







LOOKING AHEAD – OPERATIONALIZING PLASTICS CIRCULARITY IN MANILA AND BEYOND

Presentation: ADB Support for Plastics Circularity in the Philippines

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Why the blue economy? Why marine and coastal ecosystems?

The blue economy is an essential driver of resilient and low carbon development...

- Supports livelihoods of 60% of the population
- Contributes about 4% of annual GDP, growing twice as fast as wider economy
- Key but underdeveloped contributors to adaptation and mitigation
- Long-term linkages to ensuing ADB investments in resilience and nature-based resilience

..but degradation of ecosystems and emerging climate risks are a risk to its growth.

- Philippines is major contributor to marine plastic pollution
- Losses to ecosystems diminish natural coastal buffer, amenity value, and carbon sink
- Blockages exacerbate impacts of flood
- Rural communities most vulnerable to impacts of climate change, especially women

Supporting resilient coastal and marine ecosystems and a thriving blue economy

Reform areas to address key constraints:

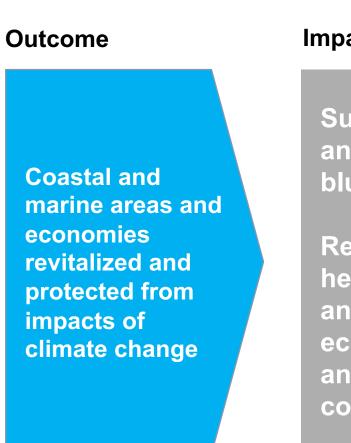
Integrated and inclusive management of coastal and marine ecosystems

Plastic and other solid waste management and circularity enhanced

Planning, budgeting, and investment in natural capital strengthened

Subprogram 1 May 2023 – May 2025

Subprogram 2 June 2025 – June 2027



Impact

Sustainable and vibrant blue economy

Resilient and healthy coastal and marine ecosystems and communities

Inter-agency Coordination

Executing Agency: **DOF** Implementing Agencies: DENR, DA-BFAR, NEDA, PSA, DTI, DILG

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