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## Towards an Inclusive Mindanao Energy Transition: *RETS Project*

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#### **The Mindanao Context**

Philippines' 2<sup>nd</sup> largest island and closest to ASEAN neighbors



# Just over a decade ago, Mindanao used to be a showcase of Renewable Energy:



**Agus Complex** 



Pulangi IV

#### 70-30 energy mix in favor of RE



Mt. Apo Geothermal



Cepalco Solar



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## But influx of mostly coal-powered plants had resulted to reversal of <u>RE-fossil</u> energy mix starting 2017

Mindanao Gross Power Generation by Plant Type (MWh)



## We need to understand and push for Energy Transition that is inclusive...



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## Mindanao 2030 and Mindanao Energy Plan

100% electrification, diversification of energy mix and achieving a regime of reliable, reasonably priced and sustainable power for Mindanao in 2030 and beyond...

BARM

Download MEP at:

https://www.doe.gov.ph/sites/default/files/pdf/pep/mindanao-energy-plan-2018-2040.pd/ www.minda.gov.ph

#### Hybrid/Mini Grid for the Island Provinces/Municipalities

 ✓ Hybridization of Off-Grid Areas especially the Island Provinces of Basilan, Sulu and Tawi-Tawi

## The Role of Energy in Mindanao's Agri-Fisheries Value Chain

Mindanao Context

The inextricable linkage between water, energy, and food



## Investing in Mindanao as the Country's Food Basket is Key to National Economic Recovery

36%

of the country's farm area

43%

36%

of the country's total farm produce GVA 2015-2017 Source: PSA

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## Mindanao in the world!

**#World's Top 2 Banana Exporter** 

**#World's Top 3 Seaweeds Producer** 

#World's Top 4 Pineapple Exporter #World's Top 7 Rubber Producer #World's Top 8 Tuna Producer



#### TAWI-TAWI: Philippines' Gateway to the Brunei-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines East Asian Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA)

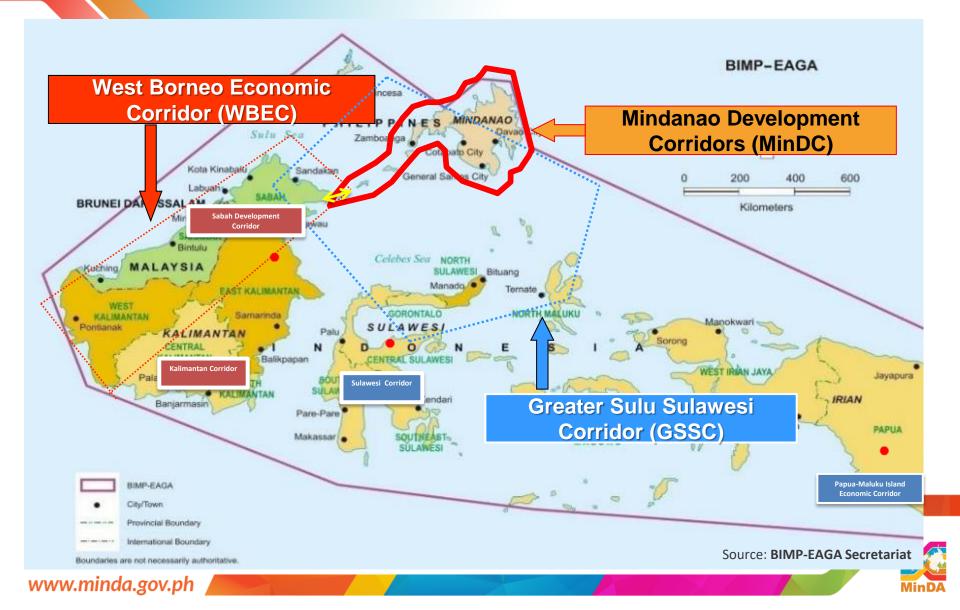




#### Top producer of seaweeds in BARMM and one of the country's top producers of seaweed.

 Ten of the eleven municipalities of Tawi-Tawi produce seaweeds that comprise 70% of the country's seaweeds production

#### **Economic Corridors in BIMP-EAGA**



#### Tawi-Tawi is the least electrified province in the country at 21% Electrification Level

	SITANGKAI	SIBUTU
Population (2015)	33,334	30,387
Number of households (2015)	6,045	4,993
Electrification (2019)	11%	30%
Water access*	<20%	
Water supply*	mostly level 1	

#### **Issues and concerns**

- Inadequate water reservoir
- Limited access to potable water supply
- Inadequate and unreliable power supply
- Unawareness on issue of climate change and/ or global warming
- \*Based on limited available information.



#### THE REFECTS Renewable Energy Technology to Increase the Value-added of Seaweeds in Tawi-Tawi PROJECT



Sitangkai



**Sibutu** 

### THE **RETS** PROJECT



# € 3 MILLION grant from the European Union€ 4.3 MILLION total project cost



650kW Sibutu solar PV-diesel-battery hybrid system



1MW Sitangkai solar PV-diesel-battery hybrid system

Design of water supply system integrated to the RE-hybrid systems

Design of decentralized RE in the seaweeds value chain



#### THE RETS connects underserved and unserved communities to more reliable electricity using renewable energy





**5 KM** reliable distribution line system of TAWELCO will be constructed



#### Water supply Solar PV-hybrid system + systems

better sanitation, hygiene and access to clean water



The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated the critical importance of sanitation, hygiene and adequate access to clean water for preventing and containing diseases

(https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/water-and-sanitation/)



# THE contributes to increasing value-added of seaweeds and improving the livelihood of the communities



Improving quality of cultivars and introducing drying technology



Increasing livelihood opportunities; forging links with investors









Partnership between the electric cooperative, government, academe and the private sector would sustain the project in the next 25years









Adding value through innovation and synergy will promote Tawi-Tawi seaweeds to the world.

## **The Green Force**











Bases Conversion and









Budget and Management

and Natural Resources

Finance

and Local Government

#### The Green Force has 18 members,

which include financial regulators like the Securities and Exchange Commission and Insurance Commission; and agencies such as the Climate Change Commission, National Economic and Development Authority, Department of Energy, and Department of Environment and Natural Resources.













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National Economic and Authority Development Authority

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