

## List of Other Planning-Programming References and Tools

Agencies are expected to consider the following in their submission of priority programs and projects (PAPs) for the updating of the Public Investment Program (PIP) 2023-2028:

- A. **Regional Development Council (RDC) endorsement and inclusion in the Regional Development Investment Programs (RDIP).** All RDC-endorsed and national government-implemented PAPs under the RDIP, which meet the criteria for inclusion in the PIP, should be submitted by the agencies.
- B. **Regional-National Investment Programming.** The RNIP Dialogue Process aims to facilitate the linking of the RDIPs to the PIP by aligning the regional priorities with the national/sectoral priorities. The selected ACOs and all the RDCs harmonized their respective sectoral and regional development plan targets and corresponding timelines over the PIP-RDIP period, i.e., 2023 to 2028, and mutually identified and agreed on the priority National Government (NG)-implemented programs and projects (PAPs) in the regions. The Agency Regional-National Investment Programs and Projects (ARNIPAP) are the identified regional priority PAPs resulting from this process and are included by the agencies in the updated PIP.
- C. **Program Convergence Budgeting (PCB).** Pursuant to the National Budget Memorandum (NBM) No. 150 dated February 5, 2024 and NBM No. 146 dated January 12, 2023, the **PCB** is an approach that aims to focus government resources on key programs and projects which shall be coordinated in a holistic approach across Departments or Agencies working towards the same goals. NBM No. 146 states that each PCB has their respective lead agency and participating agencies, which are tasked to ensure that the preparation of PCB proposals is done in a coordinated and holistic manner. NBM No. 150 further states that the adoption of the PCBs' integrated approach in identifying key needs and priorities is considered evidence of a well-planned proposal.
- D. **Harmonized Gender and Development Guidelines (HGDG) for investment programming.** The agencies shall use the sector-appropriate HGDG checklist for project development, implementation, and monitoring and evaluation in the preparation of the Agency PIP. The guide and the generic/sectoral HGDG checklists can be accessed through this link: <https://neda.gov.ph/gender-and-development/>.
- E. **Disability-inclusive development.** When applicable, agencies should integrate disability-sensitive measures into the design, implementation, and monitoring and evaluation of development policies and PAPs. A reference material with brief discussion on the "twin-track approach" on addressing disability-related concerns, including its mainstreaming in plans, policies and programs, can be accessed through this link: <http://bit.ly/30uZSfw>.
- F. **Good governance and rights-based approach (RBA) to investment programming.** Agencies shall ensure the priority PAPs' consistency with the principles of good governance: (1) rule of law and fairness; (2) inclusiveness; (3) participation, openness and transparency; (4) performance orientation and accountability; (5) leadership and stewardship; (6) ethics and probity; and (7) service orientation and responsiveness. It shall also be guided by rights-based parameters,

principles and standards to promote inclusive, equitable and sustainable development towards the achievement of our long-term vision or *AmBisyon Natin 2040*.

The agencies are recommended to follow pertinent guidelines from the Good Governance Toolkit and RBA questionnaire in the screening and selection of priority PAPs for inclusion in the PIP updating. The checklists can be accessed through the following links:

1. Good Governance Toolkit for PIP (process checklist):  
<https://bit.ly/3Dpx7HU>
2. Good Governance Toolkit for PIP (content checklist):  
<https://bit.ly/3BGb4LY>
3. RBA Mainstreaming Checklist: <http://bit.ly/RBAChecklist>