



BUKLOD AS THE MESSENGER

What is the aim of Buklod?

Buklod aims to gain control of the Philippine government, both the Presidency and majority of the two Houses of Congress, if not immediately then eventually.

Why does Buklod want to control the government?

To be able to effectively and successfully pursue and implement its ideology, documented as Buklod Objectives and Beliefs.

Would Buklod accept working with other parties in a coalition?

Yes, provided that there is an upfront enforceable agreement between Buklod and the other parties on how to move the country forward.

Why does Buklod disqualify as members those who have previously been elected/appointed to government positions?

They are already trapped in their current ways and tainted, rightly or wrongly, by the failures of the past. Moreover, the country needs new faces and new thinking.

How will Buklod achieve its goals?

The Party will:

- articulate its ideology
- attract/recruit members who believe in the ideology and will support and help in its successful implementation

Reduce tax rates where possible to generate more economic activities

- Renegotiate but not repudiate foreign national debt
- Carry out population management that is acceptable to the people
- Provide solutions to the NPA/MILF conflicts
- Implement further decentralization to LGUs

Base allocation of national funds on local economic need

Reject federalism, which is not a solution, but a step backward

- Substantially reduce, if not completely eradicate, graft and corruption, especially at high levels of government
- Stop degradation of environment

Stop illegal logging and reforest denuded areas

Clean the waterways and the air

- Adopt a comprehensive land use code that allows for a pleasant living environment for all citizens and promotes efficient utilization of land resources
- Modernize the Armed Forces

Give first priority to: modern/adequate equipment for ground troops deployed to conflict areas, and the needs of the Coast Guard and the Navy

- Make the National Police a much more effective force in preventing and fighting crime

Support and preserve the national character of the police force, which provides check and balance in the use of the force

- Recommend to the people a single language to be used in everyday life and in school to promote greater creativity and spur national progress

Submit recommendation in a referendum

- Raise citizens' awareness regarding their responsibility for their own progress and development

Make them realize the importance of helping themselves

Make them accept their obligation to respect the rights of other citizens

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