

## **ARTA awards Paranaque City Government for Project ELO**

**August 8, 2019** – The Anti-Red Tape Authority commends the City Government of Paranaque for the launch of its Project Express Lane Operation (ELO) 2.0 this morning. In behalf of the Authority, Director General Jeremiah Belgica awarded Paranaque Mayor Edwin Olivarez with a Certificate of Commendation for their exemplary service and support in the implementation of R.A. 11032 or the Ease of Doing Business Law.

The Authority recognizes the city government’s promptness in complying with R.A. 11032 as they first launched Project ELO last March 19 2019, even prior to the promulgation of the EODB law’s Implementing Rules and Regulations.

The law requires the establishment of a Business One Stop Shop (BOSS) per local government unit (LGU) which will facilitate business permitting and licensing system by receiving and processing applications for license, clearance, permit, certification and authorization, all in one place. This initiative is a testament to the efforts of all parts of the government to change for the better.

Just this July 22, Director General Belgica also attended the launch of Manila City Government’s BOSS which was made possible by Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso’s initiative. And it was followed by a consultative meeting with Mayor Joy Belmonte regarding the same matter last July 31.

The set-up of these facilities ensures that the Filipino people are able to start their business as soon as possible by co-locating all agencies that provide the requirements of business applications.

Yet again, the Authority commends Paranaque City and Manila City Government for setting the bar high for the remaining LGUs who are yet to set up their BOSS. We call all other LGUs to catch up with those who have already complied with the BOSS provision of the law, to be in line with the President’s commitment to provide a more efficient and pro-people service to all Filipinos.

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