



Metro Manila Flood Management Project
3rd RAP Monitoring Report for the Vitas Pumping Station
April 1, 2022

I. BACKGROUND

In April 2021, the World Bank approved the revised Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) for the Informal Settler Families (ISFs) affected by rehabilitation of the Vitas Pumping Station under the Metro Manila Flood Management Project. The revised RAP covers 229 ISFs, 88 of which would be relocated to the resettlement site in San Jose del Monte, Bulacan developed by the Social Housing Finance Corporation (SHFC) and the remaining 141 ISFs will be at the resettlement site in Trece Martires, Cavite developed by the National Housing Authority (NHA).

This is the third monitoring report for the implementation of the revised RAP. All details of the resettlement of the ISFs are specified in the RAP, which was disclosed in accordance with World Bank's OP 4.12 Involuntary Resettlement. This monitoring report needs to be read together with the revised RAP and the first two monitoring reports to make a full understanding of its context and take-off point.

II. RAP PROGRESS AND MONITORING

This report covers the period starting from March 1, 2022 to April 1, 2022. It must be noted that prior to the RAP approval in April 2021, the Consultant established the RAP Implementation Team in February 2021, responsible for coordinating or conducting various relocation preparatory activities described below.

1. Local Help Desk at Brgy. 93, Tondo, Manila

The Local Help Desk established by the DPWH continued to assist ISFs covered under the Project in complying with the requirements of the NHA. The Team continued to assess the requirements prior submission to NHA for approval and pre-qualification. In addition, the 20 ISFs that have been approved were assisted in completing their requirements specifically on registration and appointment for securing NBI clearances and PSA certificates to ensure that there would be no hindrances for their relocation in NHA. These 20 ISFs constitute the first batch of relocatees under the Project.

2. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the sending and receiving LGU

During this monitoring period, the MOA between LGUs Manila and Trece Martires has been signed. This facilitated the issuance of entry passes for the first batch of ISFs. The entry pass is ready after the approval of the ISFs requirements and issued on the day of relocation/transfer. Each of the entry pass should be attested by two (2) representatives from LIAC (MUSO and PCUP).

Date	Particular
17 March 2022	Resolution no. 47 has been issued authorizing the Mayors to sign the MOA between sending and receiving LGU
22 March 2022	MOA between sending and receiving LGU has been signed by Manila City Mayor
23 March 2022	MOA between sending and receiving LGU has been signed by Trece Martires, Cavite City Mayor
24 March 2022	MOA between sending and receiving LGU has been forwarded to NHA for signature of the General Manager for the issuance of Entry Pass

3. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the downloading of funds to LGU^[MAJL1]

The MOA for the downloading of funds to LGU has been prepared for the delivery of basic services to the ISFs as three (3) years post relocation assistance. This includes the following:

- Livelihood Assistance for Skills Training for employment and micro-enterprises, starter kits and securing clearances and permits for employment and micro-enterprises) – 229 ISFs @ Php 15,000 each^[12]
- Receiving LGU PPEs Sanitation Kit during relocation
- CLRD and Social Services structures and start-up capital for income generating activities for PAFs. This includes construction of livelihood center, health facilities, talipapa/wet market and procurement and installation of streetlights and CCTV.
- Provision of Assistance for the Honorarium and basic services
- Purchase of Dump Truck
- Electrical Certification Permit @ Php 120/PAFs^[13]

Date	Particular
17 March 2022	MOA between DPWH and TMC has been signed by the Undersecretary for UPMO Operations
22 March 2022	MOA between DPWH and TMC has been signed by Trece Martires, Cavite City Mayor

4. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the disbursement of Financial Assistance to ISFs

This MOA is between DPWH and Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP). Currently, the said MOA has been revised based on the comments of LBP and transmitted to LBP for approval. ^{[MAJL4][NJ5]} The first batch of relocation disbursed the cash to ISFs and the succeeding will be through LBP. The next meeting for the finalization of MOA is on 6 April 2022.

The cash disbursement for the first batch is broken down as follows per ISF. This is based on the Agreements to Demolish and Remove Improvements and is consistent with the transfer allowance provided for in the RAP.

Particular	Cost (PHP)
<i>1. Food Allowance at PHP 500.00 per PAF per day for 14 days quarantine</i>	<i>7,000.00</i>
<i>2. Health and Safety Kits for PAFs (PPEs, thermometers, disinfectant supplies, Vitamin C and paracetamol capsules)</i>	<i>1,027.51</i>
<i>3. Transfer Assistance for Trucking, vehicle for PAFs and manpower assistance for vulnerable persons</i>	<i>15,000.00</i>
<i>4. Payment for the new application of electricity and water</i>	<i>800.00</i>
Total	23,827.51

However, the total amount to be received by each ISF has been deducted for the following expenses: (1) application for utilities to service provider, (2) utilities sub-meter installations while waiting for the service provider for a minimum of a month, and (3) a month and half deposit for utilities with sub-meters.

Particular	Cost (PHP)
<i>Total amount (Food allowance, Health and Safety Kits, Transfer assistance for trucking, New application for electricity and water)</i>	<i>23,827.51</i>
<i>Less: Payment for the new application of electricity and Water</i>	<i>800.00</i>
<i>Payment for the Installation of Sub-meter</i>	<i>2,000.00</i>
<i>Electric and Water deposit for 1 month and half while waiting for the service line</i>	<i>1,500.00</i>
Total Balance	19,527.51

The disbursement of financial assistance has been divided into two tranches: 1st and 2nd/final disbursement. [MAJL6][NJ7] Hereunder are the details:

- (1) First Disbursement – upon the issuance of NHA entry pass – the food allowance for 14-days quarantine fund and health and safety kits amounting to **P8,027.51**.

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<i>1. Food Allowance at PHP 500.00 per PAF per day for 14 days quarantine</i>	<i>7,000.00</i>

<i>2. Health and Safety Kits for PAFs (PPEs, thermometers, disinfectant supplies, Vitamin C and paracetamol capsules)</i>	<i>1,027.51</i>
Total	8,027.51

- (2) Second and Final Disbursement – upon unloading of materials and personal belongings at the relocation site – Transfer Assistance for Trucking, vehicle for PAFs and manpower assistance for vulnerable persons amounting to **P11,500.00**.

Particular	Cost (PHP)
<i>Transfer Assistance for Trucking, vehicle for PAFs and manpower assistance for vulnerable persons</i>	<i>15,000.00</i>
<i>Payment for the new application of electricity and water</i>	<i>800.00</i>
<i>Less: Payment for the new application of electricity and Water</i>	<i>800.00</i>
<i>Payment for the Installation of Sub-meter</i>	<i>2,000.00</i>
<i>Electric and Water deposit for 1 month and half while waiting for the service line</i>	<i>1,500.00</i>
Total	11,500.00

Note: Any excess amount will be given back to the ISFs

5. Site Tripping

On March 20, 2022, the initially approved 20 ISFs visited the site to check the completed units. Each of the ISFs pre-selected their units together with their relatives.

6. Social Preparation

The March 5, 2022 meeting with the 20 ISFs for relocation on April 1, 2022 discussed the Agreements to Demolish and Remove Improvements (ADRI) and the financial assistance to be provided to them (please see attached minutes of meeting as Annex 6.a). It included the terms of payment with corresponding deductions.

On March 27, 2022 (please see attached minutes of meeting as Annex 6.b), a consultation with the host community was conducted and the following were the results:

- There are no objections in relocating the ISFs from Vitas
- Requested the presence of Barangay *tanod* (local safety enforcers), health workers, and daycare centers
- Alternative livelihood for women

- When will be the implementation of livelihood programs
- Requested basic facilities
 - Daycare center
 - Covered court
 - Health center
 - Talipapa
- Assistance in acquiring prangkisa/membership in Tricycle Operators and Drivers' Association (TODA) here in Cabuco
- Preferred consultation every Sunday

III. Updates on the Transfer to the NHA Site of the 141 PAFs

Of the 20 ISFs that have been approved and relocated on April 1, 2022, 16 ISFs are from list of NHA relocatees. The remaining 135 ISFs are still yet to submit their requirements for pre-qualification and approval^{[MAJL8][NJ9]}.

IV. Updates of 88 ISFs under the SHFC

Of the 20 ISFs that have been relocated, 4 ISFs are from the list of SHFC relocatees. The remaining 84 ISFs are still yet to complete their requirements for submission to NHA.

V. Livelihood Programs

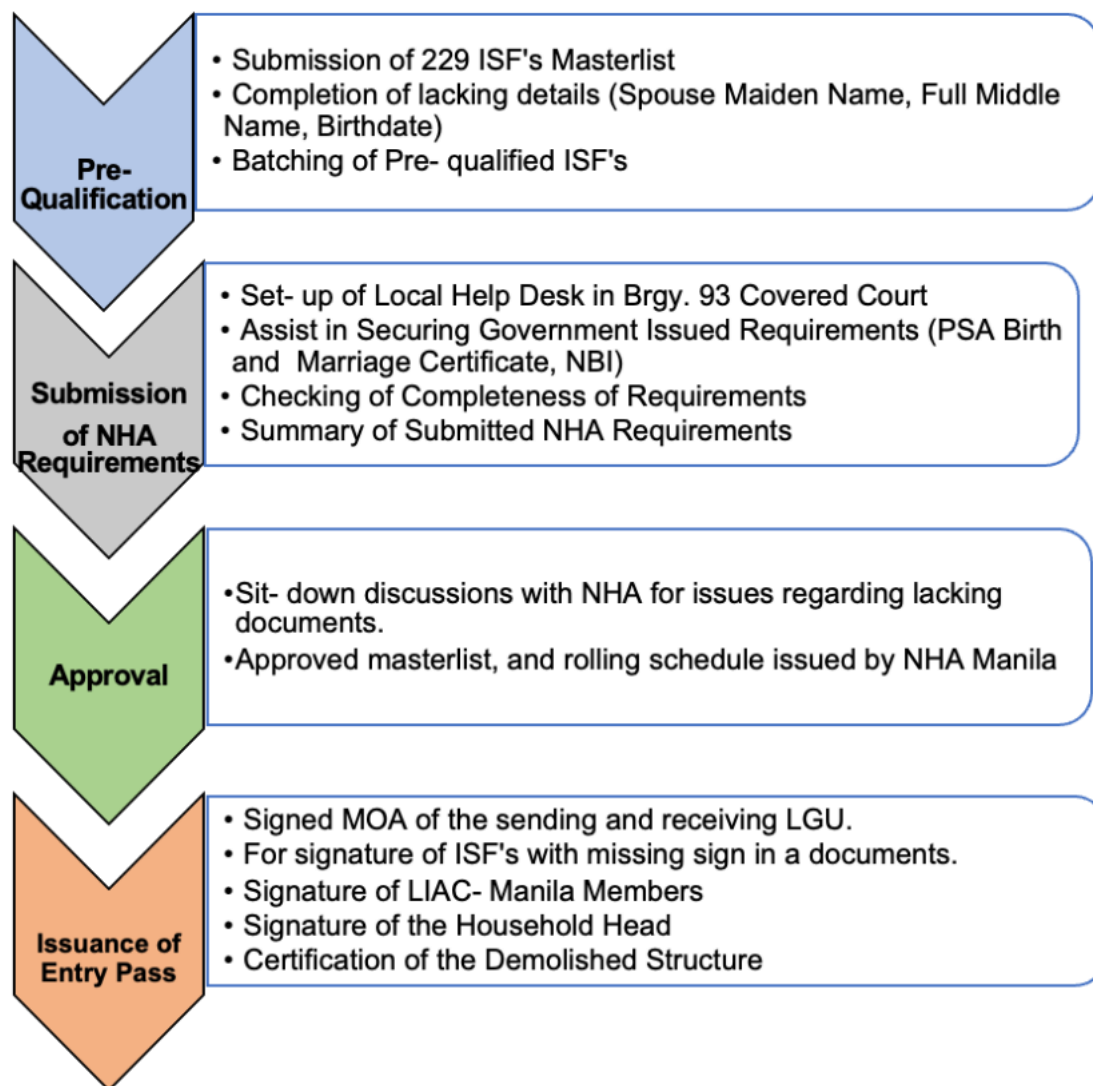
The family profile of the 20 ISFs under Batch 1 was updated through face-to-face interview at the help desk in Barangay 93 and phone calls for the remaining ISFs that were not available. In summary, only 30 percent of the household heads graduated from high school, while 70 percent only reached elementary and high school level. On the other hand, 40 percent of the household members (spouses) graduated from high school and or have reached college level, while the remaining 60 percent are undergraduates of elementary and high school. Moreover, at least 75 percent of the household members (spouses) agree to venture into business once relocated.

The team coordinated and consulted with PESO-TMC through Ms. Necita Abestro, Focal Person on Resettlement and Ms. Isabelita Ayos of Housing Office, regarding livelihood assistance before the actual relocation of twenty (20) ISFs in April 1, 2022.

Since funds for skills training is yet to be downloaded to the LGU and PESO-TMC focuses on job referral and placement, Ms. Abestro recommended some companies who are hiring elementary and high school level applicants, namely: i) Royal Tern Ceramics Phils., Inc., ii) Kumkang Company, and iii) FAMSI. PESO-TMC who gave assurance to assist the first batch relocatees for employment especially those household heads and other employable members of the family. The companies will also conduct Pre-Employment Orientation Seminar (PEOS) for the ISFs.

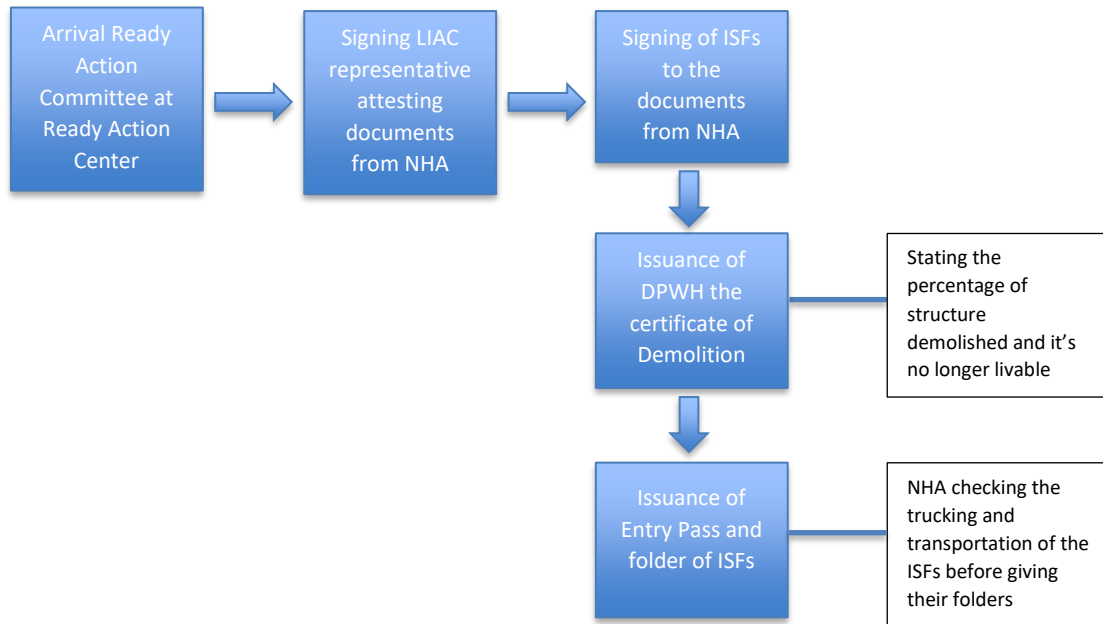
VI. NHA Approval to the Entry Pass

There is a process with the NHA prior to the issuance of the entry pass which start from the pre-qualification of ISFs, submission of the requirements and approval. The entry pass issuance was during the day of the relocation.

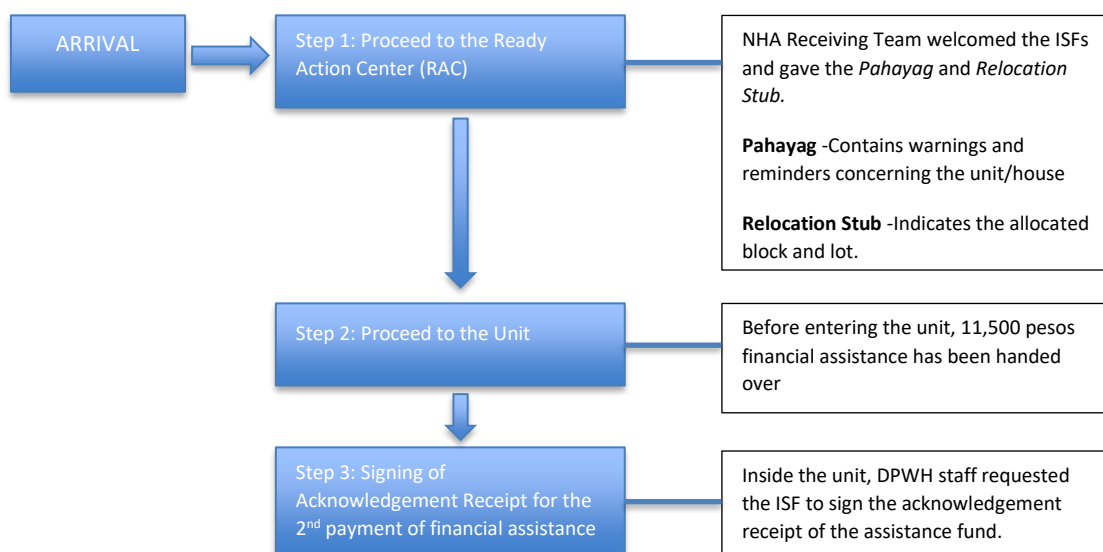


VII. Relocations

After the series of meetings for the finalization and approval of the MOA, entry pass has been issued and relocation followed. Hereunder is the actual process on-site:



Upon arrival of the ISFs at Trece Martires, Cavite, they proceeded to the Ready Action Center (RAC) assisted by the NHA and the Developer for the process and procedures prior to entry to the units. Hereunder workflow shows the actual process/procedures:



The Team left the satisfied ISFs in their respective units with ready utilities (water and electricity), cleaning and arranging their belongings.

The foundation of the structures under the bridge are made of light and salvage materials and the ISFs used same walls with their neighbors. During the consultation meeting with them, self-demolition and assisted demolition were discussed hence, half requested self-demolition and others were assisted demolition. The reason why some of the ISFs selected self-demolition, to salvage some materials to be used in whatever improvement they will have in the relocation specially the 1.5 m front and back space.

The Team come up with a strategy that in case the structure of the relocatees is located in the middle, the next ISFs will be transferred and so on until the end will be the one to demolish. The ISFs agreed to the strategy and ensure that after demolition, they will not return in their illegal structure.



VIII. BUDGET REQUIREMENTS

FUNDS FOR RAP IMPLEMENTATION

Funds for the implementation of the RAP is at Sixty-Six Million One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Fifty-Four and 43/100 Pesos only (**Php 66,124,054.43**) including 10% Project Administration Cost and 15% Contingency (please see attached complete details of RAP budget as Annex 3).

The variance from the original RAP budget is for the resettlement cost under the MOA with SHFC and NHA, and the utilities under the NHA relocation site. The implementing agency will no longer enter MOA with the SHFC and NHA on the payment of the relocation site as the two

(2) key shelter agencies will still ask the beneficiaries to pay for their amortization. It was agreed upon at the meeting on December 2, 2021 (please see attached minutes of the meeting as Annex 6.c).

During the site visit and NHA orientation on December 20, 2021, at Trece Martires, Cavite relocation site, the NHA representatives discussed that the utility application cost for the 229 ISFs is included in the amortization package. However, only Php 800.00 will be requested from each beneficiary for the payment of certification and other documentation processes, and only that amount will be provided by the implementing agency, but P800.00 has been allocated. The P800.00 will be deducted to the ISFs assistance and be directly deposited to the developer.

(Please see attached updated budget as Annex 3.)

IX. PROCEDURES FOR FLOW OF FUNDS

1. Funds to be downloaded to LGU

A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) has been signed between the implementing agency and the Trece Martires, Cavite LGU for the downloading of funds, specifically the budget for the CLRDP amounting to Php 30,000,000.00. The fund amounting to Php 40,192,480.00 is subject to DPWH approval prior to its downloading to LGU TMC taking into account that downloading of funds may be affected by the election ban.

2. Funds as Financial Assistance to the ISFs

For the first batch of relocation for the 20 ISFs, the financial assistance will be provided in cash as stated in the Agreement to Demolish and Remove Improvements (ADRI). However, for the remaining 209 ISFs, the financial assistance will be through the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP). The MOA with LBP comments has been forwarded to them for conformity incorporating the comments from DPWH Legal Service and COA.

The 20 ISFs who have been relocated received the financial assistance and acknowledged the amount. The first payment was given two days prior to relocation on March 30, 2022 and the second payment was given upon arrival at the relocation site on April 1, 2022.

(Please see attached acknowledgement receipts as Annex 4.)

X. WORKPLAN

(Please see attached workplan as Annex 5.)

XI. COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RAP

(Please see attached list of communications as Annex 7.)

XII. NEXT STEPS

1. Follow up the approval of the 2 MOAs
 - a. DPWH and LBP for the disbursement of financial assistance
 - b. DPWH and City of Manila for the P20,000.00 Sending LGU PPEs and Sanitation Kit during relocation
2. Meeting with LBP for the finalization of MOA
3. Social Preparation Meetings
4. Tripping for the 20 ISFs (2nd batch) to be relocated for unit acceptance
5. LIAC meetings
6. BSAAC deliberations
7. Local helpdesk for the assistance to ISFs requirements
8. Relocation by April 22, 25, 27, and 29, 2022
9. Implementation of LRIP and skills training by 2nd quarter of 2022
10. Check the ISFs after the quarantine period for 7 days

XIII. ANNEXES

- Annex 1 – Memorandum of Agreements (MOA) Final Version
 - a. Sending and Receiving LGU - signed
 - b. Land Bank of the Philippines
 - c. Downloading of funds for the CLRDP and post relocation assistance - signed
- Annex 2 – Agreement to Demolish and Remove Improvements – signed
- Annex 3 – Updates on RAP Budget
- Annex 4 – Acknowledgement Receipts for disbursement of financial assistance
 - a. First Disbursement of Financial Assistance
 - b. Second Disbursement of Financial Assistance
- Annex 5 – Revised Workplan
- Annex 6 – Minutes of Meeting
 - a. December 2, 2021 – Minutes of Meeting
 - b. March 5, 2022 – Minutes of Meeting
 - c. March 27, 2022 – Minutes of Meeting
- Annex 7 – List of Communications for the Implementation of RAP
- Annex 8 – Photo documentation
- Annex 9 – Demolition Plan