



# 2022

## MARINA STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION

(January - June)



## INTRODUCTION

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) was created on June 1, 1974 with the issuance of Presidential Decree No. 474 to integrate the development, promotion and regulation of the maritime industry in the country. With the creation of the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) by virtue of Executive Order No. 546, MARINA was attached to the DOTC for policy and program coordination on July 23, 1979.

Guided by the 10-Year Maritime Industry Development Plan (MIDP), the MARINA envisions to accelerate and expand domestic shipping services that shall render the country's economic environment more conducive for flourishing of businesses, influx of investments and facilitation of trade within the country; build modern and seaworthy ships through a globally competitive ship building, ship repair and ship breaking industry; and promote and develop the Philippines as human resource capital for ship management and other maritime services.

Since the appointment in 2020, VADM Robert A Empedrad AFP (Ret) led the Agency in ensuring that its thrust of providing quality service to the stakeholders, particularly the seafarers, shipowners & other maritime-related entities are met.

MARINA has set the Vision of realizing a globally competitive Philippine maritime industry and the Mission of leading a progressive maritime administration for safer people, safer ships, and cleaner environment. The Agency resolutely adheres to its Vision and Mission by implementing coordinated policies, projects and programs which aims to improve the overall contributions of the maritime industry throughout the country.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presents adequate information on the actual accomplishments of the Agency for the period January – June 2022, which include the following:

- Key Policy Issuances;
- Comparative Analysis of Operational Highlights;
- Financial Performance;
- Status of Implementation of Programs / Projects / Activities; and
- Accomplishments

# I. PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT OF KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

## A. KEY POLICY ISSUANCES

### 1. Actual Accomplishments versus Targets for January – June 2

| Target for the period | Actual Accomplishment | % Difference |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 8                     | 42                    | 425%         |

### 2. Memorandum Circulars

From January to June 2022, MARINA has delivered and published six (6) Memorandum Circulars in line with its mandate to provide for the effective supervision, regulation and rationalization of organizational management, ownership and operations within the maritime industry.

The Memorandum Circulars are coded based on the maritime sector that the policy aims to regulate and date of issuance, to wit:

- GC refers to “General Circulation”;
- DS refers to. “Domestic Shipping”;
- OS refers to “Overseas Shipping”;
- MS refers to “Maritime Safety”;
- SR refers to “Shipyard Regulations”;
- MD refers to “Manpower Development”; and
- SC refers to “Seafarer’s Certification”.

| No. | CODE       | TITLE   | DATE OF ISSUANCE |
|-----|------------|---|------------------|
| 1   | SC-2022-01 | Guidelines for the Onboard Training of Cadets on Philippine-Registered Ships engaged in Domestic Shipping   | 28 February 2022 |
| 2   | SC-2022-02 | Revised Fees covering Certificates of Competency (COC) and Certificates of Proficiency  | 13 April 2022    |
| 3   | SC-2022-03 | Policies, Rules and Regulations for the Approval of the Conduct of Practical Assessment for Management Level, Operational Level, Support Level, Electro-Technical Officer (ETO) and GMDSS Radio Operators | 20 May 2022      |
| 4   | SR-2022-01 | Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations on the Registration and Licensing of Boat Builders / Repairers   | 13 May 2022      |
| 5   | SR-2022-02 | Implementing Rules and Regulations on the Issuance of Boatbuilder's Permit to Entities Intending to Engage in Small-Scale Boatbuilding / Repairing Activities   | 13 May 2022      |
| 6   | SR-2022-03 | Rules on the Implementation of the Shipyards Regulation Service Information Management System   | 13 May 2022      |

For the first half of 2022, MARINA, through its STCW Office and Shipyard Regulations Service (SRS) have issued a total of six (6) regulations, with three from each sector.

### 3. MARINA Advisories

Aside from Memorandum Circulars, the Agency also issues MARINA Advisories to regulate the activities of entities within the maritime industry. The purpose of these issuances is to supplement or reiterate the provisions of an existing Circular.

In addition to the publications on Memorandum Circulars, MARINA was able to publish a total of thirty-six (36) MARINA Advisories for the 1st semester. These Advisories include the following:

| No. | CODE    | TITLE  | DATE OF ISSUANCE |
|-----|---------|--|------------------|
| 1   | 2022-01 | Reiteration on the 70% Allowable Passenger Capacity of Passenger Ships   | 02 January 2022  |
| 2   | 2022-02 | Amendment to Item No. 1 of MARINA Advisory No. 2022-01   | 03 January 2022  |
| 3   | 2022-03 | Limiting Public Transportation Access to Vaccinated Population in the National Capital Region (NCR)  | 11 January 2022  |
| 4   | 2022-04 | Amendment to MARINA Advisory No. 2021-65   | 21 January 2022  |
| 5   | 2022-05 | Guidelines on the Encoding of Relevant Information in the MARINA Integrated Seafarers Management Online (MISMO) System Relative to Medical Fitness and Sea-Service | 02 February 2022 |

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| 6  | 2022-06 | Cost of Issuance of Seafarer's Record Book (SRB)   | 31 January 2022  |
| 7  | 2022-07 | Lifting of Policy Limiting Public Transportation Access to Vaccinated Population in the National Capital Region  | 02 February 2022 |
| 8  | 2022-08 | Additional Guidelines on the Application and Issuance of STCW Certificates   | 04 February 2022 |
| 9  | 2022-09 | Lifting of the Moratorium on the Accreditation of Classification Societies and Entities for the Purpose of Classification of Ships in the Domestic Trade | 07 February 2022 |
| 10 | 2022-10 | Conduct of Theoretical Examination in the MARINA Regional Offices (MROs)   | 05 February 2022 |
| 11 | 2022-11 | Additional Features of the MARINA Competency Reviewer Portal (CRP)   | 18 February 2022 |
| 12 | 2022-12 | Precautionary Measures on Protective Coating and Corrosion Prevention of Ship's Hull and Other Components in the Philippine Waters                       | 18 January 2022  |
| 13 | 2022-13 | Conduct of Online Survey for the 2021 Philippine Shipbuilding and Ship Repair Capability and Capacity Assessment Report                                  | 25 February 2022 |
| 14 | 2022-14 | International Maritime Organization (IMO) Circular Letters as of 13 February 2022  | 01 March 2022    |
| 15 | 2022-15 | Authorizing Inter-Island Passenger Ships to Accommodate 100% of the  | 01 March 2022    |



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|    |         | Authorized Passenger Capacity  |                 |
| 16 | 2022-16 | Revised GMDSS Radio Operators Training Standards   | 08 March 2022   |
| 17 | 2022-17 | Precautionary Measures for Seafarers in view of the Russia-Ukraine Conflict  | 02 March 2022   |
| 18 | 2022-18 | Further Amendment of MARINA Advisory 2021-32 Extending the Coverage of Extension of Validity of Expiring SIRB for Filipino Seafarers Currently Onboarding Ships Operating Overseas | 10 March 2022   |
| 19 | 2022-19 | Prioritization of Shipyards on the Dry-Docking of Philippine-Registered Domestic Ships   | 18 January 2022 |
| 20 | 2022-20 | Implementation of the Practical Assessment Enhanced Standard Scenarios for Merchant Marine Officers  | 11 March 2022   |
| 21 | 2022-21 | Further Extension of MARINA Advisory No. 2021-06 on the Amnesty Period for the Registration of Undocumented Recreational Boats   | 17 March 2022   |
| 22 | 2022-22 | Moratorium on the Accreditation of Assessment Center and Approval for the Conduct of Assessment of Competency in National Capital Region (NCR) and Region VII                      | 11 March 2022   |
| 23 | 2022-23 | Safety Measure in view of the conflict arising from the Russian Federation Invasion of Ukraine   | 15 March 2022   |

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| 24 | 2022-24 | Downloadable Copies of Annual Report of Finances and Operation (ARFO) Booklets   | 22 March 2022 |
| 25 | 2022-25 | 100% Passenger Capacity for Maritime Public Transport Operating in and Out of Alert Level 1 Areas  | 31 March 2022 |
| 26 | 2022-26 | Extension of Validity of Expiring and Expired MARINA Accreditation Certificates issued pursuant to MARINA Circular Nos. 186, DS-2020-02 and 2006-003   | 01 April 2022 |
| 27 | 2022-27 | International Maritime Organization (IMO) Circular Letters as of 24 March 2022   | 08 April 2022 |
| 28 | 2022-28 | Turkey's Navigational Alert (NAVTEX) for Ships Against Drifted Mines in the Black Sea Region   | 08 April 2022 |
| 29 | 2022-29 | Implementation of the Marine Steam Turbine (MST) Training Course   | 12 April 2022 |
| 30 | 2022-30 | Moratorium on the ISO Certification Requirement under MARINA Memorandum Circular No. SR-2019-01  | 29 April 2022 |
| 31 | 2022-31 | Mandatory Submission of Certification from the Local Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) or Concerned Office/Unit of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) on Compliance to Tree and/or Mangrove Planting for All MARINA-Registered Shipyards per Executive Order No. 26, Series of 2011 | 29 April 2022 |

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| 32 | 2022-32 | DFA Note No. 2022-1427 and IATF Resolution No. 165 Series of 2022   | 29 April 2022 |
| 33 | 2022-33 | Regulations on Energy Efficiency for Ships (Energy Efficiency Existing Ship Index (EEXI) and Carbon Intensity Indicator (CII)) and IMO's Strategy in Reducing Greenhouse Gases (GHG) Emission | 24 May 2022   |
| 34 | 2022-34 | Clarificatory Provisions on the Grant of Pioneer Status to MC No. DS-2021-03  | 26 May 2022   |
| 35 | 2022-35 | MISMO-Related Updates   | 20 May 2022   |
| 36 | 2022-36 | Renewal of the Registration of Wooden-Hulled Tourist Recreational Boat (WHTRBs)   | 09 June 2022  |

**b. FY 2022 Actual versus FY 2021 Actual for January – June 2022**

| January - June 2021 | January - June 2022 | % Difference |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| 42                  | 41                  | +2%          |

**c. Reason for Increase/ Decrease**

Despite the preparations for the transition for the next Administration, the MARINA managed to cope with its targets in comparison with the past year. As may be inferred based on the given data, the decrease in the number of issuances had been very minimal, this is mainly attributable to the efforts of the line offices and the management to continually carry out its policy commitments under the Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS).

## B. OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

### 1. Ship Vessels

| Indicator                                   | Accomplishments |       | Targets | % Change<br>(Actual vs<br>Targets)   | Reason for Change  |
|---|-----------------|-------|---------|--------------------------------------|--|
|   | 2021            | 2022  | 2022    |                                      |  |
| A. Certificate of Philippine Registry (CPR) | 2,500           | 2,542 | 1,541   | 1,001 or 64.96% more than the target | CPR increased due to the conduct of mobile registration in Mariveles, Bataan, particularly the applications involving passenger wooden hulled tourist boats. |
| B. Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC)  | 682             | 712   | 312     | 400 or 128.21% more than the target  | Due to the conduct of mobile registration in Binangonan, Rizal, CPC surged as well.  |
| C. Philippine Overseas Fleet                | 101             | 98    | -       | -                                    | This particular item is demand driven.   |

### 2. Seafarers

| Indicator   | Accomplishments |        | Targets | % Change<br>(Actual vs<br>Targets)   | Reason for Change  |
|---|-----------------|--------|---------|--------------------------------------|--|
|   | 2021            | 2022   | 2022    |                                      |  |
| Seafarer's Record Book (SRB) and Seafarer's Identity Document (SID) | 167,738         | 71,571 | 80,359  | 8,788 or 10.94% less than the target | In view of the continuing effect of COVID-19 pandemic and the impact of "global chip crisis" seriously affecting the production and supply of blank SID cards that are compliant with the standards set under the Seafarers' Identity Documents Convention (Revised), 2003 (No. 185), as amended, the MARINA through the MDS has reduced the appointment slots vis-a-vis the remaining stocks on hand for the issuance of SRB/SID. |

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|---|---------|---------|---------|---|--|
| STCW-related Documents<br><i>Certificate of Competency (COC) and Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS)</i> | 362,202 | 233,922 | 100,341 | 133,581<br>or<br>133.13%<br>more than<br>the target | Demand driven. The figures represent all of the applications received. |
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## C. OTHER IMPORTANT REPORTS

### MARINA Accomplishments corresponding to the Program Expenditures Classification (PREXC) Indicators and Targets as of 30 June 2022

#### Organizational Outcome 1:

“Global competitiveness of maritime industry enhanced”

| Indicator  | Accomplishments |       | Targets | % Change (Actual vs Targets)    | Reason for Change  |
|--|-----------------|-------|---------|---------------------------------|--|
|  | 2021            | 2022  | 2022    |                                 |  |
| <b>Maritime Industry Promotion and Development Program</b>         |                 |       |         |                                 |  |
| Outcome Indicator(s)   |                 |       |         |                                 |  |
| a. % increase in the number of operating ships                     | 1,628           | 1,707 | 1,505   | 202 or 13% more than the target | Renewal of expired Bay and River License, Safety Certificates and Load Line Marking Certificate can be attributed to the increased number of operating ships.  |
| Output Indicator(s)  |                 |       |         |                                 |  |
| a. Number of Policies formulated, updated, issued and disseminated | 41              | 42    | 8       | 34 or 425% more than the target | Despite the preparations for the transition for the next Administration, the MARINA managed to cope more than with its target this 1st Semester of CY 2022. This 42 policies is in the form of Memorandum Circulars, MARINA Advisories/flag state Administration Advisories which is mainly attributable to the efforts of the line offices and the management to continually carry out its policy commitments under the Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS). |

**Organizational Outcome 2:**

“Accessibility, safety and efficiency of maritime transport services improved”

| Indicator   | Accomplishments |          | Targets | % Change (Actual vs Targets)       | Reason for Change   |
|---|-----------------|----------|---------|------------------------------------|---|
|   | 2021            | 2022     | 2022    |                                    |   |
| <b>Maritime Industry Regulation and Supervision Program</b>   |                 |          |         |                                    |   |
| <b>Outcome Indicator(s)</b>   |                 |          |         |                                    |   |
| a. % of client who rate the frontline services as satisfactory or better                              | 15,354          | 10,945   | 70%     | 70%                                | This is based on the actual accomplishment of the Agency.   |
| b. % increase in the number of Filipino seafarers Certified as meeting the international standards    | 65,343          | 45,503   | 24,234  | 21,269 or 88% more than the target | The targeted figure is the accomplishment during the pandemic (2020), hence reported target is lower compared to the present situation. |
| <b>Output Indicator(s)</b>  |                 |          |         |                                    |   |
| a. % of application received are acted upon within the standard processing time                       | 484,195         | 298, 896 | 100%    | 100%                               | This is based on the actual accomplishment of the Agency.   |
| b. % of complaints/reports of violations received are acted upon within the stand ard processing time | 470             | 420      | 100%    | 100%                               | This is based on the actual accomplishment of the Agency.   |

## D. FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

### 1. Budget Utilization Rates of MARINA (1st Semester, FY 2022)

| Allotment Class | Allotment Received | Obligations Incurred | Balance        | Disbursement   | Utilization Rate |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|
|                 |                    |                      |                |                | as to Obligation | as to Disbursement |
| (a)             | (b)                | (c)                  | (d=b-c)        | (e)            | (f=c/b)          | (g=e/b)            |
| PS              | 479,887            | 254,380              | 225,507        | 253,483        | 53.01%           | 52.82%             |
| MOOE            | 356,392            | 191,603              | 164,789        | 131,401        | 53.76%           | 36.87%             |
| CO              | 25,717             | -                    | 25,717         | -              | 0.00%            | 0.00%              |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>861,996</b>     | <b>445,983</b>       | <b>416,013</b> | <b>384,884</b> | <b>51.74%</b>    | <b>44.65%</b>      |

#### On Personal Services

As indicated by the utilization rate, a deficiency in PS allotment amounting approximately to P30 Million is expected. Special Budget Request (SBR) for the issuance of Special Allotment Release Order (SARO) with corresponding Notice of Cash Allocation shall be submitted to the Department of Transportation (DOTr) for indorsement to the Department of Budget and Management not later than August 15, 2022.

#### On Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE)

As can be gleaned from the summary of the budget utilization, the obligation rate for MOOE as of June 30, 2022 is 53.76%. The said obligation rate is a resultant effect of a relentless effort to adopt cost-cutting measures and deferment of some priority programs, activities and projects (PAPs) due to a foreseeable deficit. This validates the need of the agency to obtain other sources of funds to support the funding for priority PAPs of MARINA until December 31, 2022. Hence, to date, an SBR for the issuance of SARO relative to the MARINA Special Provision for the use of income from Tonnage Fee in the amount of P25.436 Million is pending with the DBM.

#### On Capital Outlays (CO)

The P25.717 Million allotments for CO consist of the following:

- Procurement of Motor Vehicles – P21 Million
- Procurement of Furniture and Fixtures and Office Equipment for the newly constructed MRO V Office Building – P4.717 Million.



- The SARO amounting to P21 Million for the procurement of vehicles was released by the DBM last 23 June 2022. The procurement process for the motor vehicles is ongoing.

To date, an appropriation in the FY 2022 GAA for CO amounting to P94 Million for the construction, rehabilitation and renovation of various MARINA Office Buildings is still unreleased. An SBR, attached with the necessary supporting documents has been forwarded to the DOTr for indorsement to the DBM.

## 2. COMPARATIVE BUDGET UTILIZATION RATE (as of June 30, CY 2022 and 2021)

| Allotment Class | Allotment Received |                | Obligations Incurred |                | Utilization Rate |               |
|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
|                 | 2022               | 2021           | 2022                 | 2021           | 2022             | 2021          |
| (a)             | (b)                |                | (c)                  |                | (d=c/b)          |               |
| PS              | 479,887            | 456,156        | 254,380              | 247,478        | 53.01%           | 54.25%        |
| MOOE            | 356,392            | 411,471        | 191,603              | 124,664        | 53.76%           | 30.30%        |
| CO              | 25,717             | 4,717          | -                    |                | 0.00%            | 0.00%         |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>861,996</b>     | <b>872,344</b> | <b>445,983</b>       | <b>372,142</b> | <b>51.74%</b>    | <b>42.66%</b> |

## E. REVENUE PERFORMANCE

### 1. 2022 Revenue Performance Report

| PARTICULARS                      | FY 2022 TARGET | ACTUAL AS OF 30 JUNE 2022 | % of Collection |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Franchising & Licensing Fees     | 37,334         | 20,557                    | 55.06%          |
| Other Permit Fees                | 93,087         | 116,873                   | 125.55%         |
| Registration Fees                | 62,786         | 24,918                    | 39.69%          |
| Fines and Penalties Fees         | 0              | 12,769                    |                 |
| Clearance and Certification Fees | 134,113        | 82,653                    | 61.63%          |
| Inspection Fees                  | 74,338         | 49,411                    | 66.47%          |
| Processing Fees                  | 210,602        | 70,656                    | 26.30%          |

|                        |                |                |               |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Other Service Income   | 146,597        | 38,548         | 26.30%        |
| <b>TOTAL- FUND 101</b> | <b>758,857</b> | <b>416,385</b> | <b>54.87%</b> |
| Miscellaneous Income   | 0              | 4,662          |               |
| Tonnage Fee (Fund 151) | 60,000         | 53,239         | 88.73%        |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>     | <b>818,857</b> | <b>474,286</b> | <b>57.92%</b> |

This pertains from the collections of stakeholders for the services delivered by the agency as mandated. For CY 2022, the total actual collection as of 30 June 2022 exceeded the target by 7.92%.

## 2. 2021 vs 2022 Revenue Performance Report (amounts in Thousand Pesos) (as of 30 June)

| PARTICULARS                      | ACTUAL AS OF<br>30 JUNE 2021 | ACTUAL AS OF<br>30 JUNE 2022 | Increase /<br>(Decrease) |             |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
|                                  |                              |                              | Amount                   | Percent     |
| Franchising & Licensing Fees     | 13,379                       | 20,557                       | 7,178                    | 54%         |
| Other Permit Fees                | 94,273                       | 116,873                      | 22,600                   | 24%         |
| Registration Fees                | 27,604                       | 24,918                       | -2,686                   | -10%        |
| Fines and Penalties Fees         | 10,099                       | 12,769                       | 2,670                    | 26%         |
| Clearance and Certification Fees | 148,408                      | 82,653                       | -65,755                  | -44%        |
| Inspection Fees                  | 38,374                       | 49,411                       | 11,037                   | 29%         |
| Processing Fees                  | 118,465                      | 70,656                       | -47,809                  | -40%        |
| Other Service Income             | 37,756                       | 38,548                       | 792                      | 2%          |
| <b>TOTAL - FUND 101</b>          | <b>488,358</b>               | <b>416,385</b>               | <b>-71,973</b>           | <b>-15%</b> |
| Miscellaneous Income             | 1,487                        | 4,662                        | 3,175                    | 214%        |

|                        |                |                |                |             |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|
| Tonnage Fee (Fund 151) | 68,162         | 53,239         | -14,923        | -22%        |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>     | <b>558,007</b> | <b>474,286</b> | <b>-83,721</b> | <b>-15%</b> |

**The decrease in revenue for the Clearance and Certification Fees was due to:**

- a. Issuance of MARINA Advisory No. 2021-18 dated March 31, 2021, "Termination/Cancellation on the Issuance of the STCW Certificate of Endorsement (COE) in the Certification of Filipino Seafarers who serve the capacity as Marine Deck and Marine Engine Officer". The COE was integrated in the Certificate of Competency (COC), hence the STCW Office no longer issues COE to the seafarers; and
- b. Issuance of MARINA Circular No. SC-2022-02 dated April 13, 2022, "Revised Fees Covering COC and Certificates of Proficiency (COP)". This Circular reduced the processing fees by 50% for the issuance, revalidation and replacement of COCs and COPs.

**The decrease in the Other Processing Fees is mainly due to:**

Issuance of MARINA Advisory No. 2022-06 dated January 31, 2022 "Cost of Issuance of Seafarers Record Book (SRB)". The following guidelines are implemented under this advisory:

- a. The MARINA shall issue SRB at no cost to the applicant applying for the first time who has not been previously issued with a Seaman's Book or the Seafarer's Identification and Record Book (SIRB).
- b. The MARINA shall grant fifty percent (50%) discount on the cost of renewal/reissuance of expiring or expired/lost or damaged SIRB and SRB booklet.

## II. IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS/PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES

### A. STATUS [NEW, ONGOING, PLANNED]

#### ONGOING PROGRAMS / CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

##### 1. Blockchain Enabled Certification System

The Blockchain technology is an ongoing project of MARINA which aims to integrate into one web-enabled information system all MARINA frontline processes / transactions relating to vessels and seafarers.

The application system will ensure that data are well-protected and secured and that they are generated in real-time.

The system will also allow authentication/verification of certificates, permits and other MARINA issuances.

##### 2. Hybrid Trimaran Fast Craft Passenger Cargo Vessel using Multi-Engine and Alternative Energy sourced from Ocean waves

In partnership with DOST-PCIEERD, the project covers design, construction and testing of a pump that uses renewable energy from ocean waves for electrical needs of a hybrid Trimaran fast craft passenger cargo vessel



The MARINA serves as the coordinating/collaborating agency under the Science and Technology for Marine/Maritime Transport Application (STMTA).

##### 3. Construction of MARINA Regional Office VIII Building



A four-storey building located at the Government Center, Candahug, Palo, Leyte. It has an approved budget amounting to P55,050,000.00 which is downloaded to the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) as the implementing agency.

Started in September 2021, the MRO VIII has already requested updates on the implementation/construction of the building from the DPWH. The target date of completion is in October 2022.

#### **4. Construction of MARINA Regional Office XIII Building**

Located in Surigao City, the allocated budget amounting to P31,710,000.00 covers the following phases: Civil Works; Mechanical Work; Electrical Work; and, Sanitary/Plumbing Works.

Phase 2 of the project amounting to P10,555,300.00 has been transferred to the implementing agency, DPWH Surigao del Norte DEO. This is currently in the preparation phase of the bidding process through negotiated contract, pending submission of Memorandum of Agreement between MARINA and DPWH. During the meeting with DPWH, it has been resolved that Phase 2 of the project will be dedicated to the completion of the civil, mechanical, electrical, sanitary/plumbing aspects of the new building.



Phase 3 of the said building has been endorsed by the Regional Development Council of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) in CARAGA Region for funding which will cover architectural works, office furniture, fixtures and equipment. The project is already approved and funded under GAA 2022 Appropriations and is now waiting for the release of Notice of Cash Allocation (NCA).

### **PLANNED - PROGRAM / CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

#### **1. Construction of MARINA Regional Office X Building**

Located in El Salvador City, Misamis Oriental, the MARINA RO X and DPWH-X had just signed a Memorandum of Agreement to undertake the project. The latter commits to commence the construction within the year.

The project amounting to P68,300,000.00 includes the cost of Engineering and Administrative Overhead (EAO), Detailed Architectural and Engineering Design (DAED), and Civil, Mechanical, Electrical, and Sanitary/Plumbing Works.

## B. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### 1. Awards and Recognitions

#### a. ISO Certification of the MARINA-STCWO and Regional Offices



The Maritime Industry Authority-STCW Office (MARINA-STCWO)'s Quality Management System (QMS) was recertified by the Bureau of Veritas under the ISO 9001:2015 standard. Along with this, the STCW Units of MARINA Regional Office IV (MRO 4) - Batangas, under the leadership of Director Engr. Emmanuel B. Carpio; the MARINA Regional Office VI (MRO 6) - Iloilo and Bacolod Extension Office, led by Director Annabell P. Lagas; and the MARINA Regional Office VII (MRO 7) spearheaded by Director Felisa N. Orongan were likewise granted ISO 9001:2015 Certification for meeting the requirements of the management system standards.

The ISO Certification of the QMS is consistent with MARINA's mission to ensure that Filipino seafarers are well-educated, well-trained, and well-equipped with knowledge and competencies aligned with national and international standards in order to develop them into a globally-competitive seafaring workforce. MARINA takes pride in its ISO 9001:2015 QMS certification, as it represents a testament to its commitment to continuously improve its maritime services and achieve its goals of the delivery quality and efficient services for overall customer satisfaction.

#### b. HR Prime Bronze Medal Awards



In line with the intention to Strengthen MARINA as an organization, the Civil Service Commission acknowledged MARINA with the Bronze Award pertaining to the Program to Institutionalize Meritocracy and Excellence in Human Resource Management last January 2022.

### c. Commission on Audit (COA) - Unqualified Opinion



The MARINA got the highest audit mark from its COA independent auditor for last year, 2021. The audit report stated that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the MARINA as at December 31, 2021. An unqualified opinion is given by the auditors to government offices that have fairly presented their financial statements, and conform to public sector accounting standards. In a nutshell, it means that the agency's financial records are clean.

### d. 100% Resolution Rate of 8888 Complaints

In line with the Agency's thrust towards eradication of corruption and strengthening the policies and procedures to promote good governance, the MARINA received a palace commendation of resolution to Citizen's Complaints / Concerns.

### e. ARTA - Best Performing Agency

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), along with several government agencies in the country, received recognition from the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) for consistently earning top scores in the Pre and Post Diagnostic Tests during the three-month-long Phase II: Regulatory Impact Assessment Manual Training held from April to July 2022.



The training aimed to capacitate personnel on the different tools mentioned in the RIA Manual such as Benefit Cost Analysis, Standard Cost Model, and Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis. Further, different lenses of analysis on areas such as Gender and Social Inclusion, Environment, Disaster Risk, and Competition were also included in the training.

Through participating in this training, the MARINA will be able to design and evaluate policies and regulations in a systematic process that will enhance the quality of existing and proposed regulations.

## 2. 10-Year Maritime Industry Development Plan (MIDP)



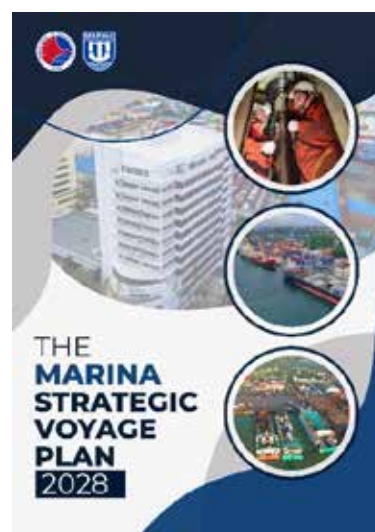
On February 22–23, 2022, in the MARINA Board Room, a two-day session was held to finalize the MARINA Strategic Voyage Plan and MIDP Abridged Report. Heads/directors of MARINA offices handling MIDP programs were invited to participate in the abovementioned face-to-face workshop under Special Order (SO) No. 129-22 with the goal of producing an output suitable for publication. Participants discussed and modified the institutional arrangements and program components of the ten (10) MIDP Priority Programs to better suit the times. The Administrator received the final draft of the condensed MIDP in March 2022.

A Special Order to reconstitute the MIDP Program Team Composition and name Focal Offices as Program Chair or Co-Chair and Vice-Chairs was approved last March 30th in accordance with Section 5 of the Presidential Decree (PD) No. 474 series of 1974, which requires the MARINA to annually update the 10-Year MIDP. The Implementation Plan for the MIDP programs, which includes Program Milestones and the Results Matrix, was then amended by the PPS. To update the aforementioned templates, the MIDP program teams held their specific Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) from April to May 2022. This allowed them to submit their amended initial write-ups to PPS. Additionally, in May 2022, planning for the 2022 Philippine Maritime Industry Summit began.

Through the Planning and Policy Service unit of MARINA a draft Executive Order (EO) was crafted on May 5, 2022, adopting the 10-Year MIDP and submitted on May 31, 2022 to the Administrator. Thereafter, it was forwarded to the Department of Transportation (DOTr) for subsequent endorsement to the Office of the President.

## 3. MARINA Strategic Voyage Plan 2028

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), through the Planning and Policy Service (PPS) conducted pocket workshops with Central Office Directors and Focal Persons to review their respective strategic deliverables for 2022 under the MARINA Strategic Voyage Plan 2028 which was finalized on 02 June 2022. The PPS also spearheaded the signing of Pledge of Commitment by Program Heads to show their utmost sincerity and commitment to fulfill their responsibilities and ensure that all deliverables assigned thereof are accomplished.





The Strategic Voyage Plan Deliverables 2022 includes the following major plans and projects with status as of 30 June 2022:

| Plans, Projects and Activities  | Status  |
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| <b><i>Program 1: Upgrading of Domestic Shipping in Support of the Philippine Nautical Highway Development</i></b> |   |
| 1. Maritime Route Rationalization and Information System (MARIS)  | Completed project with DOST-PCIEERD and the University of the Philippines (UP). Continuous coordination is being made for the pilot testing of the system.  |
| <b><i>Program 3: Development of Coastal and Inland Waterways Transport System (CIWTS)</i></b>                     |   |
| 1. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with LLDA, PPA, PCG, shipping operators, and affected LGUs.                      | The Franchising Service (FS) has drafted the MOA and is undergoing final revisions.   |
| <b><i>Program 4: Strengthening of Safety Standards of Philippine-Registered Fishing Vessels</i></b>               |   |
| 1. MOU with BFAR on Data generation and sharing agreement for Fishing Vessels above 3GT                           |   |
| 2. MOU with DILG on Data generation and Sharing agreement for Municipal Fishing Vessels 3GT and Below             |   |
| 3. MOU with MARINA BARMM for the Pilot Testing of the Municipal Fishing Vessel Information System                 |   |
| <b><i>Program 5: Development of a Global Maritime Hub</i></b>   |   |
| 1. Compliance to the IMO Member State Audit Scheme (IMSAS)  | OSS has undertaken the following activities in preparation for the 2023 IMSAS Audit:<br>a. Prepared the presentation on IMSAS for the Briefing with the Secretary of Transportation<br>b. Prepared the Philippine Maritime Strategy on the Implementation and |

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|  | <p>Enforcement of Relevant IMO Instruments for 2020 - 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>c. Conducted the IMSAS Assessment (Remote IMSAS Mock Audit)</li> <li>d. Issued Special Order on the Reconstitution of the IMSAS Internal Committee</li> <li>e. Conducted IMSAS Cluster Meetings</li> <li>f. Distributed the Pre-Audit Questionnaire (PAQ) and Additional Pre-Audit Information (PAI)</li> <li>g. Issued IMSAS Council Resolution No. 02, series of 2022 on the Creation of Relevant IMSAS TWG Member Agencies' Internal Committees and Assumption of Commitments Thereof</li> <li>h. Issued IMSAS Council Resolution No. 03, series of 2022 on the Expansion of the IMSAS Technical Working Group Membership and Adoption of Administrative and Information Technology – Related Matters</li> <li>i. Conducted the 9th IMSAS TWG Meeting</li> <li>j. Attended the Meeting with ASec. Vingson regarding IMSAS</li> <li>k. Prepared the presentation to the Board on IMSAS Updates</li> <li>l. Submitted the Annual Reporting on IMSAS to the Office of the President</li> </ul> |
| <p>2. Philippine Candidature to the IMO Council under Category C</p> | <p>OSS prepared Semestral Report for the Candidature of the Philippines to the IMO Council under Category C for Biennium 2024 - 2025</p>   |
| <p>3. IMO Project: GloFouling Partnerships</p>                       | <p>OSS has undertaken the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Zero Draft Regional Strategy on Biofouling Management</li> <li>b. National Economic Assessment Report</li> </ul>   |

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|   | c. National Status Assessment Report  |
| 4. IMO Project: Marine Environment Protection for the SouthEast Asian Seas (MEPSEAS)  | OSS has undertaken the following activities:<br>a. Expert Mission and MEPSEAS Pilot Trial<br>b. MEPSEAS 2022 Regional Technical Conference  |
| 5. 7th PHILMARINE 2021  | SRS hosted the event on 21- 23 June 2022 in SMX Convention Hall, Pasay City   |
| <b>Program 6: Enhancement of Maritime Safety in the Philippines</b>   |   |
| 1. Establishment of the Philippine Government Class for Domestic Ships  | MSS has undertaken the preparation of the following:<br>a. Training Proposal on Ship Survey for the Implementation of PG Class<br>b. Memorandum Circular (MC) on Classification Requirement for Philippine Registered Domestic Ships<br>c. AO on the Establishment of Philippine Government Classification System (Internal Creation)<br>d. Conduct of Write shop Relative to the Revision of 3S<br>e. MC on the Establishment of Philippine Government Classification System |
| 2. Philippine Ship Safety Rules And Regulation (PSSRR) for Passengers   | Publication and printing was completed on 27 June 2022.   |
| <b>Program 7: Enhancement of Maritime Transport Security in the Philippines</b>   |   |
| 1. MOA with PN, PCG, PPA Port Police and PNP-MG on data/information sharing and response during emergency situations or Rapid Response Plan/SOP | The Enforcement Service (ES) is in the process of gathering data and continuous coordination with Law Enforcement Agencies for their respective Rapid response plan.  |
| <b>Program 8: Establishment of Maritime Innovation and Knowledge Center (MIKC)</b>  |   |
| 1. MOA with the PSA for the Identification of the Maritime  | The Planning and Policy Service (PPS) conducted initial coordination meeting  |

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| Industry separate from other major industries as classified by the PSA and Shipping Share to Consumer Price Index (CPI) by Commodities | with concerned SUs regarding the would-be-content of the MOA  |
| 2. Development of MARINA BlockChain Technology   | Management Information Systems Service (MISS) spearheaded the conduct of weekly meetings and discussions for User Workshops   |
| 3. Systems Design for the MARINA E-Library System  | The MISS is currently doing inventory of existing books and other reference materials   |
| <b>Program 9: Development of Competitive and Highly Skilled Filipino Maritime Professionals</b>  |   |
| Establishment of the MARINA Training Institute including Identification of Virtual Training Programs                                   | The MARINA inaugurated its own training and research development arm at Panaad Park, Brgy. Mansilingan, Bacolod City in Negros Occidental last 24 May 2022. Virtual Training Programs are currently being identified. |

#### 4. Gender and Development

As of June 2022, MARINA has a total of 1123 personnel, 588 of which are women and 535 are men.

Provided in the table below is the sex-disaggregated data of the top level positions in MARINA:

|                    | Male | Female |
|--------------------|------|--------|
| 1st level position | 63   | 84     |
| 2nd level position | 186  | 235    |
| 3rd level position | 3    | 1      |

Source: HRMDD, MFAS

## GAD ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## a. Endorsement of the MARINA GAD Plans and Budget for CY 2022

As our Agency's support to the gender mainstreaming and with reference to Sec.37 of MCW-IRR wherein "All agencies, offices, bureaus and all government instrumentalities and others concerned shall formulate the annual GPBs within the context of their mandates"

MARINA's draft 2022 GPB was first submitted on 8 November 2021 through the Gender Mainstreaming and Monitoring System (GMMS). The review was facilitated by the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) where their comments and suggestions were provided for MARINA to consider in the revision. In order to strengthen our collaboration with the PCW, the PPS-PADMO led by Dir. Luisito U. Delos Santos requested for a virtual meeting with PCW key personnel including the GAD Plan reviewer to seek guidance and clarification on the comments.

Last 24 May 2022, MARINA received PCW's endorsement for reaching the required minimum five percent (5%) GAD budget allocation and for being compliant with all the requested revisions in the GPB, within the prescribed/agreed deadline.

## b. 2022 Women's Month Celebration



As part of the celebration of National Women's Month (NWM), the Maritime Industry Authority has expressed its support to the said celebration by issuing a directive to undertake specific and attainable activities.

The NWM serves as a venue to showcase women's successes and address ongoing and developing women empowerment and gender equality topics and concerns, difficulties, and commitments.

With the 6-year theme, "*We Make Change Work for Women*", the 2022 celebration focused on the sub-theme: "*Agenda ng Kababaihan, Tungo sa Kaunlaran*" which calls to include women's concerns in the government agenda and enable more

women to implement and demand programs and services that can bring the country closer to narrowing the gender gaps.

## c. Celebration of the International Day for Women in Maritime



The General Assembly of the International Maritime Organization in its 32nd session in December last year adopted Resolution A.1770 (32) declaring 18 May of each year as the International Day for Women in Maritime. The resolution is in response to the United Nations General Assembly Resolution A/RES/74/128, calling upon Governments and all other stakeholders to systematically

provide gender perspective into the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and requests the entities of the United Nations system to ensure effective support for the efforts of Member States towards the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls.

Aiming to provide an avenue for women to resolve challenges, and barriers in a male-dominated industry, the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) celebrated the International Day of Women in Maritime through a series of panel discussions, on 18 May 2022 at the MARINA Central Office, in Port Area, Manila.

#### **d. MARINA Strengthens Partnership with Women in Maritime Philippines (WIMAPHIL)**

The oath-taking of the new set of officers of the WIMAPHIL MARINA sub-chapter was conducted last 18 May 2022, which coincides with the International Day for Women in Maritime.



The Women in Maritime Philippines Association (WIMAPHIL) was formed as part of the initiatives forwarded by the MARINA and the International Maritime Organization (IMO) to encourage and support women in the maritime industry. The WIMAPHIL formulates programs that coincide with the UN's Millenium Development Goals (MDGs), and launches activities that raise awareness about the issues that women face today, especially in the maritime sector.

Ms. Merle Jimenez-San Pedro, President of Women in Maritime Asia (WIMA-ASIA) and WIMAPHIL, expressed her appreciation to the VADM Empedrad and Atty. Sharon D. Aledo for welcoming WIMAPHIL into MARINA and for the Agency's continued support and commitment to the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) specifically SDG No. 5 which is Gender Equality.

#### e. **Modified Basic Safety Training (MBST) with Gender and Development Awareness**

The MBST is conducted as part of the Agency's initiatives to continually support the needs of fishing and recreational boat operators.

The MBST module includes several discussions on Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting (FPFF) module which informed participants of the common causes of fires on ships, namely: careless smoking, spontaneous ignition, faulty electrical faults, oil transfer, welding, etc. The Elementary First Aid (EFA) module includes discussion on the importance of understanding first-aid principles, especially for the captain and crew of the ship. Another module is the Personal Safety and Social Responsibility (PSSR) and Personal Survival Technique (PST) modules, that discuss the standard precautionary measures to prevent pollution of the marine environment and the importance of observing safe working practices onboard ships.

To promote gender sensitivity among the participants, the MBST also included an orientation on Gender Sensitivity Training. Laws related to Gender and Development (GAD) such as RA 7877 Anti-Sexual Harassment Act of 1995 and RA 8353 or the Anti-Rape Law of 1997 are incorporated in the module to raise awareness among the participants who were predominantly male.



## 5. Local and Foreign Engagements

### a. LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

#### Memorandum of Agreement with Development Bank of the Philippines



The MARINA initiated a partnership with the Development Bank of the Philippines through signing of MOA last June 2022, allocating a total of P50-billion fund in support of the implementation of the MIDP in line with the directive of the Administrator to pursue with Vigor the Priority Programs of the MIDP.

#### Memorandum of Understanding with Seaversity

As the MARINA aimed to establish the development of competency framework under the 10-Year MIDP, the MOU between the MARINA and Seaversity was signed last 25 June 2022, during the Seafarers' Day.



The MOU expresses the understandings and intentions of the Parties in relation to collaboration on the competency development framework under the Maritime Industry Development Plan (MIDP) through the application of simulation technology.

#### MOU with WWF – Philippines

The MARINA entered a partnership with the World Wide Fund for Nature – Philippines, a non-stock, non-profit organization engaged in the conservation and preservation of the environment in selected areas of the Philippines, which is directly related with the Agency's MIDP Program 10 "Implementation of the Philippine Strategy on the Marine Environment Protection."



## b. FOREIGN ENGAGEMENTS

- **Memorandum of Understanding with Kongsberg Digital**



Together with the Seaversity, the MARINA also inked partnership with Kongsberg Digital for the development of the same priority agenda.

The parties share the understanding of maritime education and training (MET) and the recognition that it is only feasible to secure and preserve

highly qualified human resources in the maritime industry through effective and quality MET.

The MOU expresses the understandings and intentions of the Parties in relation to collaboration on the competency development framework under the Maritime Industry Development Plan (MIDP) through the application of simulation technology.

- **Bilateral Agreements between the Philippines and Panama**

The MARINA also discussed bilateral agreements with Panama, particularly on the recognition of certificates, continuous employment of Filipino Seafarers and promotion of mutual maritime interests last January 2022.



- **First Meeting of the Regional Task Force (RTF) on Biofouling Management for East ASEAN Seas Region**

Consistent with its commitment of protecting and ensuring the sustainability of the marine environment, the Philippines, as one of the Lead Partnering Countries (LPC) of the GloFouling Partnerships Project, through the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), led the first meeting of the Regional Task Force (RTF) on Biofouling Management for East ASEAN Seas Region on 28 April 2022 via video conference.

- **2nd Global Project Task Force (GPTF) Meeting**



The Philippine delegation, through the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), shared its best practices in protecting and conserving the marine environment during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Global Project Task Force (GPTF) Meeting of the GEF-UNDP-IMO GloFouling Partnerships Project held on 11 to 13 April 2022 at the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Headquarters in London, United Kingdom.

- **Workshop on Safety, Energy Efficiency of Ships**

Together with the World Maritime University and the University of Strathclyde, the MARINA facilitated a Virtual Workshop to present the initial findings of the FSA-P and ENV-P Projects including the results of verification, challenges, gaps and opportunities as well as feasible solutions to reduce risk of domestic ferry hazards and incidents in the country.



- **42nd ASEAN Maritime Transport Working Group (MTWG) Meeting**



The Philippines, through the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) and in coordination with the Department of Transportation (DOTr), conveyed its appreciation to the ASEAN Member States (AMS) for their support to the re-election of the country to the IMO Council under Category C for Biennium 2022-2023 during the 42nd ASEAN Maritime Transport Working Group (MTWG) Meeting held on 09 to 10 March 2022 via video conference.

The 42nd ASEAN MTWG Meeting discussed the decisions made during the ASEAN Senior Transport Officials Meeting (STOM) in November 2021, progress of implementation of maritime-transport related measures under the Kuala Lumpur Transport Strategic Plan (KLTSP), COVID-19-related initiatives, working group's work plan, cooperation with transport-affiliated private sector organizations and dialogue partners, and ASEAN's partnership with the IMO.

- **Meeting with PHL IMO GMAs**

In line with the promotion of the maritime industry, the MARINA convened its first meeting with the appointed IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassadors (GMAs) of the Republic of the Philippines to reach new target audiences to educate and inform on the importance of shipping and the role of IMO last 05 May 2022.



Discussed during this meeting are the accomplishments and plans of the IMO GMAs in promoting the above advocacies.

- **Candidature of the Philippines to the IMO Council under Category C**



The MARINA Board approved and issued Board Resolution No. 2022-01-02 recognizing the need to ensure the re-election of the Philippines to the IMO Council under Category C for Biennium 2024-2025. The said Board Resolution was transmitted to the DFA being one of our partner agencies in this campaign.

### **Efforts Related to the IMO Member State Audit Scheme (IMSAS)**

- **Virtual Writeshop on the Additional Pre-Audit Information Requirement of the IMO Member State Audit Scheme (IMSAS)**

In preparation for the Philippines' audit under the IMO Member State Audit Scheme (IMSAS) in October 2023, an Inter-Agency Writeshop was hosted virtually by MARINA last 07-08 April 2022 dedicated to the initial review of the additional pre-audit information (PAI) requirement of the remote IMSAS. As a supplementary requirement, it requires the Member State to provide response to a set of questions, in addition to the pre-audit



questionnaire which serves as a significant basis for the detailed planning and initial assessment of the audit team.

- **Annual Report on the Implementation of Executive Order No. 84, series of 2019, and IMSAS National Work Programme**

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 84, series of 2019, the IMSAS Council and Technical Working Group, through the MARINA, submitted the Annual Report to the Office of the President for CY 2021 on the implementation of the abovementioned EO and the Philippine Maritime Strategy on the Implementation and Enforcement of Relevant IMO Instruments for 2020-2024 as IMSAS National Work Programme.

- **Approval and Adoption of Proposed Resolution on the Expansion of the IMSAS Technical Working Group Membership and Adoption of Administrative and Information Technology-Related Matters**

The MARINA, as the IMSAS Secretariat, submitted a proposed Resolution to the IMSAS TWG to expand its membership to government entities performing flag, coastal, and port State obligations such as the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC), Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA), Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) and other port authorities. The TWG during its meeting last 13 June 2022 approved the draft Resolution and its subsequent endorsement to the IMSAS Council for final approval.

### **Efforts Related to the Inter-Agency Coordination Committee to Facilitate the Ratification and Accession and Implementation of Maritime Conventions (ICCFRAIMC)**

- **Executive Order No. 159, series of 2021 entitled, “Adopting an Integrated Approach in the Ratification and Accession to the International Maritime Organization Conventions and Instruments and Reconstituting the Inter-Agency Coordinating Committee for the Purpose”**

Approval of Executive Order (EO) No. 159 series of 2021 on 28 December 2021 by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte and its release on 13 January 2022. The country's strong determination to fulfill its maritime commitments and responsibilities stemming as a responsible Member State is demonstrated by the issuance of this EO. Through this EO, the government is obligated to conduct national interest studies in order to evaluate whether maritime instruments are applicable to the nation. The nation may be in a position to choose the advantages of a certain marine treaty or document for itself as well as the obligations resulting therefrom.

## 6. Pandemic Response

The MARINA, as the regulatory agency which is mainly involved in activities of the maritime industry, is also responsible for promoting safety for its stakeholders in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Agency has launched various initiatives and continually implement programs to alleviate the negative effects of the pandemic in the maritime industry.

- **100% Passenger Capacity for Maritime Transport**

In line with Section 6 of the Guidelines for Areas Under Alert Level 1 as issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force, the MARINA allowed 100% passenger capacity for maritime public transport in and out of Alert Level 1 Areas by issuing an Advisory.



- **“No Vax, No Ride” Policy in Domestic Ships**



With the continued easing of policies with regard to passenger capacity, the MARINA likewise issued an Advisory in line with the Department Order No. 2022-01 of the DOTr disallowing unvaccinated passengers to embark and avail of the services provided by passenger vessels in order to avoid the risk of another COVID-19 outbreak.

## 7. Good Governance

As part of the National Government, the MARINA put a premium on implementing effective and efficient programs that are responsive to the needs of the agency.

- **Free SRBs and 50% Discount for Renewal**

In line with the directive of the SOTr, MARINA started issuing the Seafarer’s Record Book (SRB) at no cost for 1st time applicants and granted a 50% discount for its Renewal and Re-issuance last February.

## 8. Other Notable Accomplishments

- Inauguration of the Maritime Training Institute



In line with the Administrator's agenda to capacitate MARINA personnel, the MARINA inaugurated its own training and research development Arm at Panaad Park, Brgy. Mansilingan, Bacolod City in Negros Occidental last 24 May 2022. The inauguration was also directed towards improving the morale and welfare of employees.

- Celebration of the Seafarer's Day

This annual event which was first observed in 2011, pays tribute to the lifeblood of sea trade, the seafarers, in recognition of their invaluable contribution to international trade and the world economy, oftentimes involving extreme risks for them and their families.

This year's Seafarers Day celebration spotlights **#SeafarerJourney** which calls for all seafarers to share their voyage stories, then and now, as the world and the working environment transitions to different changes.

During the celebration, Filipino seafarers and maritime stakeholders around the world witnessed the showcase of talents, video messages from stakeholders, simultaneous mass oath-taking of Merchant Marine Officers in Manila, Iloilo, Cebu, and Davao, as well as the launching of the Search for Exceptional Bravery at Sea Awardees to be recognized during the National Maritime Week (NMW) Celebration coming September

The celebration was successfully concluded by the signing of Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) between the MARINA and the Kongsberg Digital AS, and the Seaversity, Inc. with an end goal of delivering a globally competitive Philippine maritime industry.

