Metro Manila Flood Management Project Monitoring Report for the Vitas Pumping Station May 10, 2023

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 fourteenth monitoring report for the implementation of the revised RAP. All details of the resettlement of the ISFs are specified in the revised 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, Addendum to RAP, and the previous 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 April 01 - 30, 2023. 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:

- a. Establishment of Local Help Desk at Brgy. 93, Tondo, Manila;
- b. Memoranda of Agreement (MOAs) on the Downloading of Funds, and Sending and Receiving Local Government Units (LGUs);
- c. Social Preparations;
- d. Site Tripping; and
- e. Relocation and Resettlement Schedule of Activities.

In June 2022, an Addendum to the RAP was prepared due to the changes in the relocation site for the 88 ISFs under the SHFC. The proposed relocation site in San Jose Del Monte, Bulacan was taken over by the Samahan ng Walang Bahay (SAWABA) in November 2021. Series of consultation meetings and site tripping with these ISFs were conducted to get their opinion and approval regarding their acceptance of the NHA relocation site in Trece Martires, Cavite.

To date, 199 ISFs were already relocated out of 227, resulting to 28 remaining ISFs (please see Annex 1 – Photo Documentation of Relocation Activity). A Resettlement Completion Report will then be prepared once these remaining ISFs are relocated.

In the course of relocating the original 227, there are additional 55 ISFs in the technical footprint who were not included in the project masterlist. These ISFs were either new in the area or were previously single but have family now, considering the span of lockdown due to the pandemic that hindered the implementation of RAP (please see Annex 2 – New Masterlist of Additional ISFs). They will be relocated at Sunshine Ville, Brgy. Cabuco, Trece Martires Cavite and are also waiting for the LIAC resolution and result of NHA validation.

The DPWH will replenish the units to be used for ISFs, amounting to Fifty Six Million Seven Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty and 10/100 Pesos only (Php 56,778,520.10). Hereunder is the breakdown (please see attached Annex 3 – Project Funding Requirement from NHA):

Particular	Amount
House and Lot Package	51,198,030.88
Socio-Economic Component	858,066.22
Interim Sustainable Livelihood Fund	348,243.00
Sub-total	52,404,340.10
Contingency (10%)	4,374,180.00
Total	56,778,520.10

To ensure that the demolished structures will not be reconstructed and/or the remaining debris will not be used for construction of new structures, DPWH monitored the area everyday by conducting inspections and taking photos for documentation. The newly constructed structures to be demolished was coordinated with the concerned barangay for them to lead the demolition/removal of structures, with assistance from DPWH (please see Annex 4 – Photo Documentation of Site Monitoring).

III. RESULT OF NHA VALIDATION

A validation report was submitted by NHA dated April 25, 2023, in which 59 ISFs were validated – 12 are from the original 227 masterlist, while 47 are from the additional ISFs masterlist), and these ISFs are within the technical footprint of the Project.

(Please see Annex 5 – Validation Report from NHA.)

IV. LIVELIHOOD PROGRAMS

There is no progress yet for the Livelihood Restoration and Improvement Program (LRIP) activities. In addition, the request for procurement of a 4-wheeler cab with shuttle body as replacement for three (3) units of multi-cab for the Community-based Livelihood Restoration and Development Program (CLRDP) of LGU Trece Martires was

approved last April 13, 2023 and the LGU will then proceed with the procurement (please see Annex 6 – Request for Procurement of a 4-Wheeler Cab with Shuttle Body as Replacement for 3 Units of Multi-Cab).

V. OTHER ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

There are 39 relocatees that have been provided with the financial assistance in partnership of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and NHA amounting to Php 18,000.00 (please see Annex 7 – Provision of Financial Assistance by DILG and NHA). The Team assisted these agencies in the conduct of validation and verification:

- 1. DILG assist in the conduct of key informant interview in the relocation site. Providing service vehicles and meals during the activities.
- 2. NHA assist to complete their requirements for approval.

VI. BUDGET REQUIREMENTS

FUNDS FOR RAP IMPLEMENTATION

The revised fund for the implementation of the RAP is at One Hundred Forty-Three Million Eight Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Two and 66/100 Pesos only **(Php 143,847,742.66)**, including 10% Project Administration Cost and 15% Contingency (please see Annex 8 – RAP Budget).

RAP	Amount (Php)	Additive/Deductive (Php)
RAP	151,570,642.23	-
1st Addendum	67,669,251.93	- 83,901,390.30
2 nd Addendum	143,847,742.66	76,178,490.73

The revised fund considers (i) the removal of the relocation site development and the provision of the 3-year post relocation assistance to LGU Trece Martires, and (ii) the additional ISFs who are living along the waterways and need to be relocated too in order to commence the dredging works and rehabilitation of the pumping station.

VII. ANNEXES

Annex 1 - Photo Documentation of Relocation Activity

Annex 2 - New Masterlist of Additional ISFs

Annex 3 - Project Funding Requirement from NHA

Annex 4 - Photo Documentation of Site Monitoring

Annex 5 - Validation Report from NHA

Annex 6 - Request for Procurement of a 4-Wheeler Cab with Shuttle Body as Replacement for 3 Units of Multi-Cab

Annex 7 - Provision of Financial Assistance by DILG and NHA

Annex 8 - RAP Budget