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SUBJECT : INCLUSION OF SOYBEAN AND SORGHUM UNDER THE NATIONAL CORN PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture (DA) is mandated to develop the agriculture and fisheries sectors in the country through the provision of appropriate support services, which include human resource development, technology development, and dissemination of production technologies that will boost farm productivity, profitability, and resource sustainability;

WHEREAS, the DA is mandated to support the production of agricultural crops for food, feeds, and industrial uses;

WHEREAS, soybean and sorghum are good sources of protein and carbohydrates, respectively. The said commodities are processed into value-added food products and used as ingredients in animal feeds, and are well adapted under the Philippine condition;

WHEREAS, grain sorghum is being produced in the country for food and feeds while sweet sorghum is processed into silage and other value-added products such as vinegar, flour, syrup, and juice;


WHEREAS, soybean is being produced in the country mainly for food processing (taho, tokwa, soymilk) and can be utilized as ingredients for animal feeds;

WHEREAS, increasing local production and improving quality of soybean and sorghum will contribute to the increase in income of farmers thru value-adding. In addition, it will contribute in the growth of the poultry and livestock sector by ensuring a stable supply of locally produced quality feed ingredients;

NOW THEREFORE, in view on the importance of soybean and sorghum in the production of food and animal feeds, the National Corn Program (NCP) is mandated to prepare and implement the industry plans of the abovementioned commodities.

This Memorandum Order takes effect immediately upon approval.

Done this 10th day of February 2021


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