



Memorandum Order

No: 66
Series of 2022

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 43 SERIES OF 2021 ENTITLED “GUIDELINES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT FOR FOOD SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT (AEDFSP) AND ESTABLISHMENT OF TRADING POST FOR THE PROVINCE OF BOHOL”

The Memorandum Order (MO) No. 43, Series of 2021 is hereby amended (Section 4 and Section 5, Item 5.1, Item 5.2), to read as follows:

Section 4. Scope and Coverage

These guidelines cover the provision of financial grants for enterprise development of the following: (a) FCAs and (b) Local Government Units (LGUs) on production, aggregation, processing, packaging, product development, transport/logistics and marketing and promotion / distribution of agricultural and fishery products for the Province Bohol.

Local Government Units (LGUs) may serve as partner conduits and as such, may receive financial grants for release to qualified Farmers and Fisherfolk Cooperatives and Associations (FCAs) and Community-based Organizations (CBOs) in their area of jurisdiction.

This will cover further the establishment of agricultural trading posts in the six (6) municipalities of Bohol.

Section 5. Eligibility Criteria and Documentary Requirements

The eligible activities that can be financed under AEDFSP are the following: procurement of production inputs, machineries and equipment, production and processing facilities, product development, transport/logistics, marketing of agribusiness enterprises, and other related expenses.

5.1 Eligible Local Government Units (LGUs) and Farmers/Fisherfolk Cooperatives and Associations (FCAs)

5.1.1 Eligibility for Local Government Units (LGUs)

- a. LGU applicants must have no unliquidated funds from the source agency (Department of Agriculture Central Office or DA RFO);
- b. Authorization by the *Local Sanggunian for the Local Chief Executive to enter into MOA*

5.1.2 Eligibility for Farmers and Fisherfolk Cooperatives and Associations (FCAs)

- a. Must have a juridical personality (registered with CDA, SEC, DOLE-BRW);
- b. Must have audited financial reports for at least three years with proven experience in fund management (if less than three years it can still be eligible but

- must have proof that it had implemented similar activity as evidenced by accomplishment report or any equivalent proof certified by its president and secretary in addition to its financial reports in the years it has been in operation);
- c. Must be an Accredited Civil Society Organization (CSO) as per DA administrative Order No. 13, s, 2021 dated March 15, 2021 re: guidelines for the accreditation of Civil Society Organizations to eligible Farmers and Fisherfolk;
 - d. Must be FFEDIS and/or FishR registered;
 - e. Must have core management team to implement the project;
 - f. Must be in good standing with government agencies from which it has received public funds (either grant or loan) and not in default in liquidating any public funds.
 - g. Must have proven track records in implementing proposed project which shall be scaled up by this project; and
 - h. The FCA must not have any Director, Trustee, Officer or key personnel related within the fourth civil degree of consanguinity or affinity to any official involved in the processing and evaluation of the grant application or any official of the government agency or office handling or implementing the project to be implemented by the FCA. Relationships of this nature shall automatically disqualify the FCA of the grant assistance.

5.2 Documentary Requirements for AEDFSP

The applicant must submit (a) project proposal and (b) documents required under existing COA Rules and Regulations.

The Project Proposal must contain the following information:

- Nature of the project
- Objectives of the project (describing the value adding activities and income objectives)
- Direct beneficiaries
- Business operations plan (management, systems, etc.)
- Financial feasibility/projections of the project (Cash Flow, Projected Income Statement), if applicable

All other provisions in the above mentioned MO remain the same.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All orders and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 17th of October 2022 in Quezon City, Philippines.

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