

Republic of the Philippines Province of Siquijor Municipality of LARENA OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR



MESSAGE

It is with great pride and excitement that I present the Open Government Partnership (OGP) Action Plan for the Municipality of Larena. This document marks a significant milestone in our ongoing journey toward fostering transparent, accountable, and inclusive governance. As the only 5th-class municipality in the Philippines to join the OGP, Larena is breaking new ground and setting a powerful example of how even the smallest communities can embrace global standards of good governance. This achievement is not just a recognition of our past efforts, but a bold step toward a brighter, more participatory future for our people.

Larena has long been dedicated to the principles of good governance, as evidenced by our consistent recognition through the Seal of Good Local Governance and the Cities and Municipalities Competitiveness Index (CMCI) Awards for governance efficiency. These accolades reflect our ongoing commitment to excellence. The OGP Action Plan represents the next critical step in deepening this commitment—transforming governance from a top-down process into a dynamic, inclusive effort that empowers our citizens to actively participate and shape the future of our community at every level.

This action plan is the result of months of hard work, research, and collaboration among local government leaders, experts, and the community. It outlines specific initiatives that will enhance civic participation, promote transparency, and ensure that our governance practices are aligned with the core values of the Open Government Partnership.

As the Mayor of Larena and a proud resident of this vibrant community, I wholeheartedly support this initiative. I firmly believe that the principles laid out in this plan will help us build a more responsive, efficient, and people-centered local government. By embracing these strategies, we will not only enhance the quality of governance but also strengthen the foundation of our community, making it more resilient and better equipped to meet the needs of our people.

I invite you to engage with this action plan not just as a document, but as a call to action—one that empowers each of us to contribute to the transformation of Larena into a beacon of inclusive development, transparency, and good governance for all.

Sincerely,

CYRUS WINCENT M. CALIBO Municipal Mayor