

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

As a government-owned and controlled corporation mandated to be the clearinghouse of reclamation projects nationwide and endowed with the authority not only to reclaim but to manage public estates and develop infrastructure as well, the operations and programs of the Philippine Reclamation Authority inherently affects not only the environment but the lives and welfare of involved communities. The Agency seriously assumes responsibility over these effects on society and addresses the same according to the following policies:

Environment

It is clearly stated in the Agency's Mission statement that reclamation projects shall be undertaken in an environmentally sustainable manner consistent with public interest. Just like any other project, the acceptance of reclamation proposals are decided according to the outcome of a cost vs benefit analysis whereby the project proceeds when the benefit outweighs the cost EXCEPT when the costs will be environmental degradation and imminent danger to people's lives. In such case, no amount of financial or economic gain can justify the project. PRA strictly observes the outcome of an Environmental Impact Assessment before approving any project. In the course of project implementation, environmentally sustainable innovations and disaster risk reduction components are integrated through hard and soft engineering.

As an ultimate expression of its corporate responsibility over the environment, PRA has assumed as part of its mission the promotion of a coastal defense strategy for the country with reclamation as an enabling component.

Community Involvement

The PRA allocates material and human resources to initiate or enhance community projects primarily for settlements affected by reclamation programs as part of its mandate and as an expression of its corporate social responsibility.

To achieve inclusive growth, the PRA is committed to establishing an institutional mechanism for educating the public about reclamation and integrating their views in reclamation activities.

Human Resources

The PRA believes in enhancing and maintaining a cohesive organization whose personnel are consistently infused with esprit de corps and undergo training and reskilling according to a well-defined competency framework. The Agency dedicates itself to maintaining a culture of professionalism, integrity and accountability among its workforce.