



Republic of the Philippines
Province of South Cotabato
SOUTH COTABATO INTEGRITY CIRCLE
City of Koronadal, South Cotabato

SOUTH COTABATO INTEGRITY CIRCLE 2026 1st QUARTER REGULAR MEETING

Held on March 5, 2026, at the PDC Hall, OPPDC, 3rd Floor, Provincial Capitol Compound, City of Koronadal, Alunan Avenue, City of Koronadal, South Cotabato.

PRESENT:

1. **Mr. Carlito Y. Uy**, *SOCOPA / SCIC Chairperson*
2. **Ms. Alicia Manondog**, *CSDO-SC / SCIC Vice-Chairperson*
3. **Sr. Erleen L. Carcillar**, *OND Hesed Foundation*, represented by **Ms. Baby Jane A. Jaro**
4. **Fr. Jerome M. Millan**, *Social Action Center-Diocese of Marbel*, represented by **Ms. Susandra Macantal**
5. **Mr. Adolfo Tanco, Jr.**, *South Cotabato Credit Surety Fund Cooperative*, represented by **Ms. Monet Pamplona**
6. **Ms. Angelina Geronimo**, *Rizal 3 SN Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative*
7. **Ms. Belen S. Fecundo**, *South Cotabato Foundation Incorporated*
8. **Ms. Liza D. Lopez**, *Mahintana Foundation, Inc*, represented by **Mr. Roel Ian Blanker**
9. **Ms. Marites S. Tanseco**, *PPDC*
10. **Mr. Tyron Jann B. Villanueva**, *OPG-SCEIPC*, represented by **Ms. Rhea Mae Comenta**
11. **Mr. Tyron Jann B. Villanueva**, *OPG-SCEEMO*, represented by **Mr. Caryl Subaldo**
12. **Atty. Marnito B. Cosep**, *OPLO*, represented by **Ms. Katie Pabicon**
13. **Mr. Rudy S. Jimenea**, *OPIO*, represented by **Ms. Annaliz Cabrido**
14. **Ms. Luz Perpetua P. Fontanilla**, *OPBO*, represented by **Mr. Jake Anthony Cagunan**
15. **Mr. Alvim M. Batol**, *OPT*, represented by **Ms. Rochelle H. Zabala**

GUESTS:

1. **Ms. Evelyn Fajardo**, *CSDO-SC*
2. **Mr. Mark De La Cruz**, *OPG-ITD*
3. **Mr. Siegfried Flaviano**, *OPENRO*
4. **Ms. Kristine Joy Castillo**, *OSP*
5. **Mr. Jasper Kim Egasan**, *OSP*
6. **Mr. Juluis D. Maniego**, *OPCDO*
7. **Mr. Carlo Dino Quisote**, *OPPDC-REM*

SECRETARIAT:

1. **Ms. Jennifer G. Ilao**, *OPPDC - SPD*
2. **Mr. Kyle Patrick Uy**, *OPPDC - SPD*
3. **Ms. Jorlyn Caniedo**, *OPPDC-SPD*

ABSENT:

1. **Mr. Dausay S. Daulog**, *Maguindanaon Development Foundation, Inc*
2. **Atty. Romeo S. Sustiguer**, *SCCCFI*
3. **Mr. Junbard N. Mahinay**, *Tibud Sa Katibawasan Multi-Purpose Cooperative*
4. **Mr. Eugenio G. Pamplona**, *AVETSCO*
5. **Ms. Ninfa B. Macabenta**, *Polomolok Multi-Purpose Cooperative*
6. **Mr. Henry B. Pajate**, *Unified Engineering Workers Multi-Purpose Cooperative*

PRELIMINARIES

- **Mr. Carlito Uy**, SCIC Chairperson, requested that the preliminaries be dispensed and proceeded to the roll call by **Mr. Kyle Patrick D. Uy**, SCIC Secretariat.

- The meeting was called to order by the Presiding Officer, Mr. Carlito Y. Uy, SCIC Chairperson.

READING AND ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

- The reading of the previous minutes of the meeting was motioned for adoption by Ms. Belen Fecundo, and duly seconded by Ms. Angelina Geronimo.

BUSINESS ARISING

- With no business arising, the Council proceeded to the reading of the provisional agenda.

READING AND ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

The agenda is as follows:

1. Presentation of the Approved 2026 SCIC Budget
2. Updates from the South Cotabato Integrity Core Values
3. OGP 3rd Action Plan Co-creation Workshop
4. Other Matters

- The agenda motioned for adoption by Ms. Fecundo and duly seconded by Ms. Geronimo.

MEETING PROPER

The meeting proper started at exactly 9:23 in the morning.

1. Presentation of the Approved 2026 SCIC Budget

- Mr. Kyle Patrick D. Uy of the OPPDC – SPD presented the Approved 2026 SCIC Budget which is the following:

1. OFFICE SUPPLIES EXPENSE (5-02-03-010)			5,000.00
2. OTHER SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXPENSES (5-02-03-990)			50,000.00
3. OTHER MOE (5-02-99-990)			
Meals and Snacks	Conduct of Regular South Cotabato Integrity Circle & OGP Regular Meetings	54,000.00	
	Evaluation and Awarding of Dangal Ng South Cotabato: (Ordinance No.23,s. 2017)	16,000.00	
	Integrity Week (Preparatory and Coordination meetings)	44,000.00	
	Support To The South Cotabato - Open Government Partnership	30,000.00	144,000.00
Prizes	Micro, Small, Medium, Large Enterprises	140,000.00	
	Rank & File, Supervisory	50,000.00	
	Consolation	20,000.00	210,000.00
Honorarium	Dangal ng South Cotabato Integrity Awards Evaluators (CSOs and Regional/Provincial Agencies)		50,000.00
	TOTAL BUDGET FOR SCIC		459,000.00

- He also presented the SCIC schedule of activities which are the following:

PROGRAM / PROJECT	ACTIVITIES	DATE
SOUTH COTABATO INTEGRITY CIRCLE	1ST QUARTER REGULAR MEETING	MARCH 5, 2026
	2ND QUARTER REGULAR MEETING	MAY 20, 2026
	3RD QUARTER REGULAR MEETING	AUGUST 19, 2026
	4TH QUARTER REGULAR MEETING	NOVEMBER 18, 2026
PROGRAM / PROJECT	ACTIVITIES	DATE
OGP	Module 3 Workshop	March 5, 2026
	Action Plan Finalization Meeting	April 22, 2026
	Grand Launching (OGP Week Activity)	May 22, 2026
	Commitment Lead Actors Meeting (Access to Information)	June 22, 2026
	Commitment Lead Actors Meeting (Anti-Corruption)	June 23, 2026
	Commitment Lead Actors Meeting (Climate & Environment)	June 24, 2026
	Commitment Lead Actors Meeting (Digital Governance)	June 26, 2026
	Inception Report Preparation	July 22, 2026
PROGRAM/PROJECT	ACTIVITIES	DATE
DSCCIA	1st Quarter Regular Meeting	March 17, 2026
	2nd Quarter Regular Meeting	May 15, 2026
	3rd Quarter Regular Meeting	September 9, 2026
	4th Quarter Regular Meeting	November 4, 2026
	Awarding of Dangal ng South Cotabato Employee & Enterprise	TBD

- Mr. Uy stated that the budget for the current SCIC is insufficient as of now and have to be reestablished to align with the current and following activities. The inclusion of the Cooperative Category for the Dangal ng South Cotabato Council on Integrity Enterprise Category will uprise the required budget for the following years where the submission of the proposed amendment of the Ordinance No. 23 series of 2017 must be made.

2. Updates from the South Cotabato Integrity Core Values

- Mr. Uy presented the Updates from the South Cotabato Integrity Core Values where the Circle convened and raised the action for the reinvigoration of the South Cotabato 12 Integrity Core Values during the last quarter November 20, 2026. He stated that the core values have been stagnant and requires an action/movement which the Circle agreed to pursue .

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
					
HAGGAI INSTITUTE	OPGSO	KABUGWASON ALUMNI	PNP / AFP / BGMP	BCBP DILG Regional John Leo Licayan	OPENRO Mary Jane Manlisis
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
					
PADMIN	OPVG / LEGISLATION	Romel Evangelio (CATCH-UP) Grace Maniego (IAU)	Atty. Sylvie Blance Tandog Hon. Cecile Diel Atty. Leah Orencio Atty. Marnito Cosep	Department of the Interior and Local Government Provincial Office	Girls Scout of the Philippine

3. OGP 3rd Action Plan Co-creation Workshop

- Ms. Rio Ann Padrones updated the Circle of the status of South Cotabato Open Government Partnership 3rd Action Plan through its strategic vision of Transparency, Public Accountability, Public Participation and Inclusion, and Technology and Innovation. The Local Commitments were concrete short-term initiatives that seeks in addressing problems through commitments of partnered organizations for the implementation of the commitment.
- She presented the current updates of the commitments: Access to Information, Anti-Corruption, Climate and Environment, Digital Governance, and Public Participation. Additionally, she reported that LGU Surallah have expressed their interest in Climate and Environment, as well as Access to Information and Public Participation for Municipality of Banga.
- Mr. Uy reported that he coordinated with DILG Region XII regarding the DILG Memorandum Circular (MC) 2025-065, which pertains to the OGP Localization Program. This memorandum states that all local government units (LGUs) are tasked with promoting and pursuing open government values. The DILG conducted an assessment of the cities and municipalities in the region, resulting in the identification of the top ten LGUs, including the City of Koronadal. The municipalities of Sto. Niño and Tupi were ranked among those placed 11th to 20th. In January 2026, they held an Onboarding Program in collaboration with Mr. Roel Ian Blanker of Mahintana Inc., which was attended by representatives from the top ten cities and municipalities.
- Mr. Uy added that the remaining eight (8) LGUs in the province will be guided through cohorting at the provincial level and will be monitored by the DILG Province.
- Ms. Tanseco also mentioned the orientation conducted for the OGP Localization Program where they were invited during the CSO Academy where it was entrusted to PCDO instead of the OPPDC. Mr. Blanker commented that the main focus of the Localization Program is to incorporate the LGUs to be part of the Action Plan in the Provincial Level as the pioneering member of OGP Local, being a commitment holder to prevent overlapping of commitment and the possibility of technical assistance to the LGUs during the flagship program.
- Ms. Geronimo expressed her concerns about being involved in the Localization Program Initiative of the Province. This initiative aims to support the adaptation and implementation of commitments under the SC OGP 3rd Action. It was made possible through the efforts of the People's Council of Banga, along with guidance from Ms. Padrones and Ms. Ilao. Geronimo raised budgetary requirements with the Councilor but noted that the program should have originated from the Local Chief Executive or the Office of the Municipal Mayor to ensure proper alignment.
- Ms. Padrones stated that there is still time to include the commitments to the Annual Investment Program (AIP) to be budgeted from their LGUs. Mr. Uy added to affirmed in synchronizing the timeline of the Action Plan together with the cohorts for simultaneous implementation of the commitment.

- Mr. Julius Maniego from the OPCDO expressed his concerns regarding the People's Council, which is currently awaiting the next set of activities for the SC OGP 3rd Action Plan, as discussed in the recent meeting. He also emphasized that each municipality conducts its own scheduled meetings and suggested that an invitation for an orientation session could be extended, given the interest of local government units (LGUs) in participating.
- Mr. Uy expressed his concern towards regarding the activities for the upcoming OGP Week in May where Ms. Padrones indicated that they will launch the published OGP 3rd Action Plan and possibility of the relaunching of the IPOD which is under Digital Governance.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

- Ms. Padrones indicated that they were invited during the People's Council Meeting of Banga and presented the commitments where they have finalized to collaborate in the commitment Access to Information where they identified sectors to be prioritized which were the OFW, Solo Parents, and Farmers.
- Ms. Geronimo shared her concern towards the budget for the commitment, prompting for a resolution from their Sanggunian for the budgetary requirement.
- Ms. Annaliz Cabrido of the Office of the Provincial Information raised her question whether the Municipal Mayor of Banga has approved in cohorting in the OGP of the Provincial Level especially the implementation of the IEC as currently it was only introduced to the CSO Desk Officer and the People's Council of Banga only. She added her concern to the alarming rate of the teenage pregnancy as the provision of IEC would lessen the risk and inform the public with the intensive usage of social media as the medium for information dissemination.
- Mr. Uy motioned for the delegation of the OGP Action Plan Access to Information Commitment Template to the Commitment Holder – Office of the Provincial Information Officer which was motioned by Ms. Monet Pamplona of the South Cotabato Credit Surety Fund Cooperative and duly seconded by Ms. Angelina Geronimo of Rizal 3 SN Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative.

ANTI-CORRUPTION

- Ms. Padrones informed that for the thematic area: Anti-Corruption mainly prioritizes the procurement process where CSO representatives are present throughout the process, increasing the number of observers during and posting of the reports after the implementation through the basis of Republic Act No. 12009 Series of 2024 also known as the "*GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT*", and the implementation of the Barangay Project Monitoring Evaluation Committee (BPMEC) based DILG Memorandum Circular 2020-070.
- As the representative of the commitment holder is unable to attend, a motion was made by Ms. Pamplona to delegate the OGP Action Plan Anti-Corruption to the commitment holder – Office of the Provincial Governor – Bids and Awards Department and duly seconded by Ms. Geronimo.

CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENT

- Ms. Padrones informed that the Municipality of Surallah was willing to be onboard in the OGP as approved with the Municipal Mayor and pique interest to Climate and Environment.
- The Thematic Area: Climate & Environment primary problem was the idling information of high susceptibility to certain hazards, areas/critical infrastructure situated on fault lines undelivered to the public for proper policies and issuances in benefit of the general public. As such it was added that a meeting was conducted

together with the Humanitarian OpenStreetMap for the data gathering and also training of designated officers for the data gathering.

- Mr. Siegfred Flaviano, the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer, stated that there is existing data available, including the Compliance Monitoring Report (CMR), which is a highly technical report from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR). In response, Mr. Uy inquired about the possibility of converting this information into layman's terms to enhance information dissemination, as he is a member of the South Cotabato Airshed Governing Board. This board is a collaborative body responsible for managing air quality across the province through various campaigns, which represents a different commitment from the previously stated commitments. Ms. Padrones suggested that this conversion be included as another milestone in the same commitment.
- Mr. Uy motioned for the delegation of the OGP Action Plan Climate and Environment Commitment Template to the Commitment Holder – Office of the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer which was motioned by Ms. Pamplona and duly seconded by Ms. Geronimo.

DIGITAL GOVERNANCE

- Ms. Ilao presented the commitment template and the content of the Thematic Area: Digital Governance where the relaunching of the IPOD is set to be launched as per prior engagement.
- Mr. Mark De La Cruz, Information Technology Officer II of the OPG-ITD inquired the Milestone regarding the Installation of IT Equipment in Access Points as currently the cloud storage of the department is limited and needed upgrade. He also mentioned that other offices are also requesting and demand for applications/software but unable to provide the budget, holding the progress of the project which he specified that the budget must be aligned for the creation of the software.
- Mr. Uy suggested to Mr. De La Cruz to prepare a proposal for the upgrading of the server storage for the following year for submission to the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Good Governance through Data Science and Decision Support System (GODDESS).
- Ms. Ilao followed with the milestone of the Installation of IT Equipment in Access Points where Mr. Uy inquired if the milestone is a e-hub for he suggested to lobby the milestone to Department of Trade and Industry, under the Republic Act No. 11927 Article VIII Support Ecosystem, a Co-working or shared service Facilities shall be established to support digital skills of the workforce
- Mr. Uy motioned for the delegation of the OGP Action Plan Digital Governance Commitment Template to the Commitment Holder – Office of the Provincial Governor – Information Technology Department which was motioned by Ms. Pamplona and duly seconded by Ms. Geronimo.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Ms. Ilao indicated that the thematic area: Public Participation mainly focuses in the relaunching of the LITS or the newly created LTS where currently the Ordinances and Resolutions are only stored locally and for development of the software with the OPG-ITD.
- Ms. Ilao presented the milestone for creating ordinances and resolutions based on the needs of the community, known as Community-led Ordinances. Mr. Uy affirmed that he has already begun this process and will be advocating for it through the South Cotabato Provincial People's Council.
- According to the results of the co-creation session, the Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) are eager to participate in the live sessions of the Sanggunian Panlalawigan

and engage with comments during the Facebook Live broadcasts. Mr. Jasper Kim Egasan from the Office of the Secretary to the Panlalawigan stated that while regular meetings are being livestreamed, committee meetings have not yet been included. Additionally, Ms. Kristinne Joy Castillo from the same office expressed interest in exploring the possibility of addressing comments during the sessions or recess.

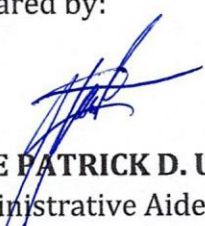
- They concluded that access to SP resolutions and ordinances should be expanded to the general public by making them available online through the official webpage of the Provincial Government of South Cotabato.
- Mr. Uy motioned for the delegation of the OGP Action Plan Digital Governance Commitment Template to the Commitment Holder – Office of the Secretary to the Panlalawigan which was motioned by Ms. Pamplona and duly seconded by Ms. Geronimo.

4. OTHER MATTERS

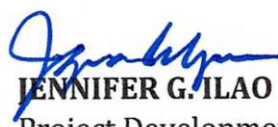
- Mr. Uy updated the Council on the Monday Convocation activity of SCIC, where a monthly speaker is invited to share their experiences related to the 12 Integrity Core Values. The Living Integrity Values Education (LIVE) Session was successfully conducted on January 23, 2026; however, it was not held in February. Ms. Ilao from the Secretariat mentioned that the nature of the activity was deemed redundant compared to the Monday Convocation, so it was raised and subsequently deferred.
- Mr. Uy expressed his intention for the LIVE sessions to continue as previously discussed with the initial speakers from Haggai International. They are willing to initiate the LIVE session if the current speaker for the Integrity Core Value is unable to preside. However, Mr. Kyle Patrick Uy noted that during the activity, participants' involvement may shift towards a religious session rather than focusing on the core essence of the Integrity Core Value.
- Mr. Uy recognized that, given the current circumstances, it is necessary to defer the LIVE Session for the time being; however, he emphasized the importance of integrating it into next year's agenda. He also inquired about the potential for attending meetings from other offices to further promote the Integrity Core Values. The Secretariat indicated that this may present challenges due to the extensive scope involved. Following this affirmation from the Secretariat, Mr. Uy decided to postpone pursuing this idea.

With no further discussions, the meeting was motioned for adjournment by Ms. Pamplona and duly seconded by Ms. Geronimo at exactly 2:47 in the afternoon.

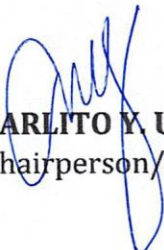
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