Executive Summary

The Local Government Report 2011 of the Province of Cavite is composed of four major parts. The first chapter contains the results of the Local Governance Performance Management System or the LGPMS. This chapter is very important because it is the basis of evaluation on the performance of the provincial government in four areas of governance such as social, economic, environment and administrative. On the second chapter, the accomplishments of all provincial offices are presented. The accomplishment report are very detailed indicating the Performance Target or the description of the program, project activity; the schedule of its implementation; performance indicator; and the actual accomplishment of the office for each target. The third chapter shows the Plans and Programs of the different provincial government offices. This chapter lays down the direction that the provincial government will take for the following fiscal year. The presentation of such will ensure that all of the programs. Projects and activities to be implemented are in line with the over-all direction set by the provincial administration. The last part is the Attachment portion. It discusses the background of the provincial government such as vision, development strategies, financial profile and potential investment areas. Another attachment is the description of the budget performance and financial statements of the province for 2011. The third attachment talks about the major accomplishments of the entire provincial government. It is followed with the list of passed ordinances and issued executive orders in 2011. The functional and organizational charts of the entire provincial government are also present in this report.

Under the Local Governance Performance Management System, the province of Cavite performed well in its administrative governance gaining the following ratings: local legislation – 4/5, development planning - 5/5, revenue generation - 4.92/5, resource allocation and utilization - 4/5 and human resource management and development – 5/5. The human resource management and development performed well in ensuring the good performance and productivity of all the capitol employees. On the other hand, this is complemented with satisfactory performance of development planning functions. The processes involved, one of which is the consultations and public hearings, are all in place as well as the availability of all planning databases. These foundations provide a very facilitative process of development planning. In the area of local legislation, the ordinances are lesser than the legislative measures which affected the total rating of local legislation.

An almost perfect rating was achieved in the social governance covering the areas of health services (4.94/5), support to education services (5/5), support to housing and basic utilities (5/5) and peace, security and disaster risk management (4.75). Evidently, the provincial government is exerting all efforts to address the housing concerns in Cavite. There are relocation programs implemented in order to provide resettlement to illegal settlers. Other support programs were also implemented in the areas of livelihood, infrastructure and education. The provincial government also works hand-in-hand with private and public entities working towards provision of housing services as in the case of LRTA Relocation Project. There are also housing projects targeting the middle class population assisted by the Housing and Land-Use Regulatory Board (HLURB).

The support to education services also got a perfect rating. The strict guidelines with regards to the use of the Special Education Fund are being followed by the Province. Likewise, the Local School Board of the province is very functional, with its projects complementing the national government in its objective to provide quality education to the school goers. The general fund is also supplementing for education related projects such as classrooms and educational materials.

The perfect score was also achieved in the area of peace, security and disaster risk management. There is a specific office that handles concerns regarding public safety. The reporting system is in place and there is open communication line with the concerned agencies such as the Philippine National Police and Bureau of Fire Protection. Related provincial councils are also organized such as the Provincial Council for the Protection of Children. The province also possesses an Integrated Public Safety Plan that serves as blueprint in the development and maintenance of peace and order in Cavite. The calamity fund is also being used to its intended purposes.

Meanwhile, the Health Services got a high but not excellent rating of 4.94/5. Despite having appropriate programs and projects, efforts to reach more populace has to be done.

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The sector of economic governance got excellent ratings in all of its areas such as support to agricultural sector (4.93/5), support to fishery services (5/5) and entrepreneurship, business and industry promotion (5/5). The province has the Cavite Investment Promotions Code that embodies laws protecting the welfare of investors and at the same time serves as a medium of marketing the province as a premier investment area. The Province is actively promoting Cavite locally and internationally, not just in the field of industry but also in tourism and agriculture. The province is also regularly conducting the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) Congress and Cooperative Congress, among others. The Provincial Cooperative. Livelihood and Entrepreneurial Development Office is also conducting various seminars and trainings in order to empower the entrepreneurial Caviteño. Technical assistances are also provided such as product labelling and other product development undertakings.

The fishery sector was also rated perfect by the LGPMS (5/5). The province has a well-organized FARMC or the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Management Council that gives direction to the management that is use and preservation, of the aquatic resources of Cavite. The Office of the Provincial Agriculturist is also executing different programs in assistance to the fishery sector such as fingerlings distribution, training on fishery innovations, etc.

On the other hand, the support to the agriculture sector still has a room for improvement (4.93/5). Better efforts have to be exerted to reach a wider range of farming-households. Moreover, a link of agriculture to tourism has to be established so as to increase the profit margin of the farmers. The establishment of farm produce trading post will give a great impact to the agricultural sector of the province.

The environmental governance is comprised of four sub-sectors such as forest ecosystem management (5/5), freshwater ecosystem management (5/5), coastal marine ecosystem management (5/5) and urban ecosystem management (5/5). All of which got a perfect rating in LGPMS. The provincial government is implementing the applicable laws on solid waste disposal and promoting the establishment and use of Material Recovery Facilities (MRF). Close monitoring of the Mts. Palay-Palay and Mataas na Gulod Protected Landscape is being done. There are continuous programs on the reforestation and preservation of the forest reserves. In terms of coastal marine ecosystems, the Coastal-Use Zoning Plan which was organized in the previous year is now being strictly enforced so as to provide all localities with fair share of the coastal areas and to ensure its utmost protection and productivity.

Under the valuing fundamentals of governance, the province also showed remarkable performance for gaining perfect scores on participation, transparency and financial accountability. In the official website of the province, a webpage is designated for compliance to full disclosure which publicizes different provincial reports, especially about the finances of the provincial government. In each office, the culture of transparency is also evident. There are illustrations on the process flow of all transactions that occur in that particular department. The organizational structure is also posted in an area in the office where it will be visible to the public. Participative planning is the main methodology in coming up with provincial development plans. There are also public hearings conducted in view of land-use plans of different local government units. In terms of procurement and project implementation, the prescribed process is being followed such as the bidding process.