CLIMATE CHANGE EXPENDITURE TAGGING (CCET)

Monitoring convergence of climate actions through the public budget for a climate resilient and greener recovery of the Philippines



BACKGROUND

The Government of the Philippines has demonstrated leadership and strong commitment in implementing a comprehensive reform agenda to respond to climate change (CC). With the goal of using the budget process to plan, prioritize, and monitor CC expenditure, the Government has mobilized the Budget Preparation Process to tag climate change expenditures using a common policy-based typology and guidelines.

The Philippines has led the development of a standardized CC typology and coding structure for use in the planning, budgeting, monitoring, and reporting of public CC expenditures more popularly known as the Climate Change Expenditure Tagging (CCET). The CCET is a joint effort of the Climate Change Commission (CCC), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), with the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) for the sub-national counterpart. The tagging and reporting procedure is guided by the Joint Memorandum Circular issued by the DBM and CCC for the National, and with DILG for subnational in 2015.



Fig. 1: (L-R) DBM-CCC JMC 2015-01; DBM-CCC-DILG JMC 2015-01



The CCET requires the government to keep track of climate change adaptation and mitigation actions in all levels of budgeting (*i.e.* Agency Request, National Expenditure Program, General Appropriations Act, Annual Investment Programming) with the use of climate change typologies, data can be obtained to take stock of climate change PAPs and their characteristics

(*i.e.* sector, type of delivery, alignment, budget). This supports progress tracking of the implementation of the National Climate Change Action Plan (NCCAP), and at the same time contributes to surfacing investment gaps, areas, sectors, and type of action taken by the Government.

To better support national and local government instrumentalities in tagging climate change PAPs in their annual budgets, the CCC, through the CCET Helpdesk, provide technical assistance and capacity building to government instrumentalities.

ACTORS IN CCET

NGAs, SUCs, GOCCs, & LGUs



DILG

- Identify and tag climate change in the budget forms (for national) and annual investment plans (for subnational) based on the climate typologies
- Establish and document baseline for identified climate change Programs/Activities/Projects (PAPs)
- Accomplish and submit the CCET proposed PAPs to the CCC, DBM and DILG

Climate Change Commission

- Monitor, Evaluate and Report agencies and LGUs climate-tagged PAPs
- Review and approve new typology proposals
- Provide a Helpdesk to provide support and technical assistance to agencies and LGUs
- Together with DBM and DILG build the capacity of agencies and LGUs to undertake CCET

Department of Budget & Management

- Include in the National, Corporate, and Local Budget Memoranda the tagging of climate change expenditures in the government's budget
- Provide the CCC generated budget forms at the national level
- Include the CCET and the revised AIP in the updating of the Budget Operations Manual for LGUs

Department of Interior & Local Government

- Together with DBM and CCC continuously build the capacity of LGUs to undertake CCET
- Monitor LGUs' compliance to CCET