



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 06
Series of 2018

MODIFYING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5, SERIES OF 2018 IN THE MATTER OF CONDITIONALLY LIFTING THE ORDER SUSPENDING CLASSES AT UCAB ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 04 SERIES OF 2018.

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2018, the Office of the Municipal Mayor issued Executive Order No. 05, series of 2018 conditionally lifting the suspension of classes at Ucab Elementary School subject to the following:

- a. School authorities shall consult a structural engineer for detailed assessment of the structural integrity of the school buildings. In the meantime, only the two buildings duly identified by the inspection team of MGB shall be utilized as temporary classrooms;
- b. Classes shall be suspended during prolonged and/or heavy rainfall, provided that as much as possible, the suspension shall be made earlier before the occurrence thereof;
- c. The school authorities through the principal shall formulate a strategy on how to provide classroom instructions to all school children of all grades. This shall include among others, coordination or partnership with concerned entities, groups or individuals for the provision of suitable area where temporary makeshift classrooms may be erected, or for the gratuitous lease of available buildings or spaces thereon within the barangay to be utilized as temporary classrooms;
- d. Other recommendations of the MGB inspection team related to the holding of classes within the school premises including the implementation of mitigating measures shall be observed.

WHEREAS, the school administration through its Principal sought the assistance of structural engineers from the Department of Public Works and Highways, Benguet First District Engineering Office who responded positively by conducting an assessment of the various school buildings last October 23, 2018 for purposes of determining the structural integrity thereof and whether or not these structures are still safe to be occupied for school purposes;

WHEREAS, the General Conclusion and Assessment drawn by the technical personnel of DPWH Benguet First District Engineering Office per Inspection Report dated October 23, 2018 states that "In general, the facilities within the school building site are found to be functional and safe to use as TEMPORARY classrooms except for classroom 1 within building 8. Buildings No. 3 and 7 are deteriorated and recommended for replacement;"

WHEREAS, the Report stated further that the word TEMPORARY was used in relation to the report of the Mines and Geosciences Bureau recommending the site to be declared as a "Danger Zone" and their recommendation for the site to be relocated to a more stable ground;

WHEREAS, this office relies on the competence of the DPWH being the proper agency to consult as far as the structural integrity and safety of the school buildings are concerned, nevertheless, the recommendations of the MGB as to ground stability shall also be given weight in the planning processes for long term solutions and implementation of immediate remedial/mitigating measures to prevent any impending hazards, the safety of the faculty and staff, students, and their parents shall at all times be our primordial consideration;

NOW THEREFORE I, ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law as Municipal Mayor of Itogon, Benguet, hereby MODIFY certain provisions of Executive Order No. 5, series of 2018 as follows;

1. In accordance with the findings and recommendations of the DPWH Benguet First District Engineering Office as contained in the Inspection Report conducted by its personnel on October 23, 2018, the buildings declared as functional and safe to use as Temporary Classrooms may be utilized except for the following:
 - a. Building No. 3 (Comfort Room)
 - b. Building No. 7 (dilapidated wooden structure)
 - c. Classroom No. 1 of Building 8.
2. For safety purposes, Building No. 5 (2 storey, 2 classroom building) shall not be occupied until all the recommended remedial or corrective measures shall have been done.
3. As much as possible, the two classrooms of building no. 8 may be utilized for the mean time as office or for other school purposes but not as temporary classrooms unless its structural integrity and soil stability is determined through the conduct of further geotechnical studies.
4. The school administration, in coordination with the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office shall prepare an Emergency Evacuation Plan. Likewise, regular monitoring and recording of the cracks, subsidence and other signs of earth movements shall be done.
5. The School Administration shall coordinate with concerned agencies for the provision of necessary assistance for the implementation of mitigation and remedial measures of the structures within the school, including all major rehabilitation works of walkways and drainage systems.
6. The recommendations of the DPWH-Benguet First District Engineering Office for each building on the school is hereby adopted to form part of this Order.
7. Through the School Principal, classes shall be suspended during prolonged and/or heavy rainfall, provided that as much as possible, the suspension shall be made earlier before the occurrence thereof;
8. The school authorities through the principal shall formulate a strategy on how to provide classroom instructions to all school children of all grades. This shall include among others, coordination or partnership with concerned entities, groups or individuals for the provision of suitable area where temporary makeshift classrooms may be erected, or for the gratuitous lease of available buildings or spaces thereon within the barangay to be utilized as temporary classrooms.

LET copies of this ORDER be furnished all concerned for their information and guidance.

DONE this 5th day of November, 2018 at Itogon, Benguet.


ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN
Municipal Mayor

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