



## INTERNEWS IN THE PHILIPPINES

**Internews** is an international nonprofit that supports independent media in more than 100 countries. We train journalists and digital rights activists, tackle disinformation, and offer business expertise to help media outlets thrive financially. For nearly 40 years, we have helped our partners reach millions of people with trustworthy information that saves lives, improves livelihoods, and holds institutions accountable.

In the **Philippines**, we work with partners from media, academia, civil society, and the business community to ensure a healthy information ecosystem, responding to challenges like attacks against media, disinformation, closing civic space, the climate crisis, and public health.

### INITIATIVE FOR MEDIA FREEDOM (IMF) 2019-2024

This five-year USAID-funded IMF supports media capacity and independence to enhance democratic governance. Internews is implementing the IMF in partnership with a consortium of twenty partners. The coalition promotes a free press and journalist safety, fosters efforts to tackle disinformation, and supports media self-regulation.

### PHILIPPINE FACT-CHECKER INCUBATOR (PFCI) 2021-2022

Internews, with support from Facebook, implemented PFCI to incubate new fact-checking organizations ahead of the 2022 Philippine general elections. Selected organizations received training, technical and financial support, and mentorship.

### SIX-TRACK ENGAGEMENT AGAINST DISINFORMATION INITIATIVE (STEAD-i)

STEAD-i implemented a multi-stakeholder approach and mobilized a diverse coalition of Filipino stakeholders from civil society organizations, academia, media, and the creative industry who effectively responded to the information disorder issue.

## MULTI-STAKEHOLDER DIALOGUE ON ELECTORAL DISINFORMATION (MDED) 2021

MDED supported cross-sectoral collaborative work to strengthen the information environment and mitigate the impact of disinformation on the May 2022 elections, using innovative and action-oriented research methods and network-building activities.

## EARTH JOURNALISM NETWORK (EJN)

EJN launched the Philippine Network of Environmental Journalists in 2010 to bolster the capacity of media to cover environmental and natural resource management issues. EJN provides training, webinars, documentary films, podcasts and resources for reporting, story grants, capacity-building, fellowships, and distribution support.

## GREATER INTERNET FREEDOM (GIF)

To advance digital rights and digital safety for civil society and media and to increase citizen engagement in internet governance, GIF worked to improve organizational security, technical support, and incident response, while training experts.

## INDO-PACIFIC MEDIA ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM (IPMAP)

Funded by the United States Department of State, this two-year project will cover countries in the South Asia, Southeast Asia and Pacific regions. IPMAP will contribute to strengthening the capacity of independent media in the Indo-Pacific region to develop their business strategies, enhance their ability to conduct independent journalism and counter disinformation.

## INDO-PACIFIC MEDIA RESILIENCE (IPMR)

To contribute to addressing needs and gaps faced by journalists and local newsrooms, Internews will be implementing activities that will focus on the following themes: media capacity-building, countering disinformation, monitoring disinformation, and media sustainability.

