



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF LEYTE
OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN
Palo, Leyte
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COMMITTEE ON RULES, LAWS and PRIVILEGES

COMMITTEE REPORT

No. 8 series 2025

Referred to this Committee through SP Resolution No. 2024-548 is the complaint transmitted through the 8888 Citizen's Complaint Hotline regarding the irregularities in the distribution of the "Ayuda Para Sa Kapos Ang Kita Program" or AKAP in the Municipality of Inopacan, Leyte.

The complainant raised concerns regarding the distribution of aid, under AKAP, asserting that numerous deserving individuals are being unjustly excluded. It is alleged that the actions of the Municipal Mayor and Vice Mayor constitute political manipulation of the program, as evidenced by preferential treatment extended to certain individuals, including relatives of local officials. Additionally, it is claimed that the distribution process lacks equity, as distribution of aid does not proceed through the designated barangay captains in various barangays. Instead, the Mayor has deployed personnel to compile lists of beneficiaries directly which resulted in the exclusion of vulnerable groups, including the elderly and single individuals with insufficient income. The complainant further requests the suspension of the distribution of aid in the Municipality of Inopacan, asserting that numerous deserving individuals are being deprived of assistance.

It is essential to note that the actions of this esteemed body concerning complaints against elective officials are governed by the Revised Internal Rules of Procedure of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte. Specifically, Section 8 of Rule XVI of the Procedure for Administrative Disciplinary Proceedings provides certain formal requirements in order for the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to take cognizance of administrative cases involving elective officials from the various municipalities within the Province of Leyte and that is the filing of a verified complaint or a sworn statement duly signed by the complainant in such a number of copies as provided by the aforementioned section.

Given the anonymous nature of the complaint, the Committee is unable to summon the complainant for the purpose of clarificatory questioning and the presentation of evidence. Consequently, the Committee holds the view that the complainant must initially file a formal complaint against the implicated elective officials to enable the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to undertake and proceed with a formal investigation regarding the matter.

Submitted this 17th of March, 2025, Palo, Leyte



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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 116th REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE CONDUCTED AT THE SESSION HALL, LEYTE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, PALO, LEYTE ON DECEMBER 11, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-548

A RESOLUTION REFERRING TO THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE THE COPY OF THE COMPLAINT TRANSMITTED THROUGH THE 8888 CITIZEN'S COMPLAINT HOTLINE REGARDING IRREGULARITIES IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE "AYUDA PARA SA KAPOK ANG KITA PROGRAM" (AKAP) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF INOPACAN, LEYTE.

WHEREAS, submitted to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan is a copy of the letter dated December 9, 2024 from the **Provincial Governor Carlos Jericho L. Petilla** endorsing to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, the complaint transmitted through the **8888 Citizen's Complaint Hotline** regarding alleged irregularities in the distribution of the "**Ayuda Para sa Kapos ang Kita Program**" (**AKAP**) by officials of the Municipality of Inopacan, Leyte;

WHEREAS, the August Body, deemed it proper to refer the said letter to the SP Blue Ribbon Committee;

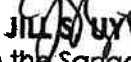
NOW, THEREFORE, on motion presented by Atty. Carlo P. Loreto, duly seconded by Honorable Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to **REFER TO THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE THE COMPLAINT TRANSMITTED THROUGH THE 8888 CITIZEN'S COMPLAINT HOTLINE REGARDING IRREGULARITIES IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE "AYUDA PARA SA KAPOK ANG KITA PROGRAM" (AKAP) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF INOPACAN, LEYTE.**

Approved unanimously.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

ATTESTED:


FLORINDA JILLS UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian


HON. LEONARDO M. JAVIER, JR.
Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

Copy furnished:

Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar
Chairperson
SP Blue Ribbon Committee

LCE and Sangguniang Bayan Members
of Inopacan, Leyte

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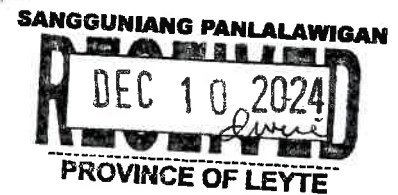
OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR
CARLOS JERICHO L. PETILLA

December 9, 2024

Item No.: 34

Date: 11 2024 DEC

Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF LEYTE



HON. LEONARDO M. JAVIER, JR.

Vice Governor
Province of Leyte

Subject: Endorsement of Concern Received Through the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Hotline

Dear **Vice-Governor Javier:**

This is to respectfully endorse to your office a concern transmitted through the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Hotline regarding alleged irregularities in the distribution of the Ayuda para sa Kapos ang Kita Program (AKAP) by officials of the Municipality of Inopacan, Leyte.

Enclosed herewith is the communication we received for your reference and appropriate action. Your esteemed office's intervention is crucial to ensure that the matter is addressed with urgency and in alignment with our shared commitment to accountability and integrity in public service.

We trust that your good office will help in facilitating the concern and ensure transparency and accountability in the implementation of government programs.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


CARLOS JERICHO L. PETILLA
Governor

Encl/ EML-092524-800-001





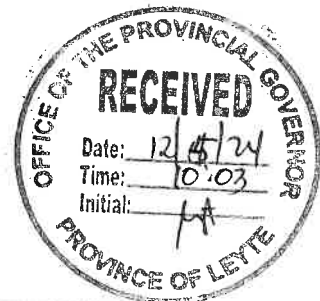
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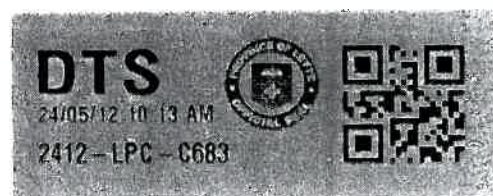
8888 Citizens' Complaint Hotline

Ticket Reference Number : EML-092524-800-001
Status: Ticket 2nd indorsed
Head of Agency : N/A
Agency : LGU Region 8, Provincial Government of Leyte
Agency Address : N/A
Attention (Focal Person) : Rhodora G. Bonifacio



Pursuant to Executive Order No. 6¹, s. 2016, may we respectfully transmit the following concern received through the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Hotline:

Date: 25 September 2024
Name of Client: N/A
Address: N/A
Contact Details: N/A
Nature of call: 2024 – Integrity And Conduct – Official
Subject: Alleged Irregularities in Distribution of Ayuda para sa Kapos ang Kita Program (AKAP) of the Officials of Inopacan, Leyte (For Referral to Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte)



Details:

Magandang umaga po, Sir/Ma'am,

May isumbong lang po ako tungkol sa sitwasyon sa Inopacan. May ayuda po mula sa gobyerno na tinatawag na AKAP. Dito sa Inopacan, sa pamumuno ni Mayor Rogelio Phua at Bise Mayor Andrew (Andy) Lumarda, kasama ang mga Sangguniang Panlalawigan, tila mayroong pagkiling sa pagbibigay ng ayuda.

Sana po maitigil na ang pagbibigay ng ayuda dahil marami ang hindi nakakatanggap na karapat-dapat. Hindi po sana kami magreklamo kung patas ang pagbibigay. Ang ginagawa ng Mayor at Bise Mayor ay parang pamumulitika lang sa programa ng AKAP. Nakakalungkot dahil pati mga nakaupo sa barangay ay binibigyan. Halimbawa, si Kapitan Sergio Lico ng Barangay Apid, ang kanyang apo ay tumanggap ng ayuda. May iba pang pangyayari sa Barangay Tinago, Inopacan, Leyte, sa pamumuno ni Kapitan Panfila Alonzo. At hindi lang iyan, sa ibang barangay din ginawa nila ito dahil daw utos ng Mayor at Bise Mayor. Hindi na nga dumadaan sa ibang barangay tulad ng:

- Barangay Jubasan
- Barangay Macagoco
- Barangay Guadalupe
- Barangay Guinsangaan
- Barangay Marao
- Barangay Caulisihan
- Barangay Caminto
- Barangay De lo Santos
- Barangay Cangangay
- Barangay Conalum

Sa mga barangay na ito, hindi dumadaan ang listahan sa mga Kapitan. Sa halip, kumuha ang Mayor ng kanyang mga tauhan para maglista sa mga barangay na ito. Ang pinakamasakit makita ay ang mga matatanda at single na hindi sapat ang kanilang suweldo, pero hindi nakakatanggap ng ayuda. Mas maganda pa siguro kung itigil na ang pagbibigay ng ayuda sa Lungsod ng Inopacan dahil marami ang karapat-dapat na hindi nabibigyan dahil sa pamumulitika. Sana maagapan ang ganitong pamamaraan at masiguro na ang mga nakakatanggap ay ang mga tunay na nangangailangan. Masakit sa damdamin ang ganitong pamamalakad sa Inopacan, Leyte. Ito po mga larawan nito iba hindi karapat-dapat bigyan.

For further details, kindly check the attached documents. Thank you.

Note: This concern has been lodged through the 8888 Email.

Information contained in this communication is privileged, confidential and intended solely for the use of the individual or entity to whom it is addressed and others authorized to receive it. If you are not the intended recipient, you must not disclose or use the information contained in it. If you have received this communication in error, please notify the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Center immediately and dispose this communication in accordance with the provision of Republic Act No. 10173, otherwise known as Data Privacy Act of 2012.

Please be reminded of Section 5 of EO No. 6, which states that "a citizen's concern lodged through any of the communication channels shall have a concrete and specific action within 72 hours from the receipt of the concern by the proper government agency or instrumentality".

Kindly send your reply directly to the concerned person/entity, copy furnished the 8888 Portal thru your agency 8888 Focal Team, citing the above ticket reference number. Thank you very much.

"Institutionalizing the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Hotline and Establishing the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Center", under the

direction and supervision of the Office of the Executive Secretary.

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