



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
COMMISSION ON AUDIT
Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon City, Philippines



MEMORANDUM

No.: **2020-004**
Date: **FEB 18 2020**

TO : All Assistant Commissioners, Directors, Officers-in-Charge, Supervising Auditors, Audit Team Leaders, Audit Team Members, Members of the COA Gender and Development Focal Point (GFP) System in the Central Office and the GFP Sub-Systems of COA Regional Offices, and Other Concerned Personnel

SUBJECT: 2020 National Women's Month Celebration in the Commission on Audit

The National Women's Month Celebration (NWMC) every March is part of the worldwide observance of the International Women's Day and National Women's Day on March 8, adopting the 2017-2022 theme: "**We Make Change Work for Women**". The theme highlights the empowerment of women as active contributors to and claimholders of development, anchored on the commitment of "*Malasakit at Pagbabago*" or True Compassion and Real Change.¹

The 2017-2022 theme aims to: (i) inform and engage women as stakeholders of government programs and services; (ii) create and facilitate platforms to discuss good practices, gaps, challenges, and commitments in pursuing GAD to strengthen implementation of the Magna Carta of Women; and (iii) inspire and empower women and girls to be agents of change and to contribute in promoting gender equality and the women empowerment (GEWE). The Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) encourages all government agencies that their programs and activities for the NWMC contribute in achieving these objectives. For 2020 NWMC, the focus is on the progress made to advance GEWE in the country, and endeavour to bring together women and girls leaders from various generations towards a collective agenda of empowering all women and girls.²

In this regard, the COA GAD Focal Point (GFP) System has lined up several activities for the NWMC in March 2020, Annex "A" hereof. The formal opening of the 2020 NWMC in this Commission shall be held simultaneously on March 9, 2020 in the Central Office, all COA Regional Offices and the Sub-Regional Office of Negros Island and Siquijor (NIS) during the flag raising ceremony, in recognition of the International Women's Day and National Women's Day. Likewise, all COA Regional Offices and the Sub-Regional Office of NIS shall conduct their respective GAD activities during the month of March 2020. They shall report and submit their respective activities conducted to the GAD Secretariat on or before April 30, 2020 for consolidated reporting of activities on the conduct of the 2020 NWMC of the COA GAD GFP System and the GFP Sub-Systems.

For the guidance of all concerned.


MICHAEL G. AGUINALDO
Chairperson

¹ <http://www.pcw.gov.ph/event/2020-national-women-month>
² Ibid.



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COA Gender and Development Focal Point System March 2020

Program of Activities

Date	Activities
March 2 8:30 a.m.- 9:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flag Raising Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Opening Prayer: Committee on Training and Advocacy ❖ Philippine National Anthem: COA Choir ❖ Panunumpa: Committee on Training and Advocacy ❖ COA Hymn: COA Choir
2:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium on Public Safety and Personal Security Resource Person: P/CINP Victorino Ricardo Y Acosta Chief, Publication and Records Management Section Police Security and Protection Group Camp BGen. Rafael T. Crame, Quezon City c/o Committee on Protection of Women Venue: PIDS Auditorium
March 3-4 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gender and Climate Change Orientation Workshop c/o Climate Change Commission and GAD Secretariat Venue: PIDS Multi-Purpose Room
March 5 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual General Assembly of the COA Diabetic Society Briefing on Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) c/o Committee on Personnel Welfare COA Sports and Cultural Center
March 9 8:30 a.m.	<p>Formal Opening of the National Women's Month</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flag Raising Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Opening Prayer: Committee on Database & Website Development & Maintenance ❖ Philippine National Anthem: COA Choir ❖ Panunumpa: Committee on Database & Website Development & Maintenance ❖ COA Hymn: COA Choir Opening Message: Commissioner Roland C. Pondoc Chair, Executive Committee, COA GAD Focal Point System Launching of Men Opposed to Violence Against Women (MOVE) c/o Committees on Protection of Women and Personnel Welfare Snacks
March 11 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formal Opening of the CO/NCR Sports Competition Please refer to the Program of the Committee on Sports and Physical Fitness Venue: COA Sports and Cultural Center c/o Committee on Sports and Physical Fitness
8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seminar on Dishwashing Liquid, Liquid Soap and Fabric Softener Making Resource Person: Ms. Dominga D. Daclan Manpower Development Officer I Social Services Development Department, Quezon City TESDA NCR Quezon City District and GAD Secretariat Venue: Old Dormitory Ground Floor Lobby c/o GAD Secretariat and TESDA-NCR, Quezon City

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March 11-20	 Continuation of CO/NCR Sports Competition and Fun Games Please refer to the Schedule of Games
March 16 8:30 a.m.	 Flag Raising Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Opening Prayer: Committee on Audit and Gender Issue Analysis ❖ Philippine National Anthem: COA Choir ❖ Panunumpa: Committee on Audit and Gender Issue Analysis ❖ COA Hymn: COA Choir
March 23 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.	 Flag Raising Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Opening Prayer: Committee on Protection of Women ❖ Philippine National Anthem: COA Choir ❖ Panunumpa: Committee on Protection of Women ❖ COA Hymn: COA Choir  Sensitivity Training for Persons with Disabilities (PWD) c/o Committee on Personnel Welfare Venue: PIDS Auditorium
March 23-27 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.	 Trainers' Training on Gender and Development Courses c/o Committee on Training and Advocacy Venue: PIDS Training Room
March 27 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.	 Briefings on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beijing Platform for Action (BPfA) +25 Review and the 64th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (UNCSW) • COA GAD Agenda 2020-2025 (Ad-Hoc Committee) • GAD Audit Summary Report 2009-2018 (Ad-Hoc Committee) • GAD Audit Report Survey Result for Calendar Year 2018 Onwards Venue: PIDS Multi-Purpose Room  Blessing of the GAD Office c/o GAD Secretariat (note: subject to completion of the re-layout of the office)  Film Showing of Owl Butterfly c/o Committee on Protection of Women Venue: PIDS Auditorium
March 30 8:30 a.m.	 Flag Raising Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Opening Prayer: Committee on Personnel Welfare ❖ Philippine National Anthem: COA Choir ❖ Panunumpa: Committee on Personnel Welfare ❖ COA Hymn: COA Choir  Closing Message: Commissioner Roland C. Pondoc Chair, Executive Committee, COA GAD Focal Point System  Snacks

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