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Project : **DEVELOPMENT OF THE BATANG MALAYA CHILD LABOR KNOWLEDGE SHARING SYSTEM (CLKSS) WEBSITE**

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I. Background and Justification

The Philippine Program Against Child Labor (PPACL) works towards the prevention and progressive elimination of child labor through protection, withdrawal, healing and reintegration of child workers into a caring society, and supports alleviation of extreme poverty which has been the main cause of child labor in the country. It aims to transform the lives of child laborers, their families, and communities towards their sense of self-worth, empowerment and development. The PPACL's vision is a child labor-free Philippines.

One of the intermediate outcomes of the PPACL is the *improved generation, dissemination and use of knowledge on child labor among stakeholders, policymakers, program implementers, and the general public*. To achieve this intermediate outcome, one of the major final outputs is to redesign and update the Child Labor Knowledge Sharing System (CLKSS) website.

The CLKSS website was launched and developed in 2011 by the then National Child Labor Committee with support from the International Labour Organization to provide an online platform to share information and updates about the campaign against child labor in the Philippines, the different initiatives and efforts of social partners, as well as different resources and materials about child labor. The Bureau of Workers with Special Concerns of the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) served as the CLKSS website administrator.

The CLKSS had two (2) websites, namely: 1) site.clkss.org.ph and 2) clkss.org.ph. The site.clkss.org.ph website was developed using Plone which is a Python-based Content Management System (CMS) and this resulted to difficulties in modifying the design and updating the content of the website. Thus, in order to implement the target design and functionality of the CLKSS website, the clkss.org.ph website was developed. However, it was only made up of a few web pages and redirections are made to the site.clkss.org.ph. It also used classic HTML coding which was already obsolete. The domain names for the CLKSS websites expired in February 2021. Although the clkss.org.ph website can also be accessed through the domain batangmalaya.ph which is valid until 2027, it also stopped working since the main domain names have

expired and the content of the website was not completely migrated to the batangmalaya.ph.

Moreover, Plone's latest stable release is already version 5.1, while CLKSS website used version 4.0 making it no longer supported by the Plone Community. Thus, vulnerabilities to the website are no longer provided with hotfix releases. In addition, because of the technical problems it experienced as well as difficulties in updating its content, it had a low website traffic.

The CLKSS Committee, an inter-agency ad hoc body formed in 2019 to conduct a review of the system, observed that the design of CLKSS website did not match the current trend of website designs and did not catch interest or attention, thus, they recommended that there is a need to redevelop and redesign the CLKSS website. The members of the Knowledge Management and Advocacy Technical Working Group (KMA TWG) of the National Council Against Child Labor (NCACL) has also worked on the concept and content of the new website.

The new web-based system which shall be named as "**Batang Malaya Child Labor Knowledge Sharing System**" will serve as a knowledge sharing platform that will integrate and facilitate knowledge exchange on all information on the concerted efforts and initiatives of the NCACL and its partners against child labor and generate support on the campaign against child labor. A service provider who will work closely with the DOLE is needed for the development of the new web-based system.

II. Objectives

The development of the Batang Malaya CLKSS website aims to achieve the following:

- Provide a functional and user-friendly platform for:
 - raising greater awareness on the child labor situation in the country
 - sharing information and getting public support on the different programs, projects, and activities of the NCACL and its social partners to address child labor
 - relaying updates on accomplishments with regard to the Philippine Program Against Child Labor and the *Batang Malaya* Campaign
- Enable integration of quad-media features and updates on child labor in the country
- Encourage reporting of child labor incidents through an enhanced reporting module

III. System Features and Functional Requirements

The website must follow the below technical specifications and functional requirements:

- be developed using latest PHP-based CMS like Joomla or WordPress, and if possible, have Search Engine Optimization (SEO) feature