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GUIDELINES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM'S GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT, WOMEN AND CHILD SAFE (WoCS) TOURISM DESK

The Department of Tourism in its efforts to address various concerns and prevent the commercial sexual exploitation of women and children in the tourism industry shall strengthen its implementation of the Gender and Development, Women and Child Safe Tourism Programs in the country.

In line with this, there shall be a Women and Child Safe Tourism (WoCS) Desk in all DOT Regional Offices in the country.

- The Women and Child Safe (WoCS) Tourism Desk will primarily be in-charge of all tourism-related concerns of women and children within the region.
- A Project-Based (JO) WoCS Tourism Desk Officer with a position of Tourism Operations Officer II will be hired by each Regional Office, funding to be charged against the DOT GAD Centralized Funds.
- The main functions and responsibilities of the WoCS Tourism Desk Officer are the following:
 - Act as GAD, Women and Child Safe Tourism project officer in the region;
 - Handle projects and programs of all tourism-related concerns on GAD amd Women and concerns related to Child Safe Tourism
 - Ensure that GAD, Women and Child Safe Tourism Philippines related plans and projects are implemented on a timely manner;
 - Plan, coordinate, conduct and monitor trainings and events related to GAD, Women and Child Safe Tourism Philippines programs within the region;
 - Liaise with the Philippine National Police (PNP), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) and other concerned national government agencies, local government units and nongovernmental organizations for programs and activities related to women and children in their region;
 - Gather data related to women and children's cases within the regional tourism industry and maintain a database on GAD and other relevant information; and
 - Prepare reports on a regular basis of the regional GAD concerns to the Secretariat and Child Safe Tourism PH concerns to the Office of industry Manpower Development

For the information and proper guidance of everyone.

