



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Elliptical Road, Diliman
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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 762

Series of 2022

SUBJECT: CREATION AND COMPOSITION OF THE OFFICE HAZARD ALLOWANCE COMMITTEE (OHAC) FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – FOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER PURSUANT TO ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 09 s. of 2022 FOR CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8439 AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11312

In the exigency of the service and to facilitate the implementation of the granting of benefits under R.A. No. 8439 otherwise known as Magna Carta for Scientists, Engineers, Researchers, and Other S&T Personnel in the Government, as amended by R.A. No. 11312 and pursuant to Administrative Order No. 09, series of 2022, dated April 11, 2022, the Department of Agriculture – Food Development Center (DA-FDC) Office Hazard Allowance Committee (OHAC) is hereby created and composed as follows:

Chairperson : **MARIO G. ANDRADA, Ph.D., Agriculturist**
Chief Science Research Specialist
Quality Evaluation Division

Members : **ATTY. LORNA A. TUNGPALAN-LUGOD, LLM and/or**
Authorized Representative
OIC Chief – DA Personnel Division

SUSAN L. DEL ROSARIO and/or Authorized Rep.
DAEA Rank & File Employee Representative

The DA-FDC Office Hazard Allowance Committee shall ensure that the DA-FDC qualified S&T personnel are contributing to the goals of the Department of Agriculture, i.e., for the direct benefit of the Filipino farmers/fisher folks through improvement of productivity, increase in income, and enhance competitiveness. Further, the DA-FDC OHAC shall be expected to faithfully adhere in the processing procedures set in the guidelines by the DA-Hazard Allowance Committee (DA-HAC). This shall serve as additional compensation to S&T personnel for performing hazardous tasks and for enduring physical hardships in the course of performance of duties as basis for the entitlement to benefits in accordance with R.A. No. 8439 as amended by R.A. No. 11312.


The DA-FDC OHAC shall perform the following functions:

1. Initial screening and evaluation of the applicants within the unit of the office;
2. Determine the extent of risk to hazards of each applicant as specified in item II.B of A.O. No. 09 s. 202;
3. Prepare report and recommendation with supporting documents for approval and signature by the Head of Office; and
4. Facilitate endorsement of the signed OHAC report to the DA-Hazard Allowance Committee (DA-HAC).

All expenses to be incurred in relation to the performance of the DA-FDC OHAC shall be chargeable against the DA-FDC funds, subject to the availability and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

Done this 30th day of September 2022.


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