



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Sorsogon
OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16 - 2023

CREATING THE SORSOGON PROVINCIAL TOURISM PLANNING COMMITTEE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 17(b)(3)(xii) of Republic Act (RA) No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991," provides that the basic services and facilities of the province shall include tourism development and promotion programs;

WHEREAS, Chapter II, Subchapter II-E, Section 37 of RA No. 9593, otherwise known as "The Tourism Act of 2009," provides in part that LGUs, in connection with stakeholders, are encouraged to utilize their powers under RA No. 7160, to ensure the preparation and implementation of a tourism plan, the enforcement of standards, and the collection of statistical data for tourism purposes;

WHEREAS, DILG Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 95-162, encouraged Local Chief Executives (LCEs) to organize Tourism Councils in their jurisdictions, composed of government and private sector representatives to formulate programs and recommendations to develop local tourism facilities and attractions tapping local resources and funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDWIN "BOBOY" B. HAMOR, Governor of the Province of Sorsogon, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. Creation of the Sorsogon Provincial Tourism Planning Committee. – The Sorsogon Provincial Tourism Planning Committee is hereby created.

Section 2. Functions of the Committee. – The functions of the Tourism Planning Committee shall be the following:

1. To prepare a work plan for the preparation of the tourism plan;
2. To formulate the tourism plan; and
3. To consult with residents and other stakeholders of tourism areas.

Section 2. Composition of the Committee. – The committee shall be composed of the Provincial Governor, who shall serve as the chairperson, with the committee composed of the following officials and representatives:

1. Tourism Council (Private Sector Representative)
2. Tourism Officer
3. Local Planning and Development Coordinator (LPDC)
4. Sanggunian Chairperson for Tourism Development
5. Local Agriculturist (If the LGU plans on venturing into farm tourism)
6. People's Organization working in Tourism areas
7. Women's Organization involved in Tourism
8. Non-government Organization (NGO) working in Tourism
9. Barangay Captains of barangays with tourism attractions
10. Academe
11. Department of Tourism Regional Office V (DoT-ROV)
12. Department of the Interior Local Government
13. Local Government Operations Officer (DILG LGOO)
14. Local Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
15. Philippine National Police (PNP)
16. Disaster Risk Reduction Council (DRRMC)
17. Transport Sector
18. Protected Area Superintendent (PASU), when there is a NIPAS area located within the facility
19. Other sectoral representatives and LGU offices deemed important in tourism planning

Section 3. Roles of the Committee. – The chairperson shall have the principal responsibility for directing and overseeing the development of the tourism plan, according to schedule. The chairperson is responsible for chairing major tourism planning sessions, and shall designate a representative in sessions the he will not be present.

The Committee shall actively participate in all activities identified in the work plan. The team shall develop realistic goals, appropriate strategies and identify programs, projects and activities that best contribute to the attainment of the tourism goals and objectives of the locality.

Section 4. Funding. – The budgetary requirements for the conduct of activities and delivery of outputs shall be sourced from the Sorsogon Provincial Tourism Culture and Arts Office (SPTCAO) – Planning and Development Section.

Section 5. Incorporation Clause. – All laws, legal order, rules and regulations that have been issued and/or will be issued by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines are hereby incorporated herein and made an integral part hereof. In case of conflict, such laws, legal order, rules and regulations shall have precedence over provisions of this Executive Order.

Section 6. Repealing Clause. – Any Administrative Order or Executive Order previously issued that is inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order shall be considered repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

Section 7. Effectivity. – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its issuance as stated hereunder.

DONE, this 28th day of **March, 2023** in the City of Sorsogon, Province of Sorsogon.


EDWIN "BOBOY" B. HAMOR
Governor