



Proposed Resolution No. 352

Resolution to revisit the program and project implementation of proposed shelters in relation to the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao Marawi City Rehabilitation to ensure proper, efficient, effective and economical process in accordance with the mandate of morale governance

Whereas, acquisition of land/lot amounting one or several hectare has derailed the implementation of the housing project for the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) of Marawi, a factor that explained construction of the same projects in place outside of Marawi City, like Municipality of Wao, which is almost more than hundred kilometers away from the city, a fact far away from the original plan of building these structures within the vicinity of the city;

Whereas, there is a controversial issue on the so-called silent understanding or local arrangement between the owners of those land and the representatives of the BARMM; this issue if not properly addressed will defeat the purpose of the housing programs of the BARMM; worst, it is potential source of corruption which is diametrically opposite to the moral governance the government of the day is championing;

Whereas, per information the Catholic Relief Services Philippines (CRS) has completed several hundreds of temporary shelters; in process, before construction, CRS determines the specific needs of each displaced family then provide the same to the intended beneficiaries;

Whereas, in the successful CRS housing project, the beneficiaries are given the option to build their own houses in their chosen site, preferably their own land, while the funds are from the CRS, liquidation of funds are properly complied upon the completion of the shelters built in the land owned by the IDPs themselves; this effectively addresses the plight of some IDPs who can not easily settle in those cluster of housing due to existence of feuds, not necessarily their own but of their distant relatives;

Whereas, on the part of the government, if similar process may pursued, no need to buy land or pay compensation for the beneficiaries specially if they donate their own land, because the latter offered their own land as place of construction in any legal manner; while former has to provide funds for the construction;

Whereas, there is no legal impediment if the BARMM would adopt the CRS similar process of these undertakings as this is in best accord with the legal precept of people's participation; and it must be in accordance with the accounting and auditing rules and regulations; with the end in view of ensuring the proper usage of government resources as this must be implemented with strict undertakings of the beneficiaries to implement proposed shelters agreed between the government and the recipients; there is absence of deviation from original public purpose of building shelters to the IDPs.

Wherefore, be it resolved as it hereby resolved that the implementation of the housing projects in the City of Marawi by the BARMM, be revisited to ensure proper, efficient, effective and economical process in accordance with moral governance of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao;

Be it further resolved that a well-defined process may be crafted to ensure that the true and deserving beneficiaries of the undertakings will directly benefit from it in accordance with the terms and conditions set by the government;

Be it also resolved that in the supposed process, people's participation may be given premium as they are directly affected parties in the process thereby affording them an adequate consultation;

Be it finally resolved that any further pursuit of the shelter construction regarding Marawi City Rehabilitation Programs and Projects, be deferred momentarily to await the completion of set of procedures and processes to guarantee proper implementation of the BARMM projects in soonest time possible.

Done this ___ day of November 2020 at City of Cotabato, Philippines


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