"ACCOUNTABILITY"

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"Accountability, in terms of ethics and governance, is equated with answerability, blameworthiness, liability, and the expectation of account giving."

Accountability is part of a good governance and a virtue that lies at the heart of a government. Having a strong accountability benefit everyone and increases the trustworthiness of the state in the eyes of the public. People are able to know how the government is doing and how they perform their duties and responsibilities as public servant.

The scope of government activities become wider as times passes by. Many problems arise which should be resolved immediately because it will affect the people. Decisions should be properly planned and evaluate the possible effect to the public. Problems should be taken as a challenge and not an excuse to negligence.

Public monies and properties should be effectively and efficiently used. Officers and employees in a government agency should ensure that monies are safeguarded and not be wasted and properties are being taken good care of. In practice, collections of funds are to deposited intact daily in a government depository bank and disbursement are made through the issuance of check signed by the proper officials. With these, funds are properly protected from unlawful acts by anyone. Financial reports maintained by Budget, Accounting and Treasury Office and non-financial reports from other offices are also posted in conspicuous places and reported to the public to sustain transparency. With these, people are able to know the failures and accomplishment of the accountable officers and will help them to make a good decision for some other time.
The concept of accountability does not mean that the person is accountable only to a higher authority but also accountable to every people who were or to be involved in his every act.

Having a strong accountability helps public officers and employees improves their performance. They are able to develop ideas and strategies and act for the general welfare of the people. That is why it promotes a healthy leader, healthy people and healthy government.

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