

Gearing up for the final PGS Pathway

Taking off from last year's Silver Trailblazer finish and passing the Proficiency Stage Revalida in flying colors, the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) Performance Governance System (PGS) is now working for the final stage of its PGS pathway – the institutionalization.

The Department convened the members of the Multi-Sector Governance Council (MSGC) for its 1st quarter meeting last April 3 at the DPWH Head Office to discuss the updates on its PGS journey.

The Corporate Planning and Management Division (CPMD), acting as the DPWH Office of Strategy Management (OSM), informed the MSGC of the Department's participation during the Dream Philippines Fair 2017 where it was conferred the Proficiency Stage of the PGS pathway and bagged the Silver Trailblazer award.

The recommendations of the panelists during the public revalida were also discussed, including the need to increase engagement of the MSGC to help the DPWH attain its strategies.

Undersecretary Ma. Catalina E. Cabral, chairman of the DPWH-PGS Committee and Technical Working Group, noted the need to maximize the expertise of the MSGC in providing constructive inputs for the DPWH and vowed to make the council active this year.

Members of the MSGC coming from the Construction Industry Authority of the Philippines, National Competitiveness Council-Philippines, Confederation of Filipino Consulting Organization, and the Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers, including the newly added member from the University of Asia and the Pacific, expressed their insights on the Department's programs and strategies.



Among the concerns and recommendations raised include identifying the efforts of the DPWH that address inclusivity as the 'Build, Build, Build' seems focused on metropolitan areas; addressing the problem on human resources by adapting new technology and innovation; partnering with neighboring Asian countries with software/hardware expertise for infrastructure projects; among others.

The MSGC acts as an advisory board seen to be external partners and champions of the strategy, which advocates for the reform of the organization, and pursues MSGC-level projects that would contribute to the realization of the organization's goals.

Also present in the meeting were DPWH-PGS Committee and Technical Working Group with Assistant Secretary Gilberto S. Reyes and Assistant Secretary B. Elizabeth E. Yap at the helm.

The Department, through the help of the MSGC, is working to improve its programs and projects for the successful implementation of its strategy towards the attainment of the final stage of its PGS pathway – the Institutionalization.

