



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
COMMISSION ON AUDIT
COMMONWEALTH AVENUE, QUEZON CITY

MEMORANDUM

No.: **2022-002**
Date: **25 JAN 2022**

TO : All Assistant Commissioners, Directors, Officers-in-Charge, Supervising Auditors, Audit Team Leaders, Audit Team Members, Members of the COA Gender and Development Focal Point (GFP) System in the Central Office and the GFP Sub-Systems of COA Regional Offices, and Other Concerned Personnel

SUBJECT: 2022 National Women's Month Celebration in the Commission on Audit

The National Women's Month Celebration (NWMC) every March is part of the worldwide observance of the International Women's Day and National Women's Day on March 8, adopting the 2017-2022 theme: **"We Make Change Work for Women."** The theme highlights the empowerment of women as active contributors to and claimholders of development, anchored on the commitment of *"Malasakit at Pagbabago"* or True Compassion and Real Change.¹

The 2017-2022 theme aims to: (i) inform and engage women as stakeholders of government programs and services; (ii) create and facilitate platforms to discuss good practices, gaps, challenges, and commitments in pursuing GAD to strengthen implementation of the Magna Carta of Women; and (iii) inspire and empower women and girls to be agents of change and to contribute in promoting gender equality and the women empowerment (GEWE).

Under the GEWE Plan 2019-2025, this Commission has two critical commitments: (i) Audit of GAD Funds; and (ii) Training of Auditors in the Audit of GAD Funds. The GEWE Plan 2019-2025 will have a mid-term assessment this year, and this Commission will submit its accomplishment report on these commitments. Meanwhile, Gender Sensitivity Training (GST) is mandatory training for all COA personnel to ensure basic understanding of GAD and gender mainstreaming efforts in the workplace and in everyday activities.

Accordingly, the Committee on Training and Advocacy of the COA GAD Focal Point System (GFPS), through the Professional and Development Office, will offer several Webinars on Audit of GAD Funds and GST in March 2022. Other online activities have been scheduled by the other committees of the COA GFPS. Annex "A" hereof lists the tentative Program of Activities for the 2022 NWMC of this Commission, subject to final confirmation of schedules.

Meanwhile, all COA Regional Offices and the Regional Satellite Audit Office of Negros Island and Siquijor may organize their respective GAD activities in March 2022, provided the schedules are not in conflict with that of the Central Office activities. They shall report the conduct of their respective activities to the GAD Secretariat on or before April 30, 2022 for consolidated reporting therefor.

For the guidance of all concerned.


MICHAEL G. AGUINALDO
Chairperson

¹ <http://www.pcw.gov.ph/event/2020-national-women-month>





COA Gender and Development Focal Point

March 2022

Program of Activities

Date	Activities	Remarks
March 1 8:00 am – 9:00 am	Zumba Exhibition ❖ Ms. Joany G. Catingo and two Physical Fitness Instructors	All personnel
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Formal Opening of the National Women's Month 🇵🇭 National Anthem, Panunumpa sa Watawat ng Pilipinas, COA Hymn ❖ Committee on Training and Advocacy 🇵🇭 Opening Remarks ❖ Assistant Commissioner Fortunata M. Rubico Chair, Technical Working Group COA GAD Focal Point System 🇵🇭 Inspirational Messages from the Commission Proper ❖ Commissioner Mario G. Lipana ❖ Commissioner Roland C. Pondoc ❖ Chairperson _____ 🇵🇭 Dialogue with the Commission Proper	All Sector Heads, Directors, and other officials and staff
March 2 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Updates on COA Order of Execution Management Information System (COEMIS) ❖ Acting Assistant Director Eleazar E. Castillo Prosecution and Litigation Office	Directors, auditors and lawyers in Visayas and Mindanao (Batch 1, morning session)
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Updates on Recent Supreme Court Decisions Involving COA; and COA Decisions Involving Disallowances on GAD Expenses ❖ Director Haiddie I. Jose-Sumogba Prosecution and Litigation Office	Central Office/NCR and Luzon (Batch 2, afternoon session)
March 3 9:00 am – 11:00 am	Online Briefing on GAD Knowledgebase ❖ Director Lorna D. Cabochan Officer-in-Charge, Administration Sector Chair, Committee on Database and Website Development and Maintenance	All members of the COA GFPS in the Central Office, COA GFPS in all regional offices and RSAO-NIS; and all personnel

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March 4 9:00 am – 11:00 am	GAD Audit Performance Summary Report (APSR) for Calendar Years 2009-2018 for National Government Agencies, Government Corporations, and Local Government Units <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Director Jonathan B. Beltran Public Information Office Chair, GAD Secretariat ❖ Auditor Mary Grace Mejia-Driz State Auditor V, Local Government Sector-NCR Team Leader, Ad-Hoc Team for LGUs 	All members of the COA GFPS in the Central Office, COA GFPSS in all regional offices and RSAO-NIS; and all auditors
March 7 8:30 am 10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Flag Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Committee on Database and Website Development and Maintenance Gender Sensitivity Training (GST), Luzon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ms. Lorena T. Yunque ❖ Ms. Araceli Bayubay-Mercado ❖ Ms. Vichel Rse E. Juguilon-Pangan Independent GAD Consultants and Trainers, Certified GAD Resource Pool, PCW 	Central Office but may also be done in the regions Open to all regional personnel who have not attended the GST seminar/webinar
March 8 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Briefing on Revised Plantilla <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Former Asst. Comm. Luzvi Pangan-Chatto Resource Person 	All Sector Heads, Directors, and other officials and staff
March 9-10 10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Audit of GAD Funds, Luzon <p><u>Day 1</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ms. Lourdes Cresencio-Turiano Independent GAD Consultant and Trainer, Certified GAD Resource Pool, PCW <p><u>Day 2</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Director Sofia C. Gemora, NGS-Cluster 1 ❖ Director Lucila M. Isidro, NGS-Cluster 2 ❖ Director Michael L. Racelis, PAO ❖ Director Milagros B. Sonido, CGS-Cluster 1 ❖ Director Roberto D. Mabagos, Jr., PAO ❖ Auditor Mary Grace M. Mejia-Driz, LGS-NCR ❖ Committee on Audit and Gender Issue Analysis 	Open to all Luzon auditors
March 11 9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Livelihood Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GAD Secretariat, in coordination with TESDA NCR-Quezon City 	All personnel; details will be announced later
March 14 8:30 am 10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Flag Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Committee on Protection of Women Gender Sensitivity Training (GST), Visayas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ms. Lorena T. Yunque ❖ Ms. Araceli Bayubay-Mercado ❖ Ms. Vichel Rse E. Juguilon-Pangan Independent GAD Consultants and Trainers, Certified GAD Resource Pool, PCW 	Central Office but may also be done in the regions Open to all regional personnel who have not attended the GST seminar/webinar

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March 14-15 10:00 am onwards	Mobile Legends: Bang Bang ❖ Committee on Sports and Physical Fitness	Mechanics will be announced later
March 15 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Film Showing ❖ Committee on Protection of Women	Details will be announced later
March 16-17 10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Audit of GAD Funds, Visayas <u>Day 1</u> ❖ Ms. Lourdes Cresencio-Turiano Independent GAD Consultant and Trainer, Certified GAD Resource Pool, PCW <u>Day 2</u> ❖ Director Sofia C. Gemora, NGS-Cluster 1 Director Lucila M. Isidro, NGS-Cluster 2 Director Michael L. Racelis, PAO Director Milagros B. Sonido, CGS-Cluster 1 Director Roberto D. Mabagos, Jr., PAO Auditor Mary Grace M. Mejia-Driz, LGS-NCR Committee on Audit and Gender Issue Analysis	Open to all Visayas auditors
March 21 8:30 am 10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Flag Ceremony ❖ Committee on Personnel Welfare Gender Sensitivity Training (GST), Mindanao ❖ Ms. Lorena T. Yunque ❖ Ms. Araceli Bayubay-Mercado ❖ Ms. Vichel Rse E. Juguilon-Pangan Independent GAD Consultants and Trainers, Certified GAD Resource Pool, PCW	Central Office but may also be done in the regions Open to all regional personnel who have not attended the GST seminar/webinar
March 22 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	COVID-19 Myths and Facts ❖ Dr. Ma. Teresa Barzaga Resource Person	
March 23-24 10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Audit of GAD Funds, Mindanao <u>Day 1</u> ❖ Ms. Lourdes Cresencio-Turiano Independent GAD Consultant and Trainer, Certified GAD Resource Pool, PCW <u>Day 2</u> ❖ Director Sofia C. Gemora, NGS-Cluster 1 Director Lucila M. Isidro, NGS-Cluster 2 Director Michael L. Racelis, PAO Director Milagros B. Sonido, CGS-Cluster 1 Director Roberto D. Mabagos, Jr., PAO Auditor Mary Grace M. Mejia-Driz, LGS-NCR Committee on Audit and Gender Issue Analysis	Open to all Mindanao auditors
March 28 8:30 am	Flag Ceremony ❖ Committee on Finance	Central Office but may also be done in the regions

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10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Gender Sensitivity Training (GST), NCR and Central Office ❖ Ms. Lorena T. Yunque ❖ Ms. Araceli Bayubay-Mercado ❖ Ms. Vichel Rse E. Juguilon-Pangan Independent GAD Consultants and Trainers, Certified GAD Resource Pool, PCW	All NCR/CO COA personnel who have not attended GST seminar/ webinar
March 30 10:30 am onwards	Fun Demic Games ❖ Committee on Sports and Physical Fitness	Mechanics will be announced later
March 30-31 10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Audit of GAD Funds, NCR and Central Office <u>Day 1</u> ❖ Ms. Lourdes Cresencio-Turiano Independent GAD Consultant and Trainer, Certified GAD Resource Pool, PCW <u>Day 2</u> ❖ Director Sofia C. Gemora, NGS-Cluster 1 Director Lucila M. Isidro, NGS-Cluster 2 Director Michael L. Racelis, PAO Director Milagros B. Sonido, CGS-Cluster 1 Director Roberto D. Mabagos, Jr., PAO Auditor Mary Grace M. Mejia-Driz, LGS-NCR Committee on Audit and Gender Issue Analysis Closing Remarks ❖ Director Sofia C. Gemora, NGS-Cluster 1 Chair, Committee on Audit and Gender Issue Analysis	Open to NCR/CO auditors