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AN EXECUTIVE ORDER ESTABLISHING THE PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES EXTENSION CENTER (PAFEC) IN THE PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO AND ITS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8435 "Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Act of 1997 (AFMA)" as amended by Republic Act No. 9281 empowers the agriculture and fisheries sector in accordance with the principles of poverty alleviation and social equity, food security, rational use of resources, global competitiveness, sustainable development, people empowerment, and protection from unfair competition;

WHEREAS, the agricultural and fisheries extension (AFE) serves a major instrument in agriculture modernization and in pursuing the full devolution of AFE services to Local Government Units (LGUs) for implementing agriculture and fisheries programs and related support services at the local level;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro (PGOM) aspires to further elevate and sustain itself as a food secure and self-sufficient province with shared leadership and management, stronger resiliency and adaptive capacity in agriculture and fisheries through the vigorous management of AFE services to be fully devolved in the province;

WHEREAS, the PGOM entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Agriculture and other organizations on 24 September 2021 to establish the Province-led Agriculture and Fisheries Extension System (PAFES) and the management of the Oriental Mindoro PAFEC in close collaboration with various public, private, and civil society organizations;

WHEREAS, to ensure smooth implementation of all AFE programs whether funded by the LGUs, the national government, private agencies/entities, and/or foreign donors, there is an imperative to establish a single entity to serve as the team to plan and implement AFE programs;

NOW THEREFORE, I, HUMERLITO A. DOLOR, MPA, PH.D. by virtue of the power vested in me as Provincial Governor by Section 465 (b) (2) (iii), Article One, Chapter 3, Title IV, Book III of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, do hereby promulgate this Executive Order, as follows:

SECTION 1. Establishment of the Oriental Mindoro PAFEC. The PAFEC, as the operational arm of the PAFES is hereby established in the Province of Oriental Mindoro.

SECTION 2. PAFEC's Functions. The PAFEC shall serve the following functions:

- A. Venue for the development and implementation of a Collaborative Provincial Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Program (CPAFEP) under the guide of the Provincial Commodity Investment Plan (PCIP) and Value Chain Analysis (VCA) of priority commodities.
- B. Integration if the province-led CPAFEP with the Comprehensive Provincial Development Plan (CPDP).
- C. Coordination with the operations of Municipality/City LGUs and mobilize technical support of subject matter specialists from the State Universities/Colleges, private sectors, and civil society partners in implementing the province-led CPAFEP.

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- D. Establishment of viable agro-enterprises and setting up corresponding technology adaptations/demonstration farms, capacity building, conduct of field days and other related activities in collaboration with partner agencies of the PGOM.
- E. Linkaging of farmers and fisherfolks to the markets and providing custom services in the whole agriculture and fisheries value chain.
- F. Submission of reportorial requirements to the Management Committee on the progress and achievements of the Center, as well as the introduction concrete plans to improve policies of the PAFEC.
- G. The PAFEC shall be headed by a CENTER DIRECTOR appointed by the Provincial Governor from among the Provincial Agriculturists (PAGO), Provincial Veterinarian (ProVet), and Provincial Fishery Officer (PFO) with the concurrence of the PAFEC ManCom. The said appointment shall likewise be subject to the qualification standards, laws, rules, and regulations of the Civil Service Commission and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM). The PAFEC ManCom is likewise tasked to create the Community Agriculture and Fisheries Management Teams for Crops, Livestock, Fisheries, Agribusiness, Extension-communication, Community Organizing, and Agri-Infrastructure which shall be designated to act as point-persons of the general public with regard to specific concerns.
- H. The PAFEC ManCom shall likewise select the representatives from the private sector, and rural-based organizations.
- I. Municipal agricultural extension workers (AEWs) shall be technically supervised by the PAFEC and backstopped by the multi-disciplinary Community Agriculture and Fisheries Management Teams (i.e., crops, livestock, fisheries, agribusiness, extension communication, community organizing, agri-infrastructure) detailed from partner agencies of PAFES.
- J. Frontline services shall be led by Municipal/City Agriculturists (M/CAs) with their corresponding AEWs who shall be technically supervised by the Center Director in implementing the Province-led Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Program. The MAs and AEWs shall remain under the administrative supervision of the Municipal/City Mayors. Administrative support and project monitoring shall be provided by the Provincial Agriculturist's Office.

SECTION 3. PAFEC's Programs. The Center shall develop and pursue the following flagship programs in collaboration with partners of PAFES under the following principles:

- A. Agro-Enterprise Development Establishing enterprises to enhance rural livelihoods based on the value chains of priority commodities of the Provincial Commodity Investment Plan.
- B. Location-Specific Technology Development and Demonstration Testing, adaptation, and on-farm/on-coast demonstration of new, improved, and climate resilient agriculture and fisheries technologies in strategic locations of the Province in collaboration with the private sector, farmers, and fisherfolks.
- C. Capacity Building Massive training of LGU agricultural extension workers, farmers, fisherfolks, rural women and the youth on agro-enterprise development and improved agriculture and fisheries production, processing and marketing technologies.
- D. Information/Knowledge Sharing Timely provision of technical, market, and weather advisory through personal and electronic means such as: mass media, mobile phones, and computer based systems/channels.
- E. Institutional Strengthening Enhancing capacities of City/Municipal LGUs in planning and managing agricultural extensions; providing complementary incentives and benefits of Agricultural Extension Workers; upgrading and establishment of LGU physical facilities; acquisition of equipment; and transport for AFE.

SECTION 4. Organization of the PAFEC's Management Committee (PAFEC ManCom). The PAFEC ManCom is hereby organized which shall be composed of the following members:

CHAIRPERSON

GOVERNOR HUMERLITO A. DOLOR, MPA, Ph.D.

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MR. ANTONIO G. GERUNDIO, CESO III, DPA

Regional Executive Director, Department of Agriculture,

Regional Field Office - MIMAROPA

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Regional Director, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic

Resources - MIMAROPA

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BM C. VOLTAIRE S. BRUCAL

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Food, Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources, and Agrarian

Reform

BM EDILBERTO C. ILANO, JR

Sangguniang Panlalawigan Committee on Education, Technical and Vocational Skills Development, Science and Technology, History, Culture and Arts, and Values

Formation

BM MICHAEL ANTHONY PHILIPPE L. LEACHON

Sangguniang Panlalawigan Committee on Cooperatives Development, Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) and People's Organizations (POs), and People's Participation

and Empowerment

EnP LYDIA MUÑECA S. MELGAR

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DR. GRIMALDO C. CATAPANG, DVM

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Provincial Director, DILG-MIMAROPA, Oriental Mindoro

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Mindoro State University

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MR. ISRAFEL L. MANGUI

Acting Provincial Director, Technical Education and Skills Development Authority, Provincial Office Oriental Mindoro

MR. JESSE M. PINE

Provincial Science and Technology Director, Department of Science and Technology PSTC-Oriental Mindoro

MR. REYNANTE S. LUNA

Provincial Officer for Oriental Mindoro. National Commission on Indigenous Peoples

PAT ANDREW B. BARRIENTOS, M.M., J.D.

Training Center Superintendent, Agricultural Training Institute (ATI-MIMAROPA)

ENGR. WILLIAM P. RAGODON

Regional Manager, National Irrigation Administration -**MIMAROPA**

MR. PETRONILO L. DIMAILIG

Chairperson, Provincial Agriculture and Fisheries Council (PAFC)

MR. LYNDON DIZON

Chairperson, Fisheries and Aquatic Resource Management Council (FARMC)

MR. PATRICIO M. LABENEZ, JR.

Chairperson, Federation of National Irrigators Association (FNIA-Oriental Mindoro)

ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR

ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE FROM RURAL-BASED **ORGANIZATIONS**

SECRETARIAT

EnP CHRISTINE M. PINE

Provincial Agriculturist

MEMBER

MR. JOHN MARK E. MALAZA

Agricultural Technologist

SECTION 5. Duties and Responsibilities of the Management Committee. The PAFEC ManCom shall exercise the following duties and responsibilities:

- A. Set the strategic direction and agenda of PAFES for the Province; consistent with national and regional agriculture development plans.
- B. Promulgate PAFES policies for the Center's implementation.
- C. Approve the Province-led Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Program and the corresponding annual budget of PAFEC which shall be endorsed to the Secretary of Agriculture for co-financing.
- D. Appoint/detail human resources and provide oversight to the programs and operations of PAFEC.
- E. Meet every quarter to monitor the progress of implementing the Province led agriculture and fisheries extension program.
- F. Submit annual reports to DA-MIMAROPA and the Commission on Audit concerning the plans, programs, and activities of the PAFEC.

SECTION 6. Terms and Reference of the Center Director. The Center Director shall perform the following functions:

- A. Lead the development and implementation of the Province-led agriculture and fisheries extension program.
- B. Formulate the annual work and financial plan of the Center for the PAFEC ManCom's approval.
- C. Supervise the operations of Municipal/City LGU extensionists, and coordinate technical support subject matter specialists from PAFES partners.
- D. Prepare and submit quarterly reports to the Management Committee on the progress and achievements of the Center.
- E. Provide administrative and secretarial support to the Management Committee.

SECTION 7. Duties and Functions of the Community Agriculture and Fisheries Management Teams (I.E., Crops, Livestock, Fisheries, Agribusiness, Extensioncommunication, Community Organizing, Agri-Infrastructure). The Community Agriculture and Fisheries Management Teams shall exercise the following duties and functions:

- A. Assist the Center in developing the Province-led agriculture and fisheries extension program.
- B. Assist the Center in establishing and nurturing agro-based enterprises in the Province.
- C. Serve as multi-disciplinary resource persons to the capacity building programs of the Center.
- D. Serve as roving teams of advisors in providing technical support and advisory services to Municipal/City AEWs in the Province.
- E. Link PAFES with resource/technology providers within and outside the Province.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid for any reason, the parts not affected shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. Repealing Clause. All other issuances inconsistent with this Executive Order are deemed repealed and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

DONE IN THE CITY OF CALAPAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO, this 22nd day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty Two.

HUMERLITO A. DOLOR, MPA, PH.D.

Provincial Governor