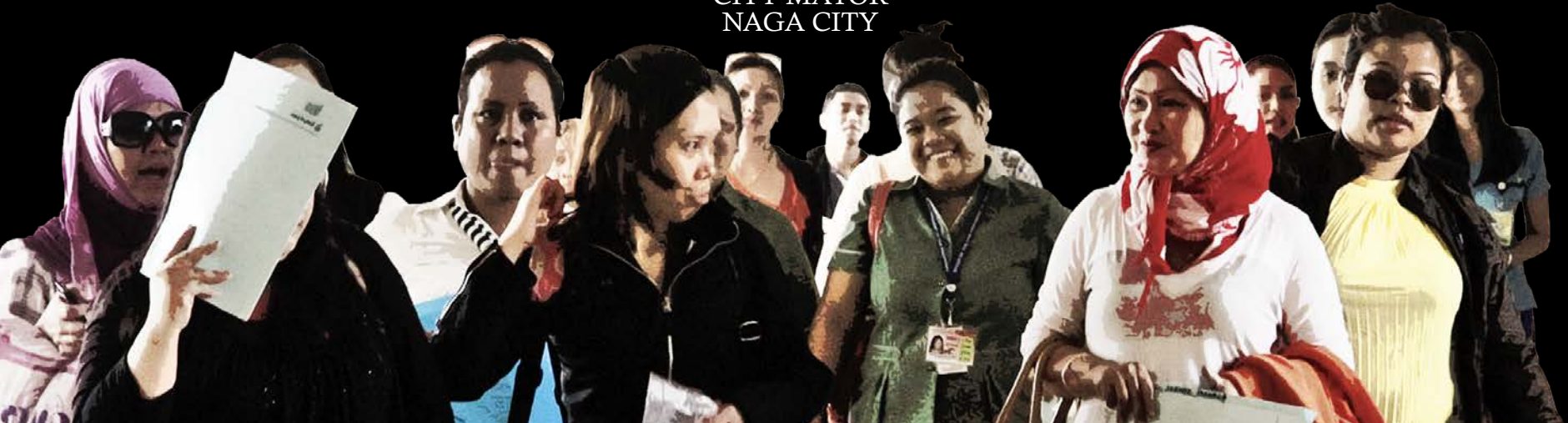


MAINSTREAMING MIGRATION IN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT

The Naga City and Bicol experience



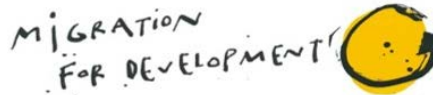
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CONTEXT

84.48 sq. kms. in size

377 kms. SE of Manila

Population: 174,931 (2010)

Around 201,000 (2015 est.) 48.9 % Male;

51.1% Female. Daytime population
of around 300 - 400,000

Population Density: 2,100/km²



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2015 OVERALL MOST COMPETITIVE COMPONENT CITY

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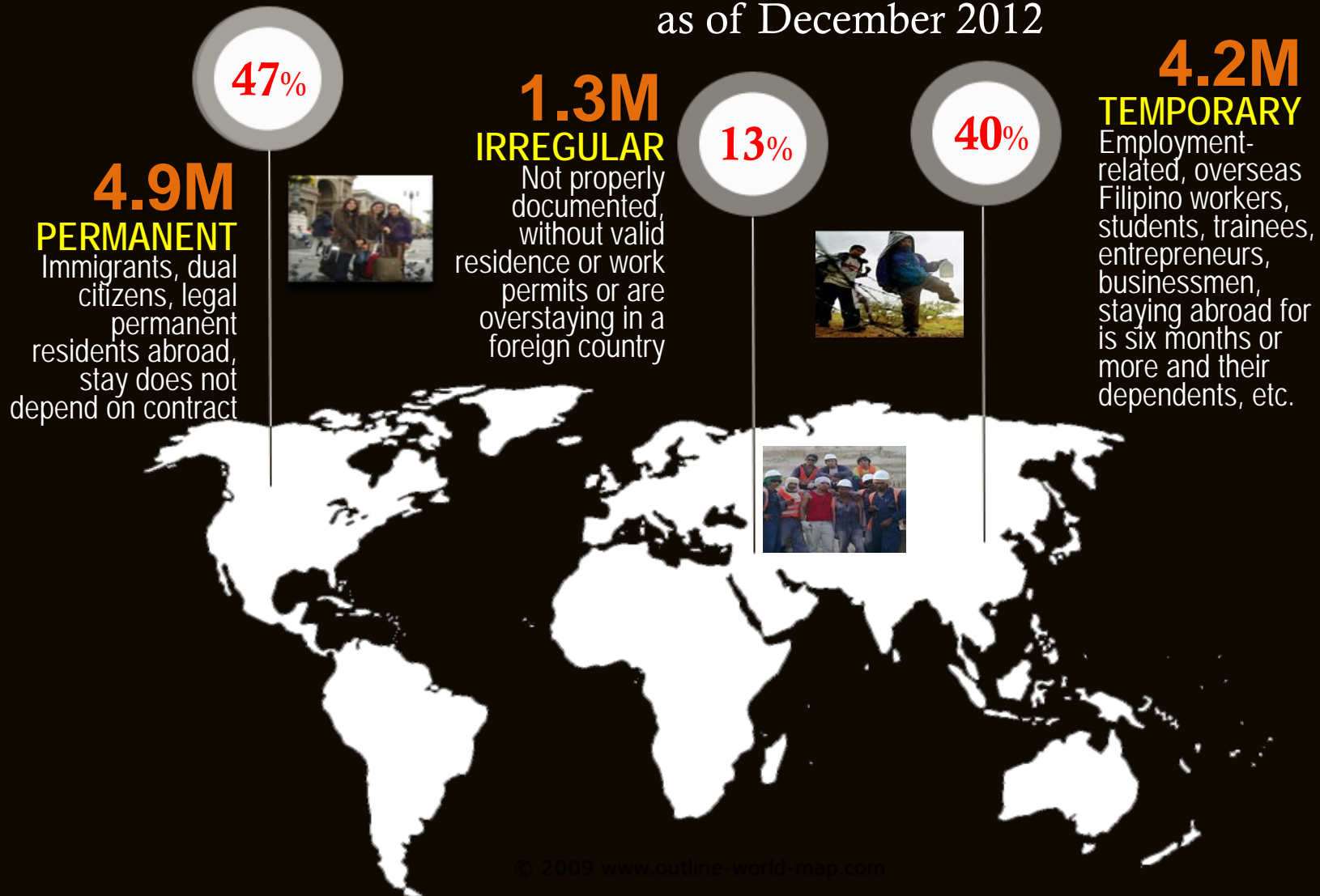
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2012 STOCK ESTIMATE

10.4 MILLION OVERSEAS FILIPINOS in 200+ countries and territories as of December 2012



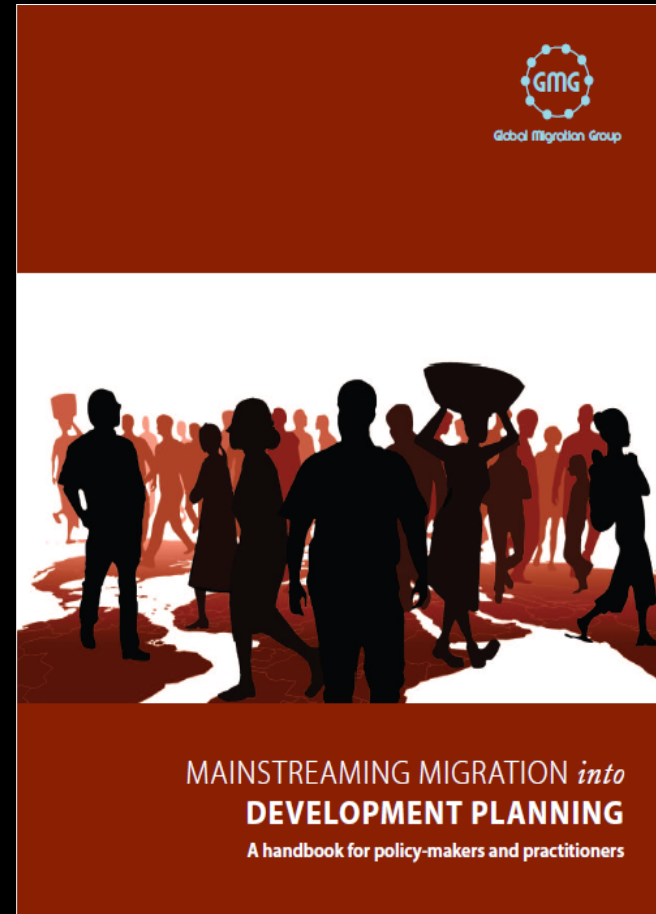
MILESTONES

- **August 24, 2010:** A project dissemination forum conducted by Scalabrini Migration Center in Naga highlighted need for greater local government role in migration
 - City Planning department promised to incorporate migration issues in Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) it is preparing
 - **Capacity gap** constrained local planning office. Existing data mostly limited to National Statistics Office (NSO) surveys focused on internal migration



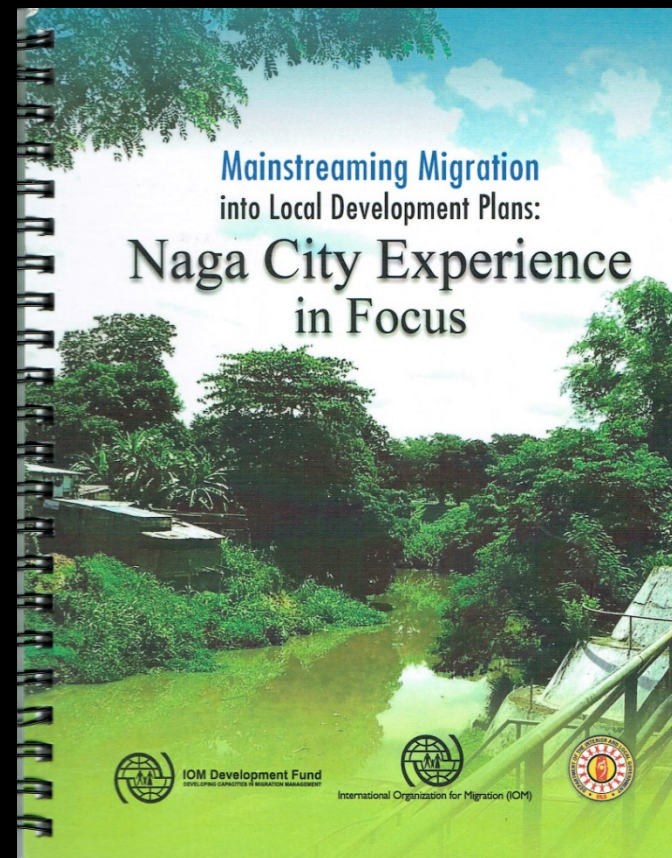
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- **February 2011:** International Organization for Migration (IOM) selected Naga to pilot mainstreaming of migration issues in local development planning
- Main objective is to **localize** good M&D planning practices at the national level



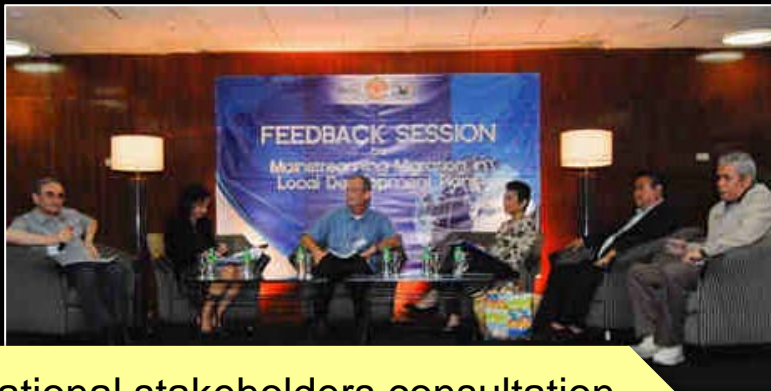
MILESTONES

- Between **February and November 2011**, the IOM project supported four broad steps that developed local capacity:
 - Organization of a Technical Working Group
 - Sectoral consultations
 - Project prioritization
 - National stakeholders consultation



PROCESS SNAPSHOTS

Sectoral consultations



National stakeholders consultation



Project prioritization

PRIORITY THEMES FOR LOCAL ACTION

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Social Protection | 4. Investment Promotion |
| 2. Remittances | 5. Data on Migrants |
| 3. Migrant Services | 6. Partnership with OFs |



MILESTONES

- **April 2, 2012:** City government converts TWG into City Advisory Committee on Overseas Filipinos (CACOF), creating institutional home for the initiative when IOM project ended
- **November 6, 2012:** City Council approves the M&D-enhanced CDP
- **December 2012 to October 2013:** Naga City Government works with Commission for Filipinos Overseas (CFO), a national agency, to help Pangasinan scale up Naga's experience at the provincial level
- **April 2014 to January 2016:** JMDI 2 grant helps scale up the Naga project among 15 local governments in Bicol (7 cities, 5 provinces, 3 towns)



TODAY



Organized migrant families into **Pamilyang Migrante kan Naga (PAMANA)**, given legal status under the auspices of the Naga City People's Council, **now represents OFs in local governance processes of the city**

TODAY

On December 19, the Naga's **Migrants Resource Center (MRC)** will formally open, PAMANA and Metro PESO (city public employment office) will jointly operate the center. National migration agencies (OWWA, POEA, NRCO, etc.) will have presence in the MRC



INSIGHTS

- Migration is **both a national and local issue**
- For locals, it is a **'big elephant in the room.'** **Limited local capacity** to mainstream M&D **a key constraint**
- **Local champions can accelerate** the process. They **can be developed**
- Successful local M&D mainstreaming **can provide template, guidelines** for national policies to scale them up
- **Empowered, enlightened local governments can facilitate greater coordination** among local actors. Probably better than among departments at national level



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