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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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SPECIAL ORDER

NO. 648

Series of 2022

SUBJECT : AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT THE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (BDS) OF THE YOUNG FARMERS CHALLENGE (YFC) PROGRAM

In the interest of service and pursuant to Memorandum Circular No. 11, Series of 2022 or the Implementing Guidelines for the FY 2022 Young Farmers Challenge Program, the Department of Agriculture–Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service (DA-AMAS) is hereby authorized to conduct different business development services (BDS) for the beneficiaries of the Young Farmers Challenge program for the months of October to December 2022.

With this, the YFC program will institutionalize the conduct of the following BDS activities:

- a. Regular participation of YFC awardees to the following:
 - i. Kadiwa Activities; and
 - ii. Participation to Trade Events
- b. Training and Mentoring Programs;
- c. Enterprise Monitoring and Assessment; and
- d. YFC Promotional Activities

The provision of BDS aims to further assist the enterprise implementation of the YFC awardees. Specifically, it intends to:

- a. Assess the enterprise implementation of the awardees, and determine the appropriate assistance they need to level up their enterprises;
- b. Enhance the entrepreneurial skills of the YFC awardees;
- c. Assist in the promotion of the YFC products;
- d. Expand the market for the products of the YFC awardees;
- e. Link the YFC awardees and the YFCI to government and private institutions for possible collaboration; and
- f. Feature the YFC program, its awardees, and their products to encourage other youths to engage in agriculture.

Relative to this, all expenses to be incurred in the conduct of the YFC-BDS activities shall be charged against the Young Farmers Challenge Fund under the FY 2022 General Appropriations Act (RA 11639) subject to the availability of funds, and the existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall be considered revoked upon completion of the activities. All orders and memoranda inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 9th day of September, 2022.

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 Senior Undersecretary

