



**SPECIAL ORDER**

No. 693

Series of 2022

**SUBJECT : CREATION OF COMMITTEE ON DEVOLUTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

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In pursuant to Executive Order No. 138, Series of 2021, "Full Devolution of Certain Functions of the Executive Branch to Local Governments, Creation of a Committee on Devolution, and for Other Purposes" issued on June 1, 2021, the Department of Agriculture Committee on Devolution is hereby created and shall be composed of the following:

**CHAIRPERSON : UNDERSECRETARY FOR POLICY AND PLANNING**

**CO-CHAIRPERSON : UNDERSECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR OPERATIONS**

**MEMBERS : ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR POLICY AND PLANNING  
DIRECTOR FOR FIELD OPERATIONS SERVICE  
DIRECTOR FOR POLICY AND PLANNING SERVICE  
DIRECTOR FOR LEGAL SERVICE  
DIRECTOR FOR HIGH VALUE CROPS**

**Secretariat : STAFF OF PLANNING AND MONITORING SERVICE (PMS)  
AND POLICY RESEARCH SERVICE (PRS)**

The functions, duties and responsibilities of the above Committee are the following:

1. Prepare Devolution Transition Plan (DTP) in conformity with the joint guidelines of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG). The DTP shall cover all the DA offices, bureaus, attached agencies and GOCC under the control or supervision of the DA. It must contain the following, among others:
  - DA functions, services, and facilities to be devolved to the Local Government Units (LGUs) by level of LGU (provincial or municipal) based on RA 7160 and other relevant laws;
  - Strategies, phasing of devolution to the LGUs, and timeline;
  - Standards for the delivery of devolved services;

- Strategies for the capacity development of the LGUs; and
  - Framework for the monitoring and performance assessment of the LGUs.
2. Consult, collaborate with the DILG, NEDA, DOF, CSC and DAP and other resource institutions for technical assistance in the preparation of the DTP;
  3. Perform other tasks as may be needed and as instructed by the Secretary.

All expenses that may be incurred in the performance of their functions, duties and responsibilities in view of their designations shall be chargeable against OSEC funds, subject to existing government accounting and auditing rules and procedures.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain enforced unless revoked in writing. All orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 16th day of September 2022.

  
**DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN**  
Senior Undersecretary



