



**MONITORING CHECKLIST OF ACCESSIBLE ELECTION
FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE
MAY 13, 2013 NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES**

Election : Date.....Month.....Year 2013	Election of National and Local Officials
Monitor Name: [M / F]	Clustered Precincts Numbers :
Address:	Barangay:
Phone:	Municipality/City :
	Province:

LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION

Write down the information on the number of voters at the polling place. This information can be obtained from the members of the Board of Election Inspectors (BEI)

NO	DESCRIPTION	MALE	FEMALE
1.	Number of voters in the Voters List assigned to this polling place		
2.	Number of voters with disabilities in the Voters List assigned to this polling place		
	1. Visual Disability		
	2. Physical Disability		
	3. Hearing Disability		
	4. Speech Disability		
	5. Non-manifest Disability		
	6. Multiple Disability		
	7. No classification indicated		
3.	Number of persons with disabilities who voted		
	1. Visual Disability		
	2. Physical Disability		
	3. Hearing Disability		
	4. Speech Disability		
	5. Non-manifest Disability		
	6. Multiple Disability		
	7. No classification indicated		

MONITORING PROCESS

Please read the questions below carefully. *Circle* "Yes" or "No" based on your observation. If you have difficulties in answering them, please leave the column empty. If you have additional information about the situation or conditions in the polling place, please write the information in the additional sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

4.	Is there a help desk at the voting center that provides assistance to PWDs?	Yes	No
5.	Is the DepEd Supervisor available to provide information and assistance?	Yes	No
6.	Is citizen's arm representative available to provide assistance to the PWDs?	Yes	No
7.	Are there guidelines on the voting process printed in Braille at the polling place?	Yes	No
8.	Are there guidelines on the voting process printed in large fonts at the polling place?	Yes	No

9.	Are there guidelines on the voting process with pictures at the polling place?	Yes	No
10.	Are there Braille templates at the polling place for voters who are blind?	Yes	No
11.	Are the voting booths suitable for wheelchair users? (wheelchair users can slide legs under table and can comfortably write)	Yes	No
12.	Does the setup of the voting booth provide space to allow persons with disabilities vote in secret?	Yes	No
13.	Is the road and drop-off leading into the polling place easily accessible for persons with physical disabilities (for example, wheelchair users, tripod users, walker users, foot brace users, etc.)?	Yes	No
14.	Does the VIS (Voters Information and Instruction Sheet) provide explanation about the availability of assistive devices for persons with disabilities at the polling place?	Yes	No
15.	Does the voting center provide the five minimum basic requirements under BP 344 Accessibility Law	Yes	No
a)	Ramps	Yes	No
b)	Accessible Toilets/Washroom	Yes	No
c)	Parking for PWDs	Yes	No
d)	Non-skid flooring	Yes	No
e)	Signage guiding PWDs to accessible path	Yes	No
16.	Are there any poll workers who have disabilities?	Yes	No
17.	Do the poll workers know the number of persons with disabilities assigned to vote in the polling place? (Please ask the Chairman of the BEI of the polling place)	Yes	No
VOTING PROCESS		ANSWER	
18.	Are the BEIs and support staff knowledgeable in assisting persons with disabilities?	Yes	No
19.	Do the poll workers explain about qualified assistors for persons with disabilities in accomplishing their ballot?	Yes	No
VISUAL DISABILITY		ANSWER	
20.	Do the BEIs offer assistance for persons with visual disability to cast their vote?	Yes	No
21.	Does the assistor affix his/her signature in the "Minutes of Voting"?	Yes	No
22.	Is the person with visual disability able to accomplish the ballot independently?	Yes	No
23.	Is the person with visual disability able to feed his/her own ballot to the PCOS machine?		
PHYSICAL DISABILITY		ANSWER	
24.	Do the BEIs offer assistance to persons with physical disability to vote?	Yes	No
25.	Does the assistor affix his/her signature in the "Minutes of Voting"?	Yes	No
26.	Is the person with physical disability (tripod, walker, foot-brace users) able to vote independently (without any difficulties or assistance) at the voting booth?	Yes	No
27.	Is the wheelchair user able to reach the table of the voting booth when he/she casts his/her vote?	Yes	No

28.	Is the person with physical disability able to put the ballot paper into the PCOS machine independently (without any difficulties or assistance)?	Yes	No
29.	Is the wheel chair user able to reach the PCOS machine to insert the ballot paper?	Yes	No

HEARING/ SPEECH DISABILITY		ANSWER	
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30.	Do the BEIs offer assistance to persons with hearing disability to vote?	Yes	No
31.	Do the BEIs provide information on the voting process to persons with a hearing disability in sign language or other forms of communication assistance?	Yes	No
32.	Do the BEIs provide information on the voting process to persons with a hearing disability by talking slowly and with clear expression?	Yes	No

NON-MANIFEST DISABILITY			
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33.	Do the poll workers offer assistance for persons with non-manifest disability to vote?	Yes	No
34.	Do the poll workers provide information on the voting process to persons with non-manifest disabilities?	Yes	No
35.	Does the assistor affix his/her signature in the "Minutes of Voting"?	Yes	No
36.	Is person with non-manifest disability able to put the ballot paper into the PCOS machine independently (without any difficulties or assistance?)	Yes	No

COMMENTS

Instruction: In the box below, please give details of problems, peculiarities, and violations that occur in the polling place you are observing.



POST-ELECTION SURVEY

POST ELECTION SURVEY

Ask **person with disabilities** the questions listed below after he/she casts his/her vote. If the respondent cannot answer the question, leave the column empty. If the respondent has additional information on the situation and conditions of the polling place, please write it down in the additional sheet.

Introduce yourself to the respondent before begin interviewing. Explain what the survey is about and ask the respondent to reply to best of his/her knowledge. Do not force the respondent to answer the question. Do not forget to thank the respondent after the interview is ended.

Name of respondent:	Election of : National and Local Officials
Sex : [M / F]	Clustered Precinct No. :

Age :	Village, Sub-District :		
Type of disability :	Date : /..... /.....		
NO	DESCRIPTION	YES	NO
1.	Did the officers take note of your disability and the type of disability in the registration process?		
2.	Did you feel discriminated at the polling place?		
3.	In case you need an assistor, were you able to choose freely?		
4.	Were you able to understand the ballot easily?		
5.	Did you have enough time to vote?		
6.	Did you receive adequate information about the candidates?		
7.	Was it easy for you to mark the ballot paper?		
8.	Were you able to vote without any difficulty or assistance?		
9.	Did you understand how to insert the ballot into the PCOS machine? <i>(especially for persons with intellectual disability)</i>		
10.	Did you feel anxious while voting at the polling place? <i>(especially for persons with intellectual disability)</i>		
11.	When casting your vote, did you choose based on pictures, letters, or numbers? <i>(especially for persons with intellectual disability)</i>		
12.	What is your overall impression about the voting process at the polling place? Why?		
13.	Have you ever heard about/followed/attended a voter education held by COMELEC on accessible elections? If so, what information did you get from it? (Please elaborate)		
14.	Have you ever heard about/followed/attended a voter education held by Civil Society Organization/Disable Peoples Organization on accessible election for PWD? If so, what information did you get from it? (Please elaborate)		
15.	What kind of information do you know related to elections in general? How do you obtain that information? <i>(Please elaborate)</i>		
16.	Do you think that the media has provided enough electoral information that is accessible for		

	persons with disabilities? <i>(Please elaborate)</i>
17.	Do you think that social media has provided enough electoral information that is accessible for persons with disabilities? <i>(Please elaborate)</i>
18.	Do you think that the political parties have provided enough electoral information that is accessible for persons with disabilities? <i>(Please elaborate)</i>
19.	Are you aware of any friends, family members or relatives with disabilities who are not listed in the voters list? If so, do you know why they are not listed?
20.	What areas for improvement in the elections are needed for an accessible and non-discriminatory voting for persons with disabilities?

Important: Please return this form to the Coordinator once it is completed.