

## Action Planning for Landscape Governance<sup>1</sup>

### INTRODUCTION

This is the culmination activity of the landscape governance training course. Participants shall take stock of the land governance challenges they face in their communities. Thereafter, specific recommendations to address such challenges will be deliberated upon. The course shall end with the formulation of an action plan to operationalize such recommendations.

An essential element to planning is a multi-stakeholder approach. Promoting such partnerships enhances the participation of a larger and more representative grouping to provide inputs to a set of activities or project. Through landscape governance, there is greater appreciation of the value and advantages that partnerships among various groups bring to the planning process. However, building partnerships is a formidable task, fraught with risks if certain principles are not observed.

#### **Principles for Fostering Multi-stakeholder Partnerships**

- Proper groundwork (adequate briefing, providing enough background information to participants)
- Skilled staff (community organization, conflict management, facilitation, documentation)
- Clarity of objective(s)
- Determined level of partnerships
- Active involvement of stakeholders
- Ongoing capacity building
- Regular communication
- Comprehensive documentation of process

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## LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- Review and consolidate lessons and agreements reached in Modules 1 to 7;
- Transform the agreements into recommendations on how to effectively manage the landscape; and,
- Identify concrete steps towards realizing such recommendations.

## OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

- Review of challenges and agreements/recommendations;
- Process of planning; and,
- Planning, reporting, and closing.

## REVIEW OF CHALLENGES AND AGREEMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

### **Methodology: Powerpoint presentation, plenary discussion**

During the plenary discussion, a facilitator shall provide a recap per module, covering the major issues and challenges that have surfaced in the discussions using the template below:

Areas of Concern	Challenges	Agreements / Recommendations

It can be expected that the areas of concern will revolve around the topics of the modules as follows: (1) landscape governance; (2) land and resource conflicts; (3) conflict management; (4) participatory enumeration and STDM; (5) gender; (6) youth. Other themes may be expected to surface that do not fit neatly among the module topics and must be taken note of.

As well, it is important to gauge which issues can be productively discussed in plenary. Some issues might be divisive among the participants or might not be appropriate for discussion at the specific point in time of the action planning. Carefully discern among the training team which issues should be raised.

**Tip 1.** *Facilitators can meet at the end of each module to outline the emerging issues and challenges from the plenary and group discussions.*

The facilitator shall then open the discussion for participants to clarify, validate, and add or modify if there are other challenges or recommendations missed in the recap.

## PROCESS OF PLANNING

### Methodology: *Powerpoint presentation*

This session provides an overview of the objective of the planning session, the planning guidelines, and the suggested reporting format.

Objective	Formulate a one-year action plan to operationalize the recommendations
Guidelines for small group discussions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participants will be grouped per <i>barangay</i> (village)</li> <li>• Group members are to choose a facilitator and rapporteur among themselves</li> <li>• Allotted time for group discussion: 45 minutes</li> <li>• Allotted time for each group to present the summary of discussions: 10 minutes</li> </ul>

After the presentation, the facilitator shall ask the participants if there are any clarification or questions in the planning session.

## PLANNING: SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

Once the participants have been grouped, their respective facilitators and rapporteurs identified, participants will answer the following guide questions:

- Identify concrete steps to realize commitments, enhance capacities, and integrate agreements in existing plans within your village.
- Who will implement these recommendations?
- What resources/support (technical, financial, etc.) are needed to implement the recommendations? From whom? (e.g., community leaders, Council of Elders, government agencies, CSOs, etc.)
- When will the actions be implemented?

## PLENARY REPORTING, DISCUSSION AND CLOSING

Each group will be given 8 to 10 minutes to share in plenary the key points of their deliberations using the suggested reporting format:



Activity	Who	Resources needed	When

After all the groups have reported, participants will be given the opportunity to receive questions and clarify the points included in their presentations. The Overall Training Facilitator shall then open the plenary for general discussion, encouraging the participants to identify commonalities across their reports. Henceforth, the plenary discussion shall be summarized, highlighting the key interventions and opportunities (internal and external to the communities) for moving forward. □

## TRAINING PROGRAM On Landscape Governance

### Note:

*This is the generic program, based on the training program participated by IP leaders and members and local government officials. Time allocation is indicative, as the organizers should adapt it to the following factors: profile of participants, number of participants, familiarity of participants with each other, venue, selected schedule.*

### Day 0: Arrival/Check-in at venue

### Day 1: Landscape Governance Forum

Time	Session	Person In-Charge
08:30 AM	Registration	Secretariat
09:00	Invocation/Ritual	IP Representative
09:05	National Anthem	Secretariat
09:10	Welcome Remarks	Organizer
09:20	Opening Messages	IP Leader/s Government Representative/s
09:45	Program Objectives	Organizer
10:00	Group Photo/Break	
10:15	<i>Module 1: Landscape Governance -- Towards Inclusive and Sustainable Development in Northern Mindanao</i>  Overview, concepts, group work on landscape governance	Resource Person
12:00 PM	Lunch	
01:30	<i>Module 2: Recognizing Rights to Land of IPs and their Contribution to Landscape Governance</i>	Resource Person
02:30	<i>Module 3: Harmonizing Community and Local Development Plans</i>	Resource Person
03:00	Plenary Discussion	Organizer
03:15	Break	
03:40	Insights from Participants	Representatives from IPs, Government
04:30	Summary of discussions and agreements	Resource Person
05:00	Closing Message	Organizer
05:30	Internal Meeting of Organizer/s	

## Day 2: Training of Trainers

Time	Session	Person In-Charge
08:00 AM	Registration	Secretariat
08:30	Preliminaries - Invocation/Ritual - Recap of Day 1	Organizer
09:00	<i>Module 4: Tenure Security and Conflicts on Land and Natural Resources</i>	Resource Person
10:30	Group Photo/Break	
11:00	<i>Continuation of Module 4: Tenure Security and Conflicts on Land and Natural Resources</i>	Resource Person
12:00 PM	Lunch	
01:30	<i>Module 5: Participatory Enumeration and Social Tenure Domain Model</i>	Resource Person
03:00	Break	
03:15	Plenary Discussion	Organizer
04:00	Insights from the participants	Selected participants
04:45	End of Day 2	
05:30	Internal Meeting of Organizer/s	

## Day 3: Training of Trainers

Time	Session	Person In-Charge
08:00 AM	Registration	Secretariat
08:30	Preliminaries - Invocation/Ritual - Recap of Day 2	Organizer
09:00	<i>Module 6: Women, Land and Agriculture in relation to Food Security</i>	Resource Person
10:30	Break	
10:45	<i>Module 7: Youth in Landscape Governance</i>	Resource Person
12:15 PM	Lunch	
01:30	<i>Module 8: Action Planning for Landscape Governance</i>	Resource Person
03:30	Break	
03:45	Insights from Participants	Selected participants
04:15	Awarding of Certificates	Organizer/s
04:30	Closing Session	Organizer
04:45	Participants' evaluation of the training course (forms to be distributed to participants)	Secretariat
05:00	END OF TRAINING COURSE	
05:30	Internal Meeting of Organizer/s	

# PARTNER PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATIONS



## **MILALITTRA, Inc.**

The Mirayon Lapok Lirongan Talaandig Tribal Association, Inc. (MILALITTRA, Inc.) covers four barangays in the municipality of Talakag, in the province of Bukidnon, Philippines. The group was awarded a Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title for 11,367 hectares in 2003. The group's Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development and Protection Plan (ADSDPP) is being updated. MILALITTRA, Inc. is composed of approximately 2,500 households. The community's major source of income is farming. It is estimated that around 1,500 hectares within their ancestral domain are devoted to farming.



Nagkahiusang Manobong Manununod  
sa Yutang Kabilin  
(NAMAMAYUK, Inc.)

## **NAMAMAYUK**

The Nagkahiusang Manobong Manununod sa Yutang Kabilin (NAMAMAYUK) covers barangays Bacusanon and Nabaliwa in the municipality of Pangantucan, in the province of Bukidnon, Philippines. NAMAMAYUK has applied for a Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title for 3,506 hectares and has already formulated its Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development and Protection Plan (ADSDPP). The community is composed of 208 households. Their livelihoods revolve around farming and other agricultural activities.



## **PTTA, Inc.**

The Portulin Talaandig Tribal Association, Inc. (PTTA, Inc.) covers barangays Portulin, New Eden, Concepcion, and Dagolos in the municipality of Pangantucan, in the province of Bukidnon, Philippines. It has 165 family members. PTTA's main goal is to deter illegal logging within the sacred forests of their ancestral domain. It has applied for a Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title for 6,679.83 hectares and has already completed its Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development and Protection Plan (ADSDPP). The community's livelihoods involve farming, eco-tourism, and implementing externally funded community development programs.

Written to introduce landscape governance as an approach to facilitate participatory land use planning, harmonize community and government plans, address land conflicts, and recognize the role of women and youth in agriculture and land governance, this publication, **Landscape Governance: A training manual**, summarizes the learning materials of the forum and training of trainers on Landscape Governance held in June and July 2019 in Cagayan de Oro and Valencia City in Northern Mindanao.

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The **Asian NGO Coalition for Agrarian Reform and Rural Development (ANGOC)** is a regional coalition of national and regional CSOs in Asia actively engaged in promoting food sovereignty, land rights and agrarian reform, sustainable agriculture, participatory governance, and rural development. For more information, refer to [www.angoc.org](http://www.angoc.org).



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The **Global Land Tool Network (GLTN)** is an alliance of global, regional, and national partners contributing to poverty alleviation through land reform, improved land management, and security of tenure particularly through the development and dissemination of pro-poor and gender sensitive tools. For more information, refer to [www.glt.net](http://www.glt.net).



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