



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 016

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AN ORDER MANDATING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATION (CSO) DESK AND DESIGNATION OF CSO DESK OFFICER OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF PASACAO, CAMARINES SUR

WHEREAS, Article 62, Rule XIII of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the Local Government Code of 1991 (Republic Act No. 7160) mandates Local Government Units (LGUs) to promote the establishment and operation of non-government organizations, people's organizations and the private sector to make them active partners in the pursuit of local autonomy, and to directly involve them in the planning and implantation of programs and projects in LGUs.

WHEREAS, DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2021-012 as amended by DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2021-054, enjoins all local government units to establish their respective CSO Desks and to create and institutionalize the local People's Council in every province, city, and municipality.

WHEREAS, Civil Society Organization (CSO) refers to a non-state and non-profit association that works to improve society and the human condition. Basic types of CSOs include non-governmental organization, people organization, civic organization, community-based organization, faith-based organization, cooperative, social movement, professional group, and business group.

WHEREAS, People's Council refers to a body composed of representatives from CSOs that are, at least, recognized by the LGU, and which shall be created in every province, city, and municipality.

WHEREAS, The participation of CSO in government processes is a vehicle of empowering citizens by giving them opportunities to articulate their needs and to take part in the decision-making processes of their respective LGUs. An active CSO participation is vital in the pursuit of a more participatory and responsive governance.

NOW THEREFORE, I, **JORGE R. BENGUA**, Mayor of the Municipality of Pasacao, Province of Camarines Sur, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the **ESTABLISHMENT OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATION (CSO) DESK** and designate **MR. JERWIN DEQUILLA** as **CSO Desk Officer** who shall facilitate and promote people's participation in governance within the Municipality of Pasacao, Camarines, to wit:

SECTION 1. CREATION AND COMPOSITION. There is hereby created a Civil Society Organization Desk in LGU Pasacao.

SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The CSO Desk shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

2.1 Functions of the CSO Desk:

- i. Responsible for the handling of all CSO related concerns, including but not limited to, the provision of technical and administrative support, if necessary.
- ii. Serve as a venue to document and address the issues and concerns of CSOs in the Municipality of Pasacao;
- iii. Assist CSOS intending to apply for accreditation to a local special body and/or participate in local government programs, including the People's Council; and
- iv. Encourage the active participation of CSOs in all local governance processes from planning, implementing, monitoring and evaluating programs, projects, and activities, through the spirit of volunteerism.

2.2 Functions of the CSO Desk Officer:





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- i. Through the CSO Desk Officer, the Sangguniang Panlungsod shall issue a Notice of Call for the creation of People's Council to all accredited, registered, and recognized CSOs;
- ii. The CSO Desk Officer, in close coordination with the Sangguniang Panlungsod, shall evaluate all applications seeking to join the People's Council;
- iii. The CSO Desk Officer shall prepare the list of qualified CSOs;
- iv. Facilitate, in coordination with DILG Region XI, the formation of People's Council in LGU Davao;
- v. Mobilize and ensure participation of recognized, registered, and accredited CSOs in the various processes and activities of LGU Davao, particularly in planning, budgeting, monitoring and other service delivery areas;

Done this 20th day of July, 2022.

JORGE R. BENGUA

Municipal Mayor

