

## MINING AND MINERAL DEVELOPMENT GROUP

### *VISION TO ATTAIN SD IN S. PALAWAN*

- S. Palawan – a sanctuary of natural resources including wildlife, with people deriving income from livelihood using the communities' raw materials in a sustainable basis
- Land use planning including livelihood for communities
- Strong and well developed agricultural industry and tourism that is in accordance with regulations on environmental protection
- Sustainability must be people centered, environmentally and culturally sensitive, that man is only steward of God's creation, with responsibility to preserve this for future generation
- The kind of development that continues after each generation. Continued jobs
- Educated IPs
- Environmentally protected communities

### *CONTRIBUTION OF MINING SECTOR TO SD VISION*

- Mining can contribute to SD if there is equitable sharing of benefits from mining activities in S. Palawan
- Maximum utilization of mineral resources with equitable distribution of benefits to all stakeholders
- Limitation of mining operation to the present mining activity re: EO 79
- No mining in core zone and all no go areas set by law
- Mining in allowable zone only
- Responsible mining can only happen if laws, rules, and regulations are strictly and consistently followed/enforced.
- Need strong political will.
- An environmentally sound and progressive S. Palawan where mining industry can co-exist with other industries and contribute to economic upliftment of the host and communities, both IPs and non-IPs
- Post mining land use agreed upon with local communities and government
- Responsible mineral development to have "zero" harm to the environment and community
- Responsible mining to significantly contribute in attaining "first class" category of host municipality
- Strict implementation of forest rehabilitation program

### *DATA/INFO NEEDED*

- Map of No-go and go mining zones
- Mineral resource inventory
- NEDA, NSCB on economic contribution of mining
- Need the development plan of the LGU consistent with ECAN
- Socio-eco and health profile
- Socio-economic and political analysis
- Environmental risk analysis
- Impact on the culture of ICCs/IPs
- Production and value depletion-mineral resources
- Environmental accounting, cost benefit analysis
- Revenue generated
- Pollution measurement/environment degradation
- Updated land use
- Regular monitoring of established baseline data (enr, pollution, socio-econ, etc)

### *POTENTIAL RISKS*

- Political risks
- Change of administration i.e. EO 79 only a Presidential issuance

- Ecological destruction (flora and fauna) or environmental degradation
- Cultural degradation
- Aggravation of climate change impacts
- Peace and order problem
- MNLF claim over Palawan
- Encroachment to no-go zone

*OPPORTUNITIES*

- Job generation and income through taxes
- Infrastructure , e.g. educational facilities, etc under the Social Development & Management Program (SDMP)
- Mine Rehabilitation and Development Program Fund (to be implemented in the last 5 years of mine) which is required of mining companies