



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 12 Series of 2022

#### TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON THE ENTRY OF DOMESTIC AND CAPTURED WILD (ORNAMENTAL) BIRDS, LIVE POULTRY, POULTRY PRODUCTS AND BY-PRODUCTS FROM MAINLAND LUZON INTO THE PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY DAYS

**WHEREAS**, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares that “the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them”;

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted those necessary implied therefrom as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

**WHEREAS**, on 22 February 2022 the Department of Agriculture (DA), through the Bureau of Animal Industry – Animal Disease Diagnosis and Reference Laboratory (BAI-ADDRL) has confirmed the detection of Avian Influenza Type A Subtype H5N1 or otherwise known Bird Flu in duck and quail farms in Bulacan and Pampanga;

**WHEREAS**, additional cases of Avian Influenza Type A Subtype H5N1 were confirmed in Laguna and Camarines Sur;

**WHEREAS**, Avian Influenza or Bird Flu is a highly contagious viral disease affecting all birds and Subtype H5N1 can cause fatal disease in humans;

**WHEREAS**, the DA issued Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 5 series of 2022 “Guidelines on the Local Movement of Domestic and Wild Birds and Poultry products and by-products during the Avian Influenza Surveillance Period” and MC No. 6 series of 2022 “Guidelines on Movement of Domestic and Captured Wild (Ornamental) Birds and Poultry Products & By-products During the Avian Influenza Outbreak” to instruct producers, implementers and stakeholders on the movement of poultry, and its suspension for thirty (30) days;

**WHEREAS**, due to the insidious nature of the disease and its ability to enter our food chain and local poultry flocks through cross contamination that could jeopardize our livelihood and food security, there is a need to invoke the general welfare clause under Section 16 of Republic Act 7160 the Local Government Code to implement preventive measures against Bird Flu;

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order 56 series of 2020, an EO governing the transport of meat, meat products and poultry products to the Province of Oriental Mindoro, Apparent and Non-apparent transporters of meat, meat products and poultry products, either hand-carried or in vehicles, must present to the inspection team for validation and verification. Shipments that do not have the necessary permits shall be asked to return to point of origin or face penalties under Provincial Ordinance 118-2020 and other applicable issuances.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, HUMERLITO A. DOLOR, MPA, Ph. D.**, Governor of Oriental Mindoro, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

#### SECTION 1. TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF ENTRY.

- A. Live Birds (poultry and non-poultry)
  - a. The entry of Live Birds (poultry and non-poultry) including day-old chicks, day-old pullets, hatching eggs, ready to lay pullets, ducks and quails coming from mainland Luzon to the Province of Oriental Mindoro is temporary suspended for thirty (30) days;

- b. The entry of Pigeons coming from the mainland Luzon and going out of Oriental Mindoro to mainland Luzon for racing, flying, training, breeding, and other related activities are also suspended for thirty (30) days;
  - c. The entry of gamefowls from mainland Luzon and going out of Oriental Mindoro for purposes cockfighting, training, breeding and other related activities are also suspended for thirty (30) days; and
  - d. The entry of live ducks from mainland Luzon and going out of Oriental Mindoro for purposes of of grazing (*pastol*) are also suspended for thirty (30) days.
- B. Eggs (table eggs, quail eggs, embryonate eggs/balut)  
The entry of table eggs, embryonated eggs (balut), quail eggs, and salted eggs coming from mainland Luzon to the Province of Oriental Mindoro is temporary suspended for thirty (30) days.
- C. Poultry Meat  
The entry of poultry meat and processed poultry meat in the Province of Oriental Mindoro is temporary suspended for thirty (30) days.
- D. Poultry By-products  
The movement of poultry dung/manure shall not be allowed.

The entry of the abovementioned shall be temporarily prohibited for thirty (30) days effective immediately from the issuance of this policy.

**SECTION 2. RESTRICTIONS ON THE ENTRY.** The domestic and captured wild (ornamental) birds, live poultry, poultry products and by-products from mainland Luzon shall be allowed into the province *provided* that the shipment possesses any of the following:

- A. Meat Inspection Certificate (MIC) for domestic products or Certificate of Meat Inspection (COMI) for imported poultry products;
- B. Transported in carriers accredited with the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS); and
- C. Certificate of Product Registration (CPR) issued by the Food and Drug Authority for processed meat products.

**SECTION 3. PREVENTION, INFORMATION, EDUCATION, AND COMMUNICATION (IEC), AND DISEASE SURVEILLANCE.** All Local Chief Executives are directed to convene their respective Avian Influenza Task Force to strengthen preventive and early detection measures and formulate the required contingency plans. Widest dissemination of this Executive Order and information on related to Bird Flu Type H5N1 must be undertaken to protect our poultry industry, food security, and public health.

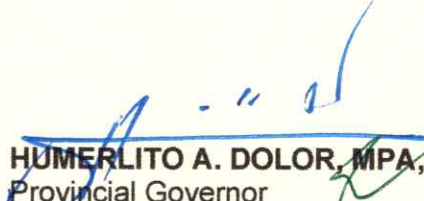
Poultry raisers and barangay officials must report cases of high poultry mortality in their respective barangays to their respective local government units.

Persons engaged in online selling of poultry products must be identified if they possess required permission to operate from appropriate government agencies.

**SECTION 4. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All other executive orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked, amended, or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

**DONE IN THE CITY OF CALAPAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO,** this 24th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

  
**HUMERLITO A. DOLOR, MPA, Ph. D.**  
 Provincial Governor