

XXXII. COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

MANDATE

The Commission on Elections is the premiere guardian of the ballot. Its principal role is to enforce and administer all laws and regulations relative to the conduct of elections, plebiscites, initiatives, referendums and recalls. The periodic political exercises give meaning to the constitutional declaration that "sovereignty resides in the people and all government authority emanates from them." As protector of the people's right to suffrage, COMELEC endeavors to faithfully and fairly discharge its solemn constitutional responsibility of ensuring the sanctity of elections.

VISION

Independent, empowered and fully modernized institution conducting transparent electoral processes with credible result in strong partnership with election stakeholder

MISSION

We, the guardians of the sovereign will of the Filipino people, in partnership with election stakeholders, commit ourselves to conduct free, honest, orderly, peaceful, fully automated and credible elections in order to build strong democratic institutions.

KEY RESULT AREAS

Transparent, accountable and participatory governance

SECTOR OUTCOME

Democratic institutions strengthened

ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOME

Free, orderly, honest and credible political exercises

New Appropriations, by Program/Project

Current Operating Expenditures

		<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	<u>Total</u>
PROGRAMS					
100000000	General Administration and Support	P 454,457,000	P 276,749,000	P	P 731,206,000
300000000	Operations	1,483,087,000	174,188,000		1,657,275,000
	MFO 1: Regulation of Elections	1,483,087,000	174,188,000		1,657,275,000
	Total, Programs	1,937,544,000	450,937,000		2,388,481,000
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PROJECT(S)					
400000000	Locally-Funded Project(s)	500,000	120,816,000	225,524,000	346,840,000
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GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, FY 2014

Total, Project(s)	500,000	120,816,000	225,524,000	346,840,000
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P 1,938,044,000	P 571,753,000	P 225,524,000	P 2,735,321,000

New Appropriations, by Central/Regional Allocation**Current Operating Expenditures**

	Personnel Services	Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	Capital Outlays	Total
REGION				
CENTRAL OFFICE	P 577,069,000	P 531,227,000	225,524,000	P 1,333,820,000
Regional Allocation	1,360,975,000	40,526,000		1,401,501,000
National Capital Region (NCR)	67,917,000	6,439,000		74,356,000
Region I - Ilocos	95,616,000	1,734,000		97,350,000
Region II - Cagayan Valley	67,795,000	1,507,000		69,302,000
Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)	61,659,000	1,461,000		63,120,000
Region III - Central Luzon	111,025,000	1,871,000		112,896,000
Region IVA - CALABARZON	179,521,000	3,869,000		183,390,000
Region V - Bicol	89,725,000	3,219,000		92,944,000
Region VI - Western Visayas	118,842,000	4,410,000		123,252,000
Region VII - Central Visayas	106,017,000	2,076,000		108,093,000
Region VIII - Eastern Visayas	103,256,000	2,888,000		106,144,000
Region IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	54,581,000	2,055,000		56,636,000
Region X - Northern Mindanao	75,466,000	1,398,000		76,864,000
Region XI - Davao	49,343,000	2,296,000		51,639,000
Region XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	43,539,000	1,443,000		44,982,000
Region XIII - CARAGA	57,509,000	1,972,000		59,481,000
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM)	79,164,000	1,888,000		81,052,000
Total New Appropriations	P 1,938,044,000	P 571,753,000	P 225,524,000	P 2,735,321,000

Special Provision(s)

1. Organizational Structure. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, and within the limits of its appropriations in this Act, the COMELEC, through its Chairperson, is hereby authorized: (i) to formulate and implement its organizational structure; (ii) to fix and determine the salaries, allowances and other benefits of its personnel in accordance with the rates and levels authorized under R.A. No. 6758, as amended and R.A. No. 6686, as amended; and (iii) to make adjustments in its Personnel Services itemization including, but not limited to, the transfer of item or creation of new positions, whenever public interest so requires: PROVIDED, That any modification of existing organizational structure and staffing pattern shall comply with existing organization, staffing and position classification and compensation standards, and shall in no case increase the total funding requirements for Personnel Services: PROVIDED, FURTHER, That the retirement and separation benefits of employees whose positions are affected by such organizational modification shall be paid in accordance with applicable laws, and shall be sourced from any unexpended balance of, or savings in, the appropriations of COMELEC: PROVIDED, FINALLY, That a request on the foregoing changes and modifications shall be submitted to the DBM for proper documentation and to ensure compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations.

2. Use of Savings. The COMELEC, through its Chairperson, is hereby authorized to use savings from its appropriations to cover actual deficiencies incurred for the current year and for the following purposes: (i) printing and/or publication of decisions, resolutions, and training information materials; (ii) repair, maintenance and improvement of central and regional offices, facilities and equipment; (iii) purchase of equipment, books, journals and periodicals; (iv) necessary expenses for the employment of temporary, contractual and casual employees; and (v) payment of extraordinary and miscellaneous expenses, representation and transportation allowances, and other authorized benefits of its officials and employees, subject to pertinent budgeting, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

3. Special Audit of Printing Expenditures. The amounts appropriated herein for registration, plebiscite, referendum and election related expenditures, including those incurred for printing of ballots and similar paraphernalia shall be used exclusively for said purposes: PROVIDED, That a Special Audit on all expenditures incurred for printing jobs and materials used during said activities shall be undertaken by the COA within six (6) months from the conduct thereof.

The COA shall furnish the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance copies of the COA Special Audit report within one (1) month after the said audit.

4. Appropriations for Programs and Specific Activities. The amounts appropriated herein for the programs of the agency shall be used specifically for the activities in the amounts indicated under the Details of the FY 2014 Budget attached as Annex A (Volume 1) of this Act.

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

KEY STRATEGIES :

Implementation of institutional reforms guard towards to transparency in governance and accountability.

MAJOR FINAL OUTPUTS (MFO) / PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Targets

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MFO 1: REGULATION OF ELECTIONS

Registration of Voters and Candidates

Number of voter registration applications acted upon	6,639,818
Number of candidate registration applications acted upon	no elections
Number of political party registration applications acted upon	no elections
% of voters' applications with one or more double/multiple registrations	0.18%
% of voters' registrations for exclusion and cancellation due to death that were processed	0.35%
% of voter registration records validated, deactivated and reactivated	12.93%
% of voter's registration application processed within the time prescribed by COMELEC Rules and Procedures (Election Registration Board hearing)	100%

Monitoring

Number of elections, referenda, recall votes and plebiscites managed and supervised :	
- Election and Special Election	6
- Plebiscites	6
Number of cleansing inspections of the voter's list undertaken	5,505,741
% of stakeholders who rate the supervision of elections by COMELEC as good or better	no elections
Average percentage of voter turn-out	no elections
% of precincts where voting commenced 30 minutes or more after the scheduled start	no elections
% of precincts where results are available within 48 hours (counting and canvassing for Local positions) and 111 hours (counting and canvassing for National positions) after closing	no elections
% of elected candidates proclaimed within 48 hours (for Local positions) and 111 hours (for National positions) after closing	no elections
% of voter's list cleansed within a year based on Election Regulation Board (ERB) hearing	100%

Enforcement

Number of complaints/cases filed and acted upon :	
- Special Proceedings, Special Action and Election Matter	160
- Election Appeal Cases (Automated)	75
- Election Appeal Cases (Barangay and SK)	300
Number of cases resolved :	
- Special Proceedings, Special Action and Election Matter	40
- Election Appeal Cases (Automated)	23
- Election Appeal Cases (Barangay and SK)	90
Number of cases of electoral fraud investigated :	
- Election Protest Case	no elections
% of cases resolved that are overturned on appeal :	
- Special Proceedings, Special Action and Election Matter	25%
- Election Appeal Cases (Automated)	30%
- Election Appeal Cases (Barangay and SK)	30%
- Election Protest Case	no elections
% of cases resolved within the reglementary period prescribed by COMELEC Rules of Procedures and the Rules of Court	100%

**GENERAL SUMMARY
COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS**

Current Operating Expenditures

	<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	<u>Total</u>
A. Commission on Elections	P 1,938,044,000	P 571,753,000	P 225,524,000	P 2,735,321,000
Total New Appropriations, Commission on Elections	P 1,938,044,000	P 571,753,000	P 225,524,000	P 2,735,321,000