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Joint Progamme on Alternatives to Migration: Decent Jobs for Filipino Youth

Capacity Building Programme on Local Economic Development to Promote Youth Employment

Existing policies and programmes on youth employment are implemented in a fragmented manner or have minimal impact on their target group. Growth sectors with high employment potentials for the youth are not fully developed. Moreover, youth do not participate in local development process. Another challenge is the limited capacities of local governments to provide an enabling environment to promote growth and create employment for the youth. Hence, the capacity building programme on local economic development (LED) aims to enhance capacities of local government units on youth-oriented economic and employment strategies.



BENEFITS

- Improve understanding of LED to promote youth employment
- Mobilize local agencies and stakeholders towards common economic goals and strategies
- Strengthen public-private partnerships to create employment opportunities for the youth
- Design policies and programmes on youth employment
- Enhance participation of youth in local development planning process
- Highlight importance of decent and productive work in LED

PROCESS

The capacity building programme adopts a participatory and experiential approach. It starts with the assessment of existing capacities and training needs of the local government units, and the local economy. Training courses include empowering leaders in LED, policy development and analysis, project management, public financial management and resource mobilization, and entrepreneurship development for the youth. Mentoring and coaching activities are carried out to ensure completion of outputs towards inclusion in local development plans.

COST

P 250,000

cost of a 3-day training of 20 participants

PILOT AREAS

Masbate, Antique, Maguindanao and Agusan del Sur

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