## DSWD FO III, Australian Civilian Corps meet



Director Gemma B. Gabuya attentively listens to the proposal of Mr. Hardy Ross, AustralianCivilian Corps adviser, with regards to the two-day workshop on the Field Office Manual on Disaster Response.

Department of Social Welfare and Development Field Office III (DSWD F0 III) held a consultative meeting with the Australian Civilian Corps (ACC) Adviser, Mr. Ross Hardy, today, August 18, 2016 at the Conference Room of the field office.

DSWD FO III Regional Director Gemma B. Gabuya welcomed the specialist on Disaster Response Systems Development, and then laid emphasis on the importance of awareness and readiness of the department during crisis and disaster.

The consultation meeting is an introduction for the two-day writing workshop on the Manual of Disaster Operations and Systems to be held on August 30-31, 2016.

The DSWD Office III is the pilot region with regards to the facilitation of Development of Draft Field Office Manual on Disaster Response. Mr. Hardy and his team will be visiting other DSWD field offices, afterwards.

"To better address the needs of those who are affected by the disaster, especially the most vulnerable group — for a well-coordinated response," is the very objective of the upcoming workshop, said Mr. Hardy.

The consultation meeting was attended by Ms. Edna Manalo, head of the Disaster Response and Management Unit (DReaMU), the Quick Response Team (QRT) leaders, and the Social Welfare Officers II of the field office. ### (Andyleen C. Feje)