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## ABSTRACT

**REGINALD M. MANDADO. Priority Development Assistance Funds (PDAF) of Congressman Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. in the Lone District of Dasmariñas City; Impact on the Physical Development of the 4<sup>th</sup> District from 2010-2013.**  
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The researcher conducted study entitled Priority Development Assistance Funds (PDAF) of Congressman Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. in the Lone District of Dasmariñas City; impact on the Physical Development of the 4<sup>th</sup> District from 2010-2013.

The researcher used a descriptive and narrative analysis in conducting the study of PDAF or Pork Barrel of Congressman Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. and used a combination of purposive random sampling and quota sampling in conducting this study to get the data needed.

The participants of the study were the constituents living near the city and those who live in big barangays of the Lone District of Dasmariñas City. The participants in this study were asked whether the physical projects being constructed in the Lone District of Dasmariñas were useful.

After conducting the study, the researcher found out how much budget was appropriated for the physical development projects of the Lone District of Dasmariñas City for each fiscal year from 2010-2013. In the year 2010, Congressman Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. allocated P40,000,000.00 (forty million pesos) for physical development projects in the Lone District of Dasmariñas City. In the year 2011, Congressman Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. allocated P40,000,000.00 (forty million pesos) for physical development projects of the Lone District of Dasmariñas City.

In the year 2012, Congressman Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. allocated P39, 897,000.00 (thirty nine million, eight hundred ninety seven thousand pesos) to the physical development of the Lone District of Dasmariñas City. And in year 2013, Congressman Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. voluntarily suspended the availment of Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF) effective by August 14, 2013. Before that, Congressman Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. allocated P20,000,000.00 (twenty million pesos) to physical development projects in the Lone District of Dasmariñas City..

The researcher also found out the physical projects being constructed to the Lone District of Dasmarinas City from 2010-2013. Lastly, the researcher found out whether the physical projects being constructed to the Lone District of Dasmarinas City using the Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF) or Pork Barrel Funds deemed useful to the constituents of the 4<sup>th</sup> District.

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**INTRODUCTION**

The Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF) also known as the Pork barrel is a government appropriation, bill, or policy that supplies funds for local improvements designed to ingratiate legislators with their constituents (Thefreedictionary.com, 2010). Pork barrel funds is a practice of the Congress “to divert national funds into their districts whether it be in the form of public works (such as highways or bridges), social services (such as education funds or public school buildings) or special projects (such as livelihood programs or community development projects).” The pork barrel is a public fund intended only for public purposes (UP.edu.ph, 2014).

The PDAF can be a big help for improving the status of a community. Using the pork barrel, the legislator may allocate funds for projects that can help improve not only the physical status of the place but also the social status of their constituents. Example, the pork barrel funds may be used to give medical assistance, scholarship to students, beautify roads and build bridges, build hospitals and classrooms or provide jobs for the people to improve their way of living.