



LOCAL PROJECT MONITORING COMMITTEE (LMPC)

POST-ACTIVITY REPORT

**ORIENTATION ON THE GUIDELINES ON THE RELEASE AND
UTILIZATION OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FUND–
GROWTH EQUITY FUND (LGSF-GEF)**

June 2, 2026

I. ACTIVITY DETAILS

Title of Activity	Orientation on GEF (Growth Equity Fund) Guidelines
Date	June 2, 2026
Lead Office/Unit	Local Project Monitoring Committee (LPMC)
Venue	New Legislative Building, San Sebastian, Samar
Total No. of Participants	13
No. of Male Participants	5
No. of Female Participants	8

II. RATIONALE AND OBJECTIVES

The Local Government Support Fund–Growth Equity Fund (LGSF-GEF) is a national government initiative established to address unequal development and disparities in the fiscal capacities of local government units (LGUs). It provides financial assistance to poor, disadvantaged, and lagging LGUs, particularly those classified under the 4th, 5th, and 6th income classes.

With the release of the guidelines for the LGSF-GEF under the FY 2025 and FY 2026 General Appropriations Acts, it is crucial for concerned LGUs and their project monitoring bodies to fully understand the rules, standards, and procedures governing the implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of GEF-funded projects.

In line with this, the LPMC conducted this orientation with the following objectives:
To orient project teams on the policies and guidelines for the release and utilization of the LGSF-GEF.

To ensure that concerned LGUs and LPMC members understand the processes and requirements for proper fund implementation.

To provide guidance on the monitoring and evaluation of GEF-funded projects.

III. ACTIVITY PROPER

The orientation was opened with an overview of the LGSF-GEF, including its legal basis, purpose, and the eligibility criteria for beneficiary LGUs. It was emphasized that the GEF is automatically released to pre-identified LGUs and is intended to support the implementation of priority projects and services.

The core of the activity was a discussion on the Local Budget Circulars (LBCs), specifically LBC No. 166 (FY 2026) and LBC No. 167 (FY 2025), which prescribe the detailed guidelines on the release and utilization of the fund.

Key points discussed during the orientation included:

Coverage and Allocation: The breakdown of the fund allocation for provinces, cities, municipalities, and barangays.

Eligible Projects: The types of projects that can be implemented using the GEF, such as roads, school buildings, water supply and sanitation systems, health stations, electrification programs, and food security initiatives. It was noted that each project must include the installation of a rainwater collection system.

Project Implementation and Monitoring: The mandatory use of the SubayBAYAN portal for the proper transmission and monitoring of projects.

Compliance: The importance of adhering to all requirements for implementing infrastructure projects under the GAA.

IV. HIGHLIGHTS/KEY TAKEAWAYS

Clarified Guidelines: Participants gained a clear understanding of the LBCs governing the LGSF-GEF, reducing ambiguities in fund utilization and project implementation.

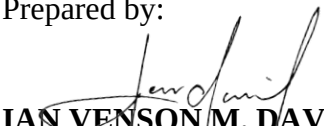
Enhanced Monitoring Capacity: The LPMC and other participants were oriented on their roles in monitoring GEF-funded projects, ensuring alignment with national standards.

Emphasis on Compliance: The activity underscored the need for strict compliance with the guidelines, reinforcing accountability and transparency in the use of public funds.

V. OUTCOME

The orientation successfully equipped the project teams and LPMC members with the necessary knowledge to effectively manage and monitor LGSF-GEF projects. It served as a proactive step to ensure the readiness and compliance of concerned LGUs. This activity reaffirms the commitment of the LPMC to provide technical capacity to LGUs to ensure the effective implementation of projects and improved local infrastructure governance.

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JUNE 2, 2026

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