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INTRODUCTION

The Participatory Research, Organization of Communities and Education towards Struggle for Self-reliance (PROCESS) is a non-stock, non-profit, non-government organization established on March 2, 1982 in Manila with the aim of creatively animating the formation of strong and autonomous people's organizations and building up their capabilities for participatory and self-reliant development. Since its establishment, PROCESS has been involved in the organization and empowerment of fishing and farming communities in the upland and coastal areas of Northern Luzon, Western Visayas and Bohol.

PROCESS started its operation in Bohol in March 1985 in the coastal Municipality of Tubigon. Since then, in partnership with various stakeholders, it continuously facilitated the formation and strengthening of people's organizations and self-help groups of fisherfolk, farmers, urban poor, women and children province-wide.

On March 2, 1998, PROCESS-Bohol, Inc. acquired its juridical personality as independent organization from its Head Office in Manila on the strength of its registration with the *Securities and Exchange Commission* (SEC). It is duly certified by the *Philippine Council for NGO Certification* (PCNC) for good housekeeping and good governance for 3 consecutive terms. Likewise, it has also acquired a License to Operate and Registration with the *Department of Social Welfare and Development* (DSWD) for having served the country's poor communities, especially women and children. Similarly, it has also acquired a Certificate of CSO Accreditation from DSWD which qualifies the organization to access funds from any government agencies.

During the period, PROCESS-Bohol also passed the Certificate of Accreditation from the Local Governance Training and Research Institutes-Philippine Network, Inc. (LoGoTRI-PhilNet) for meeting the standards and requirements of the LoGoTRI-PhilNet Customized Accreditation System for Capacity Building Programs for CSOs. Thus, institutionalizing the Training and Consultancy Program of the organization.

Vision

Improved quality of life of poor communities particularly those of men and women, farmers/fishers and children, who are God-loving, gender-sensitive and empowered living in a healthy, just and equitable environment.

Mission

To continuously empower the poor men and women farmers/fishers and children towards effective and sustainable management of resources and promotion of just and child/gender-sensitive environment

Goals

Empowered POs that can claim and protect sectors' rights, advance their interests and enhance their participation in society and governance.

Philosophy of Development

PROCESS believes that grassroots organization should play a key role in transforming society and should effectively participate in local and national decision-making.

By empowering the grassroots through their own collective reflection and action, PROCESS aims to make itself progressively immaterial as communities increasingly take control of their own destiny.

CORE PROGRAMS

I. OPERATION

- a. Capacity Building Program
- b. Enterprise Development Program
- c. Natural Resource Management
- d. Research and Development Program

II. INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING AND SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM

- a. Human Resource Development
- b. Resource Mobilization
 - Community Resource Development Center
 - Training and Consultancy
 - Proposal Development
 - Eco-Park
 - Community-Based Sustainable Tourism

Executive Summary

PROCESS-Bohol, Inc. continued to soar high this fiscal year of 2016-2017. A total of 11 municipalities in the province of Bohol were covered during the period for the core programs and 3 provinces, namely: Cebu, Negros Occidental and Negros Oriental for the special project in partnership with Rare Philippines.

During the period, four (4) projects were implemented by PROCESS-Bohol such as: a) Bol-anong Kabilin: Atong Gibahandi (BOKAG) Project Phase 1; b) Community-Based Sustainable Tourism; c) The Tagbilaran Intensified Natural/Organic Livestock for Agricultural Development (TINOLA) Project; and, d) Livelihood Assistance for CCL in Ubay 2 Beneficiaries. Likewise, two (2) special projects were also implemented, namely: Technical Assistance for Conduct Organization Review and Develop the Design of Capacity Building Interventions for the PAO and the three network Alliances in the Tañon Strait Protected Seascape (TSPS) and research on international campaign and research process “It’s Time to Talk – Children’s Views on Child Work”.

On the other hand, two (2) projects were terminated, namely: Strengthening Technologies and Resilience of Inhabitants against Disasters and other Events (STRIDE) Project and Combatting Child Labor (CCL) in Ubay 2 Project, However, CCL in Ubay 2 – Livelihood Component continued. PROCESS-Bohol is tasked to monitor the project for 15 years.

Likewise, the case filed by Mr. Mario L. Limocon against PROCESS-Bohol which was terminated with a cause by the Board of Trustees of PROCESS-Bohol, Inc. was considered closed after the receipt of the final decision from the National Labor Relations Commission (NLRC) in favor of PROCESS-Bohol. The case is now entered in the Book of Judgment.

PROCESS-Bohol through the Executive Director (ED) actively participated in the Regional Development Council (RDC) as full council member representing the Private Sector. The ED also heads the Development Administration Committee of the RDC. It also sits as Co-Chair of the PGBh-CSO Partnership and as member of the PDC-ExeCom in the province aside from its membership to various TWGs and LSBs. As such, PROCESS-Bohol through the ED attended series of meetings and actively participated in the discussions and decision-making processes.

PROCESS-Bohol and the Executive Director were nominated as the Most Outstanding Organization and Individual Categories of the RAFI Triennial Awards by the Ramon Aboitiz Foundation, Inc. (RAFI).

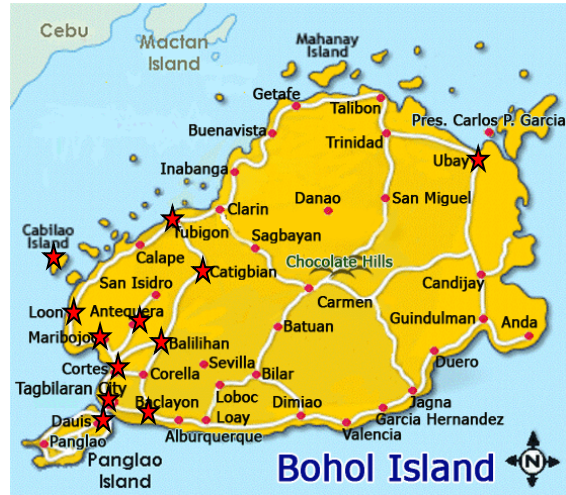
Lastly, the management regularly submits GIS and Audited Financial Report to Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and to the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR). It has also acquired its BIR Tax Exempt Certificate for three (3) after going through a tedious process. Likewise, PROCESS-Bohol has been certified for the third time with the Philippine Council for NGO Certification (PCNC) for another term of 3 years.

Significant Milestones

For this fiscal year, a total of 11 municipalities and Cabilao Is. were covered. These municipalities are Antequera, Baclayon, Balilihan, Catigbian, Cortes, Dausi, Loon, Maribojoc, Tubigon, Ubay and Tagbilaran City.

As such two categories of projects were implemented, such as regular and special projects.

Capacity Building Program



Antique Province and the municipalities of Corella, Maribojoc and Tubigon in Bohol Province.

A total of 12 training and seminar-workshops with 7 re-echo workshop were conducted during the period. These were BOLD, GST, Natural Farming System Seminar, Poultry Health and Management Training and culture and arts-related training workshops for the BOKAG Project.

Four (4) benchmarking activities were also done for the TINOLA and S & T projects in

a) The BOKAG Project

The project was originally entitled BOHOL BAHANDI Program, with the Bisayan word *bahandi* meaning wealth or heritage. However, because the Boholano organizers were told there were several projects and organizations in Bohol carrying the same name or title, they recommended that the project be re-named *BOL-ANONG KABILIN, ATONG GIBAHANDI* program, meaning "Boholano Heritage, We Cherish As Wealth". Thus, its acronym, **BOKAG**.



Coincidentally, **BOKAG** is also a Bisayan word referring to a medium-sized to a large local basket usually made of rattan or bamboo which is traditionally used to store crops or fruits, or it has also been utilized as a vessel for moving goods from farm to market or vice versa. The weave is usually large, thick and tight, quite an example of local ingenuity.

The new project title, **BOKAG**, can be employed as a symbol of Boholano local creativity, strength, pride, resiliency, attributes and values of the Boholano that the program aims to extol, perpetuate, and revitalize towards social transformation.



*During a courtesy call with the City Mayor,
Mayor John Geesnell "Baba" Yap II*

The aim of BOL-ANONG KABILIN, ATONG GIBAHANDI or **BOKAG** is to develop a more sustained, sustainable, and viable cultural development program for select Boholano municipalities, anchored on and drawing from Bohol's rich ecological and cultural heritage, creating appreciation and awareness of its significance, utilizing it for resilience and enhancing quality of life through community-based creative

industries. Its original intent is to apply the

principles of the community development model, the SIAD strategy, or the SUSTAINABLE INTEGRATED AREA DEVELOPMENT model, where interventions for community development are spread over time and a specific development geographic area, so as to allow time for the results and impact to emerge and grow from the people themselves.

"SIAD is an approach to development aimed at addressing the issue of equity by enabling the poor majority to participate directly in development process. It considers people and the integrity of nature at the center of development initiatives." (PHILDHRRRA)

The **BOHOL BOKAG PROJECT** aims to attain the following more specific objectives: at the end of the 2-year program, the target beneficiaries are expected to:

- a. Demonstrate greater knowledge of their ecological and cultural heritage and deeper valorization of its significance and potentials for social transformation;
- b. Exhibit a more enhanced level of creativity and innovative artistry inspired by cultural traditions through a range of different forms and media, both on a personal and community level;
- c. Pilot community-based creative industries as potential source of revenues and manifestation of sustaining local artistry;
- d. Build new community-based cultural organizations strengthening solidarity and sense of collaboration towards reaching a better quality of life.

BOKAG was implemented in the following 7 sites: the towns of, ANTEQUERA, BACLAYON, BALILIHAN, CORTES, LOON, MARIBOJOC and TAGBILARAN CITY, establishing a pro-active cultural renaissance in these areas, propelling genuine community-based productivity and development, in cooperation with the local LGUs and communities. **BOKAG** is composed of 7 major activities that will provide capacity enhancement interventions for specific sectors to be more culturally proactive, creative and sensitive in the delivery of their roles and responsibilities. During the period, the project was able to accomplish the following milestones: a) created 7 creative arts and industries products; b) generated an amount of PhP750,000 as the local counterpart of the provincial government of Bohol through their Governor, Atty. Edgar M. Chatto plus the local counterparts of the 7 LGU sites; c) Facilitated the Closing of Arts Month Celebration with a Bang!; and, d) Lastly, completed the series of workshops.



Natural Resource Management Program



The mangroves along the estuary of Abatan River and Maribojoc is one of the most diverse mangrove ecosystem in the country with 35 true mangrove species in 15 families and 20 associates in 17 families. As such, the management and staff of PROCESS-Bohol conducted a regular coastal clean-up in Abatan River in coordination with the Bohol Coastal Resource Management Task Force (BCRMTF) of which the organization is also a member.

PROCESS-Bohol continued to manage the Abatan River and Maribojoc Bay mangroves in order to sustain the community-based sustainable tourism projects of San Vicente Mangrove Adventure Tour managed by San Vicente Mangrove Association (SAVIMA) and the Abatan River Community Life Tours (ARCLT) managed by PROCESS-Bohol under the auspices of the Abatan River Development Management Council (ARDMC).



Enterprise Development

c.1. Livelihood Assistance for CCL in Ubay 2 Beneficiaries

PROCESS-Bohol continued to monitor the 4 POs as well as the loan beneficiaries of the CCL in Ubay 2 Project - Livelihood component. Projects implemented are hog production and raising, copra buying, vegetable gardening, sari-sari, buy, sell of palay and microlending. To date the total capitalization of the Revolving Fund is PhP 2,817,909.00.



c.2. The Tagbilaran Intensified Natural/Organic Livestock for Agricultural Development (TINOLA) Project



The TINOLA project continued to be operational with a total of 120 individual beneficiaries for the hog raising who were able to receive 3 piglets each and 99 individual beneficiaries for the chicken raising. Two production centers are currently operational for the hogs and chicken. At the Hog Production Center, there are 10 bearing sows and 2 boars.

Likewise, at the Chicken Production Center, there are 82 hens and 7 rosters.



Incubator was also installed at the Chicken Production Center. Likewise, different organic legumes/vegetables are planted in the surrounding of the Production Center to supplement the nutritional needs of the pigs and chicken.

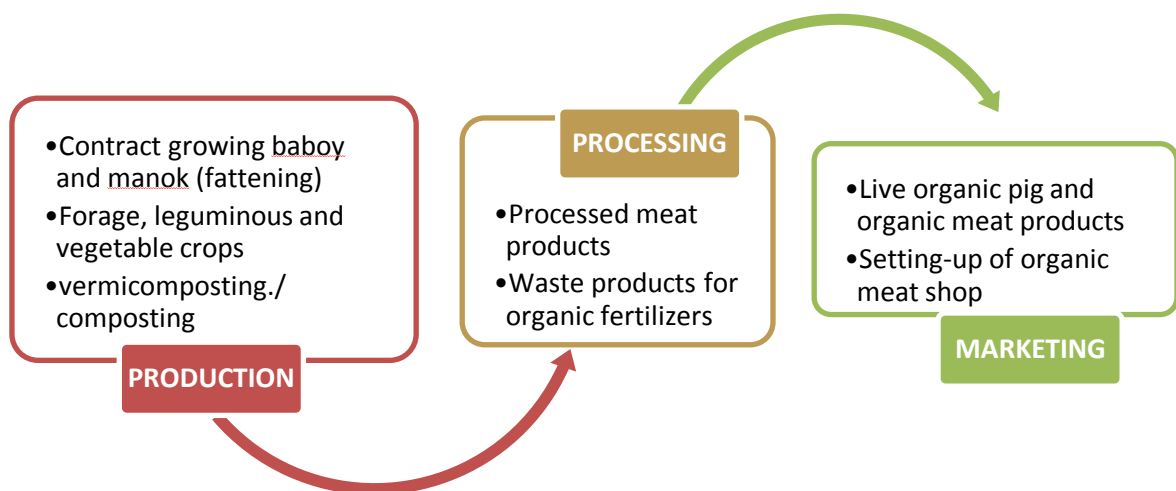


The San Isidro Organic Farmers' Association (SOFIA), the peoples' organization (PO) who are responsible in the marketing sells pork meat at Plaza Rizal every Wednesday of the week organized by the Provincial Government of Bohol through the Provincial Agriculture Office.



It could be recalled that the TINOLA project is funded by the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) through their BUB Project funds.

The project components as shown in the diagram below:



c.3. Community-Based Sustainable Tourism Program



Tourism continued to be one of the economic drivers in the province of Bohol. In support to this direction, PROCESS-Bohol continued to implement the Community-Based Sustainable Tourism Program. This enabled communities to be part of the tourism value chain as service providers whereby tourism benefits trickle down at the community level towards inclusive growth.

There are two banner projects that were facilitated by PROCESS-Bohol in support to the tourism program of the province of Bohol. These are Bohol Homestay and Abatan River Community Life Tour. The SAVIMA Mangrove Adventure Tour which used to be assisted by PROCESS-Bohol is already 100% managed and owned by the San Vicente Mangrove Association (SAVIMA).



a) Bohol Homestay Program.



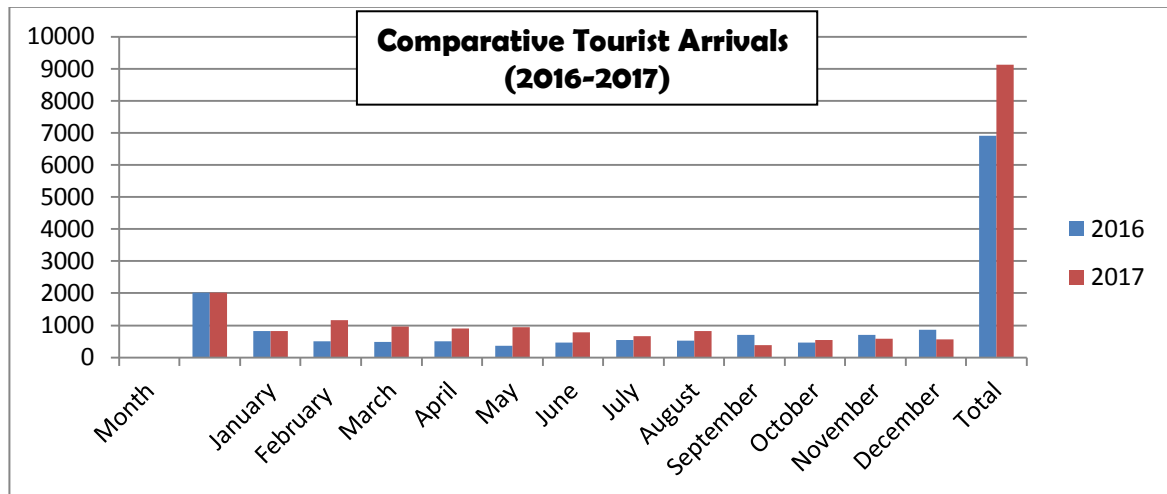
One of the services provided for community-based sustainable tourism is the homestay accommodation. Currently, PROCESS-Bohol continues to facilitate homestay accommodation with partner host families in Maribojoc and Cabilao Is. in Loon.

b) Abatan River Community Life Tour

The three (3) tour packages offered by the Abatan River Community Life Tour (ARCLT) are already self-liquidating. These are the full-package tour, flexi tour and firefly tour. The firefly tour is the highest income earner.



During the period, a total of 9,118 guests arrival with the month of February as the highest number of arrivals.



On the other hand, one of the travel and tour operator partner, Travel Village sponsored a feeding program for the Grade 1-3 pupils of Cortes Central Elementary School last December, 2016. A total of 200 pupils were given Jollibee food stuff in partnership with the Cortes DepEd.



Feeding Program sponsored by Travel Village in partnership with DepEd-Cortes



Aside from the tour operation, PROCESS-Bohol also accessed funds for the repair of the facilities at the Abatan Main Village Center as well as the docking area at the Satellite Village Center in Sto. Rosario, Antequera in the amount of Php1,534,868.00 (approximately 33,000 USD) from SEACOLOGY, a US-based funding agency. As such, it has successfully constructed the Abatan Ecological Mini-Amphitheater and repaired the restrooms in Cortes as well as the dock at the Satellite Village Center in Antequera which was damaged by the flash floods in 2015.



Docking area at the Satellite Village Center in Antequera



Abatan Ecological Mini-Amphitheater

Research and Development

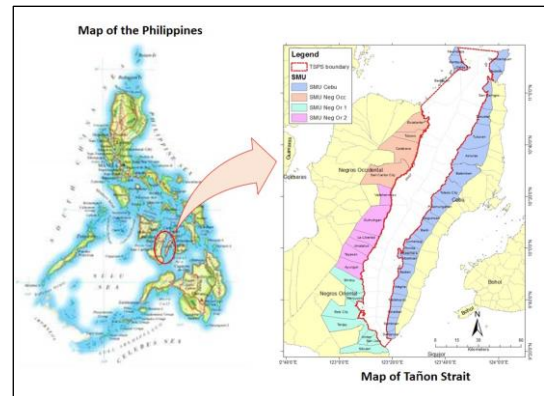
A total of 35 mangroves in 15 families, including one hybrid, and 20 associated species in 17 families (excluding unidentified ones) were identified in the area. Three new records in three families are added to the list; *Heritiera littoralis* Dryand. (Malvaceae), *Scyphiphora hydrophyllacea* Gaerten. f. (Rubiaceae), and *Xylocarpus rumphii* (Kostel) Mabb (Meliaceae).



It is also noted that four (4) species in Abatan River and Maribojoc Bay are in the IUCN (2015) threatened species list: *Aegiceras floridum* Roem. And Schult.–Near Threatened ver. 3.1, *Avicennia lanata* Ridley– Vulnerable B1+2c ver 2.3, *Campostemon philippinensis* (S.Vidal) Becc.– Endangered C1 ver. 3.1 and, *Ceriops decandra* (Griff.) Ding Hou– Near Threatened ver. 3.1.

Special Projects

Part of the sustainability mechanisms of PROCESS-Bohol is its Training and Consultancy Services. For this year, the Organization has the opportunity of partnering with Rare Philippines for the consultancy services on the Technical Assistance for Conduct Organization Review and Develop the Design of Capacity Building Interventions for the PAO and the three network Alliances in the Tanon Strait Protected Seascape (TSPS).



The short-term project was implemented in the three provinces of Cebu and Negros provinces.

The primary outputs of the consultancy services were a) capacity assessments of the 4 organizations; b) Recommendations on the capacity building interventions; and, c) Analysis of the current organization structure and staffing of the four organizations.

Another short term project implemented for the year was about a research on international campaign and research process “It’s Time to Talk – Children’s Views on Child Work” to support the voices of working children to be heard and considered in local, national and global meetings on Child Labour. They are planning to organise consultations with working children about their views on child work in 25 countries in different parts of the world. The consultations are being organised to better understand the benefits, challenges, and risks of children’s work experienced by girls and boys in different situations; and to listen to children’s suggestions to improve their protection, development and wellbeing.



Key findings from the consultations will be shared in the run-up to, as well as at the next Global Conference on Child Labour that will take place in Argentina in 2017. In addition, the Campaign organisers want to encourage and support local and higher level action and advocacy with and by children to improve the lives of working children.

The child friendly consultations were done to children and young people aged 5-17 years who have experience of child work, whether paid or unpaid, including chores to help their parents or other caregivers. A total of 19 children participated (10 girls and 9 boys) participated in the friendly consultation.



The children during the consultation workshop process.

Advocacy and Networking

PROCESS-Bohol operates in partnership and collaboration with the various stakeholders. As such, it continues to facilitate and/or attend meetings of various local special bodies, advisory bodies and other networks of which the Organization is one of the members. Some of these are the following:

At the Provincial Level

- PDC ExeCom, PPOC and other TWGs
- City Tourism Council
- BANGON
- BUSWACC
- CDRRMC/PDRRMC
- BEDAG
- PGBh-CSO Partnership
- Series of meetings with partner agencies: DOST, DENR, DOLE, DTI, DOT, DILG



At the regional level, thru the ED, it also attended several meetings such as:

- RDC, DAC and SDC Meetings
- Series of CenVisNet BOT meetings (Cebu, Bohol and Dumaguete)
- Central Visayas Network of NGOs
- Regional Forum on Monitoring Initiatives

At the national level, series of conferences and workshops were attended by both the Executive Director and staff. Some of these were the Advocacy Workshop on SE towards Women's Economic Empowerment, Assessment Workshop on NCCA-funded projects, PCNC Annual GA and the Framework Development Workshop on SE for PhilDHRRA Network.

Likewise, as member of the ASEAN Network, the Southeast Asia Network for Fish Justice (SEAFish), through the ED, it attended the SEAFISH Regional Conference in Jakarta, Indonesia.

PROCESS-Bohol Sustainability

During the period, 5 new projects were approved. As such, five (5) Memorandum of Agreements (MOAs) were forged between PROCESS-Bohol and its partners, namely: a) National Commission on Culture and the Arts (NCCA) for the project, BAHANDI: Towards a Sustained Cultural Development of Bohol; b) Department of Science and Technology (DOST) for the Establishment of Science & Technology Craft Village to Empower Women in the Countryside; c) SEACOLOGY for the Construction of Abatan Amphitheater and Repair of Docking Areas; d) Foundation for the Philippine Environment (FPE) for the Mangrove Validation; and lastly, e) Rare Philippines for the technical assistance in Tanon Strait.

Then PROCESS-Bohol continued to implement the following projects:

- Bol-anong Kabilin, Atong Gibahandi (BOKAG)
- Establishment of Science & Technology Craft Village to Empower Women in the Countryside
- Tagbilaran Integrated Natural/Organic Livestock for Agricultural Development (TINOLA)
- Abatan River Community Life Tour (ARCLT)

Management

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Finance Report

Please see separate sheet the Audited Financial Report.

Challenges

As always, the challenge that NGOs usually face is the sustainability of the organization. However, until there are still poor Boholanos and Filipinos in general, PROCESS-Bohol is very much committed to help communities uplift their quality of life.

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