



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 25
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DECLARING EVERY FRIDAY OF THE WEEK AS THE REGULAR PROVINCIAL CLEAN UP DAY THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO MITIGATE, REDUCE, AND CONTROL THE SPREAD OF DENGUE VECTOR MOSQUITOES, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE A TASK FORCE ON THE ANTI-DENGUE INTENSIFIED CLEAN UP DRIVE, PROVIDING APPROPRIATE ACTION THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines declares it among the policies of the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them (Section 15, Article II);

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, mandates every local government unit (LGU) to promote, among others, the health and safety of every constituent under its respective territorial jurisdiction by providing measures to prevent and control the spread of diseases and provide assistance to those afflicted;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) declared a “**national dengue alert**” on July 15, 2019, when a spike in reported dengue cases was recorded in several regions of the country, including the Davao Region or Region XI, where the Province of Davao Oriental is geographically situated;

WHEREAS, the dengue scourge is a major public health concern as it remains a cause of mortality and morbidity in the Philippines considering that this virulent disease is endemic in many of its regions, provinces, cities, municipalities, and barangays;

WHEREAS, the current dengue situation warrants a shift from focusing primarily on attempting to contain outbreaks to taking steps to reduce the impact in communities via the implementation of pre-emptive measures, specifically by strengthening the response to *Aedes*-borne viral diseases present in the country;

WHEREAS, environmental sanitation and management is still generally deemed as the most effective way of eliminating and destroying the breeding sites of dengue vector mosquitoes --*Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*-- and as a preventive measure, can be achieved and sustained thru the committed, active participation of all stakeholders at the lowest level of the community;

WHEREAS, being a community-based problem, community awareness and participation by the private sector as well as concerted and collaborative efforts among the various national and local agencies are necessary for combating dengue;

WHEREAS, the LGUs need to intensify its anti-dengue campaign by setting aside a certain day every week to bring focus to this vector-borne disease and its prevention so that the very people in the localities of all eleven (11) component LGUs of the Province will join the weekly clean up drive with utmost vigilance and affirm it as a regular activity of the LGU.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NELSON L. DAYANGHIRANG, Governor of the Province of Davao Oriental, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby ORDER:

SECTION 1. Declaration of the Provincial Clean Up Day. Friday of every week is hereby declared as the Provincial Clean Up Day throughout the Province of Davao Oriental, wherein an intensified cleanup operation and elimination of mosquito-breeding places shall be regularly conducted province wide to mitigate, reduce, and control the spread of dengue vector mosquitoes.

SECTION 2. Mandate. – The component lone City and ten (10) Municipal Government Units of the Province of Davao Oriental are hereby required to conduct an intensified clean up drive once a week in their respective territorial jurisdictions down to the barangay level; the City Mayor, Municipal Mayors and Punong Barangays shall initiate such community-based clean up drive, making it a regular activity to be done every Friday of the week or forty-eight (48) times a year.

The conduct of this province wide cleanup operation and elimination of vector breeding grounds is in accordance/consistent with the “**National Tepok Lamok, Dengue Sapok**” Program of the Department of Health (DOH), through its National Center for Disease Prevention and Control (NCDPC), which was launched per Administrative Order No. 281, dated 23 July 1996, of President Fidel V. Ramos.

SECTION 3. Launching of the Provincial Clean Up Day. – The Provincial Clean Up Day launching shall highlight a province wide simultaneous cleanup operation and mass elimination of mosquito breeding places, wherein every resident of the Province of Davao Oriental is enjoined to actively participate in this mass movement.

SECTION 4. Mandatory Conduct of Weekly Clean Up Drive. – Due to the correlation of sanitation and environmental issues to the spread of dengue, the weekly cleanup drive shall be mandatory in nature and conducted thoroughly in all communities and neighborhoods comprising every level of governance in the province; thus, the City Mayor, Municipal Mayors and Punong Barangays shall lead, with the active participation of all City/ Municipal Councilors and Barangay Kagawads, in the implementation of the following:

- Enforcement of environmental sanitation such as dredging/cleaning of clogged canals, *esteros*, and other waterways, pruning/cutting of overgrown/thick bushes, plant foliage/ vegetation and tree branches, and removal or draining of water-collecting receptacles like old tires, tin cans, plastic containers, etc, that contain stagnant water;
- Search and destroy operations of all potential breeding places of dengue vector mosquitoes; and
- Massive conduct/reiteration of information drive on environmental control and how to eliminate the breeding sites of vector mosquitoes especially in endemic areas to heighten the awareness of the public on dengue and how to contain it;

SECTION 5. Community Participation. – Dengue is a community-based problem, therefore, its mitigation, reduction, and control should or must be a community effort. All sectors of the community must be involved and participate in the weekly clean up drive and their social consciousness intensified to successfully prevent the spread of dengue vector mosquitoes.

Towards this end, it is the responsibility of the LGUs to engender advocacy among their constituents to actively participate in their community's drive against dengue, to tap the support of the socio-civic and business sectors to generate various forms of resources such as volunteers, medicines and medical supplies, IEC materials and the like.

Likewise, the LGUs are responsible for mobilizing into action the different sectors in their localities, along with their resources, as they initiate/spearhead and coordinate efforts in the conduct of activities geared towards the cleanliness of their communities and those that promote wider public awareness on dengue fever and how it can be prevented.

SECTION 6. Creation of an Anti-Dengue Task Force. – Task Force Anti-Dengue Intensified Clean Up Drive is hereby created and shall thereafter be known as **TF ADICUDRI**, with the following composition:

Governor	-	PGO
City/Municipal Mayors	-	
Provincial Administrator	-	PAdO
Provincial Health Officer	-	IPHO
Provincial Officer	-	DOH Davao Oriental
All Municipal Health Officers	-	
PGDH	-	PSWDO
Provincial Engineer	-	PEO
PGDH	-	ENRO
SP Member	-	Chairman, SP Committee on Health & Sanitation
SP Ex-Officio Member	-	FABC/LNB President
SP Ex-Officio Member	-	SKFP President
Provincial Director	-	DILG
PENR Officer	-	DENR
District Engineer	-	DPWH District I and II
SDS	-	DepEd, Division of Davao Oriental and City of Mati
NGO/CSO/PO		
Business Sector		
Religious Sector		

Generally, the TF shall ensure and protect the people's right to health by monitoring the

implementation & enforcement of this EO, coordinate with various concerned national/local government agencies/offices and component LGUs relative to the information and awareness campaign against dengue, oversee and enforce the mandatory conduct of weekly cleanup operations and related cleanliness activities, conduct information and education campaigns and capability building activities that will inform and guide the constituents regarding this Order, submit monthly report to the DILG, DOH & other agencies concerned including pertinent data and information on dengue cases, as well as, perform other activities incidental and necessary to mitigate, reduce and control the spread of dengue vector mosquitoes in the province.

SECTION 7. Action for Non-Compliance. – Failure of any component LGU and/or its officials to heed this Order shall constitute an administrative offense chargeable under existing pertinent laws;

SECTION 8. Submission of Regular Reports. – The City, Municipal and Barangay government units shall submit monthly reports to the Office of the Governor on the status of reported dengue cases, its prevalence and the implementation of the provisions of this EO in their respective localities.

SECTION 9. Funding. – All LGUs shall allocate/appropriate funds for the implementation of this EO, subject to availability of funds, to be incorporated in the General Fund or Supplemental Budget.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. – All previous issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this directive shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. Separability Clause. – If for any reason any part or provision of this EO shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Mati, Davao Oriental, Philippines, this _____ day of August in the year of our Lord, Twenty Hundred and Nineteen.



NELSON L. DAYANGHIRANG
Governor