



# NEWSLETTER

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This newsletter is an official quarterly publication of the Local Governance Reform Project (LGRP) under the Bureau of Local Government Finance (BLGF) which aims to present the project's activities, milestones, and initiatives to improve local revenue mobilization, upscale local public service delivery, and strengthen local governance. The LGRP implementation is from FY2021 to FY2024.

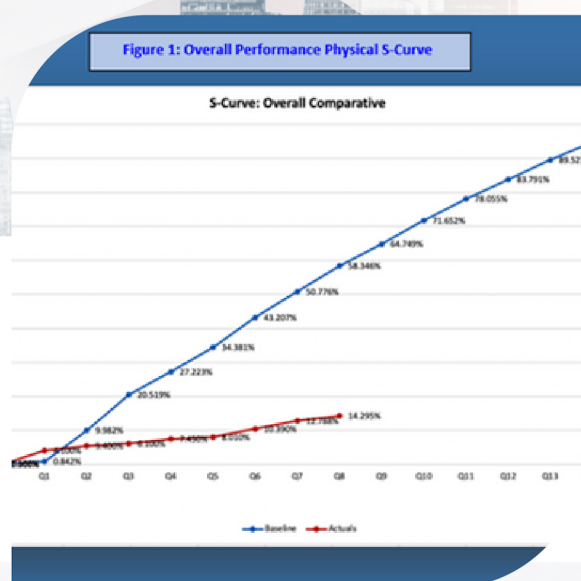
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# BLGF REPORT ON ITS 8TH QUARTERLY LGRP PROGRESS REPORT

As of end September 2022, the BLGF has achieved a physical accomplishment rate of 14.29%, which is a quarter-on-quarter increase of 1.50% from the preceding quarter. The notable progress for this period was brought about by the various project management activities of the LGRP and the approval of the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal (CAMA) with Geographical Information System (GIS) and the Real Property Information System (RPIS). Figure 1 below presents the project's progress for this period.



The major accomplishments regarding the LGRP project management activities include the (i) deployment of the LGRP Transition Planning workshop, (ii) approval of the FY 2022 Annual Work and Financial Plan [AW&FP], (iii) issuance of the Project's 1st quarterly newsletter, and (iv) approval of the Stakeholder Engagement and Communication [SEC] plan.

There have been considerable activities that were conducted which contributed to the overall physical performance of the project from the remaining Project Outputs. These project activities include dynamic coordination and collaboration with implementing and other partner agencies of government. With these developments taking place, both the ADB and the BLGF are optimistic that subsequent progress will pick up the pace to attain the overarching objective of fiscal decentralization, that would bring down local fiscal transfer dependencies of the LGUs and gradually move towards increasing domestic resource mobilization, that will fuel a more robust and resilient economy at the local level.

Table 1 presents the significant movement in LGRP respective project outputs and project management activities. It would be noted that the project management contributed 61.14% to LGRP's progress while 38.86% is an aggregation of all the Project Output physical performance as of Quarter 3 of 2022.

LGRP Performance in Numbers

Outputs   Assigned Weight (%)	Actual Progress (%)	Weighted Progress (%)
Project Management Activities (15%)	61.14	9.17
Output 1 (25%) Institutional Development and Policy Support for Property Valuation Strengthened	10.91	2.73
Output 2 (30%) Property Tax Valuation Database Information Systems Implemented	3.16	0.95
Output 3 (17%) Real Property Taxation of Selected LGUs Enhanced	3.82	0.65
Output 4 (13%) Local Assessors Professionalized and Capacity of LGUs Strengthened	6.13	0.80
<b>Total Weight = 100%</b>		<b>14.29</b>



## BLGF CONDUCTS LOCAL GOVERNANCE REFORM PROJECT (LGRP) TRANSITION AND STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

Tagaytay City – 28 July 2022. The Bureau of Local Government Finance (BLGF) Central and Regional Office Directors, Division Chiefs, and members of the Project Management Unit (PMU) and Project Management Implementation System (PMIS) of the Local Governance Reform Project (LGRP) convened for a three-day transition and strategic planning workshop to develop plans and recommendations in the next ten (10) months on 13 to 16 July 2022 at the Alta D' Tagaytay City, Cavite.



BLGF Executive Director Niño Raymond B. Alvina commended the people behind the project for the collective efforts in overcoming the challenges in the past twelve months.



"I am confident that the LGRP will reach greater heights and will transform a lot of lives as we empower local governments to be financially self-sufficient through an enhanced quality of real property valuation and tax administration", Executive Director Alvina said in his opening remarks.

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## **BLGF CONDUCTS MONITORING AND EVALUATION (M&E) ORIENTATION FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNANCE REFORM PROJECT (LGRP)**

**MANILA CITY** – The Bureau of Local Government Finance (BLGF) Project Directors, Output Team Leaders and Assistant Team Leaders, and Support Team Focal Persons of the Local Governance Reform Project (LGRP) participated in the LGRP Monitoring and Evaluation Orientation at the Orchid Garden Suites, Manila, last 30 August 2022.

In an opening message, LGU Operations Service (LGUOS) Director and LGRP Project Deputy Director Ricardo L. Bobis, Jr., emphasized the importance of standardized monitoring and evaluation for the success of the project.



“It is high time that we focus our energies on familiarizing and utilizing the Project Monitoring and Evaluation Tool to standardize the regular monitoring and evaluation of the physical and financial progress of the Project,” Bobis, said.

The M&E orientation is an undertaking led by the LGRP Project Monitoring and Evaluation Team (PMET) and BLGF Project Execution and Management Division (PEMD) aimed for the project team to fully understand and utilize the key concepts of M&E and the Project Monitoring and Evaluation Tool in the effective and efficient management of the Project.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/3k1ZtQX>



## TRAINING AND EVENTS 4TH QUARTER



### October 2022

- Awarding of the Contract with CPRM Consultants, Inc. as LGRP National Training Firm
- Interagency Orientation Meeting
- Midterm Review Mission with ADB

### November and December 2022

- 5th Interagency Governing Board
- Virtual Roadshow on LGRP
- LGRP FY2023 Strategic Planning Conference



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