Out of 29 PAPs, four lot owners cannot be found and 25 Notices of Taking (NsT) were issued (i.e., two were endorsed for payment, four were complying with the required documents, and 19 involved free patent lots. For Package II-2: NsT were still for issuance to 71 PAPs. For Package II-3: NsT were still for issuance to 145 PAPs.</p>
28.	Flood Management Project - Cagayan De Oro River (FRMP-CDOR)/ DPWH/ JICA	Risk	ROW has not been cleared for the construction work wherein more than 1,000 families are claimants.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH facilitated negotiation and expropriation of affected lots and structures, chargeable against ROWA funds from DPWH-Central Office which were transferred to the City Government of Cagayan de Oro pursuant to the MOA between the two government institutions.</p> <p>As of end 2022, 157 out of the 712 affected lots, and 615 out of the 903 affected structures were already paid for. For most of the affected lots that have PTEs, the Implementing Office (IO) is just awaiting the release of payments for the said lots.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH-FCMC to negotiate and expropriate affected properties (lots, structures and improvements) as necessary</p>

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		for the prompt issuance of PTEs/WOPs.
29. Metro Manila Interchange Construction Project Phase VI (MMICP VI)/ DPWH/ JICA	Delayed ROWA of the affected area within the Veteran's Golf Course for the installation of a pump house for the tunnel section of the North Avenue-Mindanao Avenue interchange.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH initially planned to relocate the pumphouse from the Veteran's Golf Course to the area under the North Avenue/Mindanao Avenue Interchange flyover, eliminating the need for ROWA. However, after coordination with the PMO of the Metro Manila Subway Project, it was decided to keep the pumphouse at its original location within the Veteran's Golf Course.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH will coordinate with DND and NHA for the signing of a Tripartite MOA to facilitate ROWA of the affected area within the Veteran's Golf Course.</p>
30. Pasig Marikina River Channel Improvement Project Phase IV (PMRCIP IV)/ DPWH/ JICA	<p>The project encountered issues on ROWA in Quezon City, Pasig City, and Cainta and Taytay in Rizal.</p> <p>In Quezon City, there was resistance from remaining informal settler families (ISFs) particularly due to the off-city relocation option given by the LGU.</p> <p>In Pasig City, ISFs were present at some locations of the proposed Revetment and Dike System under CP No. 2</p> <p>In Cainta and Taytay in Rizal, ISFs were present at the proposed location of</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH-FCMC coordinated with NHA and the concerned LGUs for the relocation of the remaining ISFs.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH-FCMC to continue coordinating with NHA and the concerned LGUs for the relocation of the remaining ISFs.</p>

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	sluiceway and floodgate under CP No. 1.	
31. Road Network Development Project in Conflict Affected Areas in Mindanao (RNDP CAAM)/ DPWH/ JICA	Activities/works were hindered due to ROW issues within construction limits.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH coordinated with the Marawi City LGU and concerned stakeholders to resolve the ROW problems.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH to continue to coordinate with the Marawi City LGU and concerned stakeholders to resolve the ROWA problem.</p>
32.	Unfavorable weather conditions contributed to the slow progress of construction activities.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH instructed the contractors to expedite construction works during favorable weather conditions. Time extensions were granted to compensate for unworkable days due to adverse weather.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH shall continuously monitor the progress of civil works and make further efforts to increase physical accomplishments during favorable weather conditions.</p>
33. Road Upgrading and Preservation Project (RUPP)/ DPWH/ JICA	Some lot owners refused to accept the offer for a negotiated sale.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH engaged Land Bank of the Philippines to determine the current market value of the 65 lots affected by the project.</p> <p>Out of the 65 affected lots, four were donated, five were for negotiated sale (three were fully paid, one partially paid, and one cannot proceed with sale), while the remaining 56 were for expropriation.</p>

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		<p>The DPWH UPMO RMC 1 filed with Bohol RTC expropriation proceedings to obtain WOPs. Out of the 56 lots for expropriation, one WOP was already served, one was filed with complaint, 46 were endorsed to the OSG, while the remaining eight have yet to be endorsed to the OSG pending completion of documentary requirements.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH will closely coordinate with the concerned DEO and OSG for the acquisition of RROW.</p>
34. Samal Island-Davao City Connector Project (SIDCCP)/ DPWH/ China	There was a delay in ROWA due to the resistance of PAPs and their non-compliance with the documentary requirements to facilitate ROW payments.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH facilitated coordination with the concerned PAPs.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH to facilitate filing of expropriation cases in coordination with the OSG.</p>
35.	DED activities were delayed due to the refusal of a property owner to issue a survey access permit for the conduct of a geotechnical investigation on his property.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Negotiation with the property owner concerned is ongoing to allow DPWH and the contractor to conduct the geotechnical investigation.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH to continuously coordinate with the concerned property owner.</p>
36. Samar Pacific Coastal Road Project (SPCRP)/ DPWH/ KEDCF	Adverse weather conditions rendered the project sites unworkable, resulting in slow progress in civil works.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The contractor conducted simultaneous works for PCCP and bridges during favorable weather conditions to improve physical accomplishment.</p>

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		<p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH will issue a notice of negative slippage (warning slippage) and will require the contractor to submit a detailed catch-up plan. On-site supervision will be intensified, and evaluation of project performance will be done at least once a week.</p>
37. Angat Water Transmission Improvement Bigte Novaliches Aqueduct No. 7 (AWTIP BNAQ-7)/ MWSS/ ADB	The updating of Resettlement Plan has yet to be approved.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> All complementary actions to the Resettlement Plan are being finalized.</p> <p>Revalidation was conducted in December 2022 with guidance from the Asian Development Bank (ADB). The Resettlement Plan was resubmitted to MWSS for reconsideration/updating. Assistance from the MWSS concessionaires was also sought.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The resettlement plan is targeted for submission to ADB by mid-February 2023 for approval.</p> <p><u>Updates:</u> On 27 February 2023, MWSS submitted to the ADB for review/approval the revised Resettlement Plan incorporating a list of affected households.</p>
38. Chico River Pump Irrigation Project (CRPIP)/ NIA/ China	Payment of ROW at the Cagayan side is delayed due to difficulties faced by property owners in providing required documents for ROW	<p><u>Actions Taken:</u> On 2 August 2022, CRPIP-PMO met with Region II Regional Development Council (RDC), Regional Project Monitoring Committee</p>

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	claims pursuant to the ROW Act of 2016.	<p>(RPMC), and COA to address the issue. COA emphasized the need for complete supporting documents for ROW claims.</p> <p>The PMO informed NIA-CO Legal Services about the agreements during the meeting, and the latter coordinated the same with NIA-Region 2 Legal Services. The latter gathered additional information during its visit to the PMO on 12-13 October 2022. The PMO and NIA's Legal Services are currently coordinating to resolve the issue.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The parties involved will continue working to resolve the issue. The PMO will continue to assist landowners in obtaining the necessary documents for ROW claims.</p>
39.	The implementation of the local minor contracts (LMCs) is delayed due to unfavorable weather conditions at the project site.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The PMO instructed the contractors to submit catch-up plans and work on a crash program to cope with the delays.</p> <p><u>Actions to be Taken:</u> The PMO to closely monitor and supervise the remaining ongoing civil works contracts to ensure planned completion by the first quarter of 2023.</p>
40. Jalaur Multipurpose Irrigation Stage II/ KEDCF	River Project NIA/ Realignment of the High Line Canal (HLC) route is required to address differences between design ground	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The contractor expedited the redesign of HLC sections affected by the realignment</p>

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	elevation and actual ground elevation.	considering technical and economic factors. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> The contractor shall assess the need for further realignment and submit to NIA the results of the segmental and topographic surveys of the whole section of the HLC.
41.	The occurrence of intermittent severe rainfall resulted in unworkable irrigation areas.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The PMO closely coordinated with the project consultant (KRC-JV) to apply mitigating measures on affected areas. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> The Project Engineer will continue to coordinate with the contractor for their urgent action on the issue.

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Resolved				
1.	Advancing Education in the Philippines Project/ DepEd/ USAID	Basic (ABC+)	The project team encountered challenges in securing suitable venues for in-person activities and training workshops due to a substantial rise in demand for such venues.	<u>Actions taken:</u> To broaden its options, the project team explored alternative venues outside of the usual areas.
2.	Philippines Customs Modernization Project (PCMP)/ BOC/ WB		Deciding whether to proceed with the negotiation stage for the procurement of the Project Supervision and Quality Assurance (PSQA) consultant underwent a lengthy process given the possible legal implications of the merger of the highest rated bidder, Instituto de la Calidad S.A. (Quality Institute or QI), with OCA Global Consulting and Technical Advisory (CTA).	<u>Actions taken:</u> BOC referred the issue on the merger of QI with OCA Global CTA to its Legal Service on 4 March 2022. The BOC-Special Bids and Awards Committee (SBAC), in its Resolution No. 2022-1 dated 16 September 2022, accepted the change of corporate personality of the lead partner of the Joint Venture, QI, to OCA Global CTA, conditioned upon OCA Global CTA's compliance with retaining the key experts previously evaluated as part of QI's technical proposal. Through the same resolution, the BOC-SBAC decided to proceed with the negotiations for the PSQA consultancy, pending the final resolution of the cases filed in the Manila Regional Trial Court (RTC) by the DBM-Procurement Service (DBM-PS) and BOC versus JV Omniprime Marketing, Inc. and Intrisoft International Inc., and pending the receipt of

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		<p>advice/guidance from the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) relative to the said cases (issue discussed separately in Item 5).</p> <p><u>Update:</u> BOC-SBAC completed the negotiation stage on 7 March 2023 and is currently awaiting OCA Global CTA's signature on the minutes and draft negotiated contract, which is required to be posted in the WB procurement system.</p> <p>PMU and SBAC target to have the contract signed in June 2023.</p>
3. Health System Enhancement to Address and Limit COVID-19 (HEAL)/ DOH/ ADB	<p>There was a failure of bidding due to a lack of qualified bidders for the procurement of civil works for the construction of isolation facilities.</p> <p>Further the bid evaluation process was prolonged due to limited capacity.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOH requested the assistance of its Centers for Health Development (CHD) in the re-advertisement of the invitation to bid.</p> <p>Bid evaluation was conducted with the support of the ADB procurement consultant to expedite the evaluation process. Contractors for all recipient facilities were engaged in 2022.</p>
4. Cebu Bus Rapid Transit Project (CBRT)/ DOTr/ AFD and WB	<p>Failure of bidding was declared for the procurement of Civil Works Package 1 due to unresponsive bids.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Re-bidding for the procurement of Civil Works Package 1 was conducted in February 2022. The contract was awarded in November 2022 and</p>

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		Notice-to-Proceed (NTP) was issued to the contractor in December 2022
Current		
5. Philippines Customs Modernization Project (PCMP)/ BOC/ WB	Contract negotiation with the highest rated bidder for the procurement of the PSQA was delayed due to the pending resolution of the case of DBM-PS and BOC versus JV Omniprime Marketing, Inc. and Intrasoftware International Inc., the highest rated bidder for the for the procurement of consulting services for the Philippines' National Single Window Phase 2 (PNSW 2) Project which was the previous effort of BOC to digitize its operations. The pending case constrains BOC from proceeding with its computerization program. Arising from the said case was the 22 February 2022 order issued by the Manila Regional Trial Court (RTC) declaring as illegal all similar projects (such as the PCMP) that aim to replace BOC's current electronic systems.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u></p> <p>On 6 June 2022, the BOC filed a Petition for Certiorari with Injunction before the Supreme Court to challenge the said order of the Manila RTC to support its initiative of replacing BOC's current electronic systems, particularly through the PCMP.</p> <p>Meanwhile the BOC, through letter dated 8 August 2022, requested guidance from the OSG on the Order of the Manila RTC dated 2 August 2022 directing the implementation of the Decision and Writ of Execution issued to BOC and the DBM-PS directing the agencies to continue with the remaining procurement process for the PNSW 2 Project.</p> <p>In a Resolution dated 29 November 2022, the First Division of the Supreme Court denied the prayer for the issuance of a temporary restraining order (TRO) and/or writ of preliminary injunction filed by the BOC against JV Omniprime Marketing, Inc. and Intrasoftware International, Inc. for lack of merit. It further resolves to require the Omniprime to</p>

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		<p>comment on the BOC's Appeal by Certiorari with Urgent Prayer for a TRO and/or Writ of Preliminary Injunction of the Orders dated 22 February 2022 and 1 April 2022 of the RTC, Branch 47, Manila in Civil Case No. 15-134333.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> The BOC, through the OSG, filed a Memorandum dated 1 March 2023 before the Court of Appeals requesting to issue a TRO and/or Writ of Preliminary Injunction directing the respondent Judge, Court Sheriff, and/or other deputized Sheriffs to cease and desist from further executing the Decision and Writ of Execution. The BOC, through the OSG, also filed before the Supreme Court on 7 March 2023 a Motion for Leave to file very urgent motion for said issuance due to the impending expiration on 8 March 2023 of the Electronic to Mobile (E2M) Framework License³, a digitization program of BOC separate from the PNSW2 and PCMP which was also</p>

³ The expiration and non-renewal of the E2M Framework License will result to inaccessibility of the system and eventually stoppage of the automated processing of customs transactions leading to economic losses. With the issuance of RTC Order on 22 February 2022 declaring as illegal all similar digitization projects of the BOC, the license for the E2M system, which was targeted to be renewed under the procurement "Extended Support and Maintenance of E2M application" completely separate from the PNSW2 and PCMP, is also affected and at risk of being discontinued. Further, the features and functionalities of the current E2M customs module shall be integrated and enhanced Under the CPS component of the PCMP.

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				affected by the 22 February 2022 RTC Order.
6.	Philippine Development Original Loan (PRDP OL)/ DA/ WB	Rural Project-	Completion of ongoing subprojects (SPs) under I-BUILD and I-REAP was delayed due to procurement issues, i.e., failures in bidding, changes in the specifications of items, non-availability of stocks or supply items to be procured, and price escalation, among others.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The remaining subprojects were validated and assessed on-site with the respective LGUs.</p> <p>A catch-up plan was formulated together with the LGUs and the Proponent Groups (PGs) to ensure that all SPs under the OL will be completed within the year.</p>
7.	Support to Parcelization of Lands for Individual Titling (SPLIT)/ DAR/ WB		There were continuous significant delays in procurement activities, with more than 50 packages still at preliminary stages. Hiring of the IT consultants was prolonged due to the low turnout of applicants, resulting in the delayed completion of the development of a centralized Certificate of Land Ownership Award (CLOA) Management System.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Procurement of goods and non-consulting services is still ongoing. Based on the approved 18-month procurement plan for items/components charged under loan proceeds, 55 packages amounting to PHP 1,487.65 million are for procurement under the project (27 packages for the procurement of various goods and non-consulting services with total amount of PHP 1,402.34 million, and 28 packages for the engagement of consultants with total amount of PHP 85.31 million).</p> <p>As of December 2022, the CPMO Procurement Team submitted a total of 38 packages to the Primary Bids and Awards Committee (PBAC) and Secondary Bids</p>

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		<p>and Awards Committee (SBAC)</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The TOR, specifications, and estimates for the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) will be revised. DAR is also awaiting the BAC resolution to change the method of procurement to direct contracting or single source procurement after three consecutive failures in bidding.</p> <p>A catch-up plan with a possible extension of the project's implementation period will be prepared.</p>
8. Access to Sustainable Energy Programme (ASEP)/ DOE/ WB and EU	<p>There were delays incurred in the procurement for Component 2: Investment Support (Rural Network Solar [RNS] Subcomponent), mainly due to the failure of bidding (first round) in 2021, and delays in the tendering for the second round of bidding.</p> <p>The international competitive tender for the turn-key contracts of seven solar plants was conducted in 2021, but did not result in any contract award.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOE revised the financial requirements to encourage more bidders to participate. In addition, in coordination with the World Bank (WB), the DOE/National Power Corporation (NPC) consolidated the three bundles into one package for bidding to facilitate the procurement process. The re-bidding commenced on 22 April 2022.</p> <p>NPC's National Power Board approved the award of contract to Lots 4, 5, 6, and 7 on 12 December 2022 upon receiving the no objection letter from the WB. Subsequently, the Notifications of Award were</p>

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		<p>issued to the winning contractors on 28 December 2022 while non-winning bidders were notified on 29 December 2022. Advance kick-off meetings with contractors were also held on the same day to fast-track submission of pre-construction documents.</p> <p><u>Updates:</u> Pre-construction activities (i.e., preparation of drawings and schedules, securing of permits, procurement) commenced as early as 3 January 2023 for all the sites.</p> <p>The contracts for Lots 4, 5, 6, 7 were completed on 7 March 2023 upon submission of performance securities and signing of contract amendments to the conditional provisions on the effectivity date of the contracts.</p> <p>Site development is set to start in March 2023 while delivery of materials is targeted in the 1st week of April 2023. All contractors committed to expedite construction activities and complete the project by end of June 2023 in time for the settlement of final contract claims before the 31 July 2023 grant closing date.</p>

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		Meanwhile, the unsuccessful Lots 1, 2, and 3 will be officially dropped, considering insufficient time to complete construction and commissioning within the grant closing date.
9.	Delays in procurement were experienced under Component 3: Call for Proposals (Integration of Productive Uses of Renewable Energy for Sustainable and Inclusive Energization in Mindanao [i-PURE] Subcomponent, mainly due to: (a) failure of bidding; (b) absence of qualified bidders; and (c) delays in the finalization of design.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOE has adopted new work measures to mitigate delays and meet the target completion schedule.</p> <p>For i-PURE projects, ten work packages were already awarded, seven of which are in the implementation stage (e.g., ongoing delivery of materials, actual civil works).</p> <p>For household electrification, work packages 2.1 and 2.2 were completed on 30 September 2022.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> For i-PURE projects, three work packages are still for procurement. Their respective TORs are still being finalized.</p> <p>For household electrification, work package 2.3 is in the negotiated bidding stage, and is planned for completion by October 2023.</p>

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10. Development for Renewable Energy Applications for Market Mainstreaming and Sustainability (DREAMS)/ DOE/ UNDP	Failure in bidding was declared due to unresponsive bids (i.e., failed to meet technical specifications, bids were above market-scoped prices).	<p>Project management and cross-cutting activities are planned to be accomplished by October 2023.</p> <p><u>Actions taken:</u> TOR was reviewed by project consultants for re-bidding.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The re-bidding is scheduled to commence in 2023.</p>
11.	<p>Procurement of Support Facility for Renewable Energy (SF4RE) was postponed subject to UNDP construction works approval and Social and Environmental Screening Procedure (SESP) assessment.</p> <p>Consequently, project activities may go beyond the current project implementation period, which may result in the termination of the project.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> A SESP Research Assistant (RA) was contracted to conduct SESP for the projects with local implementers. Unfortunately, the outputs were not considered sufficient for approval/processing by UNDP Country Office.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> Ways forward for the project is being discussed by the UNDP, DOE, and the PMU.</p>
12. Second Health Enhancement to Address and Limit COVID-19 (HEAL 2)/ DOH/ ADB and AIIB	<p>Procurement of vaccines was suspended mainly due to the following reasons: (a) vaccine supply remains sufficient; and (b) RA 11525 or the "COVID-19 Vaccination Program Act of 2021" has expired given the non-extension of the period of state of calamity in the country⁴.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOH requested the cancellation of the remaining undisbursed loan balance for the project. However, said request was retracted by DOH through a letter dated 21 November 2022 informing NEDA of the plan of the agency to procure bivalent COVID-19 vaccines.</p>

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		<p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOH to finalize its decision whether it shall proceed with the procurement of vaccines or request the cancellation of the remaining undisbursed loan balance.</p> <p><u>Updates:</u> The DOH, through a letter dated 27 February 2023 (received by the ICC Core Secretariat on 14 April 2023), requested for the cancellation of the remaining undisbursed loan balance for the project amounting to USD 10.93 million.</p> <p>Through letter dated 23 May 2023, NEDA endorsed to DOF the request of the DOH for the cancellation of the undisbursed loan balance of USD 10.93 million [USD 6.56 million from the ADB and USD 4.37 million from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)].</p>
13. Philippines COVID-19 Emergency Response Project (PCERP)/ DOH/ WB	The project is planned to be completed in 2023. However, as of end 2022, 12 civil works contracts (for the construction of 11 isolation facilities and one laboratory) are still under rebidding due to various reasons (e.g., high cost of construction materials, price differential between estimated budget and bid price, non-submission of	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The purchase request (PR) and project procurement management plan (PPMP) for the 12 civil works contracts are being revised.</p> <p>In addition, the DOH, through letter dated 25 November 2022 (received by the ICC Core Secretariat on 9 December 2022) requested a one-year loan</p>

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	bidding requirements, insufficient financial capacity of bidders, lack of submitted quotations, waived participation/acceptance by the winning contractor due to sudden increase in cost of construction materials.	<p>validity extension from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024 in anticipation of further delays in the procurement and actual implementation of the 12 civil works contracts⁵.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOH to expedite the procurement process targeted to be completed by second quarter of 2023.</p> <p>DOH to submit complete and compliant ICC requisite documents relative to its request for one-year loan validity extension.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> The ICC-TB during its 24 May 2023 meeting, endorsed for ICC-CC approval the one-year loan validity extension of PCERP Parent Project and PCERP AF-1 from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024. Meanwhile, the ICC-TB deferred its decision on the request for loan validity extension of the PCERP AF-2, pending submission by DOH of the final restructuring proposal.</p>
14. Philippines Emergency	COVID-19 Response Procurement of vaccines was suspended mainly due	<u>Actions taken:</u>

⁵ The request also included a proposal: (a) to use USD 17.5 million from the undisbursed loan balance of AF-1 (originally intended for the procurement of vaccines) for activities related to strengthening vaccine administration, vaccine demand generation, vaccine logistics and cold chain support, vaccination monitoring, COVID-19 diagnostics and management, and COVID-19 epidemiological readiness and surveillance including BARMM areas; and (b) for a one-year loan validity extension for all WB loan supporting PCERP, including the loan for the parent project, AF-1, and AF-2.

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Project-Additional Financing (PCERP AF)/ DOH/ WB	<p>to the following reasons: (a) vaccine supply remains sufficient; and (b) RA 11525 or the "COVID-19 Vaccination Program Act of 2021" has expired given the non-extension of the period of state of calamity in the country⁶.</p> <p>There is an unutilized loan balance of USD 17.5 million or PHP 890 million originally intended for vaccine procurement.</p>	<p>Through letter dated 25 November 2022 (received by the ICC Core Secretariat on 9 December 2022), the DOH requested: (a) to use USD 17.5 million from the undisbursed loan balance of AF-1 (originally intended for the procurement of vaccines) for activities related to strengthening vaccine administration, vaccine demand generation, vaccine logistics and cold chain support, vaccination monitoring, COVID-19 diagnostics and management, and COVID-19 epidemiological readiness and surveillance, with special attention to BARMM areas; and (b) a one-year loan validity extension from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024.</p> <p><u>Actions to be Taken:</u> DOH to submit complete and compliant ICC requisite documents to facilitate processing of its restructuring request for PCERP AF.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> The ICC-TB during its 24 May 2023 meeting, endorsed for ICC-CC approval the one-year loan validity extension of PCERP</p>

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			Parent Project and PCERP AF-1 from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024, on the basis that the USD 30 million from the parent project, which was used for vaccine procurement, will be replenished through the PHP 890 million unutilized funds of PCERP AF-1.
15.	Philippines Emergency Project-Additional Financing 2 (PCERP AF-2)/ DOH/ WB	COVID-19 Response Procurement of vaccines was suspended mainly due to the following reasons: (a) vaccine supply remains sufficient; and (b) RA 11525 or the "COVID-19 Vaccination Program Act of 2021" has expired given the non-extension of the period of state of calamity in the country ⁷ .	<p><u>Actions Taken:</u> Through letter dated 25 November 2022 (received by the ICC Core Secretariat on 9 December 2022), the DOH requested for a one-year loan validity extension of PCERP (including the parent project, AF-1, and AF-2) from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024.</p> <p>The ICC-TB during its 24 May 2023 meeting, endorsed for ICC-CC approval the one-year loan validity extension of PCERP Parent Project and PCERP AF-1 from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024. Meanwhile, the ICC-TB deferred its decision on the request for loan validity extension of the PCERP AF-2, pending the submission by DOH of the final restructuring proposal for the project.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u></p>

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		DOH is expected to submit to NEDA in June 2023 its restructuring proposal for AF-2, including a proposal for loan validity extension.
16. Philippines Multisectoral Nutrition Project (PMNP)/ DOH/ WB	Delay in engaging UN agencies for Procurement Services.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Technical assistance was provided by the WB to DOH for the engagement of UN agencies in the procurement process.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The Terms of reference (TOR) and justifications for the direct engagement of the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) to deliver procurement of goods and services for the project shall be finalized for approval and the systematic tracking of exchanges in procurement (STEP) clearance from the WB shall be secured by June 2023. Subsequently, proposal development and completion of the Standard Form Agreement between DOH and each of the UN Agencies shall be made.</p>

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17. Epifanio De Los Santos Avenue (EDSA Greenways Project) / DOTr/ ADB	Delay in civil works procurement due to changes in bidding documents (resulting from changes in the project implementation timelines, among other reasons) and changes in BAC composition.	<p>Actions taken: A reconstitution of the DOTr-BAC was requested from the top management of the DOTr.</p> <p>Actions to be taken: DOTr to expedite the review and preparation of bidding documents to obtain no objection from the ADB, and to meet its target date of issuance of Notice of Award by November 2023.</p>
18.	Procurement of the Construction Supervision Consultant was prolonged due to the transfer of procurement responsibilities to the DBM-PS.	<p>Actions taken: The BAC Resolution, shortlist of Expressions of Interest, and the Request for Proposal (RFP) documents package was approved by the Head of Procuring Entity (HoPE) on 2 November 2022. Comments from the ADB were received on 21 November 2022.</p> <p>Actions to be taken: DOTr to continue updating the aforementioned procurement documents and the contractor to continue updating the documents and coordinating with the PS-DBM TWG members for further updates and discussion with the BAC in January 2023 for re-submission of the same to the HoPE and to secure No Objection from the ADB. Considering the revisions to be made, the DOTr-PMO targets to issue the revised RFP in March 2023 and</p>

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				issue the Notice of Award by October 2023.
19.	Maritime Enhancement (MSEP)/ DOTr/ KEDCF	Safety Project	The TOR and RFP for the Consultancy Services for Construction and Civil Works must be reviewed, finalized, and approved by the DOTr within 9 September 2023 as advised by KEXIM-EDCF during the 10 November 2022 meeting with the DOTr Undersecretary for Maritime. Otherwise, pursuant to Section 11.04 (Termination of the Loan Agreement) (b) of the General Terms and Conditions of the L/A	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> On 25 November 2022, the PCG-PMO prepared and submitted the draft TOR and RFP for internal review within the PCG. Subsequently, on 21 December 2022, the CPCG concurred with the draft TOR and RFP and endorsed the same to the DOTr Secretary. The DOTr Secretary then forwarded the documents to the Office of the DOTr Undersecretary for Maritime on 23 December 2022 for review.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> Upon approval by the DOTr, the PCG-PMO will submit the TOR and RFP to KEXIM for review and concurrence.</p>
20.			Procurement of consulting services for the conduct of Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) study was prolonged.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> On 15 November 2022, the PCG-PMO consolidated the lacking documentary requirements for the transfer of funds needed for procurement and submitted the procurement documents to the Office of the DOTr Undersecretary for Maritime review and approval.</p> <p><u>Actions to be Taken:</u> The PCG-PMO to facilitate approval of procurement documents by the DOTr</p>

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		Undersecretary for Maritime.
21. New Cebu International Container Port Project (NCICPP)/ DOTr/ KEDCF	The prices of the bids received for the procurement of the services of the civil works contractor were substantially higher than the USD 117.92 million ABC.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr received sufficient bids and completed the review of technical and financial proposals.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> NCICPP PMO to consult with DOTr SBAC on ways forward for the procurement of civil works contractor (i.e., whether to declare a failure of bidding, or update the ABC).</p>
22. Metro Manila Interchange Construction Project, Phase VI (MMICP VI)/ DPWH/ JICA	Failure of bidding and negotiation for the construction of the North Avenue/ Mindanao Avenue Interchange and C5/ Green Meadows/ Acropolis/ Calle Industria Interchange was declared in view of the high bid submitted by the lone bidder.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> JICA in a letter to DPWH dated 10 March 2022, concurred with the proposal of DPWH (relayed through letter dated 21 October 2021) to rebid the contract for North/ Mindanao Ave. Interchange while deferring the restructuring/replacement of the other interchanges.</p> <p>DPWH in a letter to NEDA dated 28 November 2022 requested a five-year loan validity extension (inclusive of a one-year Defects Liability Period) from 2 January 2023 to 1 January 2028, and nine years and six months implementation period extension from January 2019 to June 2028, with a change in project scope from a target of four interchanges to one interchange and decrease</p>

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					<p>in TPC from PHP 4,007.00 million to PHP 2,905.84 million given the reduction in number of interchanges.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH to submit complete and compliant ICC requisite documents to facilitate ICC review.</p> <p>DPWH to proceed with the procurement of civil works of North Avenue/Mindanao Avenue Interchange upon securing NEDA Board approval of its proposal.</p>
23.	Metro Manila Bridges Improvement (MMPBSIP)/	Priority Seismic Project	DPWH/ JICA	Finalization of and concurrence by JICA on the bidding documents for the rebidding for the civil works contractor was prolonged.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Bidding documents for the re-bidding were advertised on 5 October 2022 and a pre-bid conference was held on 8 November 2022. As of December 2022, the procurement for civil works (for both bridges) is still ongoing.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The project's NOA and NTP are expected to be issued by DPWH in July and August 2023, respectively, following the opening of bids in March 2023.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> Opening of technical proposals was conducted on 28 March 2023. Results of evaluation of the technical proposals were discussed during the 18 April 2023 BAC meeting. Opening and review of financial proposals are still pending.</p>

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Government/Funding Institution approvals

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Resolved			
1.	Capacity Building to Foster Competition (CBFCP)/ PCC/ ADB	There were delays in processing PCC's request to include DTI as a beneficiary agency of the project.	<u>Actions taken:</u> PCC provided the requested justifications to the ICC and oversight agencies that the inclusion of DTI as a beneficiary agency will not only maximize utilization of project resources but will also strengthen government capacity on competition and consumer protection. The NEDA Board confirmed in November 2022 the request of the agency to include DTI as a beneficiary agency under the project.
2.	Rural Agro-enterprise Partnership for Inclusive Development and Growth (RAPID Growth) Project/ DTI/ IFAD	The lengthy vetting process of securing no objection from IFAD for the Detailed Investment Plans (DIPs) endorsed by DTI significantly affected project implementation.	<u>Actions taken:</u> To expedite the process, the NPCO made adjustments including the review/enhancement of the DIP assessment criteria, and preparation and implementation of guidelines which helped in fast-tracking the DIP preparation and approval process in 2022.
3.	New Centennial Water Source-Kaliwa Dam Project (NCWS-KDP)/ MWSS/ China	The acquisition of Certification Precondition (CP) as part of the Free Prior Informed Consent (FPIC) process to allow project activities to commence in ancestral lands was delayed.	<u>Actions taken:</u> In 2021, several initiatives which include negotiations between the project-affected IPs and the NCIP, with the assistance of the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) resulted in the approval by the MWSS BOT of the financial offer (i.e., a one-time disturbance compensation to each IPs and an annual financial assistance during

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		<p>the operation phase per IP community) to proceed with the FPIC process. In 2022, MWSS facilitated the provision of annual financial assistance to the IPs.</p> <p>The NCIP Commission En Banc approved and issued the CP for the NCSW-KDP on 19 September 2022 and 7 November 2022, respectively.</p>
Current		
4. Convergence for Value Chain Enhancement and Rural Growth Empowerment (ConVERGE)/ DAR/ IFAD	Withdrawal applications (WA) for CY 2022 were not submitted pending the updating of (i) DAR authorized signatories to the WAs, and (ii) users of the IFAD Client Portal (ICP).	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DAR submitted to IFAD a new list of signatories in view of the retirement and new assignments of DAR officials and personnel formerly involved with the project.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> The list of authorized DAR signatories/approvers was already cleared by IFAD. On 17 January 2023, IFAD sent the link for the ICP to the three DAR signatories/approvers as submitted by DAR through DOF.</p>
5. Forestland Management Project (FMP)/ DENR/ JICA	Release of retention fees for some completed ASF subprojects will go beyond the project extension period.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> During its 6 September 2022 meeting, the DENR Project Technical Committee (PTC) agreed that the appropriate bonds from the contractor (whether surety bond or letter of credits) shall be required to ensure that there will be basis for the early release of retention fees ahead of the one-year warranty period.</p>

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6.	<p>Considering the four-year contract under site development (SD), some passes for maintenance and protection (M&P) activities of the established plantations starting 2019 will not be completed, and payment/ funding for M&P activities of 2019-2020 established SD plantations will spill over beyond the project life.</p>	<p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DENR will coordinate with the ASF contractors for the issuance of bonds for the affected ASF subprojects.</p> <p><u>Actions taken:</u> Guidelines on the possible adjustments in the conduct of the M&P activities of SD plantations under the FMP were issued to ensure completion of all passes within the project duration. Further, FIUs prepared their respective catch-up plan strategies to complete all passes of M&P activities of established SD plantations.</p> <p>However, it was projected that some payments may be charged under the DENR Fund 101 since payment for the M&P activities and release of retention fees of some SD contracts will spill over beyond the project life (even with the approval of a one-year extension of loan validity and implementation period up to July 2023).</p> <p>The DENR, through its Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects Service (FASPS), included the required fund in the forward estimates and budget proposal for the project for FY 2023.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> DENR, through a letter dated 22 March 2023, submitted its</p>

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		<p>restructuring request for extension of loan validity until July 2024, reallocation of funds from Consultancy Service to Comprehensive Site Development and change in financing mix for ICC review and approval to be able to disburse progress payments and facilitate full financial closure.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DENR to submit pending ICC documentary requirements to facilitate full review of its proposal by the ICC Secretariat.</p>
7.	The slow process of securing the NCIP certificate due to the tedious and varied Free Prior and informed Consent (FPIC) process across regions delayed the issuance of Land Tenure Instruments (LTIs) to partner POs.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DENR Regional and Provincial Offices are continuously coordinating with NCIP Regional/Provincial Implementing Offices on the conduct of the FPIC process. Focal persons were assigned to coordinate and follow up applications for the NCIP certificate.</p> <p>Pending the issuance of LTIs, and with reference to the legal opinion/interpretation issued by DENR Central Office on the applicability of DAO 2021-278⁸ to FMP</p>

⁸ Prescribing the Guidelines on the Issuance of Provisional Agreement for all Tenure Instruments issued under the Forestry Sector. In order to provide the applicant ample time to secure the corresponding Certification Precondition (CP)/ Certificate of No Overlap (CNO) from the NCIP, a Provisional Agreement (PA) with a validity of two years shall be issued by the Regional Executive Director after 15 days from the date of the NCIP has received the endorsement. The PA shall automatically be terminated upon issuance of the corresponding tenure instrument by the concerned DENR office. Likewise, it may

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			<p>partner POs, the FIUs were advised to proceed with the issuance of provisional agreements (PAs) to partner POs. This is to ensure sustainability of project investments even after project closure.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DENR to facilitate the issuance of PAs before end of the project pursuant to the provisions of DAO 2021-27.</p> <p>The Project Implementation Units (PIUs) will continue close coordination with the Central/ Regional/ Provincial Offices of the NCIP to facilitate issuance of the certificate.</p>
8.	Maritime Enhancement (MSEP)/ KEDCF	Safety Project DOTr/ No issued permits and clearances for the reclamation activity, which is vital for the construction of the Mactan buoy base affecting the commencement of civil works.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> In a letter dated 4 July 2022, the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) stated that the PCG has better right over the possession of the disputed foreshore land.</p> <p>The PCG contingent, through a meeting with Lapu-Lapu City LGU on 11 July 2022, negotiated the issuance of a Letter of No Objection (LONO).</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> PCG to continuously negotiate the LONO with the Lapu-Lapu City LGU.</p>

also be extended if no CP/ CNO is issued within the period; or until the application therefore shall have been finally approved by the NCIP; provided that no violation of existing laws, rules, and regulations was incurred within the duration of the PA.

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9. Support to Parcelization of Lands for Individual Titling (SPLIT)/ DAR/ WB	<p>The signing of Joint Agreement Orders (JAO) of DAR with the following agencies was delayed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land Registration Authority (LRA), for the deployment of Registry of Deeds to gather CCLOA documents; and National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP), for procedures that facilitate the participation of affected IPs and/or beneficiaries and address possible problems and concerns that may arise in agrarian areas with IP communities. 	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The DAR-LRA JAO was signed on 24 May 2022.</p> <p>There have been ongoing consultations with NCIP to incorporate the inputs/comments to the final draft of the DAR-NCIP JAO.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DAR will closely coordinate with NCIP to expedite the finalization and signing of the DAR-NCIP JAO.</p>
10. Implementation of Polychlorinated Biphenyl Management Program with Electric Cooperatives and Safe E-Waste Management (PCB-WEEE) / DENR/ GEF UNIDO	<p>Operations of the Bataan Non-Com Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) facility were hampered due to non-issuance of entry permit by the Philippine National Oil Company (PNOC) which demanded payments for pending bills for utilities, security, and taxes.</p> <p>This caused a long delay in the resumption of operations of the facility, which also resulted in operational/ financial losses.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The production and transport plan of the Non-Com POPs facility was revised, and DENR EMB paid for the unsettled bills.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> The entry permit was issued by the PNOC in February 2023.</p>
11. Cebu Bus Rapid Transit Project (CBRT)/ DOTr/ AFD and WB	<p>Prolonged drafting and approval of Memoranda of Agreement (MOAs) between DOTr and the following agencies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DPWH, for ROWA; 	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr coordinated with DPWH, CCG, TCG, and NHA to finalize the signing of the MOAs.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cebu City Government (CCG), for (a) acquisition of city roads and other entitlements, (b) use of South Road Properties (SRP) depot location, (c) use of the road networks within the SRP area, (d) identification/use of terminal in SRP, and (e) Filinvest road easement; Cebu Provincial Government (CPG), for IT Park turnaround facility; NHA, for resettlement activities; and Talisay City Government (TCG), for the acquisition of Talisay Terminal lot location. 	<p>MOAs that have been signed are as follows:</p> <p><i>Currently ongoing Independent Property Appraiser (IPA) evaluation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DPWH, for ROWA of national roads; CCG, for acquisition of city roads and other entitlements of affected stakeholders; and NHA, for resettlement activities <p><i>Awaiting construction commencement</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CCG, for use of the SRP depot location (deed of usufruct) and use of the road networks within the SRP area. <p><i>Ongoing transfer of funds from DOTr to TCG to commence lot appraisal activities</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCG, for acquisition of Talisay terminal lot location <p>DOTr will continuously facilitate finalization of the three remaining MOAs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CCG, for identification/use of terminal in SRP; CCG, for the Filinvest road easement; and CPG, for the IT Park turnaround facility

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12.	Epifanio De Los Santos Avenue (EDSA Greenways Project)/ DOTr / ADB		Securing of NOL from the Metro Rail Transit Development Corporation (MRTDC) regarding the project's connection to MRT3 stations was delayed.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr conducted a meeting and site visit with the Office for Transportation Security (OTS) on 14 November and 7 December 2022. DOTr received the requested vulnerability assessment from OTS on 29 December 2022.</p> <p>DOTr and ARUP reviewed the segments with low Level of Service (LOS) and provided justification regarding its design.</p> <p>The PMO sought the opinion of the DOTr Legal Service. The latter recommended to request NOL from MRTDC or issue a Notice of Taking in case MRTDC refuses to issue a NOL.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr to send a letter to MRTDC to (a) request for its no objection to the project following the resolution of the findings of the vulnerability assessment and the issue on low LOS on some segments, or (b) request for a Notice of Taking.</p>
13.	Maritime Safety Capability Improvement Project (MSCIP) Phase I/ DOTr/ JICA		The loan validity period remains suspended since DOF and JICA has yet to issue its approval/ concurrence on the Philippine government's request for extension of loan validity period until 31 December 2025 (the original	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr, in its letter dated 6 April 2022, requested the Embassy of Japan (EOJ) for loan balance utilization and loan extension until 31 December 2025. The request was approved by the NEDA Board on 24 November 2022</p>

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	closing date of the loan was on 9 April 2022).	<p>pending JICA's concurrence/ approval.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr will closely monitor the status of the request for DOF's endorsement and JICA's approval and concurrence.</p>
14. New Communications, Navigation and Surveillance/ Air Traffic Management (CNS-ATM) Systems Development Project/ DOTr/ JICA	The loan validity period remains suspended since JICA has yet to issue its approval/ concurrence on the request of the Philippine government for loan validity extension. (The latest approved revised loan closing date was 21 November 2021.)	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr requested for a 12-month extension of loan validity to finance the extension of the consulting services contract of Katahira Engineering International (KEI) for the review of the expected various motions for reconsideration and contentions of the civil works contractor in view of its outstanding suspension and prolongation claims, as well as the delay damages imposed by DOTr against the contractor, which is pending final decision of the DOTr CRC.</p> <p>The request was approved by the NEDA Board on 24 November 2022.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> On 2 February 2023 the NEDA Board confirmed the expanded approval for utilization of the PHP 2.12 billion loan balance of the JICA loan for the CNS/ATM Maintenance and Resiliency enhancement and the 60-month loan validity extension (from 21 June 2023 to 19</p>

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		<p>June 2028). In a 21 February 2023 letter, the DOF reiterated to JICA its intent to convene technical discussions to facilitate the necessary amendments to the loan agreement.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr will closely monitor the status of the request for DOF endorsement and JICA's approval and concurrence.</p>
<p>15. Philippine National Railways (PNR) South Long Haul Project (Project Management Consultancy PMC Component) (PNR SLH)/ DOTr/ China</p>	<p>The loan application of DOF (dated 11 February 2022) for the Design-Build Contract agreement for the design and construction of the South Long Haul Project (Package 1: Banlic-Daraga) ("SLH DB1 Contract") was not accepted by China Eximbank.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Through letter dated 22 August 2022, DOTr requested DOF to proceed with the loan application process for the Design-Build Package 1, and requested for the shortlist of at least three qualified, legitimate, and in good standing Chinese contractors that can implement the manufacturing, supply, delivery, and commissioning of rolling stock under Contract Package 5A.</p> <p>The DOF, in its 23 December 2022 letter to the Embassy of China, submitted documents for Contract Package 5A (with cost estimate of PHP 4,542,857,143) for financing under China Eximbank's US Dollar-denominated Preferential Buyer's Credit facility. DOF also requested for a list of at least three qualified, legitimate, and in good standing Chinese contractors that can</p>

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		<p>undertake the said contract package. Meanwhile, for the Design-Build Package 1, the DOF coordinated with DOTr in determining the possible way forward relative to the loan application that was declined by China Eximbank.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr, DOF, and China Eximbank will continue technical discussions and loan negotiations for the project.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> As of 2023, China Eximbank is evaluating the loan application.</p>
16. New Centennial Water Source-Kaliwa Dam Project (NCWS-KDP)/MWSS/ China	The securing of the Special Use Agreement in Protected Areas (SAPA) permit for Rizal and Quezon was delayed.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> While the SAPA application under Presidential Proclamation (PP) No. 573 s. 1969 for Rizal Area was approved by the DENR Region IV-A Technical Working Group on 21 December 2022, the processing of its endorsement to the DENR-BMB is still ongoing.</p> <p>The Quezon Area SAPA application (PP 1636 s. 1977) is still pending with the DENR Region IV-A due to lack of updated management zoning and pending the completion of the Protected Area Management Plan (PAMP) by DENR in Quezon.</p>

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		<p>A MOA between the DENR and MWSS was prepared to serve as an interim SAPA for MWSS to proceed with preliminary construction activities in Quezon. Said MOA was already approved by the PAMB in Quezon and was endorsed to DENR Central Office on 16 September 2022. The MOA is under legal review and finalization by the DENR Central Office.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> During its meeting on 31 March 2023, the PAMB approved and adopted the management zoning map for the Quezon Area SAPA. The MOA intended as interim SAPA for Quezon Area shall no longer be pursued, as DENR Region IV-A shall endorse the SAPA clearance to DENR Central Office for approval.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> MWSS will coordinate with DENR on the issuance of the two SAPA permits.</p>
17. Capacity Building to Foster Competition (CBFCP)/ PCC/ ADB	Processing time for engaging private lawyers as technical consultants for the project was prolonged since it requires prior clearance from/ deputation of the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) per the OSG memorandum dated 15 December 2015.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> To streamline the process, the PMU initiated the drafting of request for blanket/framework approval for the lawyers to be engaged under the project citing ADB's procurement rules and anti-corruption policy.</p>

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	Moreover, COA Circular No. 95-011, as amended by COA Circular No. 98-002, mandates that a written conformity and acquiescence from the OSG, and written concurrence of COA shall be first secured before government agencies could hire or employ private lawyers/firms.	<p>The OSG denied the first request. However, the PMU initiated the drafting of a clarificatory letter to seek guidance from the OSG if clearance would still be required for the engagement of resource experts as speakers in outreach or advocacy events such as the Manila Forum.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> As soon as deputations from the OSG have been secured, the PCC shall closely coordinate with Resident Auditors to facilitate requests and issuance of COA concurrence.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> The OSG clarified that clearance is still required for private lawyers to be engaged as resource persons/ speakers. PCC continues to closely coordinate with the OSG to expedite the process.</p>
18. Philippine Rural Development Project-Additional Financing 2 (PRDP AF-2)/ DA/ WB	There were delays in the final endorsement of the business plan package for NOL1 due mainly to difficulties experienced by Proponent Groups (PGs) in (1) complying with documentary requirements for the approval of SPs, and (2) addressing the comments on the POW/DED and Social and Environmental Safeguards (SES) requirements, such as on access roads, site	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DA prepared a catch-up plan for the approval of the target SPs. Further, DA assisted the PGs in complying with the documentary requirements and technical comments on the business plan through close coordination and provision of technical support (i.e., writing, processing of requirements, and close monitoring in the improvement of engineering designs.)</p>

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	acquisition, ECC/Certificate of Non-Coverage (CNC), and other related SES documents prior to securing Regional Project Advisory Board (RPAB) approval.	<p>A total of 86 SPs were issued with NOL1 as of yearend 2022.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DA to continue providing assistance to PGs, which failed to pass the required financial indicators, in preparing and submitting the required documents for subsequent approval of the SPs.</p>
19. Water Development Project (WDDSP)/ LWUA/ ADB	District Sector Project implementation and fund releases from LWUA to WDs were delayed to: (a) the limited authority of the LWUA Officer-In-Charge (since 10 March 2022) to take actions in ensuring the continuous implementation of the project pending designation by the Office of the President of a full-fledged LWUA Administrator; and (b) pending submission by LWUA of the full project restructuring proposal ⁹ for the project (which constrained the ICC to instruct LWUA through letter dated 11 November 2022 to refrain from downloading funds to the sub-accounts of participating WDs for payment of expenditures, and awarding of sub-project contracts by WDs).	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> LWUA, through a letter dated 20 September 2022, requested for approval of six months extension of loan closing date which was approved by the ICC-CC on 28 October 2022.</p> <p>By end of 2022, LWUA has started preparing the ICC requisite documents for its full restructuring proposal, which entails change in scope, implementation and loan validity extensions, for subsequent endorsement by the LWUA Board.</p> <p><u>Actions to be Taken:</u> LWUA to submit the full restructuring request to NEDA once the endorsement from the LWUA Board of Trustees (BOT) is obtained, and to submit complete and compliance ICC requisite documents.</p>

⁹ That should entail: (a) change in scope; (b) extension of implementation period; and (c) corresponding extension of the ADB loan financing the project

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		<p><u>Update:</u> LWUA submitted through letters dated 27 and 31 March 2023, and 23 May 2023 its restructuring request for change in scope, extension of implementation period from 31 December 2020 to 30 June 2025, and loan validity extension from 30 April 2024 to 31 December 2025 for ICC review and approval.</p> <p>Further, LWUA requested the ICC and DOF through a letter dated 26 April 2023 to lift the restriction of the ICC on downloading funds to WDs and on awarding sub-project contracts.</p> <p>The ICC-CC during its meeting on 26 April 2023 approved the request of LWUA for a one-year loan validity extension from 30 April 2023 to 30 April 2024, with the understanding that other project changes (i.e., change in cost or scope, and/or extension of implementation period, among others) will be subject to separate review and approval by the ICC and/or the NEDA Board, as may be necessary.</p>

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Budget and funds flow

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Resolved			
1.	Support to Parcelization of Lands for Individual Titling (SPLIT)/ DAR/ WB	The project faced budgetary constraints as the approved project budget for FY 2022 was reduced from PHP 4,552.04 million (as proposed) to only PHP 2,552.04 million per the FY 2022 GAA (PHP 970.06 million in loan proceeds and PHP 1,581.98 million in GPH counterpart).	<u>Actions taken:</u> DAR requested from DBM PHP 4,000.00 million under the FY 2022 Unprogrammed Appropriations (UA) and received PHP 2,182.58 million through a Special Allotment Release Order (SARO) dated 17 June 2022. During the 9 September 2022 Project Implementation Review (PIR) meeting with NEDA, DAR confirmed using the loan proceeds from the UA to fund field validation activities.
2.	Cebu Bus Rapid Transit (CBRT)/ DOTr/ AFD and WB	There was no budget allocation for the project under the FY 2022 GAA.	<u>Actions taken:</u> Through letter dated 2 February 2022, DOTr requested PHP 1.5 billion additional budget for civil works under the 2022 UA-SFAPs, but DBM informed DOTr of the unavailability of the UA through letter dated 28 March 2022. In response, DOTr requested the reallocation to loan proceeds of PHP 151.86 million from the remaining PHP 182 million unobligated allotment for the project from the FY 2021 GAA to cover the Package 1 Variation Order No. 6 and the advance payment and monthly billings until December 2022 of the Financial Management Specialist. DBM approved

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		the request through a SARO issued on 7 October 2022.
3. Epifanio De Los Santos Avenue Greenways Project (EDSA Greenways Project)/ DOTr/ ADB	The release of FY 2021 project funds was delayed. ADB noted that DOTr has until 15 November 2022 to disburse the PHP 1 billion FY 2021 allocation for the project, otherwise the amount will be reverted to the Treasury.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr has already obligated PHP 571 million for utility relocation works, to be considered as accounts payable valid for two years, or until end of 2024.</p> <p>The fund transfer to DPWH for ROWA and billings of water concessionaires for utility relocations are expected to be disbursed within the second quarter of 2023.</p>
4.	The approved appropriation for the project for FY 2022 is insufficient.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr requested to utilize the FY 2022 UA. However, it was put on hold, pending approval from the Office of the President.</p>
5.	<p>The approved appropriation for the project for FY 2023 is insufficient and does not include loan proceeds.</p> <p>DOTr proposed PHP 1,954.11 million project budget for FY 2023. However, the approved project budget under the FY 2023 GAA was only PHP 774.97 million.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> N/A</p> <p><u>Update:</u> DOTr submitted a request to the DBM for PHP 654.74 million project budget under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs on 7 March 2023.</p>
6. Metro Manila Bus Rapid Transit (MMBRT)/ WB	There was no budget allocation for the project under the FY 2022 GAA.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr, through a letter dated 7 April 2022, requested the cancellation of the WB-IBRD and CTF loans for the MMBRT 1.</p>

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				The request for cancellation of the WB loans was approved ad referendum by the ICC-Cabinet Committee on 3 June 2022. Through letter dated 28 June 2022, the WB informed that the loan was cancelled as of 21 June 2022.
7.	Metro Manila Subway Project (MMSP)/ DOTr/ JICA		Insufficient project budget allocation for FY 2022 caused payment delays for ongoing civil works contracts (CP101, CP107), leading to a low disbursement rate for the project.	<u>Actions taken:</u> In February 2022, DOTr requested PHP 28 billion under the FY 2022 UA-SFAPs. On 13 June 2022, DBM issued a SARO for PHP 7.79 billion for the project.
8.	MRT3 Rehab/ DOTr/ JICA		Budget allocation for the project under the FY 2022 GAA was insufficient. Out of the PHP 5,928.69 million budget proposal for the project for FY 2022 (PHP 5,688.48 million loan proceeds and PHP 240.21 million GPH counterpart), only PHP 3,141.38 million was included in the FY 2022 GAA (PHP 3,008.87 million loan proceeds and 132.51 million GPH counterpart).	<u>Actions taken:</u> The budget issue only affected the value-added tax (VAT) payments for fourth quarter 2022 disbursements. According to DOTr, this concern was no longer relevant by the end of 2022, as the corresponding claims for the fourth quarter were still under review by the project consultant. <u>Update:</u> The PMO will utilize the allocations under the Continuing FY 2022 appropriations and the FY 2023 GAA for the affected VAT payments.
9.	Philippines Seismic Risk Reduction and Resilience Project (PSRRRP)/ DPWH/ WB		The late issuance of SARO resulted in delays in procurement and pre-procurement activities for Component 2: Emergency Response Equipment for	<u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH requested from DBM on 7 March 2022 the release of loan proceeds amounting to PHP 1.55 million.

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	Transport and Restoration, Communication.	Mobility and The Resolution of Award for said procurement was signed on 27 December 2022.

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10.	Philippine Customs Modernization Project (PCMP)/ BOC/ WB	<p>The project has insufficient budget allocation for FY 2022 and FY 2023.</p> <p>For the FY 2023 budget, DBM reduced the proposed budget to PHP 1.17 billion in the NEP, citing the project's low disbursement rate in previous fiscal years. The amount was further reduced to PHP 289.36 million in the FY 2023 GAA.</p> <p><u>Actions taken:</u> Through letter dated 12 April 2022, BOC requested from DBM the SARO for the FY 2021 unobligated amount of PHP 31.19 million and additional PHP 1.41 billion from the FY 2022 UA-SFAPs, but the request was denied due to the lack of remaining balance in the FY 2022 UA-SFAPs and the need for BOC to maximize first the available programmed appropriations in the FY 2022 GAA.</p> <p>To secure additional project budget for FY 2023 budget requirements, BOC prepared the requisite documents to support its request for additional PHP 876.54 million in loan proceeds under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> BOC to request DBM for the release of an additional PHP 1.45 billion under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs. Said amount includes the PHP 876.54 million LP, which was not provided in the agency's FY 2023 GAA, and other additional budgetary requirements of the project which were not accounted for in the initial budget proposal.</p>
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11. Forestland Management Project (FMP)/ DENR/ JICA	<p>The project's revolving fund recovery procedure has led to a notable decrease in LP disbursements and replenishment of the revolving fund, as FIUs work to catch up with delayed activities. The available revolving fund has been reduced from JPY 800 million to JPY 594 million.</p> <p>To fully utilize the remaining loan balance, the project needs to disburse at least JPY 900 million quarterly from January to June 2023. However, due to the recovery procedure, it is projected that subsequent LP releases will not be quick and sufficient enough to cover all billings processed by the FIUs within the current loan validity period until 3 July 2023.</p>	<p><u>Update:</u> On 4 April 2023, DBM approved the request of BOC for PHP 1.45 billion budget in loan proceeds under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs.</p> <p><u>Actions taken:</u> The concern was discussed with JICA during a regular project meeting held on 6 December 2022.</p> <p>A detailed accounting of the existing and projected due and demandable payments was conducted with the FIUs to arrive at a realistic disbursement projection up to June 2023.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DENR will request a one-year extension of both implementation and loan validity periods, including a reallocation of loan proceeds and a change in financing mix.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> Through letter dated 23 March 2023, DENR submitted to NEDA the request for project restructuring.</p> <p>DENR to submit pending ICC documentary requirements, in response to NEDA letter dated 2 June 2023, to facilitate ICC review and approval.</p>

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12. Integrated Approach in the Management of Major Biodiversity Corridors in the Philippines Project (BD-Corridor)/ DENR/ GEF	Release of funds is often delayed due to the requirement of meeting the 80 percent liquidation threshold before requesting additional funds, affecting the timely execution of planned project activities.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The project team expedited payment processing to meet the 80 percent liquidation threshold.</p>
13. Philippine Multisectoral Nutrition Project (PMNP)/ DOH/ WB	Release of loan proceeds under the FY 2022 GAA was delayed.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> LGU engagement activities were funded through Public Health Management Funds (PHMF) of the DOH Central Office (CO), as well as through the Regional Offices with PHMF sub-allotments from the DOH CO.</p> <p><u>Actions to be Taken:</u> FY 2022 budget (PHP 16.18 million) shall be used from January to April 2023 for the hiring of project staff, LGU engagement activities, and procurement of the four technical contracts.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> On 3 January 2023, the project team requested the release of NCA for FY 2022 funds through the DOH Financial Management Services (FMS). The FMS forwarded the request to DBM on 24 January 2023.</p>

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14.	8 th Programme of Cooperation (CPC8)/ DOH/ UNICEF	Country of	Activities under Output 1.3 (Adolescent Health) were unfunded.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> None provided</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> Project team to: (a) leverage resources and technical assistance from partners; (b) prioritize resource mobilization; (c) and support DOH to advocate for increased budget for its priority programmes.</p>
15.	EDSA Greenways Project/ DOTr/ ADB		The FY 2023 GAA budget allocation was insufficient, lacking any allocation for loan proceeds, with only the GPH counterpart provided at PHP 774.97 million.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> N/A</p> <p><u>Actions to be Taken:</u> DOTr to request PHP 654.7 million under loan proceeds from the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs to cover expenses for civil works and consultancy services.</p>
16.	Maritime Safety Enhancement Project (MSEP)/ DOTr/ KEDCF		<p>Lack of funds for loan proceeds intended to cover the advance payment for consulting services. The requests of DOTr for issuance of SARO for FY 2021 and FY 2022 were disapproved due to lack of available funds.</p> <p>Further, the FY 2023 GAA budget allocation was insufficient, lacking any allocation for loan proceeds, with only the GPH counterpart provided at PHP 270.44 million.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> As the project's budget was not included in the FY 2021 and FY 2022 GAA, DBM proposed conducting Early Procurement Activity (EPA) for consulting services.</p> <p>On 15 November 2022, the PCG-PMO requested the project to be included in the EPA for consulting services. The request was not signed by the authorized DOTr Official as the project has no approved LP allotment under the FY 2022 and the FY 2023 GAA, and the request for budget from the FY 2022 UA-SFAPs was not granted by DBM.</p> <p>Meanwhile, the PCG-PMO prepared the requirements</p>

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		to request for budget under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs.
		<u>Actions to be Taken:</u> DBM to facilitate review of DOTr request for SARO under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs.
17. New Bohol Airport and Sustainable Environment Protection Project (NBACSEPP II)/ DOTr/ JICA	The project lacks an approved budget for FY 2022 and FY 2023 to cover remaining fund requirements for civil works and consulting services.	<u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr requested release of loan proceeds from the FY 2022 UA-SFAPs, but it was not granted as the FY 2022 UA-SFAPs were already fully utilized. <u>Actions to be Taken:</u> DOTr to request DBM budget for PHP 87.80 million loan proceeds under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs.
18. New International Container Port Project (NCICPP)/ DOTr/ KEDCF	The project lacks an approved budget under the FY 2023 GAA.	<u>Actions taken:</u> N/A <u>Actions to be Taken:</u> DOTr to request DBM budget amounting to PHP 1,356.72 million loan proceeds under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs.
19. North-South Commuter Railway Extension Project – Malolos Clark Railway Project (NSCREP-MCRP)/ DOTr/ ADB and JICA	The project has an insufficient FY 2022 budget, which caused delayed payments to contractors.	<u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr requested for a PHP 90.48 billion SARO from the UA-SFAPs on 28 January 2022 to cover full year requirements. Since the appropriations under GAA 2022 UA-SFAPs were insufficient (only PHP 17 billion), DBM released SARO for the project in a staggered manner.

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		As of 26 August 2022, the project has received PHP 49.61 billion.
20. New Communications, Navigation and Surveillance/ Air Traffic Management Systems Development Project (CNS-ATM) / DOTr / JICA	<p>There are unpaid billings by the consultant amounting to PHP 64 million, composed of unpaid billings of PHP 38 million from March 2020 to January 2022 and an expected price escalation claim of PHP 26 million.</p> <p>In addition, there are unpaid billings of PHP 503.93 million for civil works since the third quarter of 2020 (PHP 286.97 million for Package 1 and PHP 216.96 million for Package 2).</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u></p> <p>The outstanding billing of the consultant in the amount of PHP 64 million is included in DOTr's budget proposal for FY 2023 (PHP 21 million in loan proceeds and PHP 43 million in GPH counterpart). However, no amount was included in the 2023 GAA and DOTr has requested PHP 63.66 million funding from the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs for the project.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u></p> <p>DOTr to complete its evaluation of the total amount of liquidation delay damages to be charged against the contractor (discussed in the next item), prior to processing the payment for the unpaid billings of the contractor for Packages 1 and 2.</p>

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21.	<p>There are outstanding contractor claims comprising PHP 387.9 million in prolongation claims and PHP 690 million in suspension claims.</p> <p>On the other hand, DOTr shall imposed 10 percent delay damages against the contractor, which is under evaluation by the Contract Review Committee (CRC).</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Through letter dated 11 February 2022, DOTr informed NEDA that the contractor submitted its: (a) non-acceptance of the prolongation claims final report; and (b) comments on the suspension claims final report. DOTr further informed NEDA that the submitted documents from the contractor have been forwarded to the CRC for review.</p> <p>Meanwhile, for the delay damages, DOTr is expecting the contractor to contest the same once released/imposed.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr to facilitate and expedite CRC review and resolution of the contractor claims.</p>
22.	<p>Davao City Bypass Construction Project (DCBCP)/ DPWH/ JICA</p> <p>The project needs an additional budget of PHP 345 million to cover payment/compensation for affected structures, lots, and crops/tress. The available appropriations for RROW from the FY 2021 GAA amounted to PHP 134 million only.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The list of remaining PAPs was forwarded to DEOs to ensure compliance with requisite documents and to facilitate processing of payment/compensation to PAPs.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH to coordinate with the landowners who are seeking assistance from the LGU. DPWH to secure PTEs while filing expropriation cases with assistance from the OSG is ongoing.</p>

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23. Kapit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan- Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services National Community-Driven Development Program Additional Financing (KC NCDDP AF)/ DSWD/ WB	Per the FY 2022 NEP, the project has an approved budget of PHP 8.4 billion (PHP 4.2 billion in loan proceeds and PHP 4.20 billion as GPH counterpart). However, for the loan proceeds, only PHP 500 million was included in the FY 2022 GAA.	<u>Actions taken:</u> DSWD requested PHP 3.7 billion in loan proceeds from the FY 2022 UA-SFAPs. However, due to insufficient actual loan proceeds, DBM released only PHP 2.89 billion in October 2022.
24.	An amount of PHP 11.04 billion (PHP 7.9 billion in loan proceeds and PHP 3.08 billion in GPH counterpart) was allocated for the project under the FY 2023 NEP. However, per the FY 2023 GAA (signed into law on 16 December 2022), no amount for loan proceeds was programmed for the project.	<u>Actions taken:</u> N/A <u>Actions to be taken:</u> DSWD to submit a special budget request to DBM for the FY 2023 loan proceeds requirement of the project to be charged under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs. <u>Update:</u> DWSD submitted a special budget request for the release of PHP 5.04 billion in loan proceeds under the FY 2023 UA-SFAPs through letter to DBM dated 22 February 2023. Additional supporting documents were submitted by the DSWD on 1 March 2023. The PHP 5.04 billion was released by DBM on 30 March 2023. DWSD shall further request to DBM the release of project funds amounting to PHP 3.78 billion by July 2023.

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25.	Rural Enterprise Partnership for Inclusive Development and Growth (RAPID Growth Project)/ DTI/ IFAD	Agro-	Of the PHP 662.56 million-loan proceeds released from IFAD, only PHP 576.11 million had budget cover/appropriations in the FY 2022 GAA.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DTI coordinated with DBM and requested the release of the remaining PHP 86.45 million in loan proceeds for the project.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DTI to follow up and continue coordinating with DBM for the release of the remaining PHP 86.45 million in loan proceeds for the project.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> In January 2023, DTI followed up with DBM its request to release the remaining PHP 86.45 million loan proceeds for the project. On 15 March 2023, the DBM released the said amount to DTI.</p>

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Design, Scope, Technical Specifications

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Resolved			
1.	Epifanio De Los Santos Avenue Greenways Project (EDSA Greenways Project)/ DOTr/ ADB	Implementation is behind schedule because of objections received from private sectors and stakeholders with reference to the Box culvert at EDSA Taft Southbound - Taft Footbridge 3 and 4 and Landing 4 needed for the current alignment, and facilitation of the signing of MOA for the work-area sharing agreement.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The affected segments were added as provisional sum in the civil works construction bidding documents. DOTr will decide later if Footbridge 3 will be constructed based on the detailed investigation, design, and cost. Landing 4 may still be constructed adjacent to Footbridge 4, but this option is subject to discussion between DOTr and the winning contractor during negotiations.
2.	North-South Commuter Railway (NSCR) Project, Phase 1 (Malolos-Tutuban)/ DOTr/ JICA	Delayed installation of the Electro Mechanical Systems and Trackworks, pending finalization of the signaling system to be adopted to ensure connectivity with other rail lines.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The European Train Control System (ETCS) is the agreed final uniform signaling system to be used for the whole NSCR System. The contract for said signaling system (CP04) was awarded in November 2022.
3.	Water District Development Sector Project (WDDSP)/ LWUA/ ADB	Poor identification/non-feasibility of identified water source locations (e.g., Valencia City WD) caused delays in the procurement of water district (WD) subprojects.	<u>Actions taken:</u> Locations of alternative water sources have been finalized and submitted to LWUA.
Current			
4.	Education Pathways to Peace in Mindanao (PATHWAYS)/ DepEd/ DFAT- Australia	Per the Midterm Review Report finalized in December 2022, the project will not be able to achieve two end-of-program outcomes: (a) reduced disparity, improved participation, and increased performance in Kindergarten to Grade 3 (K-3) education for	<u>Actions taken:</u> N/A <u>Actions to be taken:</u> DepEd, MBHTE, and DFAT will implement the major recommendations, including the possible updating of the

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	all boys and girls in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), particularly those experiencing disadvantage; and (b) sustainable positive engagement, collaboration and convergence of key actors and stakeholders in providing and supporting conflict-sensitive quality basic education services.	project design to rationalize its objectives and focus.
5. Access to Sustainable Energy Programme (ASEP)/ DOE/ WB and EU	Implementation was delayed due to the needed reconfiguration of the equipment for the project under Component 3: Call for Proposals [Renewable Energy Technology for Seaweed Value Added in Tawi-Tawi (RETS) Subcomponent].	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOE and EU extended the implementation period of RETS until the second quarter of 2023 to complete remaining activities under Component 3.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> New work methods shall be adopted to cope with delays and meet project deliverables until the second quarter of 2023.</p>
6. Cebu Bus Rapid Transit Project (CBRT)/ DOTr/ AFD and WB	Finalization of the DED for Civil Works Packages 2 and 3 was delayed due to needed revisions to align with the Metro Cebu Intermodal and Integrated Transport System, along with the Area Traffic Control–Intelligent Transport System (ATC/ ITS).	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DED works to finalize the system designs of Packages 2 and 3 were implemented through VO No. 5 and 6, which extended the contract of the DED consultant from 27 April 2022 to 27 October 2022, and from 16 December 2022 to 16 June 2023, respectively, at no additional cost.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr to finalize the DED for Packages 2 and 3 by July 2023, and to commence procurement activities within the third quarter of 2023.</p>

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7. Maritime Safety Capability Improvement Project, Phase II (MSCIP II)/ DOTr/ JICA	The PCG-PMO has a pending proposal for Change Order No. 2 for the contractor, deemed essential by the former to implement additional items/scope of works to utilize available loan balance, and maximize project benefits.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Following the request for Change Order No. 2, which was initiated during a meeting of the PCG-TWG for the project in June 2022, a PCG-TWG Resolution was signed in August 2022 recommending additional items/scope of works to be funded by the available loan balance.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr/PCG-PMO intends to submit to NEDA within 2023 an updated project restructuring request for the MSCIP II (to include Change Order No. 2 and the corresponding defects liability period) upon securing JICA's approval-in-principle for the proposed additional project scope.</p>
8.	The contract of the project consultant for tendering assistance, construction supervision and management, and operation and maintenance advisory services needs to be amended/extended accordingly in view of the proposed Change Order No. 2 for the contractor.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The consultants submitted their proposed Contract Amendment No. 2 on 22 September 2022. The PCG-PMO endorsed the proposal to the Commandant of the PCG (CPCG) on 25 October 2022. The CPCG subsequently approved the proposed Contract Amendment on 15 November 2022, and endorsed the same to DOTr.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> PCG-PMO to continue coordination with the offices of the DOTr Undersecretary for Maritime and the DOTr Secretary for the approval of Contract Amendment No. 2 for</p>

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		the consulting services contract.
9. Arterial Road Bypass Project III (ARBP III)/ DPWH/ JICA	Implementation delays were experienced in view of the request of the Office of the Municipal Engineer of San Rafael, Bulacan, for the construction of four U-turn slots along the Plaridel Bypass Road.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH coordinated with the contractor to determine appropriate locations of the U-turn slots. Three locations were recommended, which also conformed with the requirements of DPWH.</p> <p><u>Actions to be Taken:</u> The construction of three U-turn slots shall be included in the proposed VO No. 2 for CP 4.</p>
10.	The LGU of Bustos, Bulacan made a request to alter the original plan by opting for the construction of an underpass instead of Flyover No. 2.	<p><u>Actions Taken:</u> DPWH recommended that the consultant conduct a DED for the proposed revision to ensure that the revision shall not compromise the safety of the grade-separated intersection.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The consultant will submit the DED plans to RMC 1(B) UPMO in January 2023 to be endorsed to DPWH-Bureau of Design (DWPH-BOD) for review/evaluation prior to approval.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> The consultants submitted the revised plans on 25 April 2023 to RMC 1(B) UPMO and transmitted it to DPWH-BOD on 3 May 2023 for review/evaluation.</p>
11. Central Luzon Link Expressway Project Phase I (CLLEX) / DPWH/ JICA	The LGU of Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija requested that the originally-planned one-span bridge overpassing	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DED plans for an additional one-span bridge were approved by the DPWH-BOD</p>

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	Felipe Vergara Highway be widened to eight lanes instead (i.e., to use a total of two spans).	<p>on 10 June 2021, which will be included in the repackaging of CP 4-A incorporating the reconfiguration of Cabanatuan Interchange (realignment of the on- and off-ramp of the Cabanatuan Interchange).</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> Target schedule for the conduct of the DED for the reconfiguration of the Cabanatuan Interchange is within the first quarter of 2024, prior to procurement of civil works.</p>
12. Capacity Building to Foster Competition Project (CBFCP)/ PCC/ ADB	Diminishing interest of beneficiaries led to insufficient number of government staff participating in the degree programs and training opportunities.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> For participants in the in-company/ tailored trainings (i.e., non-degree learners) organized under the Government Staff Development Program for Competition (GSDPC), the PMU initiated the discussion with the Project Technical Working Group to revise the guidelines to entice potential participants. With this proposed revision, a learning application plan (LAP) will instead be required from non-degree learners in lieu of a service obligation. For degree learners, the proposed revision of guidelines includes the possibility of rendering service obligations in other agencies.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> PMU to continue inviting and coordinating with the beneficiary agencies to promote the project's degree/non-degree grants.</p>

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13.	Flood Management Project - Cagayan De Oro River (FRMP-CDOR)/ DPWH/ JICA	Risk	DPWH reported an incomplete diking system of the Cagayan de Oro River corresponding to a gap of 420 meters, i.e., the Macasandig Gap.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH-FCMC coordinated with DPWH-X, as the section was supposed to be implemented by DPWH Region X but was transferred to DPWH-FCMC.</p> <p>The ROW fund for the said gap section has been downloaded to DPWH Region X, which shall be responsible for ROWA.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The civil works for the Macasandig Gap section will be included in the forthcoming VO No. 3 under CP 3.</p>
14.	Road Upgrading and Preservation Project (RUPP)/ DPWH/ JICA		As a result of a site investigation conducted on 25 July 2022, the DPWH-BOD recommended a new design for abutment protection works consisting of steel sheet piles retaining wall.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH UPMO RMC 1 prepared VO No. 3 for additional works for abutment protection which shall entail an additional cost of PHP 49.83 million with a 120-calendar day duration and revised completion date of 6 February 2023.</p> <p>On 22 December 2022, DPWH-BOD returned VO No. 3 to DPWH UPMO RMC 1 for the contractor's technical justification and submission of additional required documents as specified in the list of corrections.</p> <p><u>Action to be taken:</u> DPWH UPMO-RMC 1 to submit a revised VO No. 3 to address the comments of the BOD.</p>

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Performance of Contractor/ Consultant

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Resolved			
1.	Epifanio De Los Santos Avenue EDSA Greenways Project/ DOTr/ ADB	Commencement of the utility relocation works to be carried out by the Utility Service Providers (USPs) is delayed mainly due to (a) multiple exchanges of comments with the consultants and revisions on the utility relocation plans, and (b) delays in reviewing and obtaining comments from the USPs on the draft MOAs for utility relocation works.	<u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr conducted several site markings and verification. The utility relocation plans were already finalized as of 31 December 2022. Six MOAs between DOTr and USPs were already signed.
2.	Philippine Rural Development Project-Additional Financing 2/ DA/ WB	Delayed completion of the ongoing subprojects under the I-BUILD component due to issues on the performance of contractors (e.g., lack of manpower and equipment).	<u>Actions taken:</u> The National Project Coordination Office (NPCO) released Memorandum Order No. 420-2022 dated 4 November 2022, providing guidelines to all I-BUILD beneficiaries/partner LGUs with subprojects that are bound to be accomplished by 31 December 2022, and instructing PSOs to closely supervise, monitor, and coordinate with concerned LGUs on the completion of the pending subprojects.
Current			
3.	Programme for Consolidated Rehabilitation of Illegal Drug Users (CARE) Cavite (Rehab center site)/ DOH/ JICA	Due to several construction activities in the project area, the contractor faced scarcity of manpower, causing delay in the construction of the rehabilitation center.	<u>Actions taken:</u> DOH requested the contractor to prepare a catch-up plan, and to augment its manpower by hiring outside the project area. In addition, the DOH requested a 12-month extension from December 2022 to December 2023.

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		<p>DOF, with NEDA's endorsement on 10 December 2022, approved a six-month extension of the grant validity period from 12 December 2022 to 12 June 2023.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOH to facilitate signing of the amendment of the grant agreement with JICA for the extension of the grant validity period.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> The amended grant agreement was signed on 17 February 2023.</p> <p>DOH, in a letter dated 8 March 2023, requested DOF's assistance for the issuance of a Special Authority from the President to authorize Undersecretary Ronquillo of DOH to sign the subsequent amendment to the grant agreement extending the grant validity period from 13 June 2023 to 12 December 2023.</p>
<p>4. Philippines COVID-19 Emergency Response Project (PCERP)/ DOH/ WB</p>	<p>The refurbishing of the RITM was originally scheduled for completion in January 2023. However, issues on the contractor's performance, specifically on the non-compliance with plans, specifications, and safety guidelines, hampered construction progress (only 6% actual accomplishment as of fourth quarter of 2022).</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOH has issued a Notice of Termination to the construction firm (R. R. Encabo Contractors Inc.) on 29 December 2022.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOH to convey to the firm its final decision on the contract termination for default. DOH to prepare its plan of action for the refurbishing of the RITM in case of full contract termination.</p> <p><u>Update:</u></p>

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				The construction firm submitted a position paper on 6 January 2023 in response to the first Notice of Termination on 29 December 2022. In response to the official Notice of Termination issued by DOH on 15 March 2023, the construction firm submitted a Motion for Reconsideration on 20 March 2023. On 4 April 2023, DOH issued a resolution affirming the termination of the contract.
5.	New International Container Port Project (NCICPP)/ DOTr/ KEDCF	Cebu	The current contract duration of the project consultant is no longer sufficient to complete deliverables/activities under the scope of works of the contract, such as tendering assistance for the Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) contractor, and addressing the comments from DENR-EMB on the ECC application for the project.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The consultant submitted for approval of DOTr the proposed VO to extend the consulting services contract duration to finish tendering assistance for the EPC contractor. The first proposal for extension until 30 June 2021 was approved by the DOTr on 1 March 2021.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr to complete its evaluation of the second request of the consultant for time extension, with a proposed revised contract end date in May 2023.</p> <p>DOTr to determine sources of financing to cover the resulting cost increases (including the VO for consulting services) above the current loan allocation schedule. The PCG-PMO to consult with DOTr Legal on the former's plan to reallocate loan proceeds across categories to cover the resulting cost increase.</p> <p>DOTr to submit to NEDA its request for loan reallocation once the revised TPC is finalized.</p>

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6. North-South Commuter Railway Extension Project – Malolos Clark Railway Project (NSCREP-MCRP)/ DOTr/ ADB and JICA	The approval of parcellary plans and the subsequent drafting of letter offers for lot acquisition were prolonged due to the late submission by the consultants of outputs compliant with the required standards.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr instructed the consultants to submit the parcellary plans per cluster, and according to the level of prioritization for ROWA (i.e., high priority for ROWA to be submitted first).</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The consultant to proceed with preparing and submitting the parcellary plans as instructed by DOTr.</p>
7. Panguil Bay Bridge Project (PBBP)/ DPWH/ KEDCF	The Contactor's Construction Engineering Engineers (CEE) faced delays in the submission of shop drawings and supporting back-up calculation and analysis.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DPWH directed the contractor to fast track the mobilization of the CEE.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH-RMC II to review the qualifications of key experts and endorse approval of the same to Senior Undersecretary Sadain.</p>
8. Jalaur River Multipurpose Project, Stage II (JRMP II)/ NIA/ KEDCF	<p>Slope failures in cuts and embankments at the HLC were observed.</p> <p>Per the contractor, it is caused by the instability of the design side slope.</p> <p>However, per the project Engineer, the issue was caused by: (a) the inability of the contractor to control surface water run-off and seepage water that saturates the side slope of cuts; and (b) poor installation</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The project Engineer presented its observations and recommendations to the contractor, KEDCF, and NIA-CO. The EDCF Environment and Social Monitoring Team deemed that the design slope of 1H:1V¹⁰ is not stable based on various standards.</p> <p>NIA facilitated the creation of a Technical Working Group (TWG) to validate slope failures in the area and identify mitigating measures.</p>

¹⁰ Based on NIA's Design Manual for Canals and Canal Structures, a side slope of 1H:1V (or a 45 degree slope angle) corresponds to a location/strata with granular soils, sand, gravel and silt.

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	and construction of embankments.	<p><u>Updates:</u> KEDCF, through letters to NIA dated 13 January 2023 and 7 February 2023, reiterated the need to conclusively resolve the slope failure issue to move forward with project implementation.</p> <p>NIA, through its 13 February 2023 letter to KEDCF, agreed to conduct a section-by-section geotechnical survey and analysis within the affected area of the HLC (subject to expansion to other areas of the HLC if the need arises) through engagement of geotechnical experts by the contractor subject to validation of NIA.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> NIA, KEDCF, the consultants and contractors to finalize and adopt mitigating measures to resolve the issue.</p>
9.	Concrete defects in structural concrete at the HLC caused by poor management of concrete works were observed.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The Contractor, KRC-JV, conducted surface repair for Cut & Cover 6 and Siphon 6 & 25. Crack mapping was also conducted, but some of these structures were either partially or fully backfilled without proper repair conducted. The contractor has yet to address the repair of the structures.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The Project Engineer will continue monitoring the implementation of the repair of</p>

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		the concrete defects in structural concrete at the HLC, as well as remind the contractor to use appropriate materials for said repair.

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Project Management Office (PMO) manpower/capacity

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Resolved			
1.	Technical Cooperation Programme Facility (TCPF): Technical Capacity Support to the Agri-Industrial Business Corridors/ DAR/ FAO	Difficulties in recruitment, and high turnover of administrative back-office staff were experienced.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> In the absence of back-office staff, administrative work was distributed among project consultants. The project is on track to be completed as scheduled.</p>
2.	Rural enterprise Partnership Inclusive Development Growth (RAPID Growth) Project/ DTI/ IFAD	Agro- Manpower/ human resource in the provincial, regional, and national offices tasked to prepare Business Proposals (BPs) and Detailed Investment Plans (DIPs) was insufficient considering the increasing number of project activities to be implemented.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DTI, through its NPCO, reviewed the project structure/workforce capacity vis-à-vis the current portfolio of DIP activities. Consequently, additional workforce was hired to complement the project staff.</p> <p>The Project Management Committee and implementing units conducted regular alignment meetings and assessment sessions to track the progress of project implementation.</p>
Current			
3.	Advancing Basic Education in the Philippines (ABC+) Project/ DepEd/ USAID	There was a shortage of qualified applicants for the vacant positions in the project areas.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The project team conducted various information dissemination activities for the vacant posts.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The project team will continue to build its local pool of talents and strengthen its linkages with local institutions.</p>

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4.	Kapit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan-Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services National Community-Driven Development Program Additional Financing (KC NCDDP AF)/DSWD/ WB	<p>Difficulties in hiring competent and qualified project staff were experienced due to the limited number of qualified applicants for the technical and M&E staff positions.</p> <p>As of 31 December 2022, ten of the 76 staff positions at the NPMO level, and 267 of the 2,815 technical staff positions at the RPMO level remain unfilled.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The national and regional PMOs continuously reposted vacancies for project officers and financial specialists in various job advertising websites and platforms to increase the number of applicants for the unfilled positions.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The PMO will ensure close coordination with the DSWD Human Resources Division and Resource Generation and Management Office to expedite the hiring process for the project officers and M&E Specialists.</p>
5.	Water District Development Sector Project (WDDSP)/ LWUA/ ADB	<p>Since April 2021, there has been a lack of consultant support for project management, implementation, monitoring and social and environmental safeguards.</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> LWUA decided to cover the indirect taxes for consulting services, since both the ADB loan and grant for financing the project do not cover the cost of taxes and duties.</p> <p>LWUA revised the project's CY 2023 Annual Procurement Plan (APP) to include the project management, implementation, monitoring and social and environmental safeguards consultants.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> LWUA to secure approval of the LWUA Board of Trustees and the new Administrator to proceed with procurement of consulting services.</p>
6.	Capacity Building to Foster Competition	<p>The limited absorptive capacity of PCC units and UP Law in engaging and</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The PMU provided TOR templates and coordinated with</p>

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Project (CBFCP)/ PCC/ ADB	managing consultancy assignments contributed to delays in project implementation.	<p>the PCC units to maximize the opportunity to engage consultants and resource persons and deploy experts to Manila to optimize technical assistance through physical interaction. The PMU also initiated the streamlining of the process for engaging resource persons and worked on a guidance note to facilitate the processing of consultants' out-of-pocket expenses and reimbursables.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The PMU, in coordination with PCC units, programmed consultancy and research requirements for 2023. The same will be done with UP Law during the planning and programming exercise scheduled in April 2023.</p>

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Institutional Support

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Resolved		
1. TCPF: Technical Capacity Support to the Agri-Industrial Business Corridors/ DAR/ FAO	Timely implementation of the project was affected by the discontinued services of DA program staff during the transition to the new administration in mid-2022.	<u>Actions taken:</u> Catch-up work was facilitated, and training modules were modified or shortened to train new program staff.
2. Project for Introducing Evidence-based Relapse Prevention Programs to Drug Dependence Treatment and Rehabilitation Centers in the Philippines (IntERlaPP)/ DOH/ JICA	There is a need to re-confirm the organizational structure for the project. The Dangerous Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment Program (DDAPTP), the main counterpart office of the project, was dissolved, and its functions were assigned to various DOH offices.	<u>Actions taken:</u> DOH already identified and coordinated with the new offices that will be involved in project implementation. <u>Update:</u> The new project structure was approved during a Joint Coordinating Committee (JCC) meeting held in April 2023.
3. Development for Renewable Energy Applications for Market Mainstreaming and Sustainability (DREAMS)/ DOE/ UNDP	Transition to the new Project Steering Committee (PSC) (in view of the change in administration in mid-2022) was affected by the prolonged Presidential appointments of some key officials in DOE, resulting in delays in project activities needing PSC approval or participation.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The DOE designed project activities with ample flexibility to accommodate potential changes in dates, participants, policies, and even account for the appointment of new DOE officials.
Current		
4. Implementing the National Framework on Access and Benefit Sharing of Genetic Resources and Associated Traditional Knowledge in the	The guidelines of the NCIP require a full-blown FPIC for bio-prospecting, regardless of scope, scale, and purpose. Thus, the NCIP insists that the project undergo the FPIC process, which includes pre-selection activities in the site.	<u>Actions taken:</u> DENR coordinated with NCIP on the conduct of a full-blown FPIC. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> DENR will undertake harmonization of ABS

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Philippines (ABS)/ DENR/ GEF		policies and continuously coordinate with NCIP.
5. Ecosystem-based management and ecosystem services valuation in two river basins in the Philippines (E2RB)/ DENR/ GIZ	Proposals for the local subsidy agreements between the E2RB project team and the LGUs to implement EbA measures are still pending approval.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Local Subsidies in Ilog Hilabangan River Basin and Tagum are currently being reviewed by the DENR Central and Regional PMO, and GIZ.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> DENR and GIZ conducted various project implementation activities in Two Tagum-Libuganon River Basin (TLRB) with emphasis on local subsidy agreements, particularly assessment of status of submitted proposals and discussions of their technical details.</p>
6. Establishment of an Integrated Water Resources Management Information System for the Pampanga River Basin (IWRMIS Phase II)/ DENR/ KOICA	The prolonged selection by KOICA of project contractors in Korea resulted in delays in project implementation.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DENR coordinated with KOICA to fast track the selection of project contractors.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DENR will request an extension of the project's implementation period until December 2025 in view of implementation delays.</p>
7. Philippines COVID-19 Emergency Response Project (PCERP)/ DOH/ WB	Seven health facilities declined to be recipients of new isolation facilities to be constructed under the project.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The DOH, through a letter dated 25 November 2022, requested a one-year loan validity extension from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024 in anticipation of further delays in the procurement and</p>

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		actual implementation of civil works contracts ¹¹ . <u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOH and the Project Management team to decide whether to select other recipient facilities or to reprogram the amount allocated for the seven facilities to other project components. <u>Update:</u> The ICC-TB, during its 24 May 2023 meeting, endorsed for ICC-CC approval the one-year loan validity extension of PCERP Parent Project and PCERP AF-1 from 29 December 2023 to 29 December 2024.
8. Philippines Multisectoral Nutrition Project (PMNP)/ DOH/ WB	Low LGU commitment to participate in the project, citing unsatisfactory experience with KALAHI-CIDSS and unavailability of local counterpart contribution.	<u>Actions taken:</u> DOH NPMO prepared the guidelines on the replacement of LGUs to be covered under the project. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOH NPMO will produce information, education and campaign materials, such as brochures and FAQs for LGUs, which may facilitate securing commitment from LGUs to participate in the project.
9. Development Objective Agreement:	The change in administration and election of new officials in	<u>Actions taken:</u>

¹¹ The request also included a proposal: (a) to use USD 17.5 million from the undisbursed loan balance of AF-1 (originally intended for the procurement of vaccines) for activities related to strengthening vaccine administration, vaccine demand generation, vaccine logistics and cold chain support, vaccination monitoring, COVID-19 diagnostics and management, and COVID-19 epidemiological readiness and surveillance including BARMM areas; and (b) for a one-year loan validity extension for AF-1.

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Improved Health for Underserved Filipinos (DOAg IHUF)/ DOH/ USAID	LGUs resulted in delays in decision-making at the local level.	Orientation of newly-elected officials on health programs was conducted in selected sites. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOH and USAID to explore the strategy on sectoral and integrated Primary Health Care in line with the recommendation to focus the support to LGUs.
10. Kapit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan- Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services National Community-Driven Development Program Additional Financing (KC-NCDDP AF)/ DSWD/ WB	The process of replacement for the ten KC AF municipalities that expressed intention to discontinue implementation of subprojects is still ongoing.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The NPMO Monitoring and Technical Assistance team generated an initial list of possible replacements for the KC AF municipalities based on the project eligibility criteria and shared the same for validation of the RPMOs by June 2023. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> The KC NPMO shall continuously coordinate with the RPMO to validate the list of eligible replacement for the KC municipalities. The latter shall also ensure timely feedback on the response of LGUs and employ strategies (i.e., conduct of project orientation and re-orientation and regular field visits) to gain/strengthen commitment from the LGUs to implement the KC subprojects.

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11. Expanded Social Assistance Project (ESAP)/ DSWD/ ADB	The integration of the Learner's Information System–Pantawid Pamilya Information System (LIS-PPIS) was delayed, caused mainly by: (a) delays in the development of the attendance module; (b) needed coordination/clarification with DepEd on the latter's 20 October 2022 issuance prohibiting teachers from facilitating the monitoring of 4Ps student-beneficiaries in their respective learning institutions to refocus teachers' workload to teaching; and (c) delayed signing of the Data Sharing Agreement (DSA) between the DSWD and DepEd in view of the program/policy of the DICT for a single operating system for all government agencies.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DSWD and DepEd, during meetings held on 18 and 21 November 2022, agreed that the non-teaching staff shall be assigned with the monitoring of the compliance of 4Ps students with the program conditionalities. DSWD and DepEd agreed to schedule coordination meetings between their respective Information and Communications Technology (ICT) offices to facilitate the interoperability and integration/harmonization of the PPIS and LIS to improve the compliance monitoring process.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> To address the delayed signing of the DSA, DSWD shall convene a meeting among the concerned focal units of the DepEd and DICT within the first semester of 2023 to review and update the DSA to expedite its approval.</p>

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Inputs and costs

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Resolved			
1.	Capacity Building to Foster Competition (CBFCP)/ PCC/ ADB	The availability of mobile forensic equipment is limited, and there are challenges with importing such equipment from Sweden/European Union (EU).	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The PMU sought help from the Philippine Mission in Sweden, but was turned down, as proceeds from the ADB loan cannot be used to purchase equipment from a non-ADB member country.</p> <p>To avoid further delays, the PCC explored other viable suppliers for equipment and software for forensic investigation (e.g., Singapore) to be procured using the agency's regular funds, subject to the procurement rules and regulations of the Philippine government.</p>
2.	Road Network Development in Conflict-Affected Areas in Mindanao (RNDP-CAAM)/ DPWH/ JICA	The project encountered a shortage of Type 1 Portland cement due to the breakdown of Holcim cement plant.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Contractors submitted the suppliers' certification that confirmed the authenticity of reported shortage of cement supply in the locality.</p> <p>Contractors were advised to outsource other Type 1 cement suppliers as an alternative.</p>
3.	Arterial Road Bypass Project III (ARBP III)/ DPWH/ JICA	The Marungko Quarry in Angat, Bulacan (source of embankment materials) was closed by the Governor due to the non-compliance of the concessionaires with DENR requirements. Hence, there was no	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> Upon compliance with DENR requirements, Marungko Quarry resumed operations on 5 November 2022. Hence, delivery of embankment materials to</p>

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	delivery of embankment materials on site, which delayed the preparatory works of the CTB, PCCP activities, and the construction of Mechanically Stabilized Earth.	the project site also resumed.
4. Road Upgrading and Preservation Project (RUPP)/ DPWH/ JICA	The contractor (Frey-lil Corp.) faced difficulties in sourcing boulders for stone masonry and embankment materials required for bridge approach road works due to scarcity of resources and limited quarry sites in operation.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The Contractor was able to outsource the materials from other suppliers, as advised by DPWH.
5. Samar Pacific Coastal Road Project (SPCRP)/ DPWH/ KEDCF	Pursuant to Ormoc City Executive Order No. 17, series of 2020, all new and renewal applications for sand and gravel permits were suspended, along with the export of sand and gravel outside the city's jurisdiction. This contributed to delays in construction works as the project sources aggregate materials in Ormoc City.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The DPWH instructed the contractor to look for other sources of aggregate materials in the vicinity, which should be approved by the project supervision consultant and the DPWH. The contractor was able to identify alternative sources of aggregates.
6. Chico River Pump Irrigation Project (CRPIP)/ NIA/ China	The contract for the commissioning of the electro-mechanical component of the project (procured through international competitive bidding [ICB]) was suspended on 15 April 2022 due to the unavailability of power supply.	<u>Actions taken:</u> NIA sought approval of power application for the facility. Following approval of said request, the electro-mechanical component of the project was energized on 22 June 2022, and contract implementation resumed on 6 July 2022 with a revised

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		contract expiry on 20 September 2022.
7.	The ICB contract (as discussed in Item 6) was again suspended on 17 August 2022 due to the stoppage of the quarrying of borrow materials and limited source of aggregates which affected canalization works and the construction of canal structures.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The suspension was lifted on 26 September 2022 with revised contract expiry on 30 October 2022.
8.	Programme for COVID-19 Crisis Response Emergency Support (JICA GA CCE/ DOH/ JICA)	<u>Actions taken:</u> Stocks of the ice pack freezers and thermal packaging system to be procured under the project were unavailable due to a surge in global market demand. The procurement process was completed in 2022, and the delivery of the procured items is scheduled in 2023 until 2024.
Current		
9.	Gabay: Strengthening Inclusive Education for Blind/Deaf Children/ DepEd/ USAID	<u>Actions taken:</u> There is a need to hire additional Special Education (SPED) teachers given the increase in SPED enrollees. The project team provided advice for options on how to address the shortage of SPED teachers, including training regular teachers on SPED. <u>Actions to be taken:</u> The project team will conduct Filipino Sign Language (FSL) training for teachers and will implement the FSL curriculum. The project team will also assist DepEd in convening stakeholders to formulate a roadmap for disability-inclusive education.

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10.	8 th Programme Cooperation (CPC8)/ DOH/ UNICEF	Country of (CPC8)/	Supply chain bottlenecks caused delays and limited coverage of program implementation.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The project team conducted the following to analyze and address the bottlenecks in the health and nutrition supply chain: (a) desk review of immunization supply chain bottlenecks and development of improvement plan; (b) evidence-based caseload estimation for ready-to-use therapeutic food and other nutrition commodities; and (c) preparation of the Nutrition Supply Guidance note for Philippine Integrated Management of Acute Malnutrition.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> Planned activities for bottleneck analyses of health and nutrition supply chains include: (a) support the implementation and the scale up of Web-based Vaccination Supplies Stock Management initiative; and (b) follow up the approval/creation of the DOH Supply Chain TWG.</p>

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11. Jalaur River Pump Multipurpose Project Stage II (JRMP II)/ NIA/ KEDCF	The project incurred cost overruns mainly due to escalation/adjustment in prices/costs of materials and labor, depreciation of the peso affecting the cost of imported equipment and materials, re-engagement of consultants, increase in ROWA cost in view of the ROWA Act of 2016 mandating the use of fair market value for acquiring properties for public infrastructure projects, and inclusion of new project components (e.g., environmental and watershed management, institutional development activities).	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The necessary increase in the TPC was included in the project restructuring request of NIA submitted to NEDA through letter dated 15 March 2023 for ICC review and approval.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> NIA to submit complete and compliant ICC requisite documents to facilitate full ICC review of the project restructuring proposal.</p> <p><u>Update:</u> Through a letter dated 15 March 2023, the DA endorsed to NEDA a revised restructuring request from NIA, which includes a PHP 8,486.69 million increase in TPC based on the prevailing USD-PHP foreign exchange rate.</p>
12. Panguil Bay Bridge Project (PBBP)/ DPWH/ KEDCF	The contractor has a limited supply of aggregate materials which slowed the progress of construction works.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The DPWH-RMC II and the project consultant reminded the contractor to ensure that the supply of aggregate materials is sufficient to catch up with implementation delays.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DPWH and the consultant will continue to monitor the resources mobilized onsite.</p>
13. Energy Philippines DOE/ USAID	Secure (ESP)/ Insufficiency of data due to damage or loss, unavailability of hazard maps and disaster	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The NECP has been revised and updated, taking into account the comments and</p>

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	response arrangements, as well as the absence of related capacity building and training activities, posed challenges in the preparation and finalization of the National Energy Contingency Plan (NECP) for “The Big One” and the subsequent issuance of a Department Order adopting the NECP.	<p>suggestions from different stakeholders.</p> <p>DOE hired consultants/experts to guide the formulation of the NECP.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOE to facilitate the finalization of the proposed Department Circular adopting the NECP for “The Big One”.</p>

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Legal and Policy Issuances

Project title/IA/Fund source		Issue details	Actions taken/Actions to be taken/Updates
Current			
1.	Access to Sustainable Energy Programme (ASEP) SEP/ DOE/ EU	Due to the provision in Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) Resolution No. 15, s. of 2009 which allows consumers to revert back to postpaid metering, the installation of 1,000 prepaid meters under Component 2: Investment Support (Prepaid Meters [PPM] Subcomponent) may not be implemented. This may have a detrimental impact on the sustainability and replication of the project.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> NPC coordinated with ERC regarding its regulations on prepaid metering to consider proceeding with the implementation of the project.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken</u> NPC to secure greenlight to proceed with the procurement and installation of PPM for the identified pilot Electric Cooperative (EC), i.e., the Sulu Electric Cooperative, Inc. (SULECO) in Mindanao.</p> <p>The installation of pilot PPM is expected to be completed by March 2023, which will be followed by three months of monitoring and evaluation, with the evaluation report targeted for finalization by June 2023.</p>
2.	Development for Renewable Energy Applications for Market Mainstreaming and Sustainability (DREAMS)/ DOE/ UNDP	The Philippine Renewable Energy (RE) Market System funded by the project may not be used due to inconsistent policy issuances.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The system has been launched and in use since 2019. The assets have been transferred to DOE. A usufruct agreement with the market operator is under discussion.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> PMU/DOE will continue to facilitate and coordinate discussions between Independent Electricity Market Operator of the Philippines (IEMOP) and Philippines Electricity Market Corporation (PEMC) on the usufruct agreement.</p>

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		<u>Update:</u> As of the first quarter of 2023, 3,034.23 MW of installed capacity and 137 RE developers were registered in the RE Registrar.

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Force Majeure

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Resolved			
1.	Philippine Rural Development Project-Additional Financing 2 (PRDP AF-2)/ DA/ WB	Delayed completion of the ongoing subprojects under the I-BUILD component due to force majeure (i.e., typhoon and COVID-19).	<u>Actions taken:</u> The National Project Coordination Office (NPCO) released Memorandum Order No. 420-2022 dated 4 November 2022, providing guidelines to all I-BUILD beneficiaries/partner LGUs with subprojects that are bound to be accomplished by 31 December 2022, and instructing PSOs to closely supervise, monitor, and coordinate with concerned LGUs on the completion of the pending subprojects.
2.	Project for Introducing Evidence-based Relapse Prevention Programs to Drug Dependence Treatment and Rehabilitation Centers in the Philippines (IntERlaPP)/ DOH/ JICA	The research component of the project experienced delays as the data collection phase had to be postponed due to the imposed COVID-19 restrictions.	<u>Actions taken:</u> Data collection resumed in April 2022 as COVID-19 restrictions were relaxed.

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3. New Bohol Airport Construction and Sustainable Environmental Protection Project II (NBACSEPP II)/ DOTr/ JICA	Rectification works, inspections, and site acceptance (initially planned for completion within the defects notification period until 30 June 2020) were delayed due to travel restrictions in view of the COVID-19 pandemic.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The original scope of the rectification works was completed in June 2022.
4. Capacity Building to Foster Competition Project (CBFCP)/ PCC/ ADB	Fund disbursement was slow mainly due to the deferment of scholars and travel restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, especially during the first two years of project implementation, i.e., from 2020 to 2021.	<u>Actions taken:</u> The PCC closely coordinated with agencies regarding the deferment of scholars and reconfirmation of nominations. The PCC also continued to encourage agencies to explore related fields of competition law and policy such as data analytics, public policy, and to avail online degree courses if prospective scholars are reluctant to travel due to career responsibilities and travel restrictions in view of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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5. Secondary Education Support Program (SESP)/ DepED/ ADB	There were unmet sub-Disbursement-Linked Indicators (DLIs) due to limited face-to-face classes in view of the COVID-19 pandemic. This affected the results dissemination of the National Achievement Test (NAT) for Grade 10 and the improvement of the mean percentage scores (MPS) of secondary education students in NAT.	<u>Actions taken:</u> N/A <u>Actions to be taken:</u> DepEd will administer the NAT in the second quarter of 2023 and the results will be disseminated within the fourth quarter of 2023. DepEd and ADB will discuss the NAT 2022 results to determine whether the sub-DLI 1.2 target (i.e., improvement in MPS in NAT for junior and senior high
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		school learners) is still achievable.
6. Access to Sustainable Energy Programme (ASEP)/ DOE/ EU	Delays in Component 3, Solar BnB Microhotel and Island Livelihood Energizer Platform (SMILE) subcomponent were due to the impact of typhoons and inclement weather conditions.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOE extended the implementation period of SMILE until the second quarter of 2023 to allow the transmission, distribution works, and construction of SMILE facilities. Catch-up activities were carried out to minimize implementation delays.</p> <p>Extension of implementation was allowed by the EU to undertake key activities which are linked to the Inclusive and Sustainable Energization (I-PURE) project, and to complete the construction of facilities.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> The project implementers will adopt new work methods to complete the implementation of the SMILE subcomponent by the end of the second quarter of 2023.</p>
7. Capacity Enhancement of Mass Transit Systems in Metro Manila – LRT Line 1 South Extension Project (L1SEP)/ DOTr/ JICA	Delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic affected all railway-related works, including the transport and delivery of Gen-4 (G4) trainsets.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DOTr and LRTA requested visa exemptions for the personnel of the contractor in accordance with the issued COVID-19 guidelines of the government to facilitate the testing and commissioning of the G4 trainsets in the country.</p> <p>Of the 30 G4 trainsets, 20 were already delivered to the Baclaran Depot (16 have completed the trial test run on the LRT Line 1 main line, one trainset is ongoing trial test run, while for the remaining three, trial test run has yet to begin). The remaining 10</p>

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		<p>G4 trainsets were already manufactured in Mexico.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr will continue to conduct the trial test run for four delivered trainsets.</p>
8. Cebu Bus Rapid Transit Project (CBRT)/ DOTr/ AFD and WB	DED for Packages 2 (SRP to CBRT Trunk line and Capitol to IT Park Trunk line) and 3 (Bulacao to Talisay, Talisay to SRP, and IT Park to Talamban Feeder lines) was prolonged due to the suspension of works brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> DED works to finalize the system designs of Packages 2 and 3 were implemented through VO No. 5 and 6, which extended the contract of the DED consultant from 27 April 2022 to 27 October 2022, and from 16 December 2022 to 16 June 2023, respectively, at no additional cost.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr will finalize the DED for Packages 2 and 3 by July 2023, in time for the planned commencement of the procurement of civil works for Packages 2 and 3 in the third quarter of 2023.</p>

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9. Energy Secure Philippines (ESP)/ DOE/ USAID	Increased occurrence of face-to-face activities exposed project team members to higher risks of COVID-19 infection. This subsequently led to increased COVID-19 cases, which contributed to project implementation delays.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> N/A</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> USAID ESP management will assess the health risks and will adopt a balanced strategy to support both a hybrid working environment and in-person outreach activities.</p> <p>USAID ESP will continue to coordinate with government partners and the Task Order Contracting Officer's Representative (TOCOR) to ensure the safety and security of the team members and partners in implementing the project.</p>
10. North-South Commuter Railway (NSCR) Project, Phase 1 (Malolos-Tutuban)/ DOTr/ JICA	The processing of documents for land acquisition and relocation of ISFs was delayed due to the implementation of community quarantines from 2020 to 2021 in view of the COVID-19 pandemic.	<p><u>Actions taken:</u> The National Housing Authority (NHA) started the processing of documents for land acquisition.</p> <p>All ISFs within the Partial Operability Section (i.e., from West Valenzuela to Malolos Stations) have been resettled.</p> <p><u>Actions to be taken:</u> DOTr to continue coordinating with NHA for the relocation of the remaining eight ISFs within the Caloocan area.</p> <p><u>Updates:</u> Of the remaining eight ISFs, one was disqualified and the other seven ISFs were relocated to Norzagaray Bulacan as of 10 January 2023.</p>