



COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 2021-008

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE *PHILIPPINE COUNTRY PROGRAMME FOR THE GREEN CLIMATE FUND 2019-2023*

WHEREAS, the Philippines ranks fourth among countries most affected by climate change for the past two decades according to the Global Climate Risk Index 2021, as it suffers from extreme weather events that have adversely affected both natural and social systems, and led to loss of lives, and even as it confronts slow onset climate impacts such as sea level rise and ocean acidification;

WHEREAS, the Philippines acknowledges the urgent need to build the resilience of communities to adapt to the worst impacts of climate change, and to reduce and avoid greenhouse gas emissions with the view to keeping global average temperature rise to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels, as expressed in its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC);

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 9729 (s. 2009) or the Climate Change Act, as amended by RA No. 10174 (s. 2012), provides that the Climate Change Commission (CCC) shall coordinate, monitor, and evaluate the programs and action plans of the government in order to ensure the mainstreaming of climate change into the national, sectoral and local development plans and programs;

WHEREAS, the country's climate and sustainable development goals and priorities are embodied in various national policy and planning frameworks, in particular, the NDC, National Climate Change Action Plan (NCCAP) 2018–2022, the updated Philippine Development Plan (PDP) and the accompanying Public Investment Program (PIP), and the Roadmap of the Cabinet Cluster on Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, and Disaster Risk Reduction (CCAM- DRR);

WHEREAS, the 17th Conference of the Parties (COP17) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) designated the Green Climate Fund (GCF) as an operating entity of the financial mechanism of the Convention, in accordance with Article 11 thereof, (Decision 3/CP.17);

WHEREAS, the GCF is an international fund created to support projects and programs in low-emission development (mitigation) and climate resilience (adaptation) in developing countries, and to make a significant and ambitious contribution to combat climate change guided by six investment criteria, one of which is country ownership or

the assessment by how a project or activity addresses national frameworks, strategies and needs;

WHEREAS, the CCC served as the National Designated Authority (NDA) of the Government of the Philippines to the GCF from 03 July 2018 to 24 June 2021, which designation has been conferred on the Department of Finance (DOF) on 25 June 2021 by Presidential Order;

WHEREAS, to guide the NDA and the whole-of-nation mechanism for the development and evaluation of projects for GCF access, as well as inform the GCF of the country priorities on climate adaptation and mitigation, the Philippine Country Programme was formulated, in consideration of the GCF's strategic result areas and investment criteria and its policies on gender, indigenous peoples, and environmental and social safeguards;

WHEREAS, a robust and inclusive engagement process to develop the Philippine Country Programme involved at least five (5) multi-stakeholder and validation consultations that were conducted and participated in by at least thirty-three (33) various national government agencies and financial institutions, eighteen (18) civil society and development organizations including indigenous peoples organizations, four (4) academic institutions, and nine (9) business sector representatives, to ensure consideration of the country's climate and sustainable development goals and priorities and policy and planning frameworks;

WHEREAS, the CCC on its 4th Special Commission Meeting held on 11 August 2020, approved the **"Resolution Adopting the Thematic Priorities of the Philippine Country Programme for the GCF 2019-2023"**, which outlines nine thematic priorities or areas for GCF access as follows:

- (i) Enabling the overall environment for green finance and climate investments;
- (ii) Development and promotion of climate resilient frameworks, practices, and business systems in the agriculture and fisheries sector;
- (iii) Promotion of sustainable energy and transport;
- (iv) Integration of resource and energy efficient designs and systems in domestic, commercial, and industrial use;
- (v) Promotion of green, sustainable and livable cities;
- (vi) Development of resilient ecosystems;
- (vii) Promotion of climate-responsive social protection programs;
- (viii) Provision of climate information services; and
- (ix) Integration and active involvement of indigenous peoples in Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, and Disaster Risk Reduction (CCAM-DRR) initiatives.



WHEREAS, the full publication entitled “*Philippine Country Programme for the GCF 2019-2023*” elaborates on the nine thematic areas and describes the scope and possible range of mitigation and adaptation projects and programs for submission to the GCF for the period 2019 to 2023, and exists as a living document that can be revisited periodically to ensure that the country portfolio is responsive to the country’s climate needs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CCC adopts the *Philippine Country Programme for the Green Climate Fund 2019-2023*;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the *Philippine Country Programme for the Green Climate Fund 2019-2023* be published in the official websites of the NDA, the CCC and the GCF, and in printed material if resources permit, to inform stakeholders on the country’s efforts to access the GCF;

RESOLVED, FINALLY, that the NDA and CCC conduct a regular review of the Philippine Country Programme as may be necessary on the basis of our country’s evolving needs and experience.

APPROVED this 10th day of August, 2021 in the City of Manila, Philippines.



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