



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

RESOLUTION NO. 156-A

Series of 2022

January 06, 2022

WHEREAS, Section 15 Article II of the 1987 Constitution states that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 2 (c) of Executive Order No. 168 (s.2014) mandates the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) to prevent and/or minimize the local spread of emerging infectious diseases (EID) in the country through the establishment or reinforcement of a system in screening possible patients infected with EID, contact tracing, identification of the mode of exposure to the virus, and implementation of effective quarantine and proper isolation procedures;

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2020, the President issued Proclamation No. 1218 (s.2021) further extending the period of the State of Calamity throughout the Philippines until September 12, 2022, unless earlier lifted or extended as circumstances may warrant;

WHEREAS, the IATF approved the shift in the policy of classifying Provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs), and Independent Component Cities (ICC) for purposes of community quarantine and adopted the Alert Level System for identified pilot areas of implementation and piloted the implementation thereof in the National Capital Region (NCR) on 08 September 2021, and has since expanded to other regions;

WHEREAS, the President issued Executive Order No. 151 (s.2021) on 11 November 2021, approving the nationwide implementation of the Alert Level System for COVID-19 Response.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the IATF approves the recommendations of the sub-Technical Working Group on Data Analytics escalating the following provinces, highly urbanized cities (HUCs), and independent component cities (ICCs) under their respective Alert Levels effective 09 January 2022 until 15 January 2022:

- A. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be escalated to Alert Level 3:



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1. CAR: Baguio City;
2. Region I: Dagupan City;
3. Region II: City of Santiago, and Cagayan;
4. Region III: Angeles City, Bataan, Olongapo City, Pampanga, and Zambales;
5. Region IV-A: Batangas, and Lucena City;
6. Region V: Naga City;
7. Region VI: Iloilo City; and
8. Region VII: Lapu-lapu City*

* Subject to immediate allocation of additional dedicated beds for COVID-19.

B. All other provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall maintain their alert level classification.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Chairperson and the Co-Chairperson shall be duly authorized to sign this Resolution for and on behalf of the Inter-Agency Task Force.

APPROVED during the 156th Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this January 06, 2022, via video conference.


FRANCISCO T. DUQUE III
Secretary, Department of Health
IATF Chairperson


KARLO ALEXEI B. NOGRALES
Secretary, Office of the Cabinet Secretariat
IATF Co-Chairperson



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CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that:

1. I am presently an Undersecretary of the Department of Health;
2. I am the Head of the Secretariat of the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) on the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases created under Executive Order No. 168, (s.2014) and chaired by the Department of Health (DOH);
3. The IATF Secretariat holds office in the DOH Main Office, San Lazaro Compound, Tayuman, Sta. Cruz, Manila;
4. I am the custodian of the records of the IATF, including the Minutes of Meetings and Resolutions;
1. In the Regular Meeting of the IATF held on **06 January 2022** via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. **156-A** was unanimously approved and adopted;
5. The foregoing resolution has been signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III and/or Secretary Karlo Alexei B. Nograles upon the authority of the IATF Members;
6. The aforesaid resolution has not been altered, modified nor revoked and the same is now in full force and effect;
7. I am executing this Certification for whatever legitimate purpose this may serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this **6th** day of January 2022, Manila.


ATTY. CHARADE B. MERCADO-GRANDE
Undersecretary of Health
Head Secretariat, IATF