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Ms. Blesila A. Lantayona started her career in the civil service in NEDA Region XI. She then moved to the DTI, first in various technical positions, then as Provincial Director of DTI Davao Del Sur, and eventually as Assistant Regional Director of DTI Region XI, Davao City. Prior to her appointment as DTI Assistant Secretary, she was the Regional Director of the Department of Trade & Industry, Region 3. She is recently appointed as the Officer-in-Charge of Regional Operations Group (ROG).

She has also worked in 10 provinces in the People's Republic of China including Beijing and Hong Kong as consultant for the 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest French electrical contracting company. Likewise, she was part-time Associate Professor of the Graduate School of Government and Management (MBA Department) at the University of Southeastern Philippines in Davao City and at the Don Honorio Ventura Technical State University in Bacolor, Pampanga.

Undersecretary Lantayona earned her BS Degree in Agriculture major in Economics (cum laude) from Xavier University (Ateneo de Cagayan), Cagayan de Oro City. She also holds an MBA Degree in International Business from Ecole Europeenne des Affaires (European School of Management) in Paris, France.