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Project **ONE** Rang-ay

Assessment on the Compliance and Implementation of the Ease of Doing
Business Program of the 34 Local Government Units of Ilocos Sur

IMPLEMENTATION ROADMAP & HISTORICAL ARCHIVE

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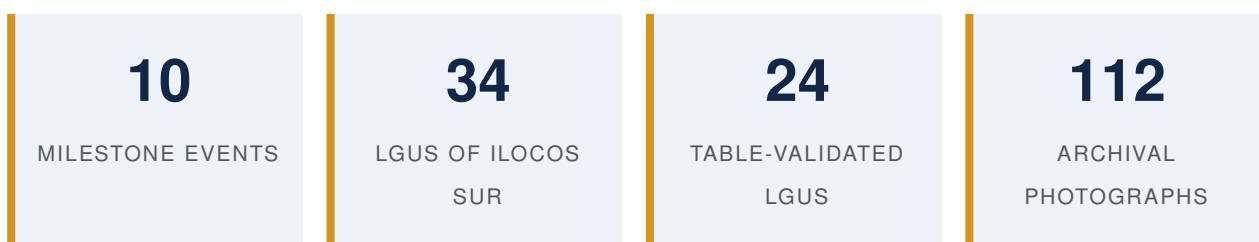
Executive Summary

Project ONE Rang-ay represents a comprehensive, year-long undertaking by the Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Ilocos Sur to institutionalize excellence in the implementation of the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018 (Republic Act No. 11032) among the province's 34 Local Government Units.

What began as a resource-constrained concept in August 2025 — developed without dedicated budget allocation — evolved through structured consultation, provincial endorsement, and multi-agency partnership into a full-scale, province-wide program. The initiative engaged national partner agencies such as the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA), the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), and the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), alongside academic institutions including the University of Northern Philippines and the Ilocos Sur Polytechnic State College.

The program's centerpiece — the Search for the Best EODB Implementer — subjected 24 LGUs to a rigorous, two-tiered assessment: table validation of documentary evidence and audio-visual presentations, followed by three days of on-site validation across fourteen municipalities and cities. This culminated in the first-ever Provincial EODB Forum and Awarding Ceremony on May 28, 2026, which recognized Cervantes, Candon City, Bantay, Tagudin, and Banayoyo as the Top Five Awardees, alongside Sinait, San Juan, Magsingal, and Salcedo as Highly Compliant LGUs.

Beyond the awards themselves, Project ONE Rang-ay stands as a testament to the Province of Ilocos Sur's enduring commitment to transparent, efficient, and citizen-centered governance — reducing bureaucratic red tape and promoting digital transformation in public service delivery across all 34 LGUs.



1. Laying the Groundwork: From Concept to Approval

Date: August 2025 – November 26, 2025

Venue: Provincial Administrator's Office, PFLDC, Vigan City, Ilocos Sur

Between August and October 2025, the project team sought guidance from the Provincial Director (PD), Cluster Head (CH), Program Manager (PM), and the LGPRC Manager on the pressing issues surrounding the implementation of the Ease of Doing Business (EODB) program across Ilocos Sur. This consultative process was necessitated in part by the absence of a dedicated budget allocation for the program, which required the team to explore alternative, resource-conscious strategies for implementation.

These consultations led to the crafting and eventual finalization of the Concept Note and Technical Notes for Project ONE Rang-ay — the foundational documents that would define the program's objectives, scope, and methodology.

The finalized concept paper was then formally presented to the Provincial top management for review and endorsement, marking a critical milestone in transforming the initiative from an internal proposal into an institutionally recognized program.

This phase of groundwork was carried out under the banner of "Oplan Bayabay."

A key activity during this period was the Coordination Meeting with Provincial Administrator Marlon Tagorda of the Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur, held to secure approval of the proposal for Project ONE Rang-ay — formally described as the Assessment on the Compliance and Implementation of the EODB Program of the 34 Local Government Units (LGUs) of Ilocos Sur.

This coordination meeting took place on November 26, 2025, at the Provincial Administrator's Office, PFLDC, in Vigan City, Ilocos Sur. It was attended by Provincial EODB Focal Person Ann France Burgonio and LGOO II AC Boy Tano, together with Provincial EODB/ARTA Focal Person Ariel Jay Somera and Provincial Administrator's Executive Assistant Genesis Forneas.



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2. Coordination Meeting with the Provincial EODB Focal Person of PGIS

Date: January 7, 2026 **Venue:** Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur (PGIS)

On January 7, 2026, the project team convened with the Provincial EODB Focal Person of the Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur (PGIS) for a coordination meeting aimed at aligning strategies and clarifying implementation matters relevant to Project ONE Rang-ay.



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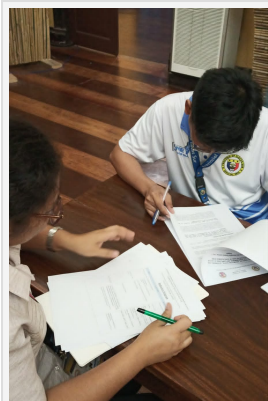


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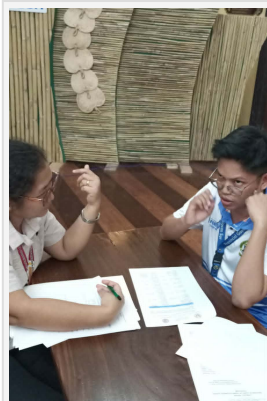


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3. Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Retooling and Launching of Project ONE Rang-ay

Date: January 21, 2026 **Venue:** 6th Floor, Angano Hall, Ilocos Sur Hotel, Vigan City

The Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur, in partnership with the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Ilocos Sur, successfully conducted the Launching of Project ONE Rang-ay and the Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Retooling of Local Government Units (LGUs) of Ilocos Sur on January 21, 2026, at the 6th Floor, Angano Hall, Ilocos Sur Hotel, Vigan City.

The activity was attended by members of the LGU Committee on Anti-Red Tape (CART), particularly the Local Chief Executives (LCEs), City/Municipal Administrators, Business Permits and Licensing Officers (BPLOs), Local Planning and Development Coordinators (LPDCs), Offices of the Building Officials (OBOs), and ARTA Focal Persons.

Resource speakers from key partner agencies — namely the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA), the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), and the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) — shared their expertise on regulatory reforms, digitalization, and the streamlining of government services.

Members of the academe also participated as part of the Provincial Assessment Team, represented by the University of Northern Philippines – College of Business Administration and Accountancy (UNP-CBAA) and the Ilocos Sur Polytechnic State College under the College of Business, Management, and Entrepreneurship (CBME).

The activity served as a platform to recognize the outstanding performance of LGUs in the implementation of Republic Act No. 11032, otherwise known as the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery (EODB-EGSD) Act of 2018. Through the Search for the Best EODB Implementer under Project ONE Rang-ay, LGUs would be assessed based on established criteria and guidelines.

The activity likewise aimed to further capacitate LGU implementers in promoting digital transformation and the streamlining of government services to improve public service delivery across the province.

Through this initiative, the Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur and DILG Ilocos Sur reaffirmed their commitment to advancing efficient, transparent, and citizen-centered local governance.

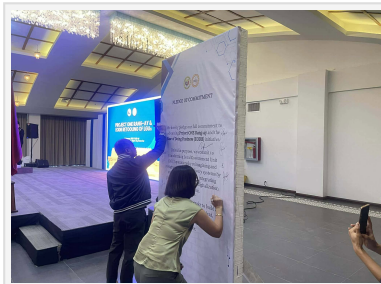


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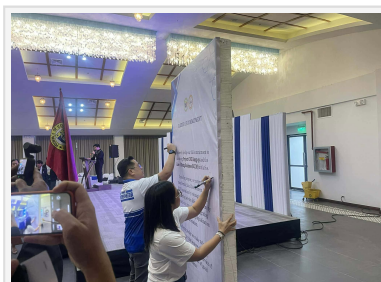


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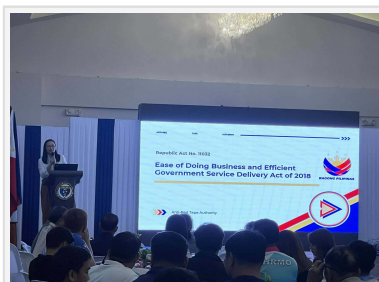


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4. 1st Quarter Sub-Cluster 1 Meeting cum Navigating Project ONE Rang-ay: Search for the Best EODB Implementer

Date: February 20, 2026 **Venue:** DILG Ilocos Sur Provincial Office, Brgy. V, Bantay, Ilocos Sur (Hybrid Setup)

The DILG Ilocos Sur Sub-Cluster 1 successfully conducted its 1st Quarter 2026 Sub-Cluster Meeting cum Navigating Project ONE Rang-ay: Search for the Best Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Implementer on February 20, 2026, through a hybrid setup at the DILG Ilocos Sur Provincial Office, Brgy. V, Bantay, Ilocos Sur.

The activity was attended by the City and Municipal Local Government Operations Officers (C/MLGOOs), Business Permits and Licensing Officers (BPLOs), and Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) focal persons from the First District municipalities and city of Ilocos Sur. Participants from the Local Government Unit of Magsingal joined the meeting virtually via Zoom.

A significant portion of the meeting focused on Navigating Project ONE Rang-ay: Search for the Best EODB Implementer, wherein participants were oriented on the search guidelines, assessment criteria, documentary requirements, and timelines. The discussion aimed to equip local government units with the necessary knowledge and tools to effectively prepare for the assessment and strengthen their compliance with EODB standards and ARTA mandates.

In the afternoon session, the Sub-Cluster 1 City and Municipal Local Government Operations Officers (C/MLGOOs), led by LGOO VI Leonelin P. Reynon, convened to discuss updates, accomplishments, and emerging concerns related to the implementation of various Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Programs, Projects, and Activities (PPAs) across the sub-cluster.

The meeting was graced by Cluster Head Aprille Regina P. Guerrero, who provided the participants with the latest DILG issuances, policy updates, and relevant directives to ensure the effective implementation of programs at the local level.

Provincial focal persons were also present to discuss program-specific concerns, provide technical guidance, and clarify issues raised by the field officers. The open forum enabled participants to exchange insights, address operational challenges, and share best practices in program implementation.



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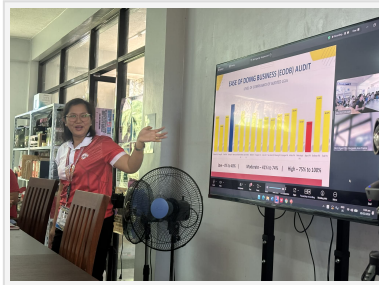


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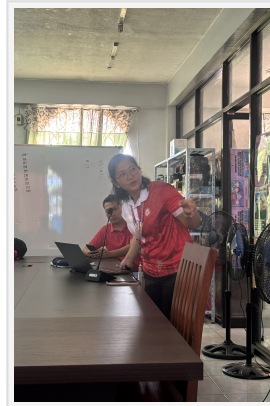


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5. Provincial Conference

Date: February 23, 2026 **Venue:** ISPSC Hall, Santa Maria, Ilocos Sur

A Provincial Conference was held on February 23, 2026, at the ISPSC Hall in Santa Maria, Ilocos Sur, continuing the province's momentum in the implementation of Project ONE Rang-ay.



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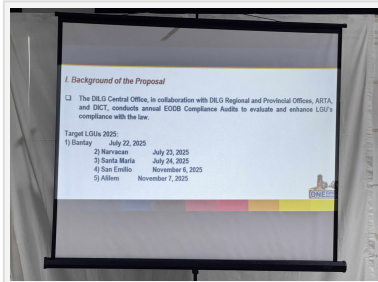


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6. Coordination Meeting with PGIS and Top Management for the Submission of Entries and Finalization of the Criteria and Technical Notes

Date: March 9, 2026 **Venue:** Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur

On March 9, 2026, a coordination meeting was held with the Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur (PGIS) and top management to finalize matters concerning the submission of entries as well as the finalization of the criteria and Technical Notes for the Search for the Best EODB Implementer under Project ONE Rang-ay.



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7. Table Validation for the Search for the Best EODB Implementer

Date: May 4–5, 2026 **Venue:** People's Hall, Capitol Building, Ilocos Sur

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The Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur, in partnership with the Department of the Interior and Local Government Ilocos Sur, successfully conducted the Table Validation for the Search for the Best Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Implementer for CY 2026 on May 4–5, 2026, at the People's Hall, Capitol Building.

The Provincial Assessment Team, headed by PD Randy S. Dela Rosa, CESO V, together with Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member Hon. Janina Carine Medina Fariñas as Vice Chairperson (represented by her staff), and composed of representatives from the DICT Ilocos Sur Provincial Office, the Provincial LEDIPO, the Provincial ARTA/EODB Focal Person, the University of Northern Philippines – College of Business Administration and Accountancy, and the Ilocos Sur Polytechnic State College – College of Business Management and Entrepreneurship, convened to assess the submitted Modes of Verification (MOVs) and process simulations through Audio-Visual Presentations (AVPs), with the assistance of DILG EODB Focal Persons serving as the Secretariat.

A total of 24 LGUs were assessed, with the Top 10 LGUs set to undergo onsite validation, which would also serve as an avenue to provide technical assistance in the implementation of Ease of Doing Business initiatives.

This activity reaffirmed the commitment of the Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur and DILG Ilocos Sur, together with partner agencies and learning institutions, to the effective implementation of Republic Act No. 11032 — aimed at streamlining government processes, promoting full automation, and reducing bureaucratic red tape across local government units in Ilocos Sur.

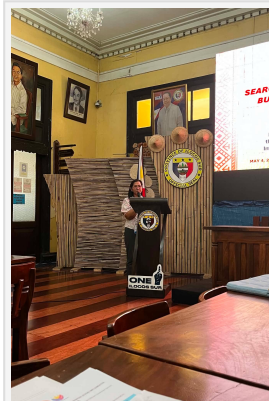


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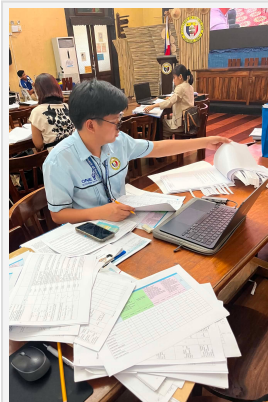


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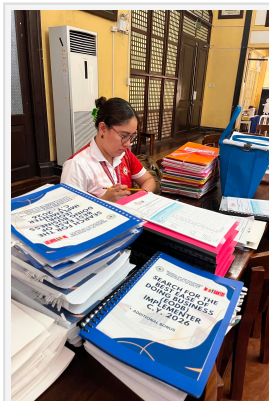


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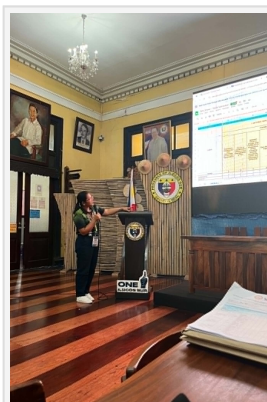


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8. On-Site Validation of Top 10 LGUs for the Search for the Best EODB Implementer

Date: May 12–14, 2026

Venue: Fourteen Municipalities and Cities across Ilocos Sur

As part of the Search for the Best Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Implementer under Project ONE Rang-ay, the Provincial Assessment Team (PAT) — composed of representatives from the Provincial Human Resource Management Office (PHRMO), the Ilocos Sur Economic Development and Investment Promotions Office (ISEDIPO), DILG Ilocos Sur Provincial Office EODB Focal Persons, the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Regional and Provincial Offices, the University of Northern Philippines (UNP), the Ilocos Sur Polytechnic State College (ISPSC), and the Nueva Segovia Consortium of Cooperatives — conducted on-site validation of the shortlisted LGUs in Ilocos Sur from May 12 to 14, 2026.

The participating LGUs presented their compliance with the Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Act and Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) requirements, demonstrated the functionality of their Public Assistance and Complaints Desks (PACDs), showcased their online systems and processes for Business Permits and Licensing as well as Building Permits and Certificates of Occupancy, and facilitated interviews with clients to validate the quality, accessibility, and efficiency of public service delivery.

The three-day validation schedule covered the following local government units:

May 12, 2026: Cervantes and Tagudin.

May 13, 2026: Vigan City, Bantay, San Ildefonso, Santa Lucia, Candon City, and Salcedo.

May 14, 2026: Sinait, San Juan, Magsingal, San Emilio, Banayoyo, and Narvacan.

During the Exit Conference held at the conclusion of each site visit, the Provincial Assessment Team provided recommendations based on their observations and findings to further strengthen the LGUs' compliance with the EODB Law.

Date	Local Government Units Visited
May 12, 2026	Cervantes, Tagudin
May 13, 2026	Vigan City, Bantay, San Ildefonso, Santa Lucia, Candon City, Salcedo
May 14, 2026	Sinait, San Juan, Magsingal, San Emilio, Banayoyo, Narvacan



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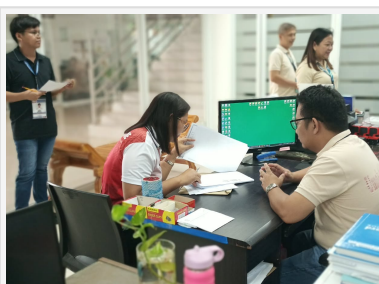


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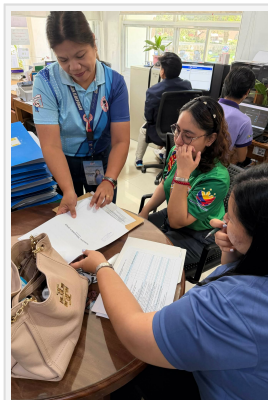


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9. Final Deliberation

Date: May 19, 2026 **Venue:** Ilocos Sur

The Provincial Assessment Team convened for the Final Deliberation on May 19, 2026, to consolidate the results of the Table Validation and On-Site Validation stages and determine the final rankings for the Search for the Best EODB Implementer under Project ONE Rang-ay.

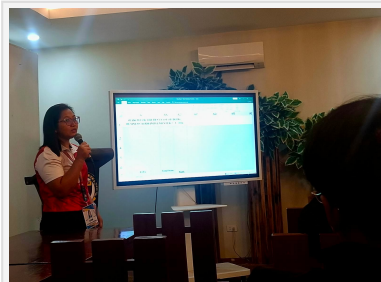


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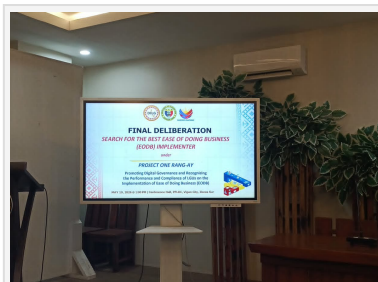


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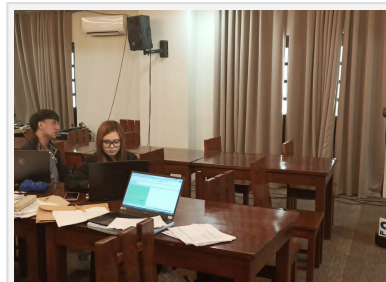


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10. Provincial Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Forum and Awarding for the Search for the Best EODB Implementer under Project ONE Rang-ay

Date: May 28, 2026 **Venue:** ONE Ilocos Sur Hotel, Vigan City

The Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur, headed by Governor Jeremias C. Singson, in partnership with the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Ilocos Sur led by Provincial Director Randy S. Dela Rosa, CESO V, successfully conducted the first-ever Provincial Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Forum and Awarding Ceremony for the Search for the Best EODB Implementer under Project ONE Rang-ay on May 28, 2026, at ONE Ilocos Sur Hotel, Vigan City.

The activity gathered key stakeholders committed to advancing good governance and regulatory efficiency in the province. Among those in attendance were Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member Janina Carine Medina-Fariñas, Provincial Administrator Marlon Tagorda, PHRMO Dr. Cora Elena Pineda, Provincial Director Randy S. Dela Rosa, CESO V, representatives from the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Regional and Provincial Offices, partner academe from the University of the Philippines, provincial department heads, local chief executives and members of the Committee on Anti-Red Tape (CART), members of the Provincial Assessment Team, representatives from the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI), DILG officers, and DILG EODB focal persons.

The forum served as a platform for sharing best practices, innovations, and strategies in implementing Ease of Doing Business reforms. It also highlighted the province's unwavering commitment to streamlining government processes, reducing bureaucratic red tape, and promoting transparency, efficiency, and accountability in public service delivery.

As part of the Search for the Best EODB Implementer, twenty-four (24) local government units underwent a rigorous table validation process. The top ten (10) performing LGUs advanced to the on-site validation stage, from which the Top Five Awardees and Highly Compliant LGUs were identified based on their adherence to EODB standards and implementation of reforms.

The successful conduct of the Provincial EODB Forum and Awarding Ceremony marked a significant milestone in strengthening a culture of excellence, innovation, and citizen-centered governance across the Province of Ilocos Sur.

Congratulations were extended to all participating LGUs and to the awardees for their outstanding dedication and commitment to enhancing government efficiency, fostering a business-friendly environment, and delivering responsive and quality public service to their constituents.

Top 5 Awardees

● 1st Place	Cervantes
● 2nd Place	Candon City
● 3rd Place	Bantay
● 4th Place	Tagudin
● 5th Place	Banayoyo

Highly Compliant LGUs

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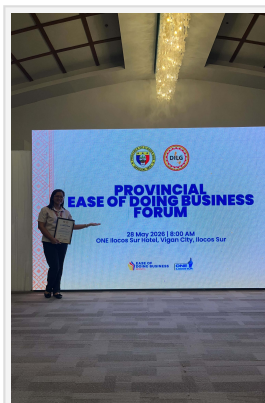


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Conclusion

Project ONE Rang-ay stands as a defining chapter in the Province of Ilocos Sur's continuing pursuit of good governance and regulatory excellence. Over the course of ten months — from an initial concept shaped amid budgetary constraints in August 2025 to a province-wide celebration of achievement in May 2026 — the Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Ilocos Sur, together with national partner agencies, academic institutions, and all 34 Local Government Units, demonstrated that meaningful reform is achievable through sustained coordination, rigorous assessment, and shared commitment.

The Search for the Best EODB Implementer not only recognized outstanding LGUs — Cervantes, Candon City, Bantay, Tagudin, and Banayoyo among the Top Five Awardees, and Sinait, San Juan, Magsingal, and Salcedo as Highly Compliant LGUs — but also strengthened the compliance and service delivery capabilities of every participating local government unit, in faithful pursuit of the mandates of Republic Act No. 11032.

This archive preserves the record of that journey: every coordination meeting, orientation session, validation activity, and celebratory milestone that brought Project ONE Rang-ay to fruition. It stands as both a tribute to those who contributed to its success and a roadmap for the continuing advancement of efficient, transparent, and citizen-centered local governance across the Province of Ilocos Sur.