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**SPECIAL ORDER**

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**SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND ATTEND THE ANNUAL CLUSTER AND NATIONWIDE ASSESSMENTS OF, AND WORKSHOPS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND (ACEF) PROGRAMS FOR CY 2018 - 2021**

In the interest of service, the Office of the Undersecretary for High Value Crops and Rural Credit (HVCRC), in coordination with the Agricultural Competitiveness Enhancement Fund – Program Management Office (ACEF-PMO) and the Agricultural Credit Policy Council (ACPC), shall conduct the Annual Cluster and Nationwide Assessments of, and Workshops for the implementation of the ACEF for CY 2018 – 2021.

The activities are as follows:

- a. Assessment and evaluation of ACEF Programs implementation under Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10848 for the last three years;
- b. Discussion on the implementation of ACEF Programs as follows:
  1. Credit Program – implementation issues and concerns encountered by the field units of the Department of Agriculture, including the Loan Facilitation Team (LoFT), and formulate recommendations to address such issues ;
  2. Research and Development (R&D) – assessment of impact and benefits gained by State Universities and Colleges on their ACEF funded R&D projects; and
  3. Grant-in-Aid (Scholarship) – implementation issues and concerns encountered, and to determine the impact or outcome of the program considering R.A. No. 10931 or the “Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act”;
- c. Formulation of enhanced guidelines on program evaluation and monitoring system; and
- d. Consolidation of inputs and outputs.

The following are hereby authorized to attend and participate in the above mentioned activities:

Particulars	Luzon A Cluster (CAR, Region I – III)	Luzon B Cluster (Region IV-A, IV-B, V)	Visayas Cluster (Region VI – VIII)	Mindanao Cluster (Region IX – BARMM)	Nationwide
<b>Date of Activity</b>	November 22-24, 2021	December 1-2, 2021	December 6-7, 2021	December 8-10, 2021	January 26-28, 2022
<b>Region/Province (Tentative)</b>	CAR Baguio City	Region IV-A Tagaytay City	Region VII Cebu	Region XI Davao City	Region III Pampanga
<b>Participants</b> ACEF EXECOM Members	2	2	2	2	5

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