

CREATION OF THE DPWH INVESTMENT COORDINATION COMMITTEE (DPWH ICC) TO RATIONALIZE PROJECT INVESTMENTS

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In order to strengthen the existing mechanism in the review of major projects, whether locally-funded or foreign-assisted, and confirm their consistency in terms of technical, financial, economic, social and institutional development with the thematic and sectoral plans and priorities of the Government, the DPWH Investment Coordination Committee (DPWH ICC) is hereby created to be headed by the Assistant Secretary for Planning.

Mainly, the DPWH ICC shall review the fiscal and economic implications of an on- going or proposed project vis-à-vis the current and future budgets of the Department. Recommendation/s for policy action or direction when necessary shall be submitted by the DPWH ICC to the Secretary through the Management Committee.

The scope of the DPWH ICC review shall cover new and on-going programs and projects costing P300 million and above regardless of funding source, and shall also include the following:

1. BOT or PPP projects;
2. Feasibility and Detailed Engineering Studies of projects for funding allocation; and
3. Programs and projects involving change in scope, change in cost above established sensitivity parameters and budget allocation relative to original project cost and extension in implementation period or loan validity,

In the course of its review, the DPWH ICC shall also check the compliance or non-compliance of the project with regards to the following parameters:

1. Technical readiness filters
2. Budget cover (e.g. funding strategy, forward obligational authority, multi year obligational authority) both for loan proceeds and local counterparts including taxes and duties
3. Value for money considerations
4. Reasonableness of cost vis-a-vis agency benchmarks
5. Consistency with DBM and NEDA policies;
6. Availability of ROW and/or ROW acquisition plan
7. Definitive commitment of participating LGUs, when and where necessary, especially for ROW
8. Other required documentation (e.g. feasibility study, implementation plan, required forms and internal/external project approvals, RDC endorsement, Environmental Clearance Certification/Certificate of Non-Coverage).

The DPWH ICC shall be supported by a Technical Working Group (TWG) and assisted by a Secretariat. The composition of the DPWH ICC, TWG and Secretariat shall be established under a separate Special Order.

The DPWH ICC can call upon any DPWH staff or official in the course of its review in order to fulfill its mandate.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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