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**DIVISION MEMORANDUM NO. 135, s.2020**

**TO:** Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
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OIC – Chief Education Supervisor, Curriculum Implementation Division  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
Division Teaching and Non-Teaching Personnel  
All others concerned  
*This Division*

**FROM:**  EDILBERTO L. OPLENARIA, CESO V,  
Schools Division Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** SUSPENSION OF CLASSES FOR FOURTEEN (14) DAYS

**DATE:** March 17, 2020

1. Relative to Executive Order No. 005, s.2020 from the Office of the Provincial Governor *re: DECLARATION OF COMMUNITY QUARANTINE, ITS GUIDELINES TO PREVENT LOCAL TRANSMISSION OF COVID-19 IN THE PROVINCE OF LANA O DEL NORTE AND THE CREATION OF THE PROVINCIAL INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR COVID-19*, this office informs the field of the suspension of classes for all pre-school, elementary, junior, and senior high school both public and private for **FOURTEEN (14) DAYS** starting March 17, 2020 to March 30, 2020.
2. Teachers need not to report in schools but will work on the grades and other school reports at home and with constant telecommunicating with school heads and public schools district supervisors. At the same time, school heads are hereby directed to maintain constant communication with their teachers as well as supervisors to their school heads for further instruction.
3. In compliance with Section 3, Paragraph 2 of EO No. 005, s.2020, all school heads and non-teaching personnel are required to regularly disinfect their facilities, equipment and buildings.
4. All concerned personnel are encouraged to read the attached Executive Order No. 005, s.2020 for proper guidance.
5. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this memorandum is directed.



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**PROVINCE OF LANA DEL NORTE**  
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**OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR**

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 05 SERIES OF 2020

**"DECLARATION OF COMMUNITY QUARANTINE, ITS GUIDELINES TO PREVENT  
LOCAL TRANSMISSION OF COVID-19 IN THE PROVINCE OF LANA DEL NORTE  
AND THE CREATION OF THE PROVINCIAL INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR  
COVID-19"**

**WHEREAS**, under Section 15, Article 11 of the Constitution of the Philippines states that it is the policy of the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people;

**WHEREAS**, on 8 March 2020, the President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Proclamation No. 22 "DECLARING A STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES" and mandated that "All government agencies and LGUs are hereby enjoined to render full assistance and cooperation and mobilize the necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent and appropriate response and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate Covid-19 threat";

**WHEREAS**, on 11 March 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declares the Coronavirus (COVID-19) as Pandemic after there is already a worldwide spread of the virus;

**WHEREAS**, on 12 March 2020, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte declared Metro Manila under Community Quarantine effective March 15, 2020 due to the local transmission of COVID-19 spreading in the community;

**WHEREAS**, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease issued Resolution No. 11 Series of 2020 on March 12, 2020 raising the Code Alert System for COVID-19 to Code Red Sublevel Two (2);

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 and 17 of Republic Act 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates all local government units to provide basic services for the general welfare of its constituents;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, IMELDA QUIBRANZA DIMAPORO**, Provincial Governor of the Province of Lanao del Norte, by virtue of the power vested in me by Local Government Code of 1991 and other pertinent laws of the Republic of the Philippines, do hereby direct and Order:

**SECTION 1. FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.** Everyone is highly enjoined to stay home and to refrain from going to public places, to observe **SOCIAL DISTANCING**, and to follow the Department of Health (DOH) recommendation of hand sanitation as well as proper hygiene.

**SECTION 2. ON PUBLIC EVENTS AND GATHERINGS.** All public events and gatherings, such as meetings, conferences, conventions, trainings, parties, faith-based and religious gatherings and other social activities of the same nature, are strictly prohibited. Accordingly, the organizers of social activities such as those stated are called to cancel their activities until after the public health emergency is lifted.



**SECTION 3. ON SCHOOL AND CLASSES.** (a) All pre-school, elementary, junior and senior high school as well as tertiary and post graduate classes in public and private schools/colleges/universities in the Province of Lanao del Norte shall be **SUSPENDED** for Fourteen (14) days starting **March 17, 2020 to March 30, 2020**.

(b) All educational institutions are mandated to regularly disinfect their facilities, equipment and buildings.

**SECTION 4. ON INDIVIDUALS WITH HISTORY OF TRAVEL TO PLACES WITH CONFIRMED POSITIVE CASES OF COVID-19.** All individuals with history of travel to places with confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 will be considered Persons Under Monitoring (PUM) and will have to undergo a mandatory home quarantine for Fourteen (14) days, starting from the day of their arrival in the Province of Lanao del Norte. As such, a considered PUM is mandated to follow the Interim Guidelines on the Management of Persons Under Monitoring (PUM) Suspected with Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) for Home Quarantine by the DOH.

**SECTION 5. ON STRICT ENFORCEMENT OF THE 14-DAY TO ALL TRAVELLERS FROM PLACES WITH CONFIRMED POSITIVE CASES OF COVID-19**  
All Local Chief Executives are instructed to

- a. Establish a single-point unloading area in your respective municipality for all buses passing through which has originated from cities or municipalities and other places with confirmed positive cases of COVID-19;
- b. Implement thermal scanning and registration of all persons who arrived at the designated unloading area in your respective municipality; and
- c. Strictly enforce the 14-day quarantine upon arrival of all persons who will be coming to the Province of Lanao del Norte from cities or municipalities and other places with confirmed positive cases of COVID-19.

**SECTION 6. ON SELF QUARANTINE MONITORING BY THE BARANGAY HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (BHRT).** The BHRT are instructed to

- a. Closely monitor all arrivals in their areas of responsibility;
- b. Report any act of non-compliance to the 14-day mandatory self-quarantine to your Municipal Emergency Operation Center; and
- c. Perform specific functions of BHRT in accordance to DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-018: Guide to Action against Coronavirus.

**SECTION 7. ON OFFICIAL TRAVELS OUTSIDE THE PROVINCE OF LANAO DEL NORTE.** All officials and employees who are delivering basic services to the people are hereby directed to cancel all official travels outside the Province effective March 17, 2020 except travels concerning the management and/or prevention of transmission of COVID-19, African Swine Fever (ASF) and Polio. As such, all approved Travel Orders before the issuance of this Executive Order are hereby cancelled.

**SECTION 8. PRICE MONITORING.** The Local Price Coordinating Council through the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) shall monitor regularly the prices and quantities of commodities especially alcohol, hand sanitizer and food items to avoid hoarding and profiteering. Any case of hoarding and profiteering shall be reported to the DTI for proper sanctions and/or to other law enforcement agencies.



**SECTION 9. ADOPTION OF ALTERNATIVE WORK ARRANGEMENTS.** All local government units are encouraged to adopt the work arrangements set forth by the Civil Service Commission thru Memorandum Circular No. 07 Series of 2020 entitled "Interim Guidelines for Alternative Work Arrangements and Support Mechanisms for Workers in the Government for the Duration of the State of Public Health Emergency pursuant to Proclamation No.922."

**SECTION 10. SANITATION AND DISINFECTION OF ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OFFICES AND ESTABLISHMENTS.** All Government Offices and Private Establishments are mandated to exercise necessary precaution by disinfecting their premises using recommended disinfectant solutions prescribed by the Department of Health (DOH).

**SECTION 11. RESTRICTION ON STOPOVERS.** All public and private vehicles that are not bound to any of the Municipalities of the Province of Lanao del Norte and will only pass through any of the barangays and municipalities of this province are prohibited to make any stopover, except on designated area/s for stopover identified by the concerned Local Government Unit. All local government units in coordination with appropriate government agencies shall formulate necessary guidelines to effectively implement this mandate.

**SECTION 12. CREATION OF A PROVINCIAL INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF COVID-19.** The Provincial Inter-Agency Task Force is hereby organized for the management of COVID-19 that will spearhead the monitoring and implementation of control measures to prevent the spread of infectious disease. It shall be composed of the following:

**Chairman (Responsible Officer):** The Provincial Governor

**Vice-Chairman (Incident Commander):** Provincial Health Officer, assisted by the Municipal Health Officers and Chiefs of Hospitals.

**Security and Liaison Officer:** Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Management Officer

**Operations Group:** Headed by PNP Provincial Director assisted by the PRMMH staff, COPs (PNP), AFP, Coast Guard and BFP

**Planning Group:** Headed by the Provincial Planning and Development Officer.

**Logistics Group:** Headed by Provincial Engineer assisted by the General Service Officer.

**Finance and Administrative Group:** The Local Finance Committee, Human Resources and Management Officer, Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer, and the Provincial Legal Officer.

Other officials and employees of the Provincial Local Government Unit of the Province of Lanao del Norte, private and government line agencies may be appointed as members of the Task Force as may be necessary.

**SECTION 13. FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OF PROVINCIAL INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR COVID-19.** The Provincial Inter-Agency Task Force for COVID-19 shall have municipal and barangay components headed by the Municipal Health Officer and the Barangay Captain, respectively. They shall perform the following functions:





- a. Ensure the compliance of the Executive Order by those mentioned under Section 12 hereof;
- b. Establish a system to identify, screen and assist those suspected or confirmed to be infected with COVID-19;
- c. Prevent and/or minimize the entry of suspected confirmed patients with COVID-19 into the province. This includes rigid screening and identification of infected suspects and the institutionalization of surveillance, alert and quarantine system, in all points of entry;
- d. Prevent and/or minimize the spread of COVID-19 in the province through the establishment and reinforcement of a system in screening possible patients contact tracing, identification of the mode of exposure to the virus and implementation of effective quarantine and proper isolation procedures.
- e. Prevent and/or minimize mortality through effective clinical management by capacitating healthcare facilities both government and private healthcare workers and public safety enforcers;
- f. Educate the public on COVID-19 and its prevention, control and management to promote positive health behaviors and address public fear and anxiety through the conduct of a province-wide COVID-19 awareness campaign;
- g. Adopt measures to strengthen the COVID-19 Program of the DOH or its equivalent in other local health units;
- h. The Barangay Health Emergency Response Team shall be in-charged of monitoring and surveillance of Patients Under Monitoring. This will be reported to Municipal Health Officer for medical assessment who shall report to Provincial Health Office for further assessment.
- i. Recommend such other functions and activities at may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this E.O. or as the Governor may direct.

**Section 14. THE COMMAND CENTER/OPERATION CENTER.** To support the Task Force a command/operation center shall be established at the MCC Media Center, MCC Complex, Sagadan, Butay, Lanao del Norte.

**SECTION 15. MONITORING AND EVALUATION.** The Provincial Inter-Agency Task Force shall be responsible for monitoring and evaluation of this Order.

**SECTION 16. PENALTY.** Any violation or non-compliance of this Order shall be punishable under the pertinent provisions of Republic Act 9271 otherwise known as the Quarantine Act of 2004 and Republic Act 11332 otherwise known as the Law on Reporting Communicable Diseases.

**SECTION 17. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision of this Order is declared unconstitutional or invalid by appropriate courts, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 18. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All executive orders and issuance or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.



**SECTION 19. EFFECTIVITY.** This Order shall take effect immediately and shall have force and effect until and unless lifted.

Issued this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020 at Provincial Government Center,  
Pigcarangan, Tubod, Lanao del Norte.



**IMELDA QUIBRANZA-DIMAPORO**  
Provincial Governor