



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 33

Series of 2025

**CREATION OF THE MUNICIPAL SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY COORDINATING COUNCIL,
AND DESIGNATION OF ITS FUNCTIONS,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, Section 10 of Article XIV of the Philippine Constitution states, to wit: "*Science and technology are essential for national development and progress. The State shall give priority to research and development, invention, innovation, and their utilization; and to science and technology, education, training and services period. It shall support indigenous, appropriate, and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, and their application to the country's productive systems and national life.*"

WHEREAS, Section 17 of Article XIV of the Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development.”;

WHEREAS, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) is the government agency that coordinates and funds research, and supports specialized fields through its attached agencies. It is tasked with the implementation of policies related to science and technology, and focuses on advancing scientific and technological research and innovations, and fostering partnerships between the public and private sectors;

WHEREAS, the DOST provides programs aim to help Local Government Units (LGUs) leverage science, technology, and innovation to achieve balanced, inclusive, and sustainable development, build resilient and safer communities, and improve the quality of life for their residents. This involves deploying various technologies, fostering collaborations, and promoting local innovation in areas like disaster risk reduction, food security, health, and emerging technologies like AI and biotechnology;

WHEREAS, LGUs can partner with the DOST's various institutes and regional offices to access technologies, expertise, and funding for their local initiatives, and participate in research and development activities and receive training on new technologies and scientific applications in order to meet the specific needs and challenges of each locality, promoting balanced and inclusive development;

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government of Concepcion, Tarlac, finds it necessary to create a Municipal Science and Technology Coordinating Council to fully implement the programs, plans, and actions of the Municipality in the field of science and technology;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NOEL L. VILLANUEVA, Municipal Mayor, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby constitute the Municipal Science and Technology Coordinating Council (MSTCC) of Concepcion, Tarlac, and designates its functions, and for other purposes, to wit:

8



Republic of the Philippines
MUNICIPALITY OF CONCEPCION
Province of Tarlac



OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

BAGONG PILIPINAS

SECTION I. COMPOSITION.

CHAIRPERSON: **HON. NOEL L. VILLANUEVA**
Municipal Mayor

VICE CHAIRPERSON: **HON. EVELYN A. RIVERA**
Municipal Vice Mayor

MEMBERS:

HON. RAMON G. MANUCDUC, JR.
Chairperson-SB Committee on Information and
Technology; Liga ng mga Barangay Vice-
President

HON. ERWIN JAMES S. VILLANUEVA
Chairperson-SB Committees on Education and
Social Services

HON. MARVIN P. MACALINO
Chairperson-SB Committee on Health and
Sanitation

HON. CYGEL LUSUNG
SK Federation President

MA. SOCORRO S. PADLAN
Municipal Planning and Development
Coordinator

JUANITO M. LINDO, JR.
Municipal Agriculturist

ATTY. ANGELICA AMURAO
Municipal Cooperative Development Office Head

DR. ROLAND ARCIGA
Municipal Veterinarian

SONOFFPRAY DANTES
MENRO Head

RONALD M. BAUTISTA
MDRRMO Head



Republic of the Philippines
MUNICIPALITY OF CONCEPCION
Province of Tarlac



OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

DR. BENJAMIN Q. BENGCO III
MHO Head

JESSA MAE S. CENTENO
MSWDO Head

RONALD TRISTAN ESTACIO
Designated ICT

DR. NICOLASA S. CAMAYA
Deped PSDS-Concepcion West District

ROSELLER MERCADO
CSO-Young Farmer's Agriculture Cooperative

JENNIFER M. JALANDONI
CSO-Uunlad Tayo Multipurpose Cooperative

SECRETARIAT: Designated personnel by the Municipal Planning and Development Officer

SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS.

1. Serves as the core of the advocacy on science and technology within the municipality;
2. Coordinates, harmonizes, and monitors the implementation of all plans, programs and projects in the field of science and technology in the Municipality;
3. Provides direction, leadership, and coordination of all scientific and technological efforts/activities in the municipality, and ensures that the results therefrom are geared and utilized in areas of maximum economic and social benefits for the people;
4. Formulates and adopts a comprehensive Municipal Science and Technology Plan and promote public awareness on the said plan;
5. Facilitates the integration of science, technology, and innovation (STI) into the municipality's governance and development agenda;
6. Monitors and evaluates the implementation of the Municipal Science and Technology Plan;
7. Coordinates with the DOST and other government agencies regarding programs, trainings, and actions on science and technology, including research and development;
8. Performs such other functions as may be prescribed by law or ordinance

SECTION 3. MUNICIPAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR

KAREN JOY J. VILLANUEVA is hereby designated as the Municipal Science and Technology Coordinator with the following functions:

1. Works at the local level, often receiving training from national bodies like the DOST to implement science and technology programs within the municipality;



Republic of the Philippines
MUNICIPALITY OF CONCEPCION
Province of Tarlac



OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

BAGONG PILIPINAS

2. Ensures access to and proper use of technology resources within the organization or the municipality;
3. Maintains databases and information systems related to science and technology
4. Provides technical expertise, manage projects, and oversee the implementation and integration of science and technology initiatives within the organization or municipality;

BENJO RYAN Y. BIE serves as an alternate in the absence of the Municipal Science and Technology Coordinator.

SECTION 4. MEETINGS AND QUORUMS

The MSTCC shall schedule a meeting every quarter, and as often as needed. The presence of the majority of all members of the MSTCC shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 5. FUNDING

Funds appropriated by the local government unit (LGU), nationally sourced funds, contributions from private sectors, and grants from foundations or NGOs subject to rules and regulations as provided by law.


SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE

All other order, issuances and memoranda issued inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY

This Executive Order shall take effect upon signing hereof.

Done this 26th day of September 2025 at Concepcion, Tarlac


HON. NOEL L. VILLANUEVA
Municipal Mayor